GREAT LITANY

Deacon Bless, master. (Said only if a deacon serve)

Priest Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

CHOIR





During the Paschal Season:

Clergy Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life. (twice)

Then:

Clergy Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death:

CHOIR And upon those in the tombs, bestowing life.



Deacon In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR



Deacon For the peace from above, and the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord

CHOIR



Deacon For the peace of the whole world, the good estate of the holy churches of God, and the union of all, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon For this holy temple, and for them that with faith, reverence, and the fear of God enter herein, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon

For our Great Lord and Father, His Holiness, Patriarch N.; for our lord the Very Most Reverend Metropolitan N., First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad; for our lord the Most Reverend (Archbishop or Bishop N.); for the venerable priesthood, the deaconate in Christ, for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon For this land, its authorities and armed forces, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon For the God preserved land of Rus' and its Orthodox people both in the homeland and in the diaspora, and for their salvation, let us pray to the

Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon That He may deliver His people from enemies both visible and invisible,

and confirm in us oneness of mind, brotherly love and piety, let us pray to

the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon For this city (or this town, or this holy monastery), for every city and country,

and the faithful that dwell therein, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon For seasonable weather, abundance of the fruits of the earth, and peaceful

times, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon For travelers by sea, land and air; for the sick, the suffering, the imprisoned, and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon That we may be delivered from all tribulation, wrath, and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.

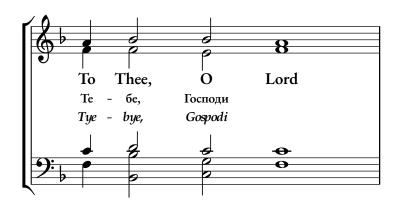
CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

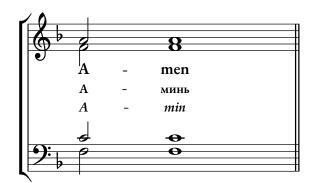
CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.

CHOIR



Priest For unto Thee is due all glory, honor and worship; to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.



LITTLE LITANY

Deacon Again and again, in peace let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR

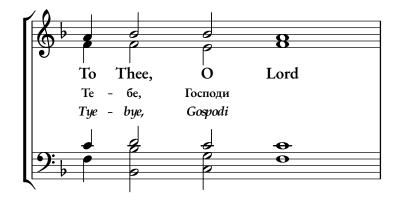


Deacon Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

CHOIR



Deacon Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.



Priest

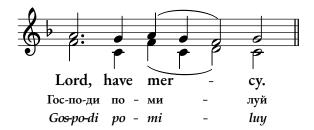
For Thine is the dominion, and Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.



LITTLE LITANY

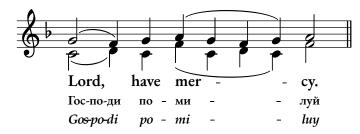
Deacon Again and again, in peace let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR



Deacon Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

CHOIR



Deacon Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.



Priest

For a good God art Thou, and the Lover of mankind, and unto Thee do we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.



LITTLE ENTRANCE

Deacon Wisdom! Aright!

CHOIR O come let us worship and fall down before Christ, [Who rose from

the dead,] O Son of God, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia, alleluia,

alleluia.

Priest: For holy art Thou, O our God, and unto Thee do we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever: *(and if a priest serve alone, he continues:)* and unto ages of ages.



But if a deacon serve, the deacon exclaims:

Deacon O Lord, save the pious.

O Lord, save the pi - ous.

Deacon And hear us.

CHOIR And hear us.

Deacon And unto ages of ages.



THE EPISTLE

Deacon Let us attend.

Priest Peace be unto all.

Reader And to thy spirit.

Deacon Wisdom!

Reader The prokeimenon in the __ tone:

And he gives the prokeimenon, and the choir chant it. Then the reader gives the stichos, and the choir repeat the prokeimenon. Finally, the reader gives the first half of the prokeimenon, and the choir chant the second half. But if there be two prokeimena, instead of repeating the first half of the prokeimenon, the reader gives the second prokeimenon and the tone, and the choir chant it in full.

Deacon Wisdom!

Reader The Reading from (the Acts of the Holy Apostles, or: the catholic Epistle

of N., or: the Epistle of the holy Apostle Paul to the N.)

Deacon Let us attend!

Reader And he readeth the Epistle

THE GOSPEL

Priest Peace be unto thee.

Reader And to thy spirit.

Deacon Wisdom!

Reader Alleluia in the __ tone: (If there be two prokeimena, he may also give a stichos

before the choir chant the first time)

CHOIR Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Reader Stichos.

CHOIR Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Reader Stichos.

CHOIR Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Deacon Wisdom! Aright! Let us hear the Holy Gospel.

Priest Peace be unto all.

CHOIR



Deacon The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to N.



Priest Let us attend.

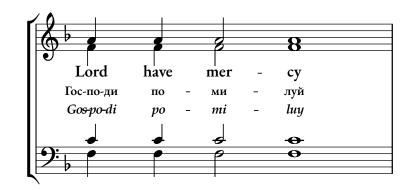
Deacon The deacon then reads the Holy Gospel.



AUGMENTED LITANY

Deacon Let us all say with our whole soul and with our whole mind, let us say.

CHOIR

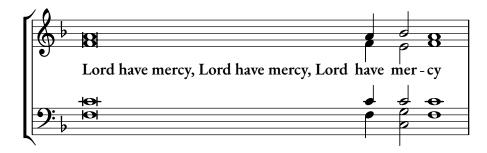


Deacon O Lord Almighty, the God of our fathers, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

CHOIR



Deacon Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.



Deacon

Again we pray for our Great Lord and Father, His Holiness, Patriarch N.; for our lord the Very Most Reverend Metropolitan N., First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad; for our lord the Most Reverend (Archbishop or Bishop N., whose diocese it is) and all our brethren in Christ.

CHOIR LORD, HAVE MERCY. LORD, HAVE MERCY. (Slowly, if there be no deacon.)

The priest prays secretly:

O Lord, our God, accept this fervent supplication from Thy servants, and have mercy on us according to the multitude of Thy mercies, and send down Thy compassion upon us, and upon all Thy people that await of Thee abundant mercy.

Deacon Again we pray for this land, its authorities and armed forces.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Again we pray for the God preserved Land of Rus' and its Orthodox people, both in the homeland and in the diaspora, and for their salvation.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Again we pray for the God preserved Russian Land and its Orthodox people both in the homeland and in the diaspora and for their salvation.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Again we pray to the Lord our God that He may deliver His people from enemies visible and invisible, and confirm in us oneness of mind, brotherly love and piety.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Again we pray for our brethren, the priests, priestmonks, and all our brethren in Christ.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

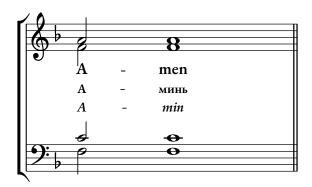
Deacon Again we pray for the blessed and ever-memorable, holy Orthodox patriarchs; for pious kings and right-believing queens; and for the founders of this holy temple (if it be a monastery: this holy monastery): and for all our fathers and brethren gone to their rest before us, and the Orthodox here and everywhere laid to rest.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Again we pray for them that bring offerings and do good works in this holy and all-venerable temple; for them that minister and them that chant, and for all the people here present, that await of Thee great and abundant mercy.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Priest For a merciful God art Thou, and the Lover of mankind, and unto Thee do we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.



LITANY OF THE CATECHUMENS

Deacon Pray, ye catechumens, to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Ye faithful, for the catechumens let us pray, that the Lord will have mercy

on them.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon That He will catechize them with the word of Truth.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon That He will reveal unto them the Gospel of righteousness.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon That He will unite them to His Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Save them, have mercy on them, help them, and keep them, O God, by Thy

grace.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Ye catechumens, bow your heads unto the Lord.

CHOIR TO THEE, O LORD. (Slowly, if there be no deacon.)

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The priest prays secretly:

St. John:

O Lord our God, who dwellest on high and lookest down on things that are lowly, Who unto the human race hast sent forth salvation, Thine Only-Begotten Son and God our Lord Jesus Christ: Look upon Thy servants the catechumens, who have bowed their necks before Thee, and vouchsafe unto them at a seasonable time the laver of regeneration, the remission of sins, and the garment of incorruption; unite them to Thy Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church, and number them among Thy chosen flock.

ST. BASIL:

O Lord our God who dwellest in the heavens and lookest down upon all Thy works; look down upon Thy servants the Catechumens, who have bowed their necks before Thee, and grant them an easy yoke. Make them honorable members of Thy holy Church; and vouchsafe them the laver of regeneration, the remission of sins, and the garment of incorruption, unto the knowledge of Thee, our true God.

.._.

Priest

That they also with us may glorify Thy most honorable and majestic name: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

CHOIR Amen.

LITANY OF THE FAITHFUL

Deacon

As many as are catechumens, depart; catechumens, depart; as many as are catechumens, depart; let none of the catechumens remain; as many as are of the faithful, again and again, in peace let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR



(Slowly, if there be no deacon.)

The priest prays secretly:

St. John:

We thank Thee, O Lord God of Hosts, who hast vouchsafed us to stand even now before Thy Holy Altar, and to fall down before Thy compassion for our sins, and for the errors of the people. Receive, O God, our supplication; make us to be worthy to offer unto Thee supplications and entreaties and bloodless sacrifices for all Thy people. And enable us whom Thou hast placed in this Thy ministry, by the power of Thy Holy Spirit, without condemnation or faltering, with the clear witness of our conscience, to call upon Thee at all times

ST. BASIL:

Thou, O Lord, hast shown unto us this great mystery of salvation. Thou hast vouchsafed us, Thy humble and unworthy servants, to be ministrants of Thy holy altar. Do Thou enable us with the power of Thy Holy Spirit for this ministry, that standing uncondemned before Thy holy glory, we may offer unto Thee a sacrifice of praise: For Thou art He who worketh all things in all men. Grant O Lord, also that our sacrifice for our sins, and for the errors of the people be acceptable and well pleasing before Thee.

and in every place, that, hearkening unto us, Thou mayest be gracious unto us in the multitude of Thy goodness.

Deacon Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

CHOIR



Deacon Wisdom!

Priest For

For unto Thee is due all glory, honor and worship: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

CHOIR



Deacon Again and again, in peace let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR LORD, HAVE MERCY. (Slowly, if there be no deacon.)

The priest prays secretly:

St. John:

Again and often times we fall down before Thee, O Good One and Lover of mankind, that, regarding our supplication, Thou wilt cleanse our souls and bodies of all defilement of flesh and spirit, and grant us to stand guiltless and uncondemned before Thy holy altar. Grant also, O God, to them that pray with us, advancement in life and faith and spiritual understanding. Grant them ever to serve Thee with fear and love, and to partake, guiltless and uncondemned, of thy Holy Mysteries, and to be vouchsafed Thy heavenly kingdom.

ST. BASIL:

O God, who in mercy and compassion hast visited our lowliness; Who appointed us, Thy humble, and sinful, and unworthy servants to minister at thy holy altar in the presence of Thy holy glory: Do Thou strengthen us by Thy Holy Spirit for this service, and grant us speech in the opening of our mouth, with which to invoke the grace of Thy Holy Spirit upon the gifts that we desire to offer.



If there be no deacon, the following petitions are not said.

Deacon For the peace from above, and the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon For the peace of the whole world, the good estate of the holy churches of God, and the union of all, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon For this holy temple, and for them that with faith, reverence, and the fear of God enter herein, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon That we may be delivered from all tribulation, wrath, and necessity, let us

pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.



Deacon Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Wisdom!

Priest That always being guarded under Thy dominion, we may send up glory

unto Thee: to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and

ever, and unto the ages of ages.

CHOIR Amen.

THE GREAT ENTRANCE

Deacon

Our Great Lord and Father, His Holiness N., Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia; our lord the Very Most Reverend N., Metropolitan of Eastern America and New York, and First Hierarch of the Russian Church abroad; our lord the Most Reverend N., Archbishop (or Bishop) of ____, may the Lord God remember in His kingdom always, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

Priest

This American land, its authorities and the faithful that dwell therein, the God-preserved Russian land and its Orthodox people both in the homeland and in the diaspora, may the Lord God remember in His kingdom always, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

The clergy, the monastics, all that are persecuted and suffer for the Orthodox Faith; the founders, benefactors and the brotherhood of this holy temple (or holy monastery), and all of you Orthodox Christians, may the Lord God remember in His kingdom always, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

Deacon Let us complete our prayer unto the Lord.

CHOIR



Deacon For the precious gifts set forth, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR



Deacon For this holy temple, and for them that with faith, reverence, and the fear of God enter herein, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon That we may be delivered from all tribulation, wrath, and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.

CHOIR LORD, HAVE MERCY. (Slowly, if there be no deacon.)

The priest prays secretly:

St. John:

O Lord God Almighty, who alone art holy, Who dost accept a sacrifice of praise from them that call upon Thee with their whole heart: Accept also the supplication of us sinners, and bring it to Thy Holy Altar, and enable us to offer unto Thee both gifts and spiritual sacrifices for our sins and for the errors of the people, and vouchsafe us to find grace before Thee, that our sacrifice may be acceptable unto Thee, and that the good Spirit of Thy grace may rest upon us, and upon these Gifts set forth, and upon all Thy people.

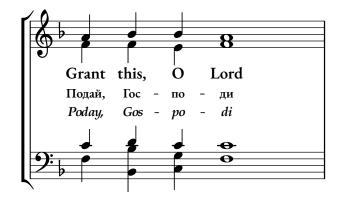
ST. BASIL:

O Lord, our God, who hast created us and brought us into this life; Who hast shown us the way of salvation, Who hast granted us the revelation of heavenly mysteries: for Thou hast appointed us to this ministry by the power of Thy Holy Spirit; be pleased, therefore, O Lord, that we be servitors of Thy new covenant, ministers of Thy Holy Mysteries; accept us who draw nigh to Thy Holy Altar, according to the multitude of Thy mercies, that we may be worthy to offer to Thee this rational and bloodless sacrifice for our sins, and for the errors of the people; accepting which upon Thy holy and most heavenly and noetic Altar, as an odor of spiritual fragrance, do Thou send down upon us the grace of Thy Holy Spirit. Look down upon us, O God, and behold this our service, and accept it as Thou didst accept the gifts of Abel, the sacrifice of Noah, the offerings of Abraham, the priesthood of Moses and Aaron, and the peace offerings of Samuel. According as Thou didst accept of thy holy apostles this true ministry, receive thus also from the hands of us sinners these gifts in Thy goodness, O Lord; that having been vouchsafed to minister without blame at Thy holy altar, we may receive the reward of faithful and wise stewards in the awesome day of Thy just rewarding.

Deacon Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

CHOIR Lord, have mercy.

Deacon That the whole day may be perfect, holy, peaceful and sinless, let us ask of the Lord.



Deacon An angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask of the Lord.

CHOIR Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon Pardon and remission of our sins and offences, let us ask of the Lord.

CHOIR Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon Things good and profitable for our souls, and peace for the world, let us ask of the Lord.

CHOIR Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon That we may complete the remaining time of our life in peace and repentance, let us ask of the Lord.

CHOIR Grant this, O Lord.

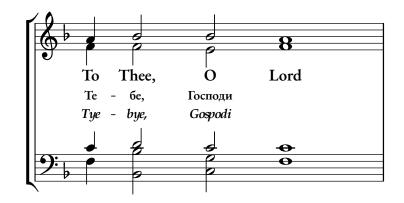
Deacon A Christian ending to our life, painless, blameless, peaceful, and a good defense before the dread judgment seat of Christ, let us ask.

CHOIR Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon

Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.

CHOIR



Priest

Through the compassions of Thine Only-begotten Son, with Whom Thou art blessed, together with Thy most holy, and good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

CHOIR



Priest

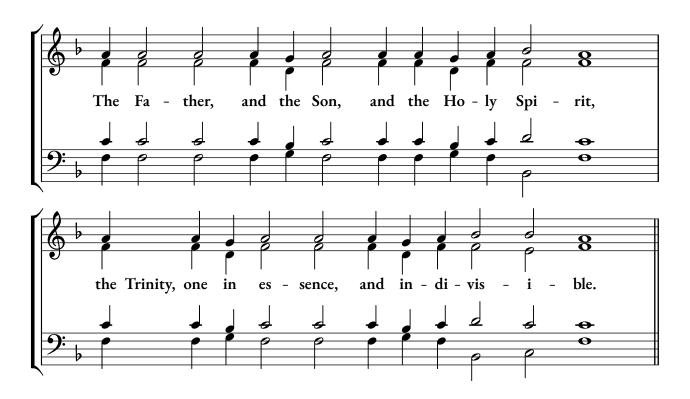
Peace be unto all.

CHOIR

And to thy spirit.

Priest

Let us love one another, that with one mind we may confess:



Deacon The doors! In Wisdom let us attend.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Son of God,
the Only-begotten, begotten of the Father before all ages;
Light of Light, true God of true God;
begotten, not made; of one essence with the Father, by Whom all
things were made;

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became man;

And He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried;

And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life; Who proceedeth from the Father;

Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the prophets.

In One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the remission of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.