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Μνήμη τοῦ Άγίου Εὐαγγελιστοῦ Ματθαίου

ΕΣΠΕΡΙΝΟΣ

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εὐλογητὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν πάντοτε, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Άμήν.)

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Δεῦτε ποοσκυνήσωμεν καὶ ποοσπέσωμεν τῷ Βασιλεῖ ἡμῶν Θεῷ.

Δεῦτε ποοσκυνήσωμεν καὶ ποοσπέσωμεν Χοιστῷ τῷ Βασιλεῖ ἡμῶν Θεῷ.

Δεῦτε ποοσκυνήσωμεν καὶ ποοσπέσωμεν αὐτῷ, Χοιστῷ τῷ Βασιλεῖ καὶ Θεῷ ἡμῶν.

Ψαλμὸς ΡΓ' (103).

Εὐλόγει ή ψυχή μου, τὸν Κύριον. Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου ἐμεγαλύνθης σφόδοα. Έξομολόγησιν καὶ μεγαλοπρέπειαν ἐνεδύσω, ἀναβαλλόμενος φῶς ὡς ἱμάτιον. Ἐκτείνων τὸν οὐρανὸν ώσεὶ δέἰδριν, ὁ στεγάζων ἐν ὕδασιν τὰ ὑπερῷα αὐτοῦ. Ό τιθεὶς νέφη τὴν ἐπίβασιν αὐτοῦ, ὁ περιπατῶν ἐπὶ πτερύγων ἀνέμων. Ὁ ποιῶν τοὺς Ἁγγέλους αὐτοῦ πνεύματα, καὶ τοὺς λειτουργοὺς αὐτοῦ πυρὸς φλόγα. Ὁ θεμελιῶν τὴν γὴν ἐπὶ τὴν ἀσφάλειαν αὐτῆς, οὐ κλιθήσεται εἰς τὸν αὶῶνα τοῦ αἰῶνος. Ἄβυσσος ὡς ἱμάτιον τὸ περιβόλαιον αὐτοῦ, ἐπὶ τῶν ὀρέων στήσονται ὕδατα. Ἀπὸ ἐπιτιμήσεώς σου φεύξονται, ἀπὸ φωνῆς βροντῆς σου δειλιάσουσιν. Άναβαίνουσιν ὄρη, καὶ καταβαίνουσι πεδία εἰς τόπον, ὃν

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PRIEST

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

(Amen.)

READER

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 103 (104).

Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, You are magnified exceedingly; You clothe Yourself with thanksgiving and majesty, who cover Yourself with light as with a garment, who stretch out the heavens like a curtain; You are He who covers His upper chambers with water, who makes the clouds His means of approach, who walks on the wings of the winds, who makes His angels spirits and His ministers a flame of fire. He established the earth on its stable foundation; it shall not be moved unto ages of ages. The deep like a garment is His covering; the waters shall stand upon the mountains; at Your rebuke they shall flee; at the sound of Your thunder, they shall be afraid. The mountains rise up, and the plains sink down to the place You founded for them. You set

έθεμελίωσας αὐτά. Όριον ἔθου, ὁ οὐ παρελεύσονται, οὐδὲ ἐπιστρέψουσι καλύψαι τὴν γήν. Ὁ ἐξαποστέλλων πηγάς ἐν φάραγξιν, ἀναμέσον τῶν ὀρέων διελεύσονται ὕδατα· ποτιοῦσι πάντα τὰ θηρία τοῦ ἀγροῦ, προσδέξονται ὄναγροι είς δίψαν αὐτῶν. Ἐπ' αὐτὰ τὰ πετεινὰ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ κατασκηνώσει, ἐκ μέσου τῶν πετοῶν δώσουσι φωνήν. Ποτίζων ὄρη ἐκ τῶν ὑπερώων αὐτοῦ, ἀπὸ καρποῦ τῶν ἔργων σου χορτασθήσεται ἡ γῆ. Ὁ έξανατέλλων χόρτον τοὶς κτήνεσι, καὶ χλόην τὴ δουλεία τῶν ἀνθοώπων. Τοῦ έξαγαγεῖν ἄρτον ἐκ τῆς γῆς, καὶ οἶνος εὐφραίνει καρδίαν ἀνθρώπου. Τοῦ ἱλαρύναι πρόσωπον ἐν ἐλαίω, καὶ ἄρτος καρδίαν ανθρώπου στηρίζει. Χορτασθήσεται τὰ ξύλα τοῦ πεδίου, αἱ κέδροι τοῦ Λιβάνου, ἃς ἐφύτευσας. Ἐκεῖ στοουθία ἐννοσσεύσουσι, τοῦ ἐρωδιοῦ ἡ κατοικία ἠγεῖται αὐτῶν. Όρη τὰ ὑψηλὰ ταὶς ἐλάφοις, πέτρα καταφυγὴ τοὶς λαγωοίς. Ἐποίησε σελήνην εἰς καιρούς, ό ήλιος ἔγνω τὴν δύσιν αὐτοῦ. Ἐθου σκότος, καὶ ἐγένετο νύξ, ἐν αὐτῆ διελεύσονται πάντα τὰ θηρία τοῦ δρυμοῦ. Σκύμνοι ωουόμενοι τοῦ άρπᾶσαι, καὶ ζητῆσαι παρά τῷ Θεῷ βοῶσιν αὐτοῖς. Ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος, καὶ συνήχθησαν, καὶ εἰς τὰς μάνδρας αὐτῶν κοιτασθήσονται. Έξελεύσεται ἄνθοωπος ἐπὶ τὸ ἔργον αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐπὶ την ἐργασίαν αὐτοῦ ἕως ἑσπέρας. Ώς ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου, Κύριε, πάντα έν σοφία ἐποίησας, ἐπληρώθη ἡ γῆ τῆς κτίσεώς σου. Αὕτη ἡ θάλασσα ἡ μεγάλη καὶ εὐούχωρος, ἐκεῖ ἑρπετὰ ὧν οὐκ ἔστιν ἀριθμός, ζῷα μικρὰ μετὰ μεγάλων. Ἐκεῖ πλοῖα διαπορεύονται, δράκων οὖτος, δν ἔπλασας ἐμπαίζειν αὐτή. Πάντα

a boundary they shall not pass over; neither shall they return to cover the earth. You are He who sends springs into the valley; the waters shall pass between the mountains; they shall give drink to all the wild animals of the field; the wild asses shall quench their thirst; the birds of heaven shall dwell beside them; they shall sing from the midst of the rocks. You are He who waters the mountains from His higher places; the earth shall be satisfied with the fruit of Your works. You are He who causes grass to grow for the cattle, and the green plant for the service of man, to bring forth bread from the earth; and wine gladdens the heart of man, to brighten his face with oil; and bread strengthens man's heart. The trees of the plain shall be full of fruit, the cedars of Lebanon, which You planted; there the sparrows shall make their nests; the house of the heron takes the lead among them. The high mountains are for the deer; the cliff is a refuge for the rabbits. He made the moon for seasons; the sun knows its setting. You established darkness, and it was night, wherein all the wild animals of the forest will prowl about; the young lions roar and snatch their prey, and seek their food from God. The sun arises, and they are gathered together; and they shall be put to bed in their dens. Man shall go out to his work and to his labor until evening. O Lord, Your works shall be magnified greatly; You made all things in wisdom; the earth was filled with Your creation. There is this great and spacious sea: the creeping things are there without number; the living things are there, both small and great; there the ships pass through; there is this dragon You formed to play therein. All

πρὸς σὲ προσδοκῶσι, δοῦναι τὴν τροφὴν αὐτῶν εἰς εὔκαιρον, δόντος σου αὐτοῖς συλλέξουσιν. Ανοίξαντός σου την χείρα, τὰ σύμπαντα πλησθήσονται χρηστότητος, ἀποστρέψαντος δέ σου τὸ πρόσωπον, ταραχθήσονται. Άντανελεῖς τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτῶν, καὶ ἐκλείψουσι, καὶ εἰς τὸν χοῦν αὐτῶν ἐπιστρέψουσιν. Ἐξαποστελεῖς τὸ πνεῦμα σου, καὶ κτισθήσονται, καὶ ἀνακαινιεὶς τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γῆς. "Ήτω ή δόξα Κυρίου εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας, εὐφοανθήσεται Κύριος ἐπὶ τοῖς ἔργοις αὐτοῦ. Ὁ ἐπιβλέπων ἐπὶ τὴν γήν, καὶ ποιῶν αὐτὴν τρέμειν, ὁ ἁπτόμενος τῶν ὀρέων, καὶ καπνίζονται. Άισω τῷ Κυρίῳ ἐν τῆ ζωῆ μου, ψαλῶ τῷ Θεῷ μου ἔως ὑπάρχω. Ήδυνθείη αὐτῷ ἡ διαλογή μου, ἐγὼ δὲ εὐφοανθήσομαι ἐπὶ τῷ Κυρίῳ. Ἐκλείποιεν άμαρτωλοὶ ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς, καὶ ἄνομοι, ὥστε μὴ ὑπάοχειν αὐτούς. Εὐλόγει, ἡ ψυχή μου, τὸν Κύριον.

Ό ἥλιος ἔγνω τὴν δύσιν αὐτοῦ. Ἔθου σκότος, καὶ ἐγένετο νύξ.

Ως ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου, Κύριε πάντα ἐν σοφία ἐποίησας.

Δόξα Πατοὶ καὶ Υίῷ καὶ Άγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Άλληλούϊα. Άλληλούϊα. Άλληλούϊα. Δόξα σοι ὁ Θεός. (ἐκ γ')

Ή ἐλπὶς ἡμῶν, Κύριε, δόξα σοι.

things wait upon You, that You may give them food in due season. When You give it to them, they shall gather it; when You open Your hand, all things shall be filled with Your goodness. But when You turn Your face away, they shall be troubled; when You take away their breath, they shall die and return again to their dust. You shall send forth Your Spirit, and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. Let the glory of the Lord be forever; the Lord shall be glad in His works; He looks upon the earth and makes it tremble; He touches the mountains, and they smoke. I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing to my God as long as I exist; may my words be pleasing to Him, and I shall be glad in the Lord. May sinners cease from the earth, and the lawless, so as to be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The sun knows its setting. You established darkness, and it was night.

O Lord, Your works shall be magnified greatly; You made all things in wisdom. [SAAS]

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

Alleluia. Alleluia. Glory to You, O God. (3)

Our hope, O Lord, glory to You.

Άπαγγελλομένου ἐπίσης τοῦ Προοιμιακοῦ, ὁ Ιερεὺς ἵσταται ἀσκεπὴς ἐνώπιον τῆς ἁγίας Τραπέζης ἢ καὶ ἐνώπιον τῆς εἰκόνος τοῦ Σωτῆρος Χριστοῦ, ἱστάμενος ἐπὶ τοῦ Σολέα (ὡς ἐν τῷ Ὅρθρῳ), καὶ ἀναγινώσκει μυστικῶς τὰς Εὐχὰς τοῦ Λιχνικοῦ·

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ (μυστικῶς)

ΕΥΧΗ ΠΡΩΤΗ

Κύριε, οἰκτίρμον καὶ ἐλεῆμον, μακρόθυμε καὶ πολυέλεε, ἐνώτισαι τὴν προσευχὴν ἡμῶν, καὶ πρόσχες τῆ φωνῆ τῆς δεήσεως ἡμῶν ποίησον μεθ' ἡμῶν σημεῖον εἰς ἀγαθόν ὁδήγησον ἡμᾶς ἐν τῆ ὁδῷ σου τοῦ πορεύεσθαι ἐν τῆ ἀληθείᾳ σου εὖφρανον τὰς καρδίας ἡμῶν, εἰς τὸ φοβεῖσθαι τὸ "Όνομά σου τὸ ἄγιον διότι μέγας εἶ σὺ, καὶ ποιῶν θαυμάσια σὺ εἶ Θεὸς μόνος, καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ὅμοιός σοι ἐν θεοῖς, Κύριε, δυνατὸς ἐν ἐλέει, καὶ ἀγαθὸς ἐν ἰσχύϊ, εἰς τὸ βοηθεῖν καὶ παρακαλεῖν, καὶ σῷζειν πάντας τοὺς ἐλπίζοντας εἰς τὸ "Όνομά σου τὸ ἄγιον.

Ότι πρέπει σοι πᾶσα δόξα, τιμὴ καὶ προσκύνησις, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υίῷ καὶ τῷ Αγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

ΕΥΧΗ ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ

Κύριε, μὴ τῷ θυμῷ σου ἐλέγξης ἡμᾶς, μηδὲ τῆ ὀργῆ σου παιδεύσης ἡμᾶς, ἀλλὰ ποίησον μεθ' ἡμῶν κατὰ τὴν ἐπιείκειάν σου, ἰατρὲ καὶ θεραπευτὰ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν ὁδήγησον ἡμᾶς ἐπὶ λιμένα θελήματός σου φώτισον τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς τῶν καρδιῶν ἡμῶν, εἰς ἐπίγνωσιν τῆς σῆς ἀληθείας καὶ δώρησαι ἡμῖν τὸ λοιπὸν τῆς παρούσης ἡμέρας εἰρηνικὸν καὶ ἀναμάρτητον, καὶ πάντα τὸν χρόνον τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν.

While the Opening Psalm is being read the Priest, bareheaded and standing in front of the Holy Table, says quietly the following Prayers at the Lighting of the Lamps.

PRIEST (inaudibly)

1st Prayer

O Lord, compassionate and merciful, long-suffering and full of mercy, listen to our prayer and attend to the voice of our supplication. Make for us a sign for good. Guide us in your way, to walk in your truth. Make glad our hearts to fear your holy Name, because you are great and do wondrous things. You alone are God, and there is none like you, O Lord, among gods: powerful in mercy and loving in strength to help and to console and to save all who hope in your holy Name.

For to you belong all glory, honour and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

2nd Prayer

Lord, do not rebuke us in your anger, nor chastise us in your wrath, but deal with us in accordance with your kindness, physician and healer of our souls. Guide us to the harbour of your will. Enlighten the eyes of our hearts to the knowledge of your truth and grant that the rest of the present day and the whole time of our life may be peaceful and without sin, at the prayers of the holy Mother of God and of all the Saints.

ποεσβείαις τῆς ἁγίας Θεοτόκου, καὶ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων σου.

Ότι σὸν τὸ κράτος καὶ σοῦ ἐστιν ἡ βασιλεία καὶ ἡ δύναμις καὶ ἡ δόξα, τοῦ Πατρὸς καὶ τοῦ Υίοῦ καὶ τοῦ Άγίου Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

ΕΥΧΗ ΤΡΙΤΗ

Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, μνήσθητι ἡμῶν τῶν ἁμαρτωλῶν καὶ ἀχρείων δούλων σου, ἐν τῷ ἐπικαλεῖσθαι ἡμᾶς τὸ ἄγιον ὄνομά σου, καὶ μὴ καταισχύνης ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ τῆς προσδοκίας τοῦ ἐλέους σου, ἀλλὰ χάρισαι ἡμῖν, Κύριε, πάντα τὰ πρὸς σωτηρίαν αἰτήματα· καὶ ἀξίωσον ἡμᾶς ἀγαπᾶν, καὶ φοβεῖσθαί σε ἐξ ὅλης τῆς καρδίας ἡμῶν, καὶ ποιεῖν ἐν πᾶσι τὸ θέλημά σου.

Ότι ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθοωπος Θεὸς ὑπάοχεις καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατοὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

ΕΥΧΗ ΤΕΤΑΡΤΗ

Ό τοῖς ἀσιγήτοις ὕμνοις καὶ ἀπαύστοις δοξολογίαις ὑπὸ τῶν ἁγίων δυνάμεων ἀνυμνούμενος, πλήρωσον τὸ στόμα ἡμῶν τῆς αἰνέσεως σου, τοῦ δοῦναι μεγαλωσύνην τῷ ὀνόματί σου τῷ ἁγίῳ· καὶ δὸς ἡμῖν μερίδα καὶ κλῆρον μετὰ πάντων τῶν φοβουμένων σε ἐν ἀληθεία καὶ φυλασσόντων τὰς ἐντολάς σου· πρεσβείαις τῆς ἁγίας Θεοτόκου καὶ πάντων τῶν ἁγίων σου.

Ότι πρέπει σοι πᾶσα δόξα, τιμὴ καὶ προσκύνησις, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υίῷ καὶ τῷ

For yours is the might, and yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

3rd Prayer

Lord our God, remember us, sinners and your unprofitable servants, as we call upon your holy Name, and do not put us to shame from the expectation of your mercy, but graciously grant us, Lord, all the requests that are for salvation, and count us worthy to love and to fear you from our whole heart, and in all things to do your will.

For you, O God, are good and love mankind, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen. [EL]

4th Prayer

O Lord, who are praised by the holy Powers with never silent hymns and unceasing songs of glory, fill our mouth with your praise to give majesty to your holy Name, and give us a part and an inheritance with all who fear you in truth and who keep your commandments, at the prayers of the holy Mother of God and of all your Saints.

For to you belong all glory, honour and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Άγίω Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

ΕΥΧΗ ΠΕΜΠΤΗ

Κύριε, Κύριε, ὁ τῆ ἀχραντφ σου παλάμη συνέχων τὰ σύμπατα, ὁ μακροθυμῶν ἐπὶ πάντας ἡμᾶς καὶ μετανοῶν ἐπὶ ταῖς κακίαις ἡμῶν, μνήσθητι τῶν οἰκτιρμῶν σου καὶ τοῦ ἐλέους σου ἐπίσκεψαι ἡμᾶς ἐν τῆ σῆ ἀγαθότητι καὶ δὸς ἡμῖν διαφυγεῖν καὶ τὸ λοιπὸν τῆς παρούσης ἡμέρας, ἐκ τῶν τοῦ πονηροῦ ποικίλων μηχανημάτων, καὶ ἀνεπιβούλευτον τὴν ζωὴν ἡμῶν διαφύλαξον, τῆ χάριτι τοῦ Παναγίου σου Πνεύματος.

Ἐλέει καὶ φιλανθοωπία τοῦ μονογενοῦς σου Υίοῦ, μεθ' οὖ εὐλογητὸς εἰ, σὺν τῷ παναγίῳ καὶ ἀγαθῷ καὶ ζωοποιῷ σου Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

ΕΥΧΗ ΕΚΤΗ

Ό Θεός, ὁ μέγας καὶ θαυμαστός, ὁ ἀνεκδιηγήτῳ ἀγαθωσύνη καὶ πλουσία προνοία διοικῶν τὰ σύμπαντα· ὁ καὶ τα ἐγκόσμια ἀγαθὰ ἡμῖν δωρησάμενος, καὶ κατεγγυήσας ἡμῖν τὴν ἐπηγγελμένην βασιλείαν, διὰ τῶν ἤδη κεχαρισμένων ἡμῖν αγαθῶν· ὁ ποιήσας ἡμᾶς καὶ τῆς νῦν ἡμέρας τὸ παρελθὸν μέρος ἀπὸ παντὸς ἐκκλῖναι κακοῦ, δώρησαι ἡμῖν καὶ τὸ ὑπόλοιπον ἀμέμπτως ἐκτελέσαι, ἐνώπιον τῆς άγίας δόξης σου, ὑμνοῦντάς σε τὸν μόνον ἀγαθόν, καὶ φιλάνθρωπον Θεὸν ἡμῶν.

Ότι σὺ εἶ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατοὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ

5th Prayer

Lord, Lord, who uphold the universe by your immaculate hand, who are long-suffering towards us all and who repent of evils, remember your acts of compassion and your mercy. Visit us in your loving kindness and grant that for the rest of the present day we may escape the manifold wiles of the evil one, and, by the grace of your All-holy Spirit, keep our life free from assault.

By the mercy and love for mankind of your Only-begotten Son, with whom you are blessed, together with your all-holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now and for ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen. [EL]

6th Prayer

O God, great and wonderful, who order the universe with inexpressible loving-kindness and rich providence; who have granted us also the blessings of this world and brought us near to the promised Kingdom through the blessings that have been bestowed on us already; who have made us turn aside from every evil during that part of the present day which is now over, grant us also to complete what remains without blame in the presence of your holy glory, as we sing your praise, who alone are our God, good and the Lover of mankind.

For you are our God and to you we give glory, to the Father, the Son and the Holy

καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

ΕΥΧΗ ΕΒΔΟΜΗ

Ὁ Θεὸς ὁ μέγας καὶ ὕψιστος, ὁ μόνος ἔχων ἀθανασίαν, φῶς οἰκῶν ἀπρόσιτον, ὁ πᾶσαν τὴν κτίσιν ἐν σοφία δημιουργήσας. Ο διαχωρήσας ἀνὰ μέσον τοῦ φωτός, καὶ ανα μέσον τοῦ σκότους, καὶ τὸν μὲν ἥλιον θέμενος εἰς ἐξουσίαν τῆς ἡμέρας, σελήνην δὲ καὶ ἀστέρας εἰς ἐξουσίαν τῆς νυκτός ὁ καταξιώσας ήμᾶς τοὺς ἁμαρτωλοὺς καὶ ἐπὶ τῆς παρούσης ὤρας προφθάσαι τὸ πρόσωπόν σου ἐν ἐξομολογήσει, καὶ τὴν έσπερινήν σοι δοξολογίαν προσαγαγεῖν αὐτός, φιλάνθοωπε Κύοιε, κατεύθυνον τὴν προσευχὴν ἡμῶν ὡς θυμίαμα ἐνώπιόν σου καὶ πρόσδεξαι αὐτὴν εἰς ὀσμὴν εὐωδίας. Παράσχου δὲ ἡμῖν τὴν παροῦσαν έσπέραν καὶ τὴν ἐπιοῦσαν νύκτα εἰρηνικήν ἔνδυσον ἡμᾶς ὅπλα φωτός ὁῦσαι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ φόβου νυκτερινοῦ καὶ ἀπὸ παντὸς πράγματος ἐν σκότει διαπορευομένου καὶ δὸς ἡμῖν τὸν ὕπνον, ὃν εἰς ἀνάπαυσιν τῆ ἀσθενεία ήμῶν ἐδωρήσω, πάσης διαβολικῆς φαντασίας ἀπηλλαγμένον. Ναί, Δέσποτα τῶν ἀπάντων, τῶν ἀγαθῶν χορηγέ· ἵνα, καὶ ἐπὶ ταῖς κοίταις ἡμῶν κατανυγόμενοι, μνημονεύωμεν ἐν νυκτὶ τοῦ ὀνόματός σου, καὶ τῆ μελέτη τῶν σῶν ἐντολῶν καταυγαζόμενοι, ἐν ἀγαλλιάσει ψυχῆς διανιστῶμεν πρὸς δοξολογίαν τῆς σῆς άγαθότητος, δεήσεις καὶ ίκεσίας τῆ σῆ εὐσπλαγχνία προσάγοντες ὑπὲρ τῶν ἰδίων άμαςτημάτων καὶ παντὸς τοῦ λαοῦ σου, δν ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς ἁγίας Θεοτόκου ἐν έλέει ἐπίσκεψαι.

Spirit, now and for ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen. [EL]

7th Prayer

Great and most high God, who alone possess immortality, who dwell in unapproachable light, who fashioned all creation with wisdom, who made the separation between the light and the darkness and who placed the sun to have authority over the day and the moon and the stars to have authority over the night, who have counted us sinners worthy even at this present hour to come into your presence with confession and thanksgiving and to offer you our evening hymn of glory; do you, O Lord who love mankind, direct our prayer like incense before you and accept it as a savour of sweet fragrance. Grant us that the present evening and the coming night may be peaceful, clothe us with weapons of light, deliver us from every night-time fear and from every deed that walks in darkness. And give us sleep, which you have bestowed on us for our rest in our weakness, freed from every fantasy of the devil. Yes, Master of all things, giver of blessings, may we also be filled with compunction on our beds and call to mind your Name in the night, and enlightened by meditation on your commandments may we rise with gladness of soul to give glory to your loving-kindness, as we bring to your compassion supplications and entreaties on behalf of our own sins and those of all your people. At the prayers of the holy Mother of God visit them with mercy. [EL]

Ότι ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθοωπος Θεὸς ὑπάοχεις καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατοὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Πληρωθέντος τοῦ Προοιμιακοῦ Ψαλμοῦ, ὁ μὲν Τερεὺς παραμένει ἐν εὐλαβείᾳ ἐνώπιον τῆς άγίας Τραπέζης, ὁ δὲ Διάκονος ποιεῖ σχῆμα πρὸς τὸ Τερέα, καὶ ἐξελθὼν τοῦ ἱεροῦ Βήματος, διὰ τῆς βορείας πύλης, καὶ στὰς πρὸ τῆς Ώραίας πύλης, καὶ βλέπων κατ' ἐνώπιον τῆς εἰκόνος τοῦ Χριστοῦ, λέγει τὴν Μεγάλην Συναπτήν, ἤτοι τὰ "Εἰρηνικά."

For you, O God, are good and love mankind, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen. [EL]

When the Opening Psalm is completed the Priest, in front of the Holy Table, or the Deacon in his usual place outside the Holy Doors, says the Litany of Peace.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Έν εἰρήνη τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ύπὲο τῆς ἄνωθεν εἰοήνης καὶ τῆς σωτηοίας τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν, τοῦ Κυοίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Υπέο τῆς εἰρήνης τοῦ σύμπαντος κόσμου, εὐσταθείας τῶν ἁγίων τοῦ Θεοῦ Ἐκκλησιῶν καὶ τῆς τῶν πάντων ἑνώσεως, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Υπέο τοῦ άγίου οἴκου τούτου, καὶ τῶν μετὰ πίστεως, εὐλαβείας καὶ φόβου Θεοῦ εἰσιόντων ἐν αὐτῷ, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ύπὲς τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ Ὀρθοδόξων Χριστιανῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Υπές τοῦ (ἀρχιεςατικοῦ βαθμοῦ) ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος), τοῦ τιμίου πςεσβυτεςίου, τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ διακονίας, παντὸς τοῦ κλήςου καὶ τοῦ λαοῦ, τοῦ Κυςίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Υπέο τοῦ εὐσεβοῦς ἡμῶν ἔθνους, πάσης ἀρχῆς καὶ ἐξουσίας ἐν αὐτῷ, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Υπὲο τῆς πόλεως ταύτης, πάσης πόλεως, χώρας καὶ τῶν πίστει οἰκούντων ἐν αὐταῖς, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Υπέο εὐκοασίας ἀέρων, εὐφορίας τῶν καρπῶν τῆς γῆς, καὶ καιρῶν εἰρηνικῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

DEACON

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

For the peace of the whole world, for the stability of the holy churches of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For this holy house and for those who enter it with faith, reverence, and the fear of God, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For pious and Orthodox Christians, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For (episcopal rank) (name), for the honorable presbyterate, for the diaconate in Christ, and for all the clergy and the people, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For our country, for the president, and for all in public service, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For this city, and for every city and land, and for the faithful who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Υπὲο πλεόντων, όδοιπορούντων, νοσούντων, καμνόντων, αἰχμαλώτων καὶ τῆς σωτηρίας αὐτῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Υπέο τοῦ ὁυσθῆναι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ πάσης θλίψεως, ὀργῆς, κινδύνου καὶ ἀνάγκης, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Αντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῆ σῆ χάριτι.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Τῆς Παναγίας ἀχοάντου, ὑπερευλογημένης, ἐνδόξου Δεσποίνης ἡμῶν Θεοτόκου καὶ ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας μετὰ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων μνημονεύσαντες, ἑαυτοὺς καὶ ἀλλήλους καὶ πᾶσαν τὴν ζωὴν ἡμῶν Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ παραθώμεθα.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ότι πρέπει σοι πᾶσα δόξα, τιμὴ καὶ προσκύνησις, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υίῷ καὶ τῷ Αγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

 $(A\mu\eta\nu.)$

ΧΟΡΟΣ

5 H χ o ς δ' .

Κύριε ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, εἰσάκουσόν μου, εἰσάκουσόν μου, Κύριε. Κύριε, ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, εἰσάκουσόν μου πρόσχες τῆ φωνῆ τῆς δεήσεώς μου, ἐν τῷ κεκραγέναι με πρὸς σέ. Εἰσάκουσόν μου, Κύριε.

Κατευθυνθήτω ή προσευχή μου, ώς θυμίαμα ἐνώπιόν σου, ἔπαρσις τῶν χειρῶν μου θυσία ἑσπερινή. Εἰσάκουσόν μου, Κύριε.

For those who travel by land, sea, and air, for the sick, the suffering, the captives and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and protect us, O God, by Your grace.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Commemorating our most holy, pure, blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

(To You, O Lord.)

PRIEST

For to You belong all glory, honor, and worship, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

CHOIR

Mode 4.

Lord, I have cried to You; hear me. Hear me, O Lord. Lord, I have cried to You; hear me. Give heed to the voice of my supplication when I cry to You. Hear me, O Lord. [SAAS]

Let my prayer be set forth before You as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. Hear me, O Lord. [SAAS]

Θοῦ, Κύριε, φυλακὴν τῷ στόματί μου, καὶ θύραν περιοχῆς περὶ τὰ χείλη μου.

Μὴ ἐκκλίνης τὴν καρδίαν μου εἰς λόγους πονηρίας, τοῦ προφασίζεσθαι προφάσεις ἐν άμαρτίαις.

Σὺν ἀνθοώποις ἐογαζομένοις τὴν ἀνομίαν, καὶ οὐ μὴ συνδυάσω μετὰ τῶν ἐκλεκτῶν αὐτῶν.

Παιδεύσει με δίκαιος ἐν ἐλέει, καὶ ἐλέγξει με, ἔλαιον δὲ άμαρτωλοῦ μὴ λιπανάτω τὴν κεφαλήν μου.

Ότι ἔτι καὶ ἡ προσευχή μου ἐν ταῖς εὐδοκίαις αὐτῶν· κατεπόθησαν ἐχόμενα πέτρας οἱ κριταὶ αὐτῶν.

Άκούσονται τὰ ἡήματά μου, ὅτι ἡδύνθησαν· ώσεὶ πάχος γῆς ἐἀῥάγη ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, διεσκοοπίσθη τὰ ὀστᾶ αὐτῶν παρὰ τὸν ἄδην.

Ότι πρὸς σέ, Κύριε, Κύριε, οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ μου ἐπὶ σοὶ ἤλπισα, μὴ ἀντανέλης τὴν ψυχήν μου.

Φύλαξόν με ἀπὸ παγίδος ἦς συνεστήσαντό μοι, καὶ ἀπὸ σκανδάλων τῶν ἐργαζομένων τὴν ἀνομίαν.

Πεσοῦνται ἐν ἀμφιβλήστο̞φ αὐτῶν οἱ άμαρτωλοί· κατὰ μόνας εἰμὶ ἐγὼ ἕως ἂν παρέλθω.

Φωνῆ μου πρὸς Κύριον ἐκέκραξα, φωνῆ μου πρὸς Κύριον ἐδεήθην.

Έκχεῶ ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ τὴν δέησίν μου, τὴν θλῖψίν μου ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ ἀπαγγελῶ.

Έν τῷ ἐκλείπειν ἐξ ἐμοῦ τὸ πνεῦμά μου, καὶ σὰ ἔγνως τὰς τρίβους μου.

Έν όδ $\tilde{\phi}$ ταύτη, $\tilde{\eta}$ ἐπορευόμην, ἔκρυψαν παγίδα μοι.

Κατενόουν εἰς τὰ δεξιά, καὶ ἐπέβλεπον, καὶ οὐκ ἦν ὁ ἐπιγινώσκων με.

Απώλετο φυγή ἀπ' ἐμοῦ, καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ὁ ἐκζητῶν τὴν ψυχήν μου.

Ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, Κύριε εἶπα· Σὺ εἶ ἡ ἐλπίς μου, μερίς μου εἶ ἐν γῆ ζώντων.

Ποόσχες ποὸς τὴν δέησίν μου, ὅτι ἐταπεινώθην σφόδοα.

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, a door of enclosure about my lips.

Incline not my heart to evil words, to make excuses in sins.

With men who work lawlessness; and I will not join with their choice ones.

The righteous man shall correct me with mercy, and he shall reprove me; but let not the oil of the sinner anoint my head.

For my prayer shall be intense in the presence of their pleasures. Their judges are swallowed up by the rock.

They shall hear my words, for they are pleasant. As a clod of ground is dashed to pieces on the earth, so their bones were scattered beside the grave.

For my eyes, O Lord, O Lord, are toward You; in You I hope; take not my soul away.

Keep me from the snares they set for me, and from the stumbling blocks of those who work lawlessness.

Sinners shall fall into their own net; I am alone, until I escape.

I cried to the Lord with my voice, with my voice I prayed to the Lord.

I shall pour out my supplication before Him; I shall declare my affliction in His presence.

When my spirit fainted within me, then You knew my paths.

For on the way I was going, they hid a trap for me.

I looked on my right, and saw there was no one who knew me.

Refuge failed me, and there was no one who cared for my soul.

I cried to You, O Lord; I said, "You are my hope, my portion in the land of the living."

Attend to my supplication, for I was humbled exceedingly.

Τῦσαί με ἐκ τῶν καταδιωκόντων με, ὅτι ἐκραταιώθησαν ὑπὲρ ἐμέ.

Έξάγαγε ἐκ φυλακῆς τὴν ψυχήν μου, τοῦ ἐξομολογήσασθαι τῷ ὀνόματί σου.

Ἐμὲ ὑπομενοῦσι δίκαιοι, ἕως οὐ ἀνταποδῷς μοι.

Ἐκ βαθέων ἐκέκραξά σοι, Κύριε· Κύριε, εἰσάκουσον τῆς φωνῆς μου.

Γενηθήτω τὰ ὧτά σου ποοσέχοντα εἰς τὴν φωνὴν τῆς δεήσεώς μου.

Στιχηφά. Τοῦ Εὐαγγελιστοῦ. Τοῦ Μηναίου - - - ^{*} Ηχος δ'. Ὁ ἐξ ὑψίστου κληθείς.

Έὰν ἀνομίας παρατηρήσης, Κύριε Κύριε, τίς ὑποστήσεται; ὅτι παρὰ σοὶ ὁ ἱλασμός ἐστιν.

Ό ἐμβατεύων καρδίας τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ὅτε σου τὴν ἔνθεον γνώμην Ἀπόστολε, θεία προγνώσει ἑώρακε, καὶ ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου, τῆς ἀδικίας σὲ ἐλυτρώσατο, τότε σε παγκόσμιον, φῶς ἀπειργάσατο, τῆς οἰκουμένης τὰ πέρατα, καταφωτίζειν, καὶ διαλάμπειν ἐγκελευσάμενος, οὖ καὶ τὸ θεῖον Εὐαγγέλιον, ἠξιώθης σαφῶς ἀναγράψασθαι· ὃν ἱκέτευε σῶσαι, καὶ φωτίσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Ένεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου ὑπέμεινά σε, Κύριε, ὑπέμεινεν ἡ ψυχή μου εἰς τὸν λόγον σου. Ἡλπισεν ἡ ψυχή μου ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον.

Ό ἐμβατεύων καρδίας τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ὅτε σου τὴν ἔνθεον γνώμην Ἀπόστολε, θεία προγνώσει ἑώρακε, καὶ ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου, τῆς ἀδικίας σὲ ἐλυτρώσατο, τότε σε παγκόσμιον, φῶς ἀπειργάσατο, τῆς οἰκουμένης τὰ πέρατα, καταφωτίζειν, καὶ διαλάμπειν ἐγκελευσάμενος, οὖ καὶ τὸ θεῖον Εὐαγγέλιον, ἠξιώθης σαφῶς

Deliver me from my persecutors, for they are stronger than I.

Bring my soul out of prison to give thanks to Your name, O Lord.

The righteous shall wait for me, until You reward me.

Out of the depths I have cried to You, O Lord; O Lord, hear my voice.

Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

Stichera. For the Evangelist.

From Menaion - - -

Mode 4. *N/M* (When you were called.)

If You, O Lord, should mark transgression, O Lord, who would stand? For there is forgiveness with You. [SAAS]

The Searcher of the hearts of men/inspired your mind, Apostle, with His divine knowledge:/He called you to Himself, ransoming you from the world's deceit:/for He is the Light whose rays shine to the ends of the earth./He commanded you to proclaim His word./He made you worthy to write His holy Gospel://Pray that He may enlighten and save our souls.

Because of Your law, O Lord, I waited for You; my soul waited for Your word. My soul hopes in the Lord. [SAAS]

The Searcher of the hearts of men/inspired your mind, Apostle, with His divine knowledge:/He called you to Himself, ransoming you from the world's deceit:/for He is the Light whose rays shine to the ends of the earth./He commanded you to proclaim His word./He made you worthy to write His

ἀναγοάψασθαι· δν ίκέτευε σῶσαι, καὶ φωτίσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Άπὸ φυλακῆς πρωΐας μέχρι νυκτός· ἀπὸ φυλακῆς πρωΐας ἐλπισάτω Ἰσραὴλ ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον.

Ό ἐκ τελώνου κληθεὶς εἰς μαθητείαν, ὅτε σε ὁ ἄναρχος Λόγος ἐφώνησεν, ἀκολουθεῖν προτρεπόμενος, καὶ κοινωνίαν, τῆς βασιλείας ἐπαγγειλάμενος, τότε Παμμακάριστε, πάντα ἀφέμενος, καὶ ταραχώδους συγχύσεως, ἀναχωρήσας, αὐτῷ συντόνως ἐπηκολούθησας καὶ νῦν Θεόπτα ἐμφορούμενος, τῆς ἀφράστου αὐτοῦ θεωρίας τρανῶς, καθικέτευε σῶσαι, καὶ φωτίσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Ότι παρὰ τῷ Κυρίῳ τὸ ἔλεος καὶ πολλὴ παρ' αὐτῷ λύτρωσις, καὶ αὐτὸς λυτρώσεται τὸν Ἰσραὴλ ἐκ πασῶν τῶν ἀνομιῶν αὐτοῦ.

Ο ἐκ τελώνου κληθεὶς εἰς μαθητείαν, ὅτε σε ὁ ἄναρχος Λόγος ἐφώνησεν, ἀκολουθεῖν προτρεπόμενος, καὶ κοινωνίαν, τῆς βασιλείας ἐπαγγειλάμενος, τότε Παμμακάριστε, πάντα ἀφέμενος, καὶ ταραχώδους συγχύσεως, ἀναχωρήσας, αὐτῷ συντόνως ἐπηκολούθησας καὶ νῦν Θεόπτα ἐμφορούμενος, τῆς ἀφράστου αὐτοῦ θεωρίας τρανῶς, καθικέτευε σῶσαι, καὶ φωτίσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Αἰνεῖτε τὸν Κύριον, πάντα τὰ ἔθνη, ἐπαινέσατε αὐτόν, πάντες οἱ λαοί.

Προφητική τις σαφῶς ὀξυδερκία, πάλαι μὲν σε Ἅγιον, λίθον τεθέαται, ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς κυλιόμενον, καὶ τῆς ἀπάτης, τὰς ἑλεπόλεις καταλεαίνοντα· ὁ Λόγος δὲ πάνσοφε, ὁ ἐνυπόστατος, φῶς σε τοῦ κόσμου καὶ κήρυκα, δικαιοσύνης, καὶ

holy Gospel: // Pray that He may enlighten and save our souls. [OCA]

From the morning watch until night; from the morning watch until night, let Israel hope in the Lord. [SAAS]

Once a publican, now a disciple,/you accepted the urgent call of the eternal Word./ You abandoned the collection of the taxes,/ eager for the promise of communion in His kingdom;/you cast away the raging tumult of this life./Now you behold His glory face to face://Pray that He may enlighten and save our souls. [OCA]

For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is abundant redemption; and He shall redeem Israel from all his transgressions. [SAAS]

Once a publican, now a disciple,/you accepted the urgent call of the eternal Word./ You abandoned the collection of the taxes,/ eager for the promise of communion in His kingdom;/you cast away the raging tumult of this life./Now you behold His glory face to face://Pray that He may enlighten and save our souls.

Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles; praise Him, all you peoples. [SAAS]

In days of old, as the earth lay waste in evil,/the prophet Daniel was endowed with clearness of sight./He beheld a stone, cut without human hands from a mountain:/ a stone which ground the riches of earthly kingdoms to dust./In the fullness of time this

ἀληθείας ἀποτετέλεκε, λελαμπουσμένον ταῖς λαμποότησι, τοῦ τοισηλίου φωτὸς Πανσεβάσμιε, ὅν ἱκέτευε σῶσαι, καὶ φωτίσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Ότι ἐκραταιώθη τὸ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ ἐφ΄ ἡμᾶς, καὶ ἡ ἀλήθεια τοῦ Κυρίου μένει εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα.

Ποοφητική τις σαφῶς ὀξυδερκία, πάλαι μὲν σε Ἅγιον, λίθον τεθέαται, ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς κυλιόμενον, καὶ τῆς ἀπάτης, τὰς ἑλεπόλεις καταλεαίνοντα· ὁ Λόγος δὲ πάνσοφε, ὁ ἐνυπόστατος, φῶς σε τοῦ κόσμου καὶ κήρυκα, δικαιοσύνης, καὶ ἀληθείας ἀποτετέλεκε, λελαμπρυσμένον ταῖς λαμπρότησι, τοῦ τρισηλίου φωτὸς Πανσεβάσμιε, ὅν ἱκέτευε σῶσαι, καὶ φωτίσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Δόξα.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

3 H χ o ς δ' .

Καλοῦντι Χοιστῷ, ποὸς μαθητείαν οὐράνιον, προθύμως ἠκολούθησας θεόληπτε, πᾶσαν σχολὴν φροντίδος γηΐνης, ὑφ' εν παρωσάμενος ἐπαξίαν γὰρ τῆς ἄνω βασιλείας, γνώμην εὐπειθῶς ἀναλαβόμενος, τῆς χαμαιζήλου πολιτείας, καὶ δόξης κενῆς ἀπέστης, Εὐαγγελιστὴς ἀπὸ Τελώνου γενόμενος, φῶς τε τῶν ἐν σκότει χρηματίσας, καὶ πεπλανημένων όδηγὸς πρὸς σωτηρίαν νῦν δὲ πρεσβευτὴς παντὸς τοῦ κόσμου θερμότατος, καὶ τῶν σὲ γεραιρόντων Ματθαῖε, φύλαξ σωτήριος.

all-wise Lord came down to earth:/passing by the customs-house, He chose you to be His herald,/He called you, who once served an earthly kingdom,/to serve Him, the light of the world,/pray to Him, blessed Matthew,// that He may enlighten and save our souls.

For His mercy rules over us; and the truth of the Lord endures forever. [SAAS]

In days of old, as the earth lay waste in evil,/the prophet Daniel was endowed with clearness of sight./He beheld a stone, cut without human hands from a mountain:/ a stone which ground the riches of earthly kingdoms to dust./In the fullness of time this all-wise Lord came down to earth:/passing by the customs-house, He chose you to be His herald,/He called you, who once served an earthly kingdom,/to serve Him, the light of the world,/pray to Him, blessed Matthew,// that He may enlighten and save our souls.

Glory.

From Menaion - - -

Mode 4.

You were called by Christ to heavenly discipleship;/you followed Him eagerly, chosen one of God./He delivered you from subjection to earthly cares;/abandoning the vain collection of tribute,/you faithfully kept the accounts of the heavenly King./Blessed Evangelist, you are a light for those who dwell in darkness,/a guide to salvation for those who wander astray,//Matthew, the herald of glad tidings, pray for those who honor you! [OCA]

Τῆς Ὁκτωήχου - - -

Καὶ νῦν. Ἡχος δ΄. Τὸ α' Θεοτοκίον τοῦ Ἡχου.

Ό διὰ σὲ Θεοπάτως προφήτης Δαυΐδ, μελφδικῶς περὶ σοῦ προανεφώνησε, τῷ μεγαλεῖά σοι ποιήσαντι. Παρέστη ἡ Βασίλισσα ἐκ δεξιῶν σου. Σὲ γὰς μητέςα πρόξενον ζωῆς ἀνέδειξεν, ὁ ἀπάτως ἐκ σοῦ ἐνανθρωπῆσαι εὐδοκήσας Θεός, ἵνα τὴν ἑαυτοῦ ἀναπλάση εἰκόνα, φθαςεῖσαν τοῖς πάθεσι, καὶ τὸ πλανηθὲν ὀςειάλωτον εὑςών, πρόβατον τοῖς ὤμοις ἀναλαβών, τῷ Πατρὶ προσαγάγη, καὶ τῷ ἰδίῳ θελήματι, ταῖς οὐςανίαις συνάψη Δυνάμεσι, καὶ σώση Θεοτόκε τὸν κόσμον, Χριστὸς ὁ ἔχων, τὸ μέγα καὶ πλούσιον ἔλεος.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ (χαμηλοφώνως)

Τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ (χαμηλοφώνως)

ΕΥΧΗ ΤΗΕ ΕΙΣΟΔΟΥ

Έσπέρας καὶ πρωῗ καὶ μεσημβρίας, αἰνοῦμεν, εὐλογοῦμεν, εὐχαριστοῦμεν καὶ δεόμεθά σου, Δέσποτα τῶν ἁπάντων, Φιλάνθρωπε, Κύριε. Κατεύθυνον τὴν προσευχὴν ἡμῶν, ὡς θυμίαμα ἐνώπιόν σου καὶ μὴ ἐκκλίνης τὰς καρδίας ἡμῶν εἰς λόγους, ἢ εἰς λογισμοὺς πονηρίας, ἀλλὰ ὁῦσαι ἡμᾶς ἐκ πάντων τῶν θηρευόντων τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν· ὅτι πρὸς σέ, Κύριε, Κύριε, οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ ἡμῶν, καὶ ἐπὶ σοὶ ἠλπίσαμεν· μὴ καταισχύνης ἡμᾶς, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Όρθοί.

ΚΛΗΡΟΣ ΚΑΙ ΛΑΟΣ

Ήχος β'.

Φῶς ἱλαρὸν ἁγίας δόξης, ἀθανάτου Πατρός, οὐρανίου, ἁγίου, μάκαρος, Ἰησοῦ Χριστέ, ἐλθόντες ἐπὶ τὴν ἡλίου δύσιν, ἰδόντες φῶς ἑσπερινόν, ὑμνοῦμεν Πατέρα, Υίόν, καὶ ἄγιον Πνεῦμα Θεόν. Ἄξιόν σε ἐν

From Octoechos - - -

Both now. **Mode 4.**The First Theotokion of the Mode.

David the prophet, forefather of God through you, cried out in song concerning you to the One who has done magnificent things for you. The Queen stands at your right hand. For God, who gladly became man through you without a father, has proclaimed you mother and host of life, so that he might restore in us his image which was corrupted by passion. Having found the stray sheep caught in the mountains, he laid it on his shoulders and brought it to the Father. By his own free will he placed it among the heavenly hosts. Christ, who has great and abundant mercy, O Theotokos, will save the world.

DEACON (in a low voice)

Let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST (in a low voice)

Prayer of the Entrance

At evening, at morning and at midday we praise, bless and give thanks, and we pray to you, Master of all things, Lord who love mankind: Direct our prayer before you like incense, and do not incline our hearts to words or thoughts of evil, but deliver us from all that hunt down our souls. For our eyes look to you, O Lord, our Lord, and we have hoped in you.

DEACON

Wisdom. Arise.

CLERGY AND PEOPLE

Mode 2.

Gladsome light of holy glory of the holy, blessed, heavenly, immortal Father, O Jesus Christ: arriving at the hour of sunset and having seen the evening light, we praise the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God. It is worthy πᾶσι καιφοῖς, ὑμνεῖσθαι φωναῖς αἰσίαις, Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ζωὴν ὁ διδούς· * διὸ ὁ κόσμος σὲ δοξάζει.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Έσπέρας Προκείμενον.

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ποοκείμενον. Ήχος βαούς.

Ό Θεός, ἀντιλήπτως μου εἶ· τὸ ἔλεός σου προφθάσει με. (δίς)

Στίχ. Έξελοῦ με ἐκ τῶν ἐχθρῶν μου, ὁ Θεός, καὶ ἐκ τῶν ἐπανισταμένων ἐπ' ἐμὲ λύτρωσαί με.

Ό Θεός, ἀντιλήπτως μου εἶ· τὸ ἔλεός σου προφθάσει με.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Εἴπωμεν πάντες ἐξ ὅλης τῆς ψυχῆς καὶ ἐξ ὅλης τῆς διανοίας ἡμῶν εἴπωμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Κύριε παντοκράτος ὁ Θεὸς τῶν πατέρων ἡμῶν, δεόμεθά Σου, ἐπάκουσον καὶ ἐλέησον.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς κατὰ τὸ μέγα ελεός Σου, δεόμεθά Σου, ἐπάκουσον καὶ ἐλέησον.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Έτι δεόμεθα ύπὲο τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀοθοδόξων χοιστιανῶν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Έτι δεόμεθα ύπὲο τοῦ (ἀοχιεοατικοῦ βαθμοῦ) ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος).

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

for You to be praised at all times with happy voices, O Son of God and Giver of life; * and therefore the world glorifies You.

DEACON

The evening Prokeimenon.

CHOIR

Prokeimenon. Grave Mode.

You are my protector, O God. Your mercy shall go before me. (2) [SAAS]

Verse: Rescue me from my enemies, O God, and redeem me from those who rise up against me.

You are my protector, O God. Your mercy shall go before me.

DEACON

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

Lord almighty, God of our fathers, we pray You, hear us and have mercy.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your great mercy, we pray You, hear us and have mercy.

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Let us pray for pious and Orthodox Christians.

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Again we pray for (episcopal rank) (name).

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Έτι δεόμεθα ύπὲς τῶν ἀδελφῶν ἡμῶν, τῶν ἱεςέων, ἱεςομονάχων, ἱεςοδιακόνων καὶ μοναχῶν, καὶ πάσης τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ ἡμῶν ἀδελφότητος.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲο ἐλέους, ζωῆς, εἰρήνης, ὑγείας, σωτηρίας, ἐπισκέψεως, συγχωρήσεως καὶ ἀφέσεως τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν τῶν δούλων τοῦ Θεοῦ, πάντων τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν, τῶν κατοικούντων καὶ παρεπιδημούντων ἐν τῆ (πόλει, κώμη), ταύτη, τῶν ἐνοριτῶν, ἐπιτρόπων, συνδρομητῶν καὶ ἀφιερωτῶν τοῦ ἁγίου ναοῦ τούτου.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Έτι δεόμεθα ὑπέο τῶν μακαρίων καὶ ἀοιδίμων κτιτόρων τῆς ἁγίας Ἐκκλησίας ταύτης, καὶ ὑπὲο πάντων τῶν ποοαναπαυσαμένων πατέρων καὶ ἀδελφῶν ἡμῶν, τῶν ἐνθάδε εὐσεβῶς, κειμένων, καὶ ἀπανταχοῦ ὀρθοδόξων.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

"Ετι δεόμεθα ύπὲς τῶν κας ποφοςούντων καὶ καλλιες γούντων ἐν τῷ ἁγίῳ καὶ πανσέπτῳ ναῷ τούτῳ, κοπιώντων, ψαλλόντων καὶ ὑπὲς τοῦ πεςιεστῶτος λαοῦ, τοῦ ἀπεκδεχομένου τὸ παςὰ σοῦ μέγα καὶ πλούσιον ἔλεος.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ότι ἐλεήμων καὶ φιλάνθοωπος Θεὸς ὑπάοχεις, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατοὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Άμήν.)

Again we pray for our brethren: the priests, the hieromonks, the hierodeacons, the monastics, and all our brotherhood in Christ.

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, protection, forgiveness, and remission of the sins of the servants of God, all pious Orthodox Christians residing and visiting in this city: the parishioners, the members of the parish council, the stewards, and benefactors of this holy church.

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Again we pray for the blessed and evermemorable founders of this holy church, and for all our fathers and brethren who have fallen asleep before us, who here have been piously laid to their rest, as well as the Orthodox everywhere.

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Again we pray for those who bear fruit and do good works in this holy and allvenerable church, for those who labor and those who sing, and for the people here present who await Your great and rich mercy.

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

PRIEST

For You are a merciful God Who loves mankind, and to You we offer up glory, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Καταξίωσον, Κύριε, ἐν τῆ ἑσπέρα ταύτη, ἀναμαρτήτους φυλαχθῆναι ἡμᾶς. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς τῶν Πατέρων ήμῶν, καὶ αἰνετὸν καὶ δεδοξασμένον τὸ ὄνομά σου εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας. Ἀμήν. Γένοιτο, Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου ἐφ' ἡμᾶς, καθάπερ ηλπίσαμεν ἐπὶ σέ. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, δίδαξόν με τὰ δικαιώματά σου. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Δέσποτα, συνέτισον μὲ τὰ δικαιώματά σου. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Ἅγιε, φώτισόν με τοῖς δικαιώμασί σου. Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα· τὰ ἔργα τῶν χειρῶν σου μὴ παρίδης. Σοὶ πρέπει αἶνος, σοὶ πρέπει ὕμνος, σοὶ δόξα πρέπει, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Άγίω Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας των αἰώνων.

 $(A\mu\eta\nu.)$

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Πληρώσωμεν την έσπερινην δέησιν ήμῶν τῷ Κυρίω.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Αντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῆ σῆ χάριτι.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Τὴν ἑσπέραν πᾶσαν τελείαν, ἁγίαν, εἰρηνικὴν καὶ ἀναμάρτητον, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

Άγγελον εἰρήνης, πιστὸν ὁδηγόν, φύλακα τῶν ψυχῶν καὶ τῶν σωμάτων ἡμῶν, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

Συγγνώμην καὶ ἄφεσιν τῶν ἁμαςτιῶν καὶ τῶν πλημμελημάτων ἡμῶν, παςὰ τοῦ Κυςίου αἰτησώμεθα.

READER

O Lord, keep us this evening without sin. Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is your name to the ages. Amen. O Lord, let your mercy be upon us for we have set our hope in you. Blessed are you, O Lord, teach me your commandments. Blessed are you, Master, grant me understanding of your commandments. Blessed are you, Holy One, enlighten me with your commandments. Lord, your mercy is forever. Do not despise the works of your hands. To you is due praise, to you is due song, to you is due glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

DEACON

Let us complete our evening prayer to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and protect us, O God, by Your grace.

(Lord, have mercy.)

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

(Grant this, O Lord.)

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

(*Grant this, O Lord.*)

For pardon and remission of our sins and transgressions, let us ask the Lord.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

Τὰ καλὰ καὶ συμφέροντα ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν καὶ εἰρήνην τῷ κόσμῳ, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

Τὸν ὑπόλοιπον χοόνον τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν ἐν εἰρήνη καὶ μετανοία ἐκτελέσαι, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

Χοιστιανὰ τὰ τέλη τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν, ἀνώδυνα, ἀνεπαίσχυντα, εἰοηνικά, καὶ καλὴν ἀπολογίαν τὴν ἐπὶ τοῦ φοβεροῦ βήματος τοῦ Χριστοῦ αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

Τῆς Παναγίας ἀχοάντου, ὑπερευλογημένης, ἐνδόξου Δεσποίνης ἡμῶν Θεοτόκου καὶ ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας μετὰ πάντων τῶν Άγίων μνημονεύσαντες, ἑαυτοὺς καὶ ἀλλήλους καὶ πᾶσαν τὴν ζωὴν ἡμῶν Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ παραθώμεθα.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ότι ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθοωπος Θεὸς ὑπάοχεις καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατοὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

 $(A\mu\eta\nu.)$

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εἰρήνη πᾶσι.

(Καὶ τῷ πνεύματί σου.)

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Τὰς κεφαλὰς ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ κλίνομεν.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ (χαμηλοφώνως)

Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ κλῖνας οὐρανοὺς καὶ καταβὰς ἐπὶ σωτηρία τοῦ γένους τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ἔπιδε ἐπί τοὺς δούλους σου καὶ ἐπὶ τὴν κληρονομίαν

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For that which is good and beneficial for our souls, and for peace for the world, let us ask the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

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

(Grant this, O Lord.)

And let us ask for a Christian end to our life, peaceful, without shame and suffering, and for a good defense before the awesome judgment seat of Christ.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

Commemorating our most holy, pure, blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

(To You, O Lord.)

PRIEST

For You, O God, are good and love mankind, and to You we offer glory, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever, and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

PRIEST

Peace be with all.

(And with your spirit.)

DEACON

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

(To You, O Lord.)

PRIEST (in a low voice)

Lord our God, who bowed the heavens and came down for the salvation of the human race, look upon your servants and upon your inheritance, for to you, σου σοὶ γὰο τῷ φοβεοῷ καὶ φιλανθοώπῳ κοιτῆ οἱ σοὶ δοῦλοι ὑπέκλιναν τὰς κεφαλάς, τοὺς δὲ αὐτῶν ὑπέταξαν αὐχένας, οὐ τὴν ἐξ ἀνθοώπων ἀναμένοντες βοήθειαν, ἀλλὰ τὸ σὸν πεοιμένοντες ἔλεος καὶ τὴν σὴν ἀπεκδεχόμενοι σωτηρίαν οῦς διαφύλαξον ἐν παντὶ καιοῷ καὶ κατὰ τὴν παροῦσαν ἑσπέραν καὶ τὴν προσιοῦσαν νύκτα, ἀπὸ παντὸς ἐχθοοῦ, ἀπὸ πάσης ἀντικειμένης ἐνεογίας διαβολικῆς, καὶ διαλογισμῶν ματαίων καὶ ἐνθυμήσεων πονηρῶν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εἴη τὸ κράτος τῆς βασιλείας σου εὐλογημένον καὶ δεδοξασμένον, τοῦ Πατρός, καὶ τοῦ Υίοῦ, καὶ τοῦ άγίου Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ ἀεἰ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Απόστιχα.

Ήχος δ'. Ως γενναῖον ἐν Μάρτυσι.

Τῆ τῶν λόγων σου σάλπιγγι, τοὺς ἀνθρώπους συνήθροισας, εἰς Θεοῦ ἐπίγνωσιν Παναοίδιμε, καὶ τὰ τῆς πλάνης ἀθροίσματα, ἐκ γῆς ἀπεσόβησας, καὶ εἰς μίαν τοὺς πιστούς, τὴν ὁμόνοιαν ἴθυνας, καὶ πρεσβεύεις νῦν, ἐκ φθορᾶς καὶ κινδύνων λυτρωθῆναι, τοὺς ἐν πίστει ἐκτελοῦντας, τὴν ἀεισέβαστον μνήμην σου.

Στίχ. Εἰς πᾶσαν τὴν γῆν ἐξῆλθεν ὁ φθόγγος αὐτοῦ καὶ εἰς τὰ πέρατα τῆς οἰκουμένης τὰ ῥήματα αὐτοῦ.

Ό ἐν γλώσση πυρίνη σε, καθοπλίσας τοῦ Πνεύματος, κραταιὸν ἀνέδειξε πολεμήτορα, κατὰ τῆς πλάνης Ἀπόστολε, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, παρ' οὖ ἔλαβες λαμπρά, τὰ βραβεῖα τῆς χάριτος, ὃν ἱκέτευε, ἐκ φθορᾶς καὶ κινδύνων λυτρωθῆναι, τοὺς

the fearful Judge who love mankind, your servants have bowed their heads and inclined their necks, not waiting for any human help, but awaiting your mercy and looking for your salvation. Guard them at every moment, during both the present evening and the approaching night, from every foe, from every hostile operation of the devil and from vain thoughts and evil desires.

PRIEST

May the might of your kingdom be blessed and glorified, of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

From Menaion - - -

CHOIR

Aposticha.

Mode 4. *N/M* (*To a brave one.*)

All-praised Matthew,/your words are a trumpet drawing men to the knowledge of God./They have delivered the inhabitants of the earth from enslavement to evil/leading us into the true faith, the unity of righteousness://
Pray to Christ our God to deliver us from corruption and danger. [OCA]

Verse: His proclamation went forth into all the earth, and his words to the ends of the world.

[SAAS]

By a fiery tongue you were armed mightily with the Spirit;/Apostle, your words overthrew the deceitful enemy./Christ our God Whom you proclaimed to be the fulfillment of the prophets,/adorned you with the resplendent crown of His love://Pray to

ἐν πίστει ἐκτελοῦντας, τὴν ἀεισέβαστον μνήμην σου.

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

Εἰς τὰ βάθη τοῦ Πνεύματος, διακύψας Απόστολε, πλοῦτον τὸν ἀκένωτον κατενόησας, καὶ ἐξ αὐτοῦ ἀρυσάμενος, τὴν χάριν τὴν ἄφθονον, ἡμῖν εὐαγγελικῶς, πᾶσι ταύτην διένειμας, καὶ πρεσβεύεις νῦν , ἐκ φθορᾶς καὶ κινδύνων λυτρωθῆναι, τοὺς ἐν πίστει ἐκτελοῦντας, τὴν ἀεισέβαστον μνήμην σου.

Δόξα.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Ήχος πλ. β'.

Ἐκ πυθμένος κακίας ἐσχάτης, ποὸς ἀκοότατον ὕψος ἀρετῆς, ὡς ἀετὸς ὑψιπέτης, παραδόξως ἀνέδραμες, Ματθαῖε πανεύφημε· τοῦ γὰρ καλύψαντος οὐρανοὺς ἀρετῆ, καὶ τῆς συνέσεως αὐτοῦ πᾶσαν τὴν γῆν πληρώσαντος, Χριστοῦ ἀκολουθήσας τοῖς ἴχνεσι, μιμητὴς διάπυρος ἐν πᾶσιν αὐτοῦ πεφανέρωσαι, εὐαγγελιζόμενος εἰρήνην, ζωήν καὶ σωτηρίαν, τοῖς πειθαρχοῦσιν εὐσεβῶς, τοῖς θείοις προστάγμασιν, ἐν οἷς ἡμᾶς καθοδήγησον, εὐαρεστοῦντας τῷ Κτίστη, καὶ σὲ μακαρίζοντας.

Τῆς Ὀκτωήχου - -

Καὶ νῦν. Θεοτοκίον. ^{*}Ηχος $\pi\lambda$. β' .

Ό ποιητής καὶ λυτοωτής μου Πάναγνε, Χοιστὸς ὁ Κύοιος, ἐκ τῆς σῆς νηδύος ποοελθών, ἐμὲ ἐνδυσάμενος, τῆς ποώην κατάρας, τὸν Ἀδὰμ ἠλευθέρωσε· διό σοι Πάναγνε, ὡς τοῦ Θεοῦ Μητρί τε καὶ Παρθένω ἀληθῶς, βοῶμεν ἀσιγήτως,

Christ our God to deliver us from corruption and danger. [OCA]

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

The publican in a single moment becomes an apostle,/the tax collector seizes riches from the fount of joy;/abundantly blessed with the fullness of the Spirit,/He made you to be the bearer of glad tidings for us.//Pray to Christ our God to deliver us from corruption and danger. [OCA]

Glory.

From Menaion - - -

Mode pl. 2.

The full stature of goodness is made manifest in you, blessed Matthew:/In the fullness of time you abandoned the occupation of an evil age,/soaring as an eagle to the heights of righteousness,/you have filled the earth with the wisdom hidden from all eternity,/following fervently in the footsteps of Christ,/you have borne the Gospel of peace, life, and salvation to men,/filling with divine commandments those who hunger after righteousness,/blessed guide, well-pleasing to the Creator,//pray for us who bless your memory. [OCA]

From Octoechos - - -

Both now. **Theotokion**. **Mode pl. 2**.

Most holy Virgin, Christ the Lord, Creator and Redeemer, proceeded from your womb, and clothing himself in me, set me free from the ancient curse on Adam. Therefore, most pure Virgin, we praise you without ceasing as Mother of God and true Virgin with the

τὸ Χαῖφε τοῦ Ἀγγέλου. Χαῖφε Δέσποινα, προστασία καὶ σκέπη, καὶ σωτηρία τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

'Ωδην τοῦ Θεοδόχου Συμεών.

Νῦν ἀπολύεις τον δοῦλόν σου, Δέσποτα, κατὰ τὸ ἡῆμά σου, ἐν εἰρήνη: ὅτι εἶδον οἱ ὀφθαλμοί μου τὸ σωτήριόν σου, ὃ ἡτοίμασας κατὰ πρόσωπον πάντων τῶν λαῶν· φῶς εἰς ἀποκάλυψιν ἐθνῶν, καὶ δόξαν λαοῦ σου Ἰσραήλ.

ΛΑΟΣ

Τρισάγιον.

Άγιος ὁ Θεός, ἄγιος Ἰσχυρός, ἄγιος Ἀθάνατος, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. (ἐκ γ')

Δόξα Πατοὶ καὶ Υίῷ καὶ Άγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Παναγία Τοιάς, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. Κύοιε, ἱλάσθητι ταῖς ἁμαοτίαις ἡμῶν. Δέσποτα, συγχώοησον τὰς ἀνομίας ἡμῖν. Ἅγιε, ἐπίσκεψαι καὶ ἴασαι τὰς ἀσθενείας ἡμῶν, ἕνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου.

Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Δόξα Πατοὶ καὶ Υίῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Πάτες ήμῶν ὁ ἐν τοῖς οὐςανοῖς, άγιασθήτω τὸ ὄνομά σου. Ἐλθέτω ἡ βασιλεία σου. Γενηθήτω τὸ θέλημά σου, ώς ἐν οὐςανῷ καὶ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς. Τὸν ἄςτον ἡμῶν τὸν ἐπιούσιον δὸς ἡμῖν σήμεςον. Καὶ ἄφες ἡμῖν τὰ ὀφειλήματα ἡμῶν, ὡς καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀφίεμεν τοῖς ὀφειλέταις ἡμῶν. Καὶ μὴ

greeting of the angel: Rejoice! Lady, advocate, defender, and salvation of our souls.

PRIEST

Song of Simeon.

Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; for my eyes have seen Your salvation which You have prepared before the face of all peoples. A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel. [NKIV]

PEOPLE

Trisagion Prayers.

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

Glory to the Father and the Son and the 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. Lord, have mercy.

Glory to the Father and the Son and the 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. εἰσενέγκης ἡμᾶς εἰς πειρασμόν, ἀλλὰ ρῦσαι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ τοῦ πονηροῦ.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ότι σοῦ ἐστιν ἡ βασιλεία καὶ ἡ δύναμις καὶ ἡ δόξα τοῦ Πατρὸς καὶ τοῦ Υίοῦ καὶ τοῦ Αγίου Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Άμήν.)

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Άπολυτίκιον. Τοῦ Εὐαγγελιστοῦ. Ἡχος γ'.

Άπόστολε Άγιε καὶ Εὐαγγελιστὰ Ματθαῖε, πρέσβευε τῷ ἐλεήμονι Θεῷ, ἵνα πταισμάτων ἄφεσιν, παράσχη ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν.

Τῆς Όκτωήχου - - -

 Δ όξ α · καὶ νῦν. Θεοτοκίον. ⁷Ηχος γ '.

Σὲ τὴν μεσιτεύσασαν τὴν σωτηρίαν τοῦ γένους ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνοῦμεν Θεοτόκε Παρθένε· ἐν τῆ σαρκὶ γὰρ τῆ ἐκ σοῦ προσληφθείση, ὁ Υίός σου καὶ Θεὸς ἡμῶν τὸ διὰ Σταυροῦ καταδεξάμενος πάθος, ἐλυτρώσατο ἡμᾶς, ἐκ φθορᾶς ὡς φιλάνθρωπος.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία.

(Εὐλόγησον.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ό ὢν εὐλογητός, Χοιστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, πάντοτε, νῦν, καὶ ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. (Ἀμήν.)

Στεφεώσαι, Κύφιος ὁ Θεός, τὴν ἁγίαν καὶ ἀμώμητον πίστιν τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀφθοδόξων Χριστιανῶν, σὺν τῆ ἁγία αὐτοῦ Ἐκκλησία καὶ τῆ πόλει ταύτη εἰς αἰῶνας αἰώνων.

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.

(Amen.)

CHOIR

Apolytikion. For the Evangelist. Mode 3.

O holy Apostle and Evangelist Matthew, make intercession to our merciful God, that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses.

From Octoechos - - -

Glory. Both now. **Theotokion. Mode 3.**

Unto you who mediated the salvation of our race we sing praises, O Virgin Theotokos. For your Son and our God in the flesh that He assumed from you accepted suffering by means of crucifixion and has thereby set us free from corruption, in His love for man.

DEACON

Wisdom.

(Father, bless!)

PRIEST

Blessed are You, Christ our God, always now and forever and to the ages of ages. (*Amen.*)

Make firm, Lord our God, the holy and pure faith of the pious Orthodox Christians, together with the Holy Church and this city forever.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Ἀμήν.

Τὴν τιμιωτέραν τῶν Χερουβείμ, καὶ ἐνδοξοτέραν, ἀσυγκρίτως τῶν Σεραφείμ, τὴν ἀδιαφθόρως, Θεὸν Λόγον τεκοῦσαν, τὴν ὄντως Θεοτόκον, σὲ μεγαλύνομεν.

Δόξα Πατοὶ καὶ Υίῷ καὶ Άγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Κύριε, ἐλέησον. (ἐκ γ') Εὐλόγησον.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Χριστὸς ὁ ἀληθινὸς Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς παναχράντου καὶ παναμώμου άγίας αὐτοῦ Μητρός, δυνάμει τοῦ τιμίου καὶ ζωοποιοῦ Σταυροῦ, προστασίαις τῶν τιμίων ἐπουρανίων Δυνάμεων Άσωμάτων, ίκεσίαις τοῦ τιμίου, ένδόξου, προφήτου, Προδρόμου καὶ βαπτιστοῦ Ἰωάννου, τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων καὶ πανευφήμων Ἀποστόλων, τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων καὶ καλλινίκων μαρτύρων τῶν όσίων καὶ θεοφόρων Πατέρων ήμῶν (τοῦ Άγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ) τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων Θεοπατόρων Ίωακεὶμ καὶ Άννης, καὶ τοῦ άγίου Ἀποστόλου καὶ Εὐαγγελιστοῦ Ματθαίου, οὖ καὶ τὴν μνήμην ἐπιτελοῦμεν· καὶ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων, ἐλεήσαι καὶ σώσαι ήμᾶς, ώς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθοωπος.

Δι' εὐχῶν τῶν ἁγίων πατέρων ἡμῶν, Κύριε Ἰησοῦ Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, ἐλέησον καὶ σῶσον ἡμᾶς.

(Ἀμήν.)

READER

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.

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

Lord, have mercy. (3) Father, bless!

PRIEST

May Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-pure and allimmaculate 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, the holy and glorious Apostle and Evangelist Matthew, whose memory we observe, and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

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

(Amen.)