

EPISCOPAL VICARIATE: ELECTION TO THE CLERGY-LAITY ASSEMBLY 2007

VOTING DAYS 28th OCTOBER AND 4th NOVEMBER

ON THE BALLOT PAPER put a cross X beside the name of each person for whom you wish to vote. As there are 15 vacancies, you may vote for up to 15 candidates. IF YOU VOTE FOR MORE THAN 15, YOUR BALLOT PAPER WILL BE CONSIDERED SPOILED AND IT WILL NOT BE COUNTED. No one may hold more than one proxy.

The 33 candidates for the 15 vacancies are:

SERAPHIM ALTON HONEYWELL (OXFORD) Proposer: Meridel Holland. Seconder: Nicholas Tuckett

Seraphim Alton Honeywell is a Reader and the Warden of the Parish of the Annunciation in Oxford, and has served as Treasurer of the provisional Vicariate Council since February 2007. He had been a member of the former Sourozh Diocesan Assembly for almost twenty years. In addition, Seraphim is a Trustee and Secretary of the Metropolitan Anthony of Sourozh Foundation. In his professional life he is a tax and trusts lawyer, and was recently appointed as a Notary. He lives in the countryside in South Northamptonshire.

BARBARA BATES (NOTTINGHAM) Proposer: Monica Brameld. Seconder: Katharine Greer

Received in 1998, I was the Nottingham parish's first treasurer. I am on the parish council and in the choir. I was a founding trustee, as was my husband Dominic. I run the parish website, and assist our newsletter editor. I am 52 years old, and work full-time for Nottinghamshire County Council as an assessor and verifier, mainly for the health and social care NVQs. Although no longer in practice, I am a qualified nurse (SRN). I was present at the establishment of the Vicariate, and I will do all I can to further its continuing life in Christ.

ANGELIKA BAXTER (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Pamela Grealy. Seconder: Gillian Crow

Having attended the Cathedral since 1975, Angelika was received by Metropolitan Anthony in 1979, when she also joined the choir. She began to serve on the Diocesan Assembly in the mid-1990s, and is currently Acting Parish Secretary for the Parish of the Dormition (EP), London. Past involvements have included on-site management of the Diocesan Conference in Oxford (1999–2004) and the position of Lead Signatory for the Diocese vis-à-vis the Criminal Records Bureau (2004–2006). Angelika works as a teacher supporting bilingual students in a large state secondary school.

MONICA BRAMELD (NOTTINGHAM) Proposer: Mary Cunningham Corran. Seconder: Steven Lowe

In 1966 I married Fr. Peter Brameld, an Anglican priest, and have two children and two grandchildren. I worked as a Medical Social Worker, but gave this up to help my husband in the parish, including running the Mothers' Union, on a deanery and local basis, the Sunday School, giving talks, organising fund-raising events and helping people with their problems. We became Orthodox in 1995, since when I have been Choir Director, on the parish council and a Trustee. I have worked in 5 parishes in Nottinghamshire and Wiltshire and was one of the founding members of the Nottingham parish.

FIONA BRODIE (OXFORD) Proposer: Jessica Rose. Seconder: Olga Pattison

I discovered Orthodoxy in 1969 while studying at the Royal College of Music. The Cathedral at Ennismore Gardens was nearby and there I met Bishop Anthony and sang in Father Michael Fortounatto's Choir. After moving to Lancashire to marry, I was received by Metropolitan Anthony in 1974. Father Michael visited our tiny Community of St. Xenia in Liverpool, Formby and Lancaster.

During the 1990's, Father Alexander Fostiropoulos and then Father Alexander Williams celebrated Liturgies at our house in Cumbria. I have three adult children and live near Oxford, working in music and at a Montessori nursery.

KELSEY CHESHIRE (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Mariamna Woods: Seconder: Karin Greenhead

Kelsey trained as a concert pianist and read philosophy at University. She was baptised at the London Cathedral in 1982, and has been an active member of the London Parish. She served for many years as Minuting Secretary of the Diocesan Assembly and Diocesan Council. From 1995-1997 she ran the Diocesan Conference, then continued to serve it as a member – and in recent years as secretary – of the Conference's Programme Committee. She has been exploring ways of bringing together the needs of the Church and the gifts of the people, to deepen people's participation in the life of the church.

JANE MOURA COLLINGRIDGE (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Michelle Mapp. Seconder: Xenia Bowlby

Jane's English father and Russian mother were married at St Phillip's, Buckingham Palace Road, when the church was under the Ecumenical Patriarchate. Jane herself was in the choir when the Cathedral (at Ennismore Gardens) was consecrated in 1956. Later on, when she became a mother, Jane began to help with other aspects of church life, including children's camps, Saturday School, church cleaning and teas. Jane was a member of both the Parish Council and the Diocesan Assembly for several years. She is currently in charge of teas/refreshments at St Andrew's Holborn.

GILLIAN CROW (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Kelsey Cheshire. Seconder: Angelika Baxter
Received into the London Cathedral parish in 1983, Gillian served the Diocese of Sourozh for many years as Diocesan Secretary and is now Acting Secretary of the Vicariate. She was also a member of the Cathedral Parish Council and is a member of the Conference Programme Committee. She is an Orthodox writer and Metropolitan Anthony's biographer. Her latest book will be published in January 2008 and she is currently editing an anthology of Metropolitan Anthony's writings. She read Latin at university, and is married with three adult children and five grandchildren. She sees our new situation as an exciting challenge.

NATALIA CUDDY (LONDON CLAPHAM) Proposer: Karin Greenhead. Seconder: Alexei Nikitin
Born and raised in Leningrad, Natalia joined the Diocese of Sourozh after moving to London in 1991. From 1997 to 2002 her work as a senior official of the European Training Foundation took her to Turin, where she undertook charitable work with refugee parishioners. Formerly a conscientious and efficient Cathedral Newsletter Secretary. A modest, intelligent and capable person who, despite the demands of career and family life, has shown herself willing and able to work for the good of our community. Her experience of Orthodox church life in different cultural contexts could make a positive contribution in the Vicariate Assembly.

TAMARA DRAGADZE (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Nikolai Matveyev. Seconder: Jane Collingridge

Born into an Orthodox Christian family in Oswestry, on the Welsh Border, I was five when I saw Father Anthony Bloom, newly arrived in Britain. In my late teens he became, till his death, my spiritual father, my having returned from years in France and Morocco. I have sung in our church choirs from age fifteen, obtained my doctorate in Anthropology from Oxford University, have over fifty publications, decades of research in Russia, the Caucasus and Central Asia, and would bring to the Vicariate the benefit of knowing seven languages and my experience of inter-faith work, mediation and conflict resolution.

KARIN GREENHEAD (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Carol Graves. Seconder: Patrick Palmer
Karin has sung in the choir of the London Parish since 1970. She has spoken at the Diocesan Conference several times and given workshops in singing and reading. She is a musician and teacher

working with all ages and stages from child beginners to adult professionals and works regularly internationally. She is an experienced chair and, having four working languages, has often been involved in translation. She was a member of the Diocesan Council and brings a knowledge of several cultures and a readiness to be actively involved and to speak out even at difficult moments should this seem necessary.

GABRIEL HANGANU (OXFORD) Proposer: Mihaela Data. Seconder: Olga Pattison

I am a Romanian living in Oxford with my wife and daughter. Previously I worked as a researcher in an ethnographic museum in Bucharest. After a study on St Paisius Velichkovski for an anthropology MA in France I carried out doctoral research at University of Oxford on the 'social lives' of Orthodox Christian icons. I have been a member of the Parish of the Annunciation since 1998 and served in its Council since 2005. I am interested in the prospect of developing local Orthodox Churches in Western Europe and in the role of Romanians within the Vicariate in this process.

CHRISTOPHER KNIGHT (WALSINGHAM) Proposer: Ian Randall. Seconder: Dn. Peter Wilkinson

Christopher Knight was previously an elected member of the Diocese of Sourozh Assembly. He is a Reader in the Great Walsingham Parish and a theologian. He works as Executive Secretary of the International Society for Science and Religion, and teaches on the dialogue between theology and the sciences within the University of Cambridge. (His recent book – "The God of Nature" – explores the implications of Orthodox perspectives for this dialogue.) Formerly an Anglican priest, he was received into the Orthodox Church in 2002. He hopes that his wide pastoral, liturgical and theological experience may be of use to the Assembly.

DEACON CONSTANTINE LITVINENKO (NORWICH) Proposer: Philip Shakespeare. Seconder: Chris Cowlin

Baptised in childhood, I started attending Church in the 1980s, becoming a server and reader, leading Bible study groups and teaching at an adult Sunday school. Having finished my PhD (Physics and Mathematics), in 1999 I started work at the UEA, and served at Norwich. In 2003 I moved to the University of Surrey. I was ordained reader in 2004. We have organised Bible study groups in Norwich, London (in Russian) and Guildford (English). In 2005, our book "What is the origin of internal problems, and how to overcome them" was published in Russia. In 2006 I was ordained deacon.

NIKOLAI MATVEYEV (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Svetlana Pihno. Seconder Grigori Borovski

Born into a family of Russian refugees, I was raised in Austria, the U.S.A., England and Germany. I am a graduate of Oxford University (Modern Languages). In 1991, I joined the Moscow Patriarchal Church, having been baptised in the Church in Exile as a child. Last year, I followed my Bishop into the Ecumenical Patriarchate. I have participated in all of the Diocesan (now Vicariate) Conferences since they were resumed at Headington, and been an interpreter there. I would bring to the Vicariate my knowledge of languages, my keen interest in the Church's development and my commitment to the Exarchate.

MARIA MCMYLOR (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Svetlana Heywood. Seconder: Kelsey Cheshire

Maria was born in Moscow and now lives in Manchester. She was an active member of the parish, raising funds for the rebuilding of the Church. Maria was a member of the Diocesan Assembly. She has been a member of the Diocesan Conference Committee for many years, and was a workshop leader at the Conference. Maria has been doing research at Manchester University and is one of the authors of the Blackwell's Dictionary and Companion to Eastern Christianity. She is a member of

the Committee of Eastern Christian Studies at MMU and gives talks on Russian Church and Orthodox Theology.

GILES MILTON (LONDON CLAPHAM) Proposer: Carol Graves. Seconder: Edwin Roberson
Giles Milton is an author, broadcaster and journalist. He is a member of the Parish Council of the Clapham Parish and also its Choirmaster. He was formerly a member of the London (Cathedral) Parish Council. He is married and has three daughters.

RUTH NARES (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Zina Wilson. Seconder: Pamela Greal
I was received into the Orthodox Church 21 years ago by Metropolitan Anthony, and am passionate about our Church and its context. For this reason I feel 'new blood' – and hence energy – is more than welcome within our Assembly and Tradition. I am taking a break from 7 years teaching dyslexic children, amidst organising pilgrimages (Scotland and this year Istanbul) and our London Christmas Bazaar. Supporting and helping build up our parish over the past year has been central for me; I feel right across the Vicariate our sense of family provides a foundation and real springboard for the future.

PATRICK PALMER (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Ruth Nares. Seconder: Honor Stephenson
Patrick Palmer was received into Orthodoxy in 1979, whilst an Oxford undergraduate. From 1980 he was a member of the Cathedral parish and choir and assisted Father John Lee in several summer youth camps. He is a single adoptive dad. He works as legal counsel in an American investment bank and worships at Holborn where he sings in the choir and has given some assistance in the legal foundation of the parish. Patrick believes we should consolidate our sense of belonging together: as a first practical step he proposes a 'roving' Assembly meeting in locations throughout the Vicariate.

OLGA PATTISON (OXFORD) Proposer: Joanna Haynes. Seconder: Natalia Cuddy
Joined the Orthodox Church in the Soviet Union, but have not attended the services at all until joining the London Dormition Parish under Metropolitan Anthony in 1991. Started in the UK as an Assistant Lecturer in Russian at Queen Mary and Westfield College, University of London, also taught Business Russian at Westminster College and as an in-house lecturer in several organisations. Worked as a PR for about 10 years at a multinational trading corporation in London. At present work at two libraries, Oxford University. Member of the Oxford Parish Council. Helped with the accounts at the Cathedral bookstore in 1999-2000.

LORNA PERRET (ST. CELER) Proposer: Nicole Crossley-Holland. Seconder: Ludmilla Lewis
I was born in London on 29th May 1951. I was baptized into the Anglican Church. I was received into the Orthodox Church in Dunblane by Father Alexander, on 16th October 2004. I graduated from the University of Sydney in 1973 and subsequently taught in secondary schools. In 1983 I graduated from the British College of Naturopathy and Osteopathy. I now have a clinic in Lampeter where I practise with my husband, Oliver Perret.

IAN RANDALL (WALSINGHAM) Proposer: Andrew Cowling. Seconder: Rose Hannis
Born in 1939, I am a member of the church community at Great Walsingham and a parish trustee. I am also a trustee of St. Seraphim's, Little Walsingham. I was formerly an Anglican priest and member of synods. For many years I was a school governor, currently in the local junior school. I have experience of Orthodoxy outside England, especially in Romania. I am firmly committed to a multi-ethnic Orthodox Church in this country and have an interest in theological education.

WENDY ROBINSON (DEVON) Proposer: Celia Olsson. Seconder: Irina Scorer
Wendy Robinson became Orthodox in 1980. Her godparents were Militza and Nicholas Zernov: they remain inspirational. Wendy works as a psychotherapist and pastoral counsellor and also teaches and supervises. She works regularly for several monastic and religious communities – Roman Catholic

and Anglican; she taught Anglican ordinands pastoral theology. She was chairman of the Orthodox Fellowship of St. John the Baptist for 2 years and has been active in Orthodox conferences as participant/speaker/workshop leader. Her leading concern is how as laity we can become, in Christ, mature and responsible members of our church. Her greatest current joy is being a grandmother.

JESSICA ROSE (OXFORD) Proposer: Wendy Robinson. Seconder: Janice Clarke

Jessica Rose has been a member of the Parish of the Annunciation in Oxford since 1991. She runs www.exarchate-uk.org the Vicariate website, and is managing editor of the journal 'The Messenger'. From 1994-2007 she was choir director of the Annunciation parish, a task she now shares with a group of others. For several years she ran the publishing venture of the Sourozh Diocese, St. Stephen's Press. A trained psychotherapist, she mainly works now as a writer and freelance lecturer. Her first book, 'Sharing Spaces? Prayer and the Counselling Relationship' was published by Darton, Longman and Todd in 2001.

IRINA VON SCHLIPPE (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Olga Pattison. Seconder: Barbara Bates

Cradle Orthodox, Russian émigré (3rd generation to live in emigration). Had a difficult time during WW2, settled with mother in Morocco, where was active in parish and community (choir, youth work, including teaching and camps). Graduated in languages from Paris University, worked in translating/interpreting (including UNESCO), broadcasting (BBC) and teaching. Initiator of St. Gregory's Foundation, in charge of NW Russia programme on a voluntary basis. Joined the parish (and choir) at Ennismore Gardens in 1962. Member of the Sourozh Diocesan Assembly from inception, with two interruptions of one year each. Worshipping at St. Andrews, Holborn. Married, 3 children.

DEACON PETER SCORER (DEVON) Proposer: Irina von Schlippe. Seconder: Ruth Nares

Protodeacon Peter is a graduate of Fr. Anthony's Sunday school and of St Vladimir's Seminary. Was ordained deacon in 1973 by Metropolitan Anthony. He lives in Exeter where he taught in the university department of Russian and serves the Parish of the Holy Prophet Elias in Devon. For a number of years served as secretary to the St Gregory's Foundation. Interested in Russian church history. Has helped run the Sourozh/Exarchate camps for the last thirty years. Married with three children and four grandchildren.

MARY (MASHA) SMITH (NORWICH) Proposer: Michael Harvey. Seconder: Antony Bardsley

I have been a parishioner in Norwich for over 20 years, singing in the Choir and supporting the life of our parish in whichever way is needed. My background is Russian-American but I have lived over half my life in England and am now rooted in this country and committed to our new membership of the Exarchate.

ALEXEI SKOROBOGATOV (LONDON CLAPHAM) Proposer: Giles Milton. Seconder: Alexandra Milton

Alexei was born in Moscow in 1961 and was baptised at the age of 20, under the influence of the late Metropolitan Anthony. Alexei came to England in 1998 to work as Professor of Pure Mathematics at Imperial College, London. He is one of the founding trustees of the South London Orthodox Parish in Clapham. He is married to Anna Yampolskaya, with two sons, Andrei and George.

JOANNA TAYLOR (DEVON) Proposer: Jennifer Olsson. Seconder: Henry Newton

I am a semi-retired library assistant. I first encountered Orthodoxy in Canada more than 30 years ago, and after returning to England in 1978 I joined the parish of the Holy Prophet Elias in Devon, worshipping at both Exeter and Combe Martin. I was churchwarden for a few years, and from November 2001 attended Diocesan Assembly meetings (Sourozh) as a parish representative. In June 2007 I was elected as a holding trustee for the Vicariate. My daughter Irene and son James have both participated in our youth camps in Wales; James latterly as a leader .

NICHOLAS TUCKETT (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Rosemary Carter. Seconder: Anna Salaman

I became Orthodox in 1970 in the London Cathedral parish of the Diocese of Sourozh, and served for a number of years on the parish council. I was an active fund-raiser for the purchase of the Cathedral and I was also the founder and administrator of Ikon Records, organising the making of recordings of Cathedral music and the sale of a wide selection of Orthodox music. In recent years I also served on the Diocesan Assembly. I organise charity concerts by visiting Russian choirs in aid of the St. Gregory's Foundation, and am a trustee of the Metropolitan Anthony Foundation.

ANNEMARIE DE VISSER (LONDON HOLBORN) Proposer: Gillian Crow. Seconder: Rosemary Carter

Annemarie was received into the Orthodox Church in 1972. She was a long-standing member, and latterly choirmistress, of the Cathedral choir, and is now choirmistress of the Holborn parish. For many years she has been active in ecumenical circles, representing the parish and diocese on the official ecumenical bodies, and she continues to do this work and to bring her valuable experience and wide perspectives to our church. She was one of our first Vicariate representatives to the Exarchate Assembly in Paris this year.

ZINA WILSON (OXFORD) Proposer: Marion Groves. Seconder: Julie Clarke

Zinaida (Zina) Wilson lives in Bristol, where she re-married in 1995. Before then she was a civil servant in Holland. She became involved, through her Orthodox son, in purchasing a new church for the Russian Orthodox Parish in Amsterdam. Received into the Church in 1995 in Bristol, she now belongs to the Oxford Parish. She is an active Committee member of the Orthodox Fellowship of St. John the Baptist, co-organising various events. She believes that our 'Unity in Diversity' needs internal dialogue, and exchange of Orthodox thinking through publications and study.

STEPHEN WOOD (TUNBRIDGE WELLS) Proposer: Masha Davies. Seconder: Lyubov Kimbler

I was an art teacher for nearly thirty years in a comprehensive, a high school and finally a dyslexic school, and also gave evening classes. I was a teacher-governor and now work on the local parish council. I have experience in working with people from all backgrounds and age groups. I was received into the Orthodox Church in the eighties and have found an increasing understanding with greater involvement, and welcome the chance to help support and re-establish both our local community and in a wider context in the Episcopal Vicariate continuing the legacy of Metropolitan Anthony and Bishop Basil.

GILLIAN CROW
ACTING VICARIATE SECRETARY