

Octoechos - Mode 1.

On Sunday Morning

Menaion - June 30

The Synaxis in Honor of the Twelve Apostles

LITURGY

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Antiphon I. Mode 2.

Verse 1: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and everything within me, bless His holy name. [SAAS]

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

Verse 2: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His rewards. [SAAS]

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

Verse 3: The Lord prepared His throne in heaven, and His Kingdom rules over all. [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: Praise the Lord, O my soul! I shall praise the Lord while I live; I shall sing to my God as long as I exist. [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Verse 2: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob; his hope is in the Lord his God. [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

Verse 3: The Lord shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, to all generations. [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. 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. Being one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit: Save us. [GOA]

Antiphon III.

Mode 1.

Verse 1: This is the day the Lord made; let us greatly rejoice and be glad therein. [SAAS]

Resurrectional Apolytikion.

Mode 1. Automelon.

The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, * and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body. * You

rose on the third day, O Lord * and Savior,
granting life unto the world. * For this reason
were the powers of heaven crying out to You,
O Life-giver: * Glory to Your resurrection,
O Christ; * glory to Your kingdom; * glory
to Your dispensation, only One who loves
mankind. [SD]

Verse 2: *Let heaven and earth praise Him.*

[SAAS]

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by the Judeans, * and a guard of soldiers
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O Christ; * glory to Your kingdom; * glory
to Your dispensation, only One who loves
mankind. [SD]

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

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

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

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

Resurrectional.

From Octoechos - - -

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

By means of food the enemy of old * provoked Adam's banishment from Paradise. * But by the Cross Christ allowed * the repentant robber to return, * when he said: Remember me * when You come in Your kingdom, O Lord. [SD]

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

I venerate Your Passion, O my Christ, * and Your resurrection I glorify, * and with a joyful voice I shout, * joining Adam and the robber, and pray * crying out: Remember me * when You come in Your kingdom, O Lord. [SD]

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

O sinless Savior, You were crucified * and laid in a tomb voluntarily. * But then, as God, You arose, * resurrecting Adam with yourself. * He cried out: Remember me * when You come in Your kingdom, O Lord. [SD]

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

Theotokion.

O Christ, your people now invoke the name * of Your holy Mother, O Good One, and pray: * By her entreaties for us, * will You give us Your tender love, * so that we may glorify You, who rose like the sun from the tomb. [SD]

Canon for the Twelve Apostles.

From Menaion - - -

Ode vi. Mode 4. *N/M (The Church cries out.)*

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

O Savior, You established Your disciples in grace and wisdom, You made them stronger than the sophistries of the Hellenes, whose erroneous teachings You confounded.

[un]

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

The Apostles were like divine rivers of wisdom, running with streams that flow from the wellsprings of salvation. With their saving waters they filled the Church. [un]

Glory.

O all-blessed Apostles, you were like stars, shining with the splendor of knowledge

of God. With glittering rays of light, you
dispelled the darkness of error. ^[un]

Both now. **Theotokion.**

O Mother of God, the spiritual
Bridegroom found you, like that fair and
blameless companion, like the flower of the
valleys, and He dwelt in you. ^[un]

Entrance Hymn. Mode 2.

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Hymns After the Small Entrance.

From Octoechos - - -

Resurrectional Apolytikion.

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For the Twelve Apostles.

Mode 3.

O holy Apostles, make intercession to our merciful God, that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses. [SD]

Apolytikion of the Parish Church

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

Kontakion. Mode 2.

O Protection of Christians that never fails, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you. [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.

Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

The Epistle

For the Apostles.

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 4. Psalm 18.

Their proclamation went forth into all the earth. [SAAS]

Verse: *The heavens declare the glory of God.*

[SAAS]

The reading is from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

1 Cor. 4:9-16

Brethren, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in

Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me. [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.

The Gospel

For the Apostles.

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Mt. 9:36-38; 10:1-8

At that time, when Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every infirmity. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaios, and Thaddaios; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out, charging them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather

to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And preach as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying, give without pay."

[RSV]

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, worshiping the undivided Trinity, for the Trinity has saved us. [GOA]

THE DISMISSAL

May He Who rose from the dead, 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, the Service in whose honor we celebrate; 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

Fast Free: All foods allowed.