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## The Stavropegic Monastery of Saint John the Baptist in Essex

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The Lord guided blessed elder Sofronios to establish an orthodox monastery, the Patriarchal and Stavropegic Monastery of Saint John the Baptist in Essex in the United Kingdom, a place where, as the heart of Europe, there is unrestrained rationalism, capitalism and the doctrine of “each one for himself” . This monastery beams out the warmth of the East and spreads the fragrance of the Ecumenical Orthodoxy: of love and brotherhood in the midst of the frostiness of the western world. ([περισσότερα...](#))