

## **STATEMENT**

from Bishop Basil re Divine Liturgy at Cathedral on Sunday 14th May 2006

Bishop Basil wishes to make it clear to everyone that he does not wish there to be any disturbance during or after the Liturgy at the Cathedral of the Dormition and All Saints, London on Sunday 14 May – or thereafter.

Nor does he wish for anyone to go to the cathedral who would not normally worship there.

He asks that if anyone is the object of aggression, they should not react, except, if necessary, to call the police.

### **Statement by members of the London Parish Council, 17 May 2006**

As members of the Parish Council of the Cathedral of the Dormition and All Saints, Ennismore Gardens, London, we find that we cannot accept the decision of the Archbishop Innokentii of Korsun to appoint Archpriest Michael Gogoleff as Dean of the Cathedral. Not only is this decision contrary to the [Statutes of the Diocese of Sourozh](#), which specify that clerical appointments shall take place after consultation with the parish concerned, but the current Dean, Archpriest John Lee, is still in office, carrying out his duties in spite of his recent illness.

Signed / Nine members of the London Parish Council

Statement by Members of the Diocesan Council, 17 May 2006

As members of the Diocesan Council, we find that we cannot accept the decision of His Holiness Alexis II to remove from office and place in retirement Bishop Basil of Sergievo, who was elected by the Assembly and confirmed as Administrator of the Diocese by the Holy Synod of the Russian Orthodox Church, as it is contrary to the [Statutes of the Diocese of Sourozh](#). We note also that in the appointment of Archbishop Innokentii as Temporary Administrator no consultation of the Diocesan Assembly took place.

/signed/ Irina Kirillova, Chairman of the Sourozh Diocesan Council and Assembly

Gill Crow, Diocesan Secretary

Karin Greenhead

Fr John Lee

Jessica Rose