



ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF SAINT EDWARD
THE MARTYR AND SAINT PARASKEVI OF ROME,
Liverpool UK

Registered Charity Number 1196554

Trustees' Annual Report

06/04/2023 - 05/04/2024

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Section A – Reference and administration details

Charity's principal address: 32 Pennard, Liverpool, L36 3SJ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity:

Reverend Father Ion-Valentin Vulcanescu – Chair

Laura Vulcanescu

Andrei-Cristian Militaru – Treasurer

Raluca-Mihaela Serdaru – Safeguarding officer

Wei Jin Goh

Names of the trustees for the charity:

Ion-Valentin Vulcanescu

Laura Vulcanescu

Andrei-Cristian Militaru

Raluca-Mihaela Serdaru

Wei Jin Goh

Section B – Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts:

Type of governing document: CIO Foundation Constitution

How the charity is constituted: CIO

Trustee selection methods: Voting

The board of trustees voted to add Mr. Wei Jin Goh as a trustee of the charity on 21.10.2023.

Additional governance policies:

- Trustee Welcome Pack
- Safeguarding (Children and Young people, Adults at risk of harm, trustees)
- Charities and risk management
- Internal Church rules
- Complaints handling
- Conflicting interests
- Internal risk management policy and procedures
- Serious incident reporting
- Trustee expenses
- Bullying and harassment policy and procedures
- Social media policy and procedures

Section C – Objectives and activities for the public benefit

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To advance the Orthodox Christian faith for the benefit of the public by providing and maintaining a place of worship and in such other ways as the trustees see appropriate.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

- Serving Divine Liturgies for the members of the Church on Saturdays, Sundays and on all important Orthodox Feast days
- Serving the mysteries of the Church such as Baptism, Chrismation
- Study Bible meetings
- Catechism

Sermons and catechesis are recorded and published on the Internet in English and Romanian languages.

Website for the parish was created

<https://orthodoxchurchliverpool.co.uk/>

Website for catechism was created

<https://becomingorthodoxchristian.com/>

- Teachings of the Orthodox Faith

The CIO organised an online course **“Liturgy in the first Christian Centuries”** in 2 sessions via Zoom platform. The first session was in June 2023 and the second session was in February – April 2024

- Missionary activities by spreading the Gospel of Christ
 - plans to establish a publishing house for the publication of Orthodox Christian missionary materials

- Affirming and clarifying matters of the Orthodox Christian Faith

The charity sent the following open letters:

- December 6, 2023: Open Letter from the Parish of St. Edward the Martyr and St. Paraskevi of Rome to Patriarch John X, Patriarch of the Greek Orthodox Church of Antioch and all the East and members of the Holy Synod asking for His Beatitude’s position on: the withdrawal from the World Council of Churches (WCC), condemnation of the so-called Synod of Crete, annulment and condemnation of the so-called “Chambesy Agreements” (1989 and 1990) and the 1991 Synodal decision for intercommunion with the Monophysites, the adoption of anathemas that condemn all

heresies and the reception of every heretic who comes into the Orthodox Church with Holy Orthodox Baptism.

- December 12, 2023: Open Letter from the Parish of St. Edward the Martyr and St. Paraskevi of Rome to Metropolitan Silouan (Oner), requesting the condemnation and anathematization of the synodal agreements and decisions of concelebration and intercommunion with Monophysites, as we pronounce these anathemas on the Sunday of Orthodoxy.
- December 17, 2023: Open Letter from the Parish of St. Edward the Martyr and St. Paraskevi Roman to Metropolitan Silouan (Oner) regarding Orthodox Baptism.
- December 20, 2023: Sending of the Letter of forgiveness (not for the statements made, but for the personal weakness and sinfulness) and cessation of the commemoration of Metropolitan Silouan (Oner) for preaching heresy based on Canon 15 of the 1st-2nd Council of Constantinople, by the Parish of St. Edward the Martyr and St. Paraskevi of Rome, together with Father Matthew Vulcănescu.
- December 28, 2023: Open Letter to Metropolitan Silouan from the Parish of St. Edward the Martyr and St. Paraskevi of Rome, together with Father Matthew Vulcanescu of non-recognition of the deposition document published on 23/12/2023 on the Archdiocesan website.
- January 17, 2024: Open Letter to Metropolitan Silouan from the Parish of St. Edward Martyr and St. Paraskevi of Rome, together with Father Matthew Vulcanescu regarding the "Canonical Policies and Resources for the Reception of Heterodox" document.
- All letters are published on <https://orthodoxchurchliverpool.co.uk/news/>
- Helping people in need and in spiritual crisis
- Teaching Byzantine music
- Teaching Theology of icons
- Teaching New Testament Greek Language
- Offering an Orthodox climate for young enthusiasts who can be future missionaries and clergy of the Church
- Pilgrimages

The following pilgrimages were organised by the church and, self-financed by pilgrims:

- Colchester, UK 24 April 2023
- Saint Paraskevi Monastery, Milochori, Greece 18 Jan- 25 Jan 2024
- Milan, Italy 23-24 Mar 2024
- Priestly ministry carried out abroad upon request by Orthodox Christian faithful (such as the performance of Orthodox Church sacraments: Baptism, Chrismation and Confession and the celebration of the Divine Liturgy)

- Athens, Greece 9 August – 28 September 2023
- Bucharest, Romania 24 October – 5 November 2023
- Thessaloniki, Greece 18 Jan– 24 Jan 2024
- Bucharest and Cluj, Romania – 25 January – 29 January 2024
- Iasi, Romania 19 February 2024 – 23 March 2024
- Milan, Italy 23–25 Mar 2024

Section D – Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

16 attendees participated in the first edition of the Course “ Liturgy in the first Christian Centuries ” and 9 attendees in the second edition.

The parish has a new catechumen who was baptised in May 2024.

The charity has its own personalised logo.

The charity has been recognised for Gift Aid by HMRC.

Section E – Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity’s policy on reserves:

The charity has neither received enough donations nor any unmet outgoings during this reporting period to warrant the need for a cash reserve.

The charity’s principal sources of funds for this financial period:

The source of funds were: trustee donations to the total of £280 and £40 goodwill payment from the bank.

The charity’s principal expenditures for this financial period:

The charity spent £320 on application for intellectual property rights.

Unfortunately the trademark chosen received objections, so the charity decided not to continue with the appeal which resulted in a refusal of the trademark application.

Summary of the charity’s financial position at the end of this financial period:

The charity had £0 funds remaining in the bank account.

Section F – Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.
25.01.2025

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

6/4/2023

To

05/04/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Bank goodwill payment	40	-	-	40	-
Donations	280	-	-	280	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	320	-	-	320	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	320	-	-	320	-
A3 Payments					
Intellectual Property Office: trademark	320	-	-	320	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	320	-	-	320	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	320	-	-	320	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	-	-	-	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account (s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds

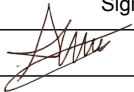

B2 Other monetary assets	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Andrei-Cristian Militaru	25.01.2025
	Raluca-Mihaela Serdaru	25.01.2025