

## News from Edinburgh.

(Received mid-August).

**“Dear Fr Nikitas and members of the Community of The Holy Archangel Michael and Holy Piran.**

Talk about things not going smoothly with a move. We had been talking about possibly moving up to Scotland to join living with Deacon Joseph and Deaconess Loukia as we are both getting older and having to cope with health problems. Well all our planning was taken out of our hands when on 21 March I tripped on a paving stone in Falmouth and ended up with a nasty fracture of my one hip and nine weeks in hospital.

Our two daughters took over all the planning and two weeks after leaving hospital in Truro we were on an aeroplane to Edinburgh. We had been here two weeks when I developed an acute gallbladder infection and the surgeons felt that this should be removed immediately. So more time in hospital and more delays in getting myself ambulant. My legs had lost their strength and I kept falling. I am only just beginning to walk using two walking sticks, before then it was with a walking frame, my long stay in hospital. Loukia had arranged all sorts of things medically for us so immediately we arrived we were linked in with a GP Group. The other health care has been fantastic. I have had a weekly visit from a physiotherapist.

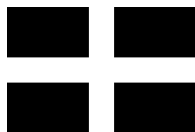
So we rest in God's plans for us. It is going to still be a number of months before I am fully mobile. Asking for your prayers as we in turn continue to pray for you. We had been in the Church since 2010, almost nine years to the day of my fall!

I have linked up with Fr Raphael at St Andrew's Orthodox Church in Edinburgh who I have had contact since about 2000. He helped me in my early Ordination days when I spent a week with him.

Psalms 46:10 Be still and know that I am God...

With our love and prayers  
Fr Raphael and Presbytera Anna.”

**We thank Fr. Raphael for this news.** We all hope that health issues can be soon resolved and that he and Presbytera Anna have a blessed and happy time in Edinburgh with family and the Community at St. Andrew's. We look forward to hearing more news in due course with social media, WhatsApp and so on enabling us to keep in touch.



## THE ORTHODOX CHURCH OF ARCHANGEL MICHAEL AND HOLY PIRAN.

‘Ο Ἱερός Ναός του Ἀρχαγγέλου Μιχαήλ καί του Ἀγίου Πιράνου.  
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## **SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER 2019**

**Services** for September and October are listed inside this leaflet. These can also be found on notice boards at church with printed copies in the narthex.  
**Also see our website:** [www.orthodoxincornwall.org.uk](http://www.orthodoxincornwall.org.uk)



**His Eminence Archbishop Nikitas** was enthroned and installed as Archbishop of Thyateira and Great Britain in the Cathedral of the Holy Wisdom, London, on Saturday July 27<sup>th</sup>. The previous evening he hosted a dinner to meet the Hierarchs and Clergy of our Holy Archdiocese. From the far South West, Fr. Gregory-Palamas and Fr. Nikitas attended both events. For those who may not have seen it the ceremony can be viewed on **youtube: The Enthronement of Archbishop Nikitas.**

### **Η ΦΗΜΗ – ACCLAMATION**

*Nikita, the Most Reverend and God-appointed Archbishop of the Holy Archdiocese of Thyateira and Great Britain, Most Honourable Exarch of Western Europe and Ireland, our spiritual Father and Shepherd: may he have many years.*

Among the Deacons taking part was Adam Thomas Koutroukis. Most will remember him from when he and Athina were working in Cornwall. He was ordained Deacon in London on December 21<sup>st</sup> last year. It was good to meet him and he asked that his affectionate greetings be given to all, with the possibility of their visiting Cornwall during September.

## **SEPTEMBER**

All services noted below.

Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Matthew 11. Church New Year.</b> 9.30 am Orthros. 10.30 am Divine Liturgy. Doxology for beginning of Church New Year. Children "My Orthodox Christian Folder – 2"
Friday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Commemoration of the Miracle of Archangel Michael at Chonai. <b>Patronal.</b> 10.30 am Divine Liturgy.
Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm Preparation prayers.
Sunday	8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Matthew 12. Nativity of the Most Holy Theotokos.</b> 10.30 am. Divine Liturgy – Russian tradition.
Saturday	14 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm Vespers.
Sunday	15 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Matthew 13. After the Exaltation of the Cross. Great Martyr Nikitas.</b> 9.30 am Orthros. 10.30 am Divine Liturgy. Veneration of the Cross.
Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup>	6.30 pm Vespers.
Sunday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Luke 1.</b> 9.30 am Orthros. 10.30 am Divine Liturgy.
Saturday	28 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm Vespers.
Sunday	29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Luke 2.</b> 9.30 am Orthros. 10.30 am Divine Liturgy. Committee meeting.

## **OCTOBER**

All services noted below.

Saturday	5 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm Vespers.
Sunday	6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Luke 3.</b> 9.30 am Orthros. 10.30 am Divine Liturgy. Children "My Orthodox Christian Folder – 2"
Saturday	12 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm Preparation prayers.
Sunday	11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Luke 4.</b> 10.30 am Divine Liturgy – Russian tradition.
Saturday	19 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm Vespers.
Sunday	20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Luke 6.</b> 9.30 am Orthros. 10.30 am Divine Liturgy.
Saturday	26 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm Vespers. Clocks go BACK one hour tonight to GMT.
Sunday	27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Luke 7.</b> 9.30 am Orthros. 10.30 am Divine Liturgy.



**CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY YEARS** to His Grace Bishop Chrysostomos of Kyanea who, on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, the Holy Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate elevated to **Metropolitan of Helioupolis and Thira**. Bishop Chrysostomos was born on the island of Naxos in 1927. Having first completed a degree in Law, he graduated from the School of Theology of the University of Athens in 1952. Ordained to the diaconate in 1952, the priesthood in 1954, on December 19<sup>th</sup> 1970, he was consecrated Bishop of Kyanea and has been based at the Cathedral of St. Andrew the Apostle, Kentish Town, London.

**HELLO AND FAREWELL.** We have always been used to visitors coming to our church whilst perhaps on holiday, this year being no exception. It is also the case that from time to time we lose some who have become very much part of our Community. At the end of August we said a fond farewell to Yamile, Maximilianos and Amelie who return on September 1<sup>st</sup> via Spain to their home in Argentina. Although we have other "little ones" Amelie has hardly missed a Sunday or other services and we shall certainly miss her, Yami and Maxi. Nevertheless, our Orthodoxy keeps us one with them even though so far away.

**THANK YOU** to all who helped make the lunch at Mabe on Sunday July 28<sup>th</sup> so enjoyable. Family and friends were with us at Divine Liturgy with a number more joining us at the lunch (once again – well done to those who baked, prepared, served and cleared). My 80th celebration on the day was also enjoyable. Cards, gifts and the lunch were all prepared with varying degrees of secrecy! Gifts from Community contributions were a new rasso (cassock) from Greece, a nautical barometer and matching chronometer and a suitcase. These and all other individual gifts and cards are much appreciated. On August 10<sup>th</sup>, During my usual second weekend in Plymouth, I received a very generous gift from the Community of St.Demetrios and St.Nikitas where I was ordained Deacon and Priest and where kindness to both me and Presbyter Mary has been shown over the years.

With grateful thanks and love in Christ our True God.  
Fr. Nikitas.

## **FROM THE ORTHROS HYMNS FOR THE NEW YEAR – SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>:**

O Christ our God, your Kingdom is the kingdom of all ages. Your dominion endures through all generations, for you have fashioned everything in wisdom and established the times and seasons for us. We give thanks for all things and cry out to you, "Bless the crown of the year with your goodness" and allow us to cry out to you without condemnation, "Glory to you, O Lord!"