

Horologion - Midnight Office

For Saturday

Menaion Supplement - November 9

Memory of St. Nektarios of Pentapolis

MIDNIGHT OFFICE

PRIEST

Blessed is our God always, now and ever,
and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

Glory to You, our God. Glory to You.

Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth,
present in all places and filling all things,
treasury of good things and giver of life: come;
take Your abode in us; cleanse us of every
stain, and save our souls, O Good one. [HC]

READER

Trisagion Prayers.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal,
have mercy on us. (3)

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Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages
of ages. Amen.

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us.
Lord, forgive our sins. Master, pardon our
transgressions. Holy One, visit and heal our
infirmities for your name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
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Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages
of ages. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed
be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will
be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us
this day our daily bread; and forgive us our

trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass
against us. And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. [GOA]

PRIEST

For Thine is the Kingdom and the power
and the glory, of the Father and of the Son and
of the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the
ages of ages.

READER

Amen. Lord, have mercy. (12)

Glory to the Father and the Son and the
Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages
of ages. Amen.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before God our King.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before Christ God our King.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before Him, Christ our King and God.

Psalm 50 (51).

Have mercy on me, O God, according
to Your great mercy; and according to the
abundance of Your compassion, blot out my
transgression. Wash me thoroughly from my
lawlessness and cleanse me from my sin. For
I know my lawlessness, and my sin is always
before me. Against You only have I sinned
and done evil in Your sight; that You may be
justified in Your words, and overcome when
You are judged. For behold, I was conceived
in transgressions, and in sins my mother bore
me. Behold, You love truth; You showed
me the unknown and secret things of Your
wisdom. You shall sprinkle me with hyssop,
and I will be cleansed; You shall wash me, and
I will be made whiter than snow. You shall

make me hear joy and gladness; my bones that were humbled shall greatly rejoice. Turn Your face from my sins, and blot out all my transgressions. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your guiding Spirit. I will teach transgressors Your ways, and the ungodly shall turn back to You. Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall greatly rejoice in Your righteousness. O Lord, You shall open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise. For if You desired sacrifice, I would give it; You will not be pleased with whole burnt offerings. A sacrifice to God is a broken spirit, a broken and humbled heart God will not despise. Do good, O Lord, in Your good pleasure to Zion, and let the walls of Jerusalem be built; then You will be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with offerings and whole burnt offerings; then shall they offer young bulls on Your altar. [SAAS]

If the Lity was not sung at Vespers, sing the following:

Idiomela. For the Feast.

Mode 1.

Be glad in the Lord, O Orthodox Church! Exult and dance for joy, O chosen bride of the heavenly King. Behold, in our own age, devout St. Nektarios, a genuine Hierarch of Christ, confirms yet again those things that were delivered to you by God, and he thrillingly proclaims them, in the glory with which he was glorified by the only God. As you have him now as your pillar and

foundation, and as you see the grace of his miracles, shout to your Bridegroom: "Glory to You, O Lord!" [SD]

Mode 2.

Who would not leap for joy! Who would not dance in the spirit, on this new feast day of the Hierarch Nektarios! Surely every soul greatly rejoices, seeing him glorified, and recognized as a Saint, and renowned for miracles. Therefore we extol his illustrious life and his holy virtues, and we shout: "Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday and today, and for ever!" [SD]

Mode 3.

Let us borrow the words of David, and applying them to the Hierarch Nektarios, let us say to him: "You are blessed, and it shall be well with you, all-blessed Father! You lived your life irreproachably and with self-restraint, and you were known as heavenly-minded, a high priest, holy and blameless, and you served God in a manner befitting the priesthood. You ministered in the Church of Christ with prudence and wisdom. You were worthily glorified by miracles. You are there for those in need, and to one and all you grant their requests unto salvation." [SD]

Mode 4.

As you excelled in the word of grace, you proved to be a worthy laborer of the Gospel of peace, O Father Nektarios, and the mouthpiece of God, through the gift of prophecy. Once you arrived in Aegina, you avoided the commotion of the world, and by means of stillness you were united with God. You also established a convent there, like a school for the soul, and you became a paragon

of virtue for the nuns, and their father and teacher. You reposed in the sleep proper to monastic saints, and you now you unceasingly intercede on behalf of our souls. [SD]

Mode 4.

So holy was you life, and so pleasing to God, O God-bearer Nektarios! So amazing are the miracles that you perform each day, by the grace that God has given you! Who would not marvel at you, who are truly worthy of honor! Who would not glorify you, who were glorified by God! Your holy relics are like a healing spring; they cure serious illnesses, and they drive out unclean spirits. Each believer who approaches them receives spiritual salvation and physical healing, glorifying Christ, who has wondrously glorified you. [SD]

Glory.

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Idiomelon. Mode pl. 1.

Come now, all you families of believers; come, let us run to Aegina. Come and see the strange wonders that the right hand of the Most High has done recently. For, as He promised, He glorifies Saint Nektarios with immortal gifts of grace, because he lived according to the Gospel. Therefore He caused his revered bones to exhale a sweet fragrance and to be a wellspring of cures and healing to those who approach them reverently. From them we take our fill of the fragrant aroma of life, and with the Prophet David we cry aloud, "Great are You, O Lord; and Your greatness has no limit! O Lord, in Your love for humanity, save our souls." [SD]

Both now.

Mode pl. 1.

Now we call you blessed, O Virgin Theotokos, and we glorify you, duty-bound as believers; the city unshakable, the wall indestructible, the firm and steadfast protection, and the place of refuge for our souls. [SD]

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Amen.

Apolytikion.

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Mode 1. *As a citizen of the desert.*

The son of Silybria, the guardian of Aegina, * and the ardent lover of virtue * who in recent years has appeared, * the God-inspired servant of Christ * Nektarios, O faithful, let us praise. * For he gushes forth healings of every kind * to those who cry out reverently: * Glory to Christ who glorified you; * glory to Him for your miracles; * glory to Him who through you effects cures for all.

[SD]

Lord, have mercy. (40)

Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and in glory greater beyond compare than the Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify.

In the name of the Lord, Father, bless!

PRIEST

May Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-pure and all-immaculate holy Mother, (local patron saint); of the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

Let us pray for the peace of the world.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For all pious and Orthodox Christians.

For our (episcopal rank) (name).

For our nation.

For the armed forces.

For our departed fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers.

For those who have mercy on us and serve us.

For those who hate us and those who love us.

For those who have asked us the unworthy to pray for them.

For the release of captives.

For those who are traveling.

For those who are ill.

Let us pray also for the abundance of the fruits of the earth.

And for all our family and friends who have fallen asleep before us, the Orthodox here and everywhere piously laid to sleep.

Let us also say for ourselves: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ, our God, have mercy on us [and save us].

(Amen.)