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## Theme

In the early Church, the sacrament of baptism was understood in a very positive way; namely, as the means by which the faithful could be incorporated into the Church, the body of Christ. They saw baptism as being clothed with Christ, participating in his death and resurrection and sharing in his victory over death. In a very real sense, baptism was seen to be intimately connected with their daily struggle to authentically 'live' a life in Christ. Today, baptism is seen in a narrow way as a one-off ritual whereby 'original sin' is taken away and one's salvation is secured.

In these series of talks, we hope to re-discover some of the important teachings of our Orthodox Christian faith on baptism and explore ways in which the faithful can make this meaningful and relevant in their everyday life.

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## Program

**9:30** Morning Tea **10:00** Prayer & Welcome **10:10-10:50** Presenter 1  
**11:00-11:40** Presenter 2 **11:50-12:40** Group Photo & Lunch **12:50** Presenter 3 **1:30-2:00** Q & A + College Profile **2:00** Farewell

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# 2015 Adult Faith Education Seminar

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## Topic

'Being Clothed With Christ'

## Presented by

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**Saturday 19 September**  
**9:30am to 2:00pm**

**Greek Orthodox Church of St Paraskevi**  
241 Church Road, Taigum

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## Books on Display

A small range of college publications will be available for sale.

## Study Options

Get a taste of theological learning and enquire about undergraduate and postgraduate courses available through distance education

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## Speakers

Rev. Fr Gerasimos Koutsouras  
Lecturer in Church History and Liturgical Studies  
"The Meaning of Baptism and its Significance for our Everyday Life"

Basilios Psilacos  
Teacher in Liturgical Studies and Byzantine Music  
"The Structural Overview and Meaning of the Ritual of Baptism"

Anastasios Kalogerakis  
College Registrar and Teacher in Biblical Studies  
"Biblical Imagery of Baptism"

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**Please register for this event by 8 September**

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Image: Triptych icon of our Lord's baptism. Twelfth century. Holy Monastery of St Catherine's, Sinai.