

Menaion - February 6

Memory of St. Bukolos, Bishop of Smyrna

LITURGY

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Antiphon I. Mode 2. Psalm 44.

Verse 1: *My heart overflowed with a good word; I tell my works to the King.* [SAAS]

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

Verse 2: *My tongue is the pen of a swift-writing scribe.* [SAAS]

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

Verse 3: *You are more beautiful than the sons of men.* [SAAS]

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

Verse 4: *Therefore God blessed You forever.* [SAAS]

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

Glory. Both now.

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

Antiphon II. Mode 2. Psalm 44.

Verse 1: *Gird Your sword upon Your thigh, O Mighty One, in Your splendor and Your beauty.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were held in the arms of righteous Symeon. we sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Verse 2: *Stretch Your bow, and grant prosperity, and reign, because of truth and goodness.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were held in the arms of righteous Symeon. we sing to You, Alleluia.

Verse 3: *Your arrows are sharp, O Mighty One. The peoples shall fall under You.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were held in the arms of righteous Symeon. we sing to You, Alleluia.

Verse 4: *Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; Your royal scepter is a scepter of uprightness.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were held in the arms of righteous Symeon. we sing to You, Alleluia.

Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. [HC]

Both now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen. [HC]

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. Psalm 44.

Verse 1: *Listen, O daughter, behold and
incline your ear, and forget your people and your
father's house.* [SAAS]

Verse 2: *The rich among the people shall
entreat your favor.* [SAAS]

Verse 3: *I will remember your name from
generation to generation.* [SAAS]

Apolytikion of the Feast. Mode 1.

Lady full of grace, rejoice, O Virgin
Theotokos, for Christ our God, the Sun
of righteousness has risen from you and
He illumined those in darkness. And you,
righteous Elder, be glad in heart, receiving
in your embraces the One who liberates our
souls and bestows on us the Resurrection. [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 3.

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]

Canon of the Feast.

Ode iii. Mode 3. Heirmos

From Menaion - - -

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

O Lord, the firm foundation of those trust in you, confirm the Church, which you purchased with your precious blood. [EL]

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

The First-born of the Father before the ages has appeared from an undefiled Maiden as a first-born babe, and he stretches out his hands to Adam. [EL]

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

To set right again the first formed man, who through deception had become childish

in mind, God the Word has appeared as a child. [EL]

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

The Creator, having become a child without change, has reshaped according to the form of his godhead our nature born of earth and destined to return to earth again. [EL]

Canon of the Feast.

From Menaion - - -

Ode vi. Mode 3. Heirmos

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

The Elder having seen with his eyes, the salvation that had come to the people, cried aloud to you, 'O Christ, who come from God, You are my God!' [EL]

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

You have been set up in Sion as a stumbling stone and rock of offence for the disobedient, unbreakable salvation of believers. [EL]

Glory.

Truly bearing the imprint of him who begot you before the ages, through compassion for mortals you have now put on their weakness. [EL]

Both now.

I have worshipped you, Son of the Most High, Son of a Virgin, God become a little child. Now release me in peace.' [EL]

Entrance Hymn. Mode 2.

The Lord made known His salvation in the sight of all the Gentiles. Save us, O Son of God, who were held in the arms of righteous Symeon. we sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

**Hymns After the Small Entrance.
Apolytikion of the Feast.**

From Menaion ---

Mode 1.

Lady full of grace, rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, for Christ our God, the Sun of righteousness has risen from you and He illumined those in darkness. And you, righteous Elder, be glad in heart, receiving in your embraces the One who liberates our souls and bestows on us the Resurrection. [SD]

**For the Saint.
Mode 4.**

A rule of faith are you, and an icon of gentleness, and a teacher of self-control. And to your flock this was evident, by the truth of your life and deeds. You were humble and therefore you acquired exalted gifts, treasure in heaven for being poor. Father holy hierarch Bukolus, intercede with Christ our God, and entreat Him to save our souls. [SD]

(Apolytikion of the Parish Church)

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

From Menaion ---

**Kontakion.
Mode 1.**

You sanctified the virginal womb by Your birth, O Lord, and blessed the hands of Symeon fittingly, O Christ God; and even now You came and saved us. Now, give peace to our Nation in time of war, and empower our

Leaders, so loved by You, the only one who loves humanity. [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

Wednesday of the Thirty-Second Week

DEACON

Let us be attentive.

READER

Prokeimenon. Mode 3. Ode ix.

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. [RSV]

Verse: *For he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed.* [RSV]

The reading is from James' Universal Letter.

(3:11-18, 4:1-6)

Brethren, does a spring pour forth from the same opening fresh water and brackish? Can a fig tree, my brethren, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh. Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good life let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. This wisdom is not such as comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist,

there will be disorder and every vile practice. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, without uncertainty or insincerity. And the harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace. What causes wars, and what causes fightings among you? Is it not your passions that are at war in your members? You desire and do not have; so you kill. And you covet and cannot obtain; so you fight and wage war. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. Unfaithful creatures! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. Or do you suppose it is in vain that the scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit which he has made to dwell in us"? But he gives more grace; therefore it says, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble." [RSV]

CHOIR

Alleluia. Mode pl. 4. Psalm 131.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 1: *Arise, O Lord, into Your rest, You and the ark of Your holiness.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 2: *The Lord swore to David this truth, and He shall not reject it, "I shall set upon your throne one from the fruit of your loins."* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Gospel

Wednesday of the Fifteenth Week

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

(11:22-26)

The Lord said, "Have faith in God. Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him. Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you are receiving it, and it will be yours. And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone; so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father who is in heaven forgive your trespasses." [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 115.

I will take up the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. 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 condescended to be held in the arms of righteous Symeon, for our salvation, 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

Wine: Wine and oil are allowed. Refrain from meat, fish, dairy, and eggs.

It is a minor feast.