

## 25th Anniversary of the Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies, Cambridge



On Monday, June 24th, the Cambridge Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies celebrated its 25th anniversary.

Following the Solemn Evensong service held at the Abbey, the esteemed guests proceeded to the Chapel, where they participated in an Orthodox Doxology Service to thank God for the lives and achievements of the benefactors and professors of the Institute. The service was led by Rev. Dragos, the Dean, in the presence of the Right Reverend Rowan Williams, the baron of Oystermouth, and His Eminence Bishop Angaelos of the Coptic Orthodox Church.

The esteemed guests then proceeded to the Jerusalem Room, where they were addressed by the patrons of the institute. After the opening remarks by Fr. Dragos, the guests listened to a speech by Dr. Rowan Williams, who reflected on the challenging past of the Orthodox Church and the gradual opening of society in this country to understanding its essence. Bishop Angaelos advocated for greater involvement from the Coptic Church and Oriental Christians in the work of the institute.

His Eminence, Archbishop Nikitas, a patron of the Institute, was represented by Rev. Presbyter Andreas Minic, the Ecumenical Officer of the Archdiocese. He conveyed an honorary message written by His Eminence for the occasion, addressing some of the issues regarding theological education in the UK and promising to remain involved and deepen the links between the Archdiocese and the Institute.























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