

Ὁκτώηχος - Ἦχος α'.

Τῇ Πέμπτῃ Πρωΐ

Μηναιὸν - ΤΗΙ ΙΘ' ΔΕΚΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

Μνήμη τοῦ Ἁγίου Μάρτυρος Βονιφατίου

ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ

Ἀντίφωνον Α'. Ἦχος β'.

Στίχ. α'. Ἀγαθὸν τὸ ἐξομολογεῖσθαι τῷ
Κυρίῳ, καὶ ψάλλειν τῷ ὀνόματί σου, Ὑψιστε.

Ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, Σῶτερ,
σῶσον ἡμᾶς.

Στίχ. β'. Τοῦ ἀναγγέλλειν τῷ πρωΐ τὸ
ἔλεός σου, καὶ τὴν ἀλήθειάν σου κατὰ νύκτα.

Ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, Σῶτερ,
σῶσον ἡμᾶς.

Στίχ. γ'. Ὅτι εὐθὴς Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν,
καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ἀδικία ἐν αὐτῷ.

Ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, Σῶτερ,
σῶσον ἡμᾶς.

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι.

Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν
αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, Σῶτερ,
σῶσον ἡμᾶς.

Ἀντίφωνον Β'. Ἦχος β'.

Στίχ. α'. Ὁ Κύριος ἐβασίλευσεν,
εὐπρέπειαν ἐνεδύσατο, ἐνεδύσατο Κύριος
δύναμιν καὶ περιεζώσατο.

ἦ·

Octoechos - Mode 1.

On Thursday Morning

Menaion - December 19

Memory of the Holy Martyr Boniface

LITURGY

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Antiphon I. Mode 2.

Verse 1: *It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing to Your name, O Most High.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the
Theotokos, Savior, save us. [GOA]

Verse 2: *To proclaim Your mercy in the morning and Your truth at night.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the
Theotokos, Savior, save us.

Verse 3: *The Lord my God is upright, and there is no wrongdoing in Him.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the
Theotokos, Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

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

Through the intercessions of the
Theotokos, Savior, save us.

Antiphon II. Mode 2.

Verse 1: *The Lord reigns; He clothed Himself with majesty; the Lord clothed and girded Himself with power.* [SAAS]

or:

Στίχ. α'. Δεῦτε ἀγαλλιασώμεθα τῷ Κυρίῳ,
ἀλαλάζωμεν τῷ Θεῷ τῷ Σωτῆρι ἡμῶν.

Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἐν ἁγίοις
θαυμαστός, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα.

Στίχ. β'. Καὶ γὰρ ἐστερέωσε τὴν
οἰκουμένην, ἣτις οὐ σαλευθήσεται.

ἢ·

Στίχ. β'. Προφθάσωμεν τὸ πρόσωπον
αὐτοῦ ἐν ἐξομολογήσει, καὶ ἐν ψαλμοῖς
ἀλαλάζωμεν αὐτῷ, ὅτι Θεὸς μέγας, Κύριος καὶ
Βασιλεὺς μέγας ἐπὶ πᾶσαν τὴν γῆν.

Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἐν ἁγίοις
θαυμαστός, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα.

Στίχ. γ'. Τῷ οἴκῳ σου πρέπει ἁγίασμα,
Κύριε, εἰς μακρότητα ἡμερῶν.

ἢ·

Στίχ. γ'. Ὅτι ἐν τῇ χειρὶ αὐτοῦ τὰ πέρατα
τῆς γῆς, καὶ τὰ ὕψη τῶν ὀρέων αὐτοῦ εἰσιν· ὅτι
αὐτοῦ ἐστὶν ἡ θάλασσα, καὶ αὐτὸς ἐποίησεν
αὐτήν, καὶ τὴν ξηρὰν αἱ χεῖρες αὐτοῦ ἔπλασαν.

Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἐν ἁγίοις
θαυμαστός, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα.

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι.

Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν
αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Ὁ Μονογενὴς Υἱὸς καὶ Λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ,
ἀθάνατος ὑπάρχων καὶ καταδεξάμενος διὰ
τὴν ἡμετέραν σωτηρίαν σαρκωθῆναι ἐκ τῆς
ἁγίας Θεοτόκου καὶ ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας,
ἀτρέπτως ἐνανθρωπήσας, σταυρωθεὶς τε,
Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, θανάτῳ θάνατον πατήσας,
εἰς ὧν τῆς Ἁγίας Τριάδος, συνδοξαζόμενος

Verse 1: Come, let us greatly rejoice in the Lord;
let us shout aloud to God our savior. [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, Who are
wondrous in Your saints. We sing to You,
Alleluia. [GOA]

Verse 2: And He established the world,
which shall not be moved. [SAAS]

or:

Verse 2: Let us come before His face with
thanksgiving, and let us shout aloud to Him with
psalms. For the Lord is a great God, a great King over
all the earth. [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, Who are
wondrous in Your saints. We sing to You,
Alleluia.

Verse 3: Holiness is proper to Your house, O
Lord, unto length of days. [SAAS]

or:

Verse 3: For in His hand are the ends of the
earth, and the heights of the mountains are His. For
the sea is His, and He made it, and His hands formed
the dry land. [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, Who are
wondrous in Your saints. We sing to You,
Alleluia.

Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy
Spirit.

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

Only begotten Son and Logos of God,
being immortal, You condescended for
our salvation to take flesh from the holy
Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary and, without
change, became man. Christ, our God, You
were crucified and conquered death by death.

τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, σῶσον
ἡμᾶς.

Ἀντίφωνον Γ'.

Ἀπολυτίκιον. Τοῦ Μάρτυρος.

Ἦχος δ'. Ταχὺ προκατάλαβε.

Ὁ Μάρτυς σου Κύριε, ἐν τῇ ἀθλήσει
αὐτοῦ, τὸ στέφος ἐκομίσατο τῆς ἀφθαρσίας,
ἐκ σοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν· ἔχων γὰρ τὴν ἰσχύν
σου, τοὺς τυράννους καθεῖλεν· ἔθραυσε καὶ
δαιμόνων, τὰ ἀνίσχυρα θράση, αὐτοῦ ταῖς
ίκεσίαις Χριστέ, σῶσον τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Being one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with
the Father and the Holy Spirit: Save us. [GOA]

Antiphon III.

Apolytikion. For the Martyr.

Mode 4. Come quickly.

Your Martyr, O Lord, was worthily
awarded by You * the crown of incorruption,
in that he contested for You our immortal
God. * Since he possessed Your power, he
defeated the tyrants, * dashing the demons'
powerless displays of defiance. * O Christ
God, at his fervent entreaties, save our souls.

[SD]

Ἡ, ἀντὶ τῶν Ἀντιφώνων, κατὰ τὸ τυπικόν, ψάλλονται τὰ Τυπικά καὶ οἱ Μακαρισμοί.

Ψαλμὸς 102.

Ψαλμὸς 145.

Οἱ Μακαρισμοί.

Ἦχος α'.

Ἐν τῇ Βασιλείᾳ σου μνήσθητι ἡμῶν
Κύριε, ὅταν ἔλθῃς ἐν τῇ Βασιλείᾳ σου.
Μακάριοι οἱ πτωχοὶ τῷ πνεύματι, ὅτι αὐτῶν
ἐστὶν ἡ Βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν.

Μακάριοι οἱ πενθοῦντες, ὅτι αὐτοὶ
παρακληθήσονται.

Μακάριοι οἱ πραεῖς, ὅτι αὐτοὶ
κληρονομήσουσι τὴν γῆν.

Μακάριοι οἱ πεινῶντες καὶ διψῶντες τὴν
δικαιοσύνην, ὅτι αὐτοὶ χορτασθήσονται.

Μακάριοι οἱ ἐλεήμονες, ὅτι αὐτοὶ
ἐλεηθήσονται.

Μακάριοι οἱ καθαροὶ τῇ καρδίᾳ, ὅτι
αὐτοὶ τὸν Θεὸν ὄψονται.

Τροπάρια.

Τῆς Ὁκτωήχου - - -

*Μακάριοι οἱ εἰρηνοποιοί, ὅτι αὐτοὶ Υἱοὶ
Θεοῦ κληθήσονται.*

Διὰ βρώσεως ἐξήγαγε, τοῦ Παραδείσου
ὁ ἐχθρὸς τὸν Ἀδάμ, διὰ Σταυροῦ δὲ τὸν
ληστήν, ἀντεισήγαγε Χριστὸς ἐν αὐτῷ.
Μνήσθητί μου κράζοντα, ὅταν ἔλθῃς ἐν τῇ
Βασιλείᾳ σου.

An optional alternative to the Antiphons are the Typika (Psalms 102 and 145), and the Beatitudes with the appointed troparia, which are provided here.

Psalm 102.

Psalm 145.

The Beatitudes.

Mode 1.

In Your kingdom. Remember us, O Lord,
when You come in Your kingdom. Blessed are
the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of
heaven [RSV]

Blessed are those who mourn, for they
shall be comforted. [RSV]

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit
the earth. [RSV]

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst
for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
[RSV]

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall
obtain mercy. [RSV]

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they
shall see God. [RSV]

Troparia.

From Octoechos - - -

*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be
called sons of God. [RSV]*

Then the foe used eating from the tree *
to get Adam banished from Paradise. * Now
crucified upon a tree, * Christ allowed the
Robber enter it, * when he said: Remember me
* when You come in Your kingdom, O Lord.

[SD]

Μακάριοι οἱ δεδιωγμένοι ἕνεκεν δικαιοσύνης, ὅτι αὐτῶν ἐστὶν ἡ Βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν.

Οἱ τὰ πέρατα φωτίσαντες, θείαις ἀκτῖσι, τῶν δογμάτων ὑμῶν, τὸν σκοτασμὸν τῆς πονηρᾶς, ἀσεβείας διελύσατε, καὶ πρὸς φῶς τὸ ἄδυτον, μεταβάντες αἰὲ μακαρίζεσθε.

Μακάριοι ἐστὲ ὅταν ὀνειδίσωσιν ὑμᾶς, καὶ διώξωσι, καὶ εἴπωσι πᾶν πονηρὸν ῥῆμα καθ' ὑμῶν, ψευδόμενοι ἕνεκεν ἐμοῦ.

Τοῦ Πατρὸς τὴν ἐνυπόστατον, σχόντες σοφίαν μαθηταὶ τοῦ Χριστοῦ, πάντας σοφίζουσιν ὑμᾶς, τῇ μωρίᾳ τοῦ κηρύγματος, κόσμον ἐφωτίσατε, καὶ πρὸς γνῶσιν θεῖαν μετηγάγετε.

Χαίρετε καὶ ἀγαλλιᾶσθε, ὅτι ὁ μισθὸς ὑμῶν πολὺς ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς.

Μαρτυρικόν.

Τὰς βασάνους ὑπομείναντες, καθάπερ ἄσαρκοι Χριστοῦ ἀθληταί, πάντας ἀσάρκους δυσμενεῖς, κατὰ κράτος ἐνίκησατε· ὅθεν μακαρίζεσθε, ὑπὸ πάντων ἀνθρώπων ἐκάστοτε.

Δόξα.

Τὴν Τριάδα προσκυνήσωμεν, σὺν τῷ Πατρὶ, Υἱόν, καὶ Πνεῦμα τὸ ζῶν, τὴν ἀδιαίρετον πιστοί, καὶ ἀχώριστον καὶ σύνθρονον, Μονάδα κραυγάζοντες· Ἅγιος εἰ Θεὸς τρισάγιε.

Καὶ νῦν. **Θεοτοκίον.**

Μακαρίζομέν σε Πάναγνε, ὡς προεφήτευσας Ἀγνή· Θεὸν γὰρ ἐκυφόρησας, χορὸς Ἀποστόλων ὃν

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [RSV]

O Apostles, you enlightened all * the ends of earth with the godly rays * of your true teachings, and dispelled * the darkness of ungodliness. * Having gone now to unsetting light, * you are blessed forevermore. [SD]

Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely [for my sake]. [RSV]

O Christ's disciples, you had the Father's own * enhypostatic Wisdom dwelling in you, * which made you wise in things divine. * By the folly of your preaching, * you enlightened the whole wide world, * and you led it knowledge of God. [SD]

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven. [RSV]

For the Martyrs.

You endured the tortures manfully, * Martyrs of Christ, as though bodiless. * And you defeated all the foes who are bodiless mightily. * Therefore by all people now * you are blessed and extolled each day. [SD]

Glory.

Let us believers worship and adore * the Holy Trinity, Father, Son, * and living Spirit, one in throne, * undivided, inseparable, * single God, to whom we cry aloud: * You are holy, O thrice-holy God. [SD]

Both now. **Theotokion.**

All-pure Virgin, we now call you blest, * as you yourself once had prophesied. * For you gave birth to God, whom hosts * of Apostles proclaimed to all. * Pray with them

ἐκήρυξε, μεθ' ὧν ἡμῖν αἵτησαι, τῶν
πταισμάτων λύτρωσιν πανάμωμε.

for forgiveness * of our sins, O all-blameless
one. [SD]

Εἰσοδικόν. Ἦχος β'.

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ
προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱέ
Θεοῦ, ὁ ἐν ἁγίοις θαυμαστός, ψάλλοντάς
σοι, Ἀλληλουῖα.

**Ὑμνοι μετὰ τὴν Μικρὰν Εἴσοδον
Ἀπολυτίκιον. Τοῦ Μάρτυρος.
Ἦχος δ'. Ταχὺ προκατάλαβε.**

Ὁ Μάρτυς σου Κύριε, ἐν τῇ ἀθλήσει
αὐτοῦ, τὸ στέφος ἐκομίσατο τῆς ἀφθαρσίας,
ἐκ σοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν· ἔχων γὰρ τὴν ἰσχύν
σου, τοὺς τυράννους καθεῖλεν· ἔθραυσε καὶ
δαιμόνων, τὰ ἀνίσχυρα θράση, αὐτοῦ ταῖς
ἱκεσίαις Χριστέ, σῶσον τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Τοῦ Ναοῦ.

(Τὸ Ἀπολυτίκιον τοῦ Ναοῦ.)

**Κοντάκιον. Τῶν Ἀποστόλων.
Ἦχος β'. Αὐτόμελον.**

Τοὺς ἀσφαλεῖς καὶ θεοφθόγγους
κήρυκας, τὴν κορυφὴν τῶν Μαθητῶν σου
Κύριε, προσελάβου εἰς ἀπόλαυσιν, τῶν
ἀγαθῶν σου καὶ ἀνάπαυσιν· τοὺς πόνους
γὰρ ἐκείνων καὶ τὸν θάνατον, ἐδέξω ὑπὲρ
πᾶσαν ὀλοκάρπωσιν, ὁ μόνος γινώσκων τὰ
ἐγκάρδια.

Ο ΤΡΙΣΑΓΙΟΣ ΥΜΝΟΣ

Ἅγιος ὁ Θεός, ἅγιος Ἰσχυρός, ἅγιος
Ἀθάνατος, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. (ἐκ γ')

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι.
Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν
αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Entrance Hymn. Mode 2.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who
are wondrous in Your saints. We sing to You,
Alleluia. [GOA]

**Hymns After the Small Entrance.
Apolytikion. For the Martyr.
Mode 4. Come quickly.**

Your Martyr, O Lord, was worthily
awarded by You * the crown of incorruption,
in that he contested for You our immortal
God. * Since he possessed Your power, he
defeated the tyrants, * dashing the demons'
powerless displays of defiance. * O Christ
God, at his fervent entreaties, save our souls.

[SD]

Apolytikion of the Parish Church

(The text of the Apolytikion of the local
church goes here.)

**Kontakion. For the Apostles.
Mode 2. Automelon.**

You have taken to yourself, O Lord, the
pinnacles of Your Disciples, those unerring
theologians and preachers, to enjoy Your
blessings and repose. For You accepted their
labors and their death as being higher than
any whole-burnt offering, for only You know
what is in the heart. [SD]

THE TRISAGION HYMN

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

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

Ἅγιος Ἀθάνατος, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς.

Ὁ Ἀπόστολος

ΠΕΜΠΤΗ ΚΖ' ΕΒΔΟΜΑΔΟΣ

Προκείμενον. Ἦχος πλ. δ'. Ψαλμός 18.

Εἰς πᾶσαν τὴν γῆν ἐξῆλθεν ὁ φόγγος αὐτῶν καὶ εἰς τὰ πέρατα τῆς οἰκουμένης τὰ ῥήματα αὐτῶν.

Στίχ. Οἱ οὐρανοὶ διηγοῦνται δόξαν Θεοῦ, ποίησιν δὲ χειρῶν αὐτοῦ ἀναγγέλλει τὸ στερέωμα.

1Τι 6:17-21

Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, τοῖς πλουσίοις ἐν τῷ νῦν αἰῶνι παράγγελλε μὴ ὑψηλοφρονεῖν, μηδὲ ἡλπικέναι ἐπὶ πλούτου ἀδηλότητι, ἀλλ' ἐν τῷ Θεῷ τῷ ζῶντι, τῷ παρέχοντι ἡμῖν πάντα πλουσίως εἰς ἀπόλαυσιν, ἀγαθοεργεῖν, πλουτεῖν ἐν ἔργοις καλοῖς, εὐμεταδότους εἶναι, κοινωνικούς, ἀποθησαυρίζοντας ἑαυτοῖς θεμέλιον καλὸν εἰς τὸ μέλλον, ἵνα ἐπιλάβωνται τῆς αἰωνίου ζωῆς. Ὡ Τιμόθεε, τὴν παρακαταθήκην φύλαξον, ἐκτρεπόμενος τὰς βεβήλους κenoφωνίας καὶ ἀντιθέσεις τῆς ψευδωνύμου γνώσεως, ἣν τινες ἐπαγγελλόμενοι περὶ τὴν πίστιν ἠστόχησαν. Ἡ χάρις μετὰ σοῦ· ἀμήν.

Ἀλληλούϊα. Ἦχος α'. Ψαλμός 88.

Ἀλληλούϊα. Ἀλληλούϊα. Ἀλληλούϊα.

Στίχ. α'. Ἐξομολογήσονται οἱ οὐρανοὶ τὰ θαυμάσιά σου, Κύριεν.

Ἀλληλούϊα. Ἀλληλούϊα. Ἀλληλούϊα.

Στίχ. β'. Ὁ Θεὸς ἐνδοξαζόμενος ἐν βουλῇ ἁγίων.

Ἀλληλούϊα. Ἀλληλούϊα. Ἀλληλούϊα.

Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

The Epistle

THURSDAY OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH WEEK

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 4. Psalm 18.

Their proclamation went forth into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world. [SAAS]

Verse: *The heavens declare the glory of God; the firmament shows the creation of His hands.*

[SAAS]

1 Tim. 6:17-21

Timothy, my son, charge the rich in this world not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on uncertain riches but on God who richly furnishes us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good deeds, liberal and generous, thus laying up for themselves a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life which is life indeed. O Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you. Avoid the godless chatter and contradictions of what is falsely called knowledge, for by professing it some have missed the mark as regards the faith. Grace be with you. Amen. [RSV]

Alleluia. Mode 1. Psalm 88.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 1: *The heavens shall confess Your wonders, O Lord.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 2: *God is glorified in the counsel of saints.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Τὸ Εὐαγγέλιον

Τῆς ΠΕΜΠΤΗΣ ΤΗΣ ΙΑ' ΕΒΔΟΜΑΔΟΣ ΤΟΥ ΛΟΥΚΑ

Ματθ ι' 17 - 27

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκεῖνῳ, ἐκπορευομένου τοῦ Ἰησοῦ εἰς ὁδὸν προσδραμῶν εἰς καὶ γονυπετήσας αὐτὸν ἐπηρώτα αὐτόν· Διδάσκαλε ἀγαθέ, τί ποιήσω ἵνα ζωὴν αἰώνιον κληρονομήσω; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτῷ· Τί με λέγεις ἀγαθόν; οὐδεὶς ἀγαθὸς εἰ μὴ εἷς ὁ Θεός. τὰς ἐντολὰς οἶδας· μὴ μοιχεύσης, μὴ φονεύσης, μὴ κλέψης, μὴ ψευδομαρτυρήσης, μὴ ἀποστερήσης, τίμα τὸν πατέρα σου καὶ τὴν μητέρα. ὁ δὲ ἀποκριθεὶς εἶπεν αὐτῷ· Διδάσκαλε, ταῦτα πάντα ἐφυλαξάμην ἐκ νεότητός μου. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς ἐμβλέψας αὐτῷ ἠγάπησεν αὐτόν καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· Ἐν σοὶ ὑστερεῖ· εἰ θέλεις τέλειος εἶναι, ὑπάγε, ὅσα ἔχεις πώλησον καὶ δὸς πτωχοῖς, καὶ ἔξεις θησαυρὸν ἐν οὐρανῷ, καὶ δεῦρο ἀκολούθει μοι, ἄρας τὸν σταυρόν σου. ὁ δὲ στυγνάσας ἐπὶ τῷ λόγῳ ἀπῆλθε λυπούμενος· ἦν γὰρ ἔχων κτήματα πολλά. καὶ περιβλεψάμενος ὁ Ἰησοῦς λέγει τοῖς μαθηταῖς αὐτοῦ· Πῶς δυσκόλως οἱ τὰ χρήματα ἔχοντες εἰς τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ εἰσελεύσονται! οἱ δὲ μαθηταὶ ἐθαμβοῦντο ἐπὶ τοῖς λόγοις αὐτοῦ. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς πάλιν ἀποκριθεὶς λέγει αὐτοῖς· Τέκνα, πῶς δύσκολόν ἐστι τοὺς πεποιθότας ἐπὶ χρήμασιν εἰς τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ εἰσελθεῖν· εὐκοπώτερόν ἐστι κάμηλον διὰ τρυμαλιᾶς ῥαφίδος εἰσελθεῖν ἢ πλούσιον εἰς τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ εἰσελθεῖν. οἱ δὲ περισσῶς ἐξεπλήσσοντο λέγοντες πρὸς ἑαυτούς· Καὶ τίς δύναται σωθῆναι; ἐμβλέψας αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς λέγει· Παρὰ ἀνθρώποις ἀδύνατον, ἀλλ' οὐ παρὰ Θεῷ· πάντα γὰρ δυνατὰ ἐστί παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ.

The Gospel

Thursday of the Fourteenth Week of Luke

Mk. 10:17-27

At that time, as Jesus was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not kill, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'" And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have observed from my youth." And Jesus looking upon him loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you have, and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." At that saying his countenance fell, and he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions. And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "With men it is impossible, but not with God; for all things are possible with God." [RSV]

Ὑμνος εἰς τὴν Θεοτόκον.

Ἄξιόν ἐστιν ὡς ἀληθῶς μακαρίζειν σε τὴν Θεοτόκον, τὴν ἀειμακάριστον καὶ παναμώμητον καὶ μητέρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν. Τὴν τιμιωτέραν τῶν Χερουβείμ καὶ ἐνδοξοτέραν ἀσυγκρίτως τῶν Σεραφεὶμ, τὴν ἀδιαφθόρως Θεὸν Λόγον τεκοῦσαν, τὴν ὄντως Θεοτόκον, σὲ μεγαλύνομεν.

Κοινωνικόν. Ψαλμὸς 18.

Εἰς πᾶσαν τὴν γῆν ἐξῆλθεν ὁ φόγγος αὐτῶν καὶ εἰς τὰ πέρατα τῆς οἰκουμένης τὰ ῥήματα αὐτῶν. Ἀλληλούϊα.

**Ὑμνος μετὰ τὴν Θ. Κοινωνίαν.
Ἦχος β'.**

Εἶδομεν τὸ φῶς τὸ ἀληθινόν, ἐλάβομεν Πνεῦμα ἐπουράνιον, εὗρομεν πίστιν ἀληθῆ, ἀδιαίρετον Τριάδα προσκυνοῦντες· αὕτη γὰρ ἡμᾶς ἔσωσεν.

ΑΠΟΛΥΣΙΣ

Χριστὸς ὁ ἀληθινὸς Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς παναχράντου καὶ παναμώμου ἁγίας αὐτοῦ Μητρός, δυνάμει τοῦ τιμίου καὶ ζωοποιοῦ Σταυροῦ, προστασίαις τῶν τιμίων ἐπουρανίων Δυνάμεων Ἀσωμάτων, ἱκεσίαις τοῦ τιμίου, ἐνδόξου, προφήτου, Προδρόμου καὶ βαπτιστοῦ Ἰωάννου, τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων καὶ πανευφήμων Ἀποστόλων, τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων καὶ καλλινίκων μαρτύρων· τῶν ὁσίων καὶ θεοφόρων Πατέρων ἡμῶν· (τοῦ Ἀγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ)· τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων Θεοπατόρων Ἰωακείμ καὶ Ἄννης, καὶ πάντων τῶν Ἀγίων, ἐλεῆσαι καὶ σῶσαι ἡμᾶς, ὡς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλόανθρωπος.

Κανόνας Νηστείας
Νηστεία.

Hymn to the Theotokos.

It is truly right to bless you, Theotokos, ever blessed, most pure, and Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim, without corruption you gave birth to God the Logos. We magnify you, the true Theotokos. [GOA]

Communion Hymn. Psalm 18.

Their proclamation went forth into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world. Alleluia. [SAAS]

**Hymn after Holy Communion.
Mode 2.**

We have seen the true light; we have received the heavenly Spirit; we have found the true faith, worshipping the undivided Trinity, for the Trinity has saved us. [GOA]

THE DISMISSAL

May Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-pure and all-immaculate holy Mother, the power of the precious and life-giving Cross, the protection of the honorable, bodiless powers of heaven, the supplications of the honorable, glorious prophet and forerunner John the Baptist, of the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy apostles, of the holy, glorious, and triumphant martyrs, of our righteous and God-bearing fathers, (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.

Fasting Rule
Strict: Refrain from meat, fish, oil, dairy, and eggs.

Εἶναι ἡ νηστεία πρὸ τῶν Χριστουγέννων.

It is the Christmas fast.