## THE FELLOWSHIP OF ST ALBAN & ST SERGIUS

## LONDON BRANCH

#### The next Meeting will be held on Wednesday 22nd October at St James's Church, Sussex Gardens, Paddington W2

for a Talk by

### The Very Revd Archimandrite Maximus Lavriotes

on

# HESYCHASM AND THE INTEGRITY OF HUMAN NATURE

#### The Eucharist will be celebrated at 6.30 p.m.

followed by light refreshments

#### The Talk will be at 7.30 p.m.

Fr Maximus, based in Cambridge, specializes in Hellenistic Judaism and Early Christian Doctrine with particular interest in the origins of Christian worship and the development of the Eastern Patristic theological method. He studied in Athens, London and Cambridge and spent 14 years as a monk on Mount Athos before his ordination. He has served as Orthodox Chaplain at the University of Cambridge. With regard to his Talk he writes: 'The theme is becoming topical after Rowan Williams's article "The physicality of prayer" (New Statesman, July 2014) [which marks] a very significant turn in the course of Western Theology: the departure from a Neoplatonic Personalism focused on the human person alone and the adoption of the Eastern Orthodox theological anthropology focused on humanity and physicality.'

The London Newsletter for Michaelmas 2014 is delayed; it is expected to be issued shortly.