



# Orthodox Christian Church of the Holy Apostles

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## **Newsletter June 2019**

### **PATRONAL FESTIVAL 30 JUNE**

Please join us after the Holy Liturgy to celebrate our church's Patronal Festival. We will be celebrating the Holy Apostles name day with a meal prepared by Sophie George and Biju Ligomel. Tickets will be on sale from this Sunday so please do invite friends and family to join us. Anyone wanting to prepare traditional dishes or desserts are welcome to bring them on the day. Let us celebrate our shared community together.

### **AGM**

We will be having our annual general meeting this Sunday June 23<sup>rd</sup> after the Liturgy. I urge as many people as possible to stay for this and to be part of this.

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

May was an extremely busy month for our church with four baptisms and a wedding.



Congratulations to John on his baptism. He had visitors from as far afield as Canada!



**Congratulations to Andreea and Dawood on the baptism of their son Lukas!**



**Congratulations to Manos and Gemma on the baptism of their son Joshua!**



Congratulations to Manos and Gemma on their wedding. May they have many happy years together!

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Due to holiday and sickness the next Sunday School will be on 7th July and from then on the first Sunday in each month only.

### **VESPERS**

There will be no vespers until further notice.

### **ST JOHN THE BAPTIST SUMMER CONFERENCE**

The Fellowship of St John the Baptist brings together members of the several Orthodox Church Traditions in the British Isles and Ireland. We come together within the Fellowship, and through prayer, discussion and mutual friendship, deepen our commitment to, and understanding of, the Orthodox Christian faith. They are holding their summer conference on 19/21 July in The Hayes Christian Centre, Alfreton, Derbyshire. Pres Rebecca and other members of the community plan to attend. This year the Fellowship is 40 years old and the title of the conference is "40 things you didn't know about orthodoxy". Cost is £210, this includes accommodation and food. If this is of interest, please speak to Pres Rebecca for further details.

### **FOOD BANK**

There is a collection box for the foodbank in the narthex as well as the church hall. Thank you for continuing to support your Local Food Bank. Thank you for continuing to support the Local Food Bank. During February your donations helped us to support an average of 58 households every week by giving out 80 food parcels.

We currently have ample stocks of pasta, baked beans and soup. However, we are short of:

However, we are in need of:

- Curry and Pasta sauce
- Tinned meat and fish
- Packs of mash
- Tinned Puddings
- Cereal and milk

If you can help it will be greatly appreciated.

## **ROOF FUND APPEAL**

We have made a good start to our fundraising with some donations directly to the church. Our current total is **£3500**. Please continue to share our appeal to anyone you feel will support us.

We would love it if you took a moment to check out our GoFundMe campaign:

[https://www.gofundme.com/roof-fund-appeal&rcid=r01-153270114942-8a1d9c932b7f4da4&pc=em\\_co\\_campmgmt\\_w](https://www.gofundme.com/roof-fund-appeal&rcid=r01-153270114942-8a1d9c932b7f4da4&pc=em_co_campmgmt_w)

There is also a basket for donations in the church, remember to gift aid and make your donation go further.

Your support would mean a lot. Thank you so much!

### ***XPOVIA POLLA AND HAPPY NAME DAY TO THOSE CELEBRATING THEIR SAINT'S DAY IN JUNE.***

Anyone who has not given Pres Rebecca their name day details please do so.

16 June	Pentecost St Sophia	Eliza Gaitatzis Sophia Cox
30 June	The Holy Apostles	Apostolos Marvin Koutsoudis

### ***NEW DETAILS?***

Please let me know if you have moved to a new house, have a new telephone number or changed email address. Many thanks. rlhiggs@hotmail.co.uk 07890 208539

### ***MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE UNWELL***

If you or anyone you know from church is unwell, please do let me know so that we can help in whatever way we can. Thank you.

### ***CHURCH HALL***

We are happy to let you know that our church hall is being utilised on a regular basis, but if you know of anyone who is looking for hall space then please speak to a member of the committee. It has also been decided to make the hall available for children's birthday parties, so please spread the word! There will be a leaflet printed shortly which may be used to advertise the hall for the parties. If you would like some then please speak to a member of the committee.

### ***NEWSLETTER INCLUSIONS***

The deadline for any announcements, news, Christian book reviews or articles is the 26<sup>th</sup> of each month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter. If you wish for it to be included for more than one month, then please specify the length of time. All items may be emailed to Nicky at [ntpratsas@yahoo.com](mailto:ntpratsas@yahoo.com).

## Services and Events for June 2019

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Service/Event</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	10:30am	Holy Liturgy 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha
9 <sup>th</sup> June	10:30am	Holy Liturgy. 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha
15 <sup>th</sup> June	10:30am	Holy Liturgy Dalton in Furness
16 <sup>th</sup> June	10:30am	Holy Liturgy 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha. Holy Pentecost
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	10:30am	Holy Liturgy 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday After Pentecost
30 <sup>th</sup> June	10:30pm	Holy Liturgy 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost