



**Russian Orthodox Parish of
St Nicholas the Wonderworker
Oxford**

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

JANUARY – AUGUST 2012

Unless otherwise indicated, all services are celebrated at the

**Russian Orthodox Church of St Nicholas the Wonderworker
34 Ferry Road, Marston,
Oxford OX3 0EU**

Services which are marked with a border on the schedule are celebrated at the

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Confessions are heard after the Saturday Vigil service and throughout the week by appointment. Confessions are heard before the Sunday Liturgy only for those travelling from a distance or by arrangement with the priest.

Details of all services, announcements and other information are available from the parish website: www.stnicholas-oxford.org

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JANUARY 2012

<i>19/12</i>	1 Sun	10.30	Divine Liturgy. Sunday before the Nativity.
<i>22/12</i>	4 Wed	18.00	Molieben and Akathist to St Nicholas
<i>24/12</i>	6 Fri	9.30	Eve of the Nativity of Christ. Vespers and Liturgy
“	“	“	18.00 Vigil of the Nativity
<i>25/12</i>	7 Sat	10.30	NATIVITY OF CHRIST. Divine Liturgy
		17.30	Great Vespers. Tone 5
<i>26/12</i>	8 Sun	10.30	Divine Liturgy. Righteous Joseph, David the King and James the Brother of the Lord. Synaxis of the Mother of God.
<i>29/12</i>	11 Wed	18.00	Molieben and Akathist to St Nicholas
<i>31/12</i>	13 Fri	18.00	Great Vespers
<i>1</i>	14 Sat	9.30	Divine Liturgy. Circumcision of the Lord. St Basil the Great
“	“	“	17.30 Vigil. Tone 6
<i>2</i>	15 Sun	10.30	Divine Liturgy. Sunday before Theophany. St Seraphim of Sarov
<i>5</i>	18 Wed	9.30	Eve of Theophany. Vespers and Divine Liturgy & Great Blessing of the Waters
“	“	“	18.00 Vigil of Theophany
<i>6</i>	19 Thur	9.30	THEOPHANY The Baptism of the Lord. Divine Liturgy & Great Blessing of the Waters at the River Cherwell
<i>8</i>	21 Sat	18.00	Vigil. Tone 7
<i>9</i>	22 Sun	10.30	Divine Liturgy. Sunday after Theophany
<i>12</i>	25 Wed	18.00	Molieben and Akathist to St Nicholas
<i>15</i>	28 Sat	18.00	Vigil. Tone 8

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FEBRUARY

22/1	4	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 1
23/1	5	Sun	10.30	Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee. Synaxis of New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia. Divine Liturgy <i>Fast-free week begins.</i>
26/1	8	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
39/1	11	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 2
30/1	12	Sun	10.30	Sunday of the Prodigal Son. Synaxis of the Three Great Hierarchs. Divine Liturgy.
1	14	Tue	18.00	Vigil
2	15	Wed	9.30	THE MEETING OF THE LORD IN THE TEMPLE. Divine Liturgy.
5	18	Sat	9.30	Saturday of the Departed. Divine Liturgy & Panikhida
“	“	“	17.30	Vigil. Tone 3
6	19	Sun	10.30	Sunday of the Last Judgement (Meatfare). Divine Liturgy <i>Cheesefare week begins</i>
9	22	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
12	25	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 4
13	26	Sun	10.30	Forgiveness Sunday (Cheesefare). Divine Liturgy
			14.00	Vespers of Forgiveness

Beginning of Great Lent

First week of Lent

14	27	Mon	18.00	Great Compline with Canon of St Andrew of Crete
15	28	Tue	18.00	Great Compline with Canon of St Andrew of Crete
16	29	Wed	9.30	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
“	“	“	18.00	Great Compline with Canon of St Andrew of Crete

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MARCH

17	1	Thu	18.00	Great Compline with Canon of St Andrew of Crete
18/2	2	Fri	9.30	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
19/2	3	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 5
20/2	4	Sun	10.30	First Sunday in Lent. Triumph of Orthodoxy. Divine Liturgy, followed by procession with the icons and Office of Orthodoxy.

Second week of Lent

23/2	7	Wed	18.00	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
25/2	9	Fri	9.30	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
26/2	10	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 6
27/2	11	Sun	10.30	Second Sunday in Lent. St Gregory Palamas Divine Liturgy
“	“	“	19.30	Lenten Vespers with the reading of the First Passion Gospel (<i>Passia</i>)

Third week of Lent

1	14	Wed	18.00	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
3	16	Fri	9.30	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
4	17	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 7. Veneration of the Precious Cross
5	18	Sun	10.30	Third Sunday in Lent. Sunday of the Cross.
“	“	“	19.30	Vespers with the reading of the Second Passion Gospel (<i>Passia</i>)

Fourth week of Lent

8	21	Wed	18.00	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
10	23	Fri	9.30	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
11	24	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 8.
12	25	Sun	10.30	Fourth Sunday in Lent. St John of the Ladder. Divine Liturgy
12	25	Sun	19.30	Vespers with the reading of the Third Passion Gospel (<i>Passia</i>)

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Fifth week of Lent

15	28	Wed	9.30	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
			18.00	Great Compline with Canon of St Andrew of Crete and the reading of the Life of St Mary of Egypt.
17	30	Fri	9.30	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
			18.00	Matins. Akathist to the Most Holy Mother of God
18	31	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 1

APRIL

19/3	1	Sun	10.30	Fifth Sunday in Lent. St Mary of Egypt. Divine Liturgy
“	“	“	19.30	Vespers with the reading of the Fourth Passion Gospel (<i>Passia</i>)

Sixth week of Lent

22/3	4	Wed	18.00	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts.
24/3	6	Fri	9.30	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
“	“	“	18.00	Vigil
25/3	7	Sat	9.30	Lazarus Saturday. ANNUNCIATION OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD. Divine Liturgy.
“	“	“	17.30	Vigil. Blessing of palms
26/3	8	Sun	10.30	PALM SUNDAY. Entry of the Lord into Jerusalem. Divine Liturgy
“	“	“	18.00	Matins of the Bridegroom

Passion week

27/3	9	Mon	9.30	HOLY AND GREAT MONDAY. Hours with reading of the Gospel & Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
27/3	9	Mon	18.00	Matins of the Bridegroom

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APRIL

28/3	10	Tue	9.30	HOLY AND GREAT TUESDAY. Hours with reading of the Gospel & Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
“	“	“	18.00	Matins of the Bridegroom
29/3	11	Wed	9.30	HOLY AND GREAT WEDNESDAY. Hours with reading of the Gospel & Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
			18.00	The Sacrament of Anointing
30/3	12	Thu	9.30	HOLY AND GREAT THURSDAY. Vespers & Divine Liturgy
			18.00	Matins & the Twelve Passion Gospels
31/3	13	Fri	14.00	HOLY AND GREAT FRIDAY. Vespers.
“	“	“	18.00	Matins. The Burial of the Lord
1	14	Sat	9.30	HOLY AND GREAT SATURDAY. Vespers & Divine Liturgy
			22.00	Reading of the Acts of the Apostles
			23.00	Midnight Office,
			MIDNIGHT	Matins & Divine Liturgy
6	15	Sun		EASTER. THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST <i>No service on Sunday morning.</i>
			18.00	Easter Vespers <i>Fast-free week begins</i>
7	20	Mon	9.30	Bright Monday. Divine Liturgy
8	21	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 1
9	22	Sun	10.30	Divine Liturgy. Sunday of St Thomas
11	24	Tue	9.30	Joyful Commemoration of the Departed (Radonitsa) Divine Liturgy <i>Visits to cemeteries following the Liturgy</i>
12	25	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
15	28	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 2

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MAY

19/4	2	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
22/4	5	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 3
23/4	6	Sun	10.30	Sunday of the Paralysed Man. St George Divine Liturgy
26/4	9	Wed	9.30	Mid-Pentecost. Divine Liturgy
29/4	12	Sat	17.30	Vigil Tone 4
30/4	13	Sun	10.30	Sunday of the Samaritan Woman. Divine Liturgy
3	16	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
6	19	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 5
7	20	Sun	10.30	Sunday of the Blind Man. Divine Liturgy
8	21	Mon	18.00	Vespers
9	22	Tue	9.30	Translation of St Nicholas' relics to Bari. Summer Patronal Feast. Divine Liturgy
10	23	Wed	9.30	Leavetaking of Pascha. Divine Liturgy
"	"	"	18.00	Vigil
11	24	Thu	9.30	ASCENSION OF THE LORD. Divine Liturgy
13	26	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 6
14	27	Sun	10.30	Sunday of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council. Divine Liturgy
17	30	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas

JUNE

20/5	2	Sat	9.30	Saturday of the Departed. Divine Liturgy
"	"	Sat	17.30	Vigil
21/5	3	Sun	10.30	PENTECOST. HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY. Divine Liturgy
"	"	"	13.30	Vespers with kneeling prayers <i>Fast-free week begins</i>
22/5	4	Mon	9.30	Day of the Holy Spirit. Divine Liturgy

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JUNE

24/5	6	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
27/5	9	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 8
28/5	10	Sun	10.30	Sunday of All Saints. Divine Liturgy. <i>Apostles' Fast begins on Monday</i>
3	16	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 1
4	17	Sun	10.30	Sunday of All Saints of Russia. Divine Liturgy.
7	20	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
10	23	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 2
11	24	Sun	10.30	All Saints of the British Isles and Ireland. Divine Liturgy
14	27	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
17	30	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 3

JULY

18/6	1	Sun	10.30	Divine Liturgy.
21/6	4	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
23/6	6	Fri	18.00	Vespers
24/6	7	Sat	9.30	Nativity of St John the Baptist. Divine Liturgy.
"	"	"	17.30	Vigil. Tone 4
25/6	8	Sun	10.30	Divine Liturgy.
28/6	11	Wed	18.00	Vespers
29/6	12	Thu	9.30	Apostles Peter and Paul. Divine Liturgy
1	14	Sat	17.30	Vigil. Tone 5
2	15	Sun	10.30	Divine Liturgy

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5	18	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
8	21	Sat	17.30	Vespers. Tone 6
9	22	Sun	10.30	Divine Liturgy
12	25	Wed	18.00	Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas
15	28	Sat	17.30	Vespers. Tone 7

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JULY

16 29 Sun 10.30 **Divine Liturgy. Holy Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils.**

AUGUST

19/7 1 Wed 18.00 Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas

22/7 4 Sat 17.30 Vespers. Tone 8

23/7 5 Sun 10.30 **Divine Liturgy.**

26/7 8 Wed 18.00 Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas

29/7 11 Sat 17.30 Vespers. Tone 1

30/7 12 Sun 10.30 **Divine Liturgy**

31/7 13 Mon 18.00 Vespers

1 14 Tue 9.30 **Procession of the Holy Cross. Feast of Christ the All-Merciful Saviour. Divine Liturgy. Lesser blessing of the water & the blessing of honey.**

*Patronal Feast of the Parish House Chapel
Beginning of the Dormition Fast*

2 15 Wed 18.00 Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas

5 18 Sat 17.30 Vigil, Tone 2

6 19 Sun 10.30 **TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD.**
Divine Liturgy.

9 22 Wed 18.00 Moleben & Akathist to St Nicholas

12 25 Sat 17.30 Vespers. Tone 3

13 26 Sun 10.30 **Divine Liturgy.**

14 27 Mon 17.30 Vigil

15 28 Tue 9.30 **DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD.**
Divine Liturgy



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