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Μνήμη τοῦ Άγίου Προφήτου Ἡλιού

ΕΣΠΕΡΙΝΟΣ

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

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

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

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 ἡ ψυχή μου, τὸν Κύριον. Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου ἐμεγαλύνθης σφόδοα. Έξομολόγησιν καὶ μεγαλοποέπειαν ἐνεδύσω, ἀναβαλλόμενος φῶς ὡς ἱμάτιον. Ἐκτείνων τὸν οὐρανὸν ώσεὶ δέὀῥιν, ὁ στεγάζων ἐν ὕδασιν τὰ ὑπερῷα αὐτοῦ. Ό τιθεὶς νέφη τὴν ἐπίβασιν αὐτοῦ, ὁ περιπατῶν ἐπὶ πτερύγων ἀνέμων. Ὁ ποιῶν τοὺς Ἀγγέλους 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 έθεμελίωσας αὐτά. Όριον ἔθου, ὁ οὐ

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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 a boundary they shall not pass over; neither

παρελεύσονται, οὐδὲ ἐπιστρέψουσι καλύψαι τὴν γήν. Ὁ ἐξαποστέλλων πηγάς ἐν φάραγξιν, ἀναμέσον τῶν ὀρέων διελεύσονται ὕδατα· ποτιοῦσι πάντα τὰ θηρία τοῦ ἀγροῦ, προσδέξονται ὄναγροι εὶς 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 ἀνθρώπων. Τοῦ έξαγαγεῖν ἄρτον ἐκ τῆς γῆς, καὶ οἶνος εὐφραίνει καρδίαν ἀνθρώπου. Τοῦ ἱλαρύναι πρόσωπον ἐν ἐλαίω, καὶ ἄρτος καρδίαν ανθοώπου στηρίζει. Χορτασθήσεται τὰ ξύλα τοῦ πεδίου, αἱ κέδροι τοῦ Λιβάνου, ἃς έφύτευσας. Έκει στρουθία έννοσσεύσουσι, 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 παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ βοῶσιν αὐτοῖς. Ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος, καὶ συνήχθησαν, καὶ εἰς τὰς μάνδρας αὐτῶν κοιτασθήσονται. Έξελεύσεται ἄνθοωπος ἐπὶ τὸ ἔργον αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐπὶ τὴν 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 πρὸς σὲ προσδοκῶσι, δοῦναι τὴν τροφὴν

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 things wait upon You, that You may give

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. "Ητω 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 ἕως 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 ό Θεός. (ἐκ γ')

Ή ἐλπὶς ἡμῶν, Κύριε, δόξα σοι.

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.)

Υπέο τῆς ἄνωθεν εἰρήνης καὶ τῆς σωτηρίας τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου 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 ἁγίου οἴκου τούτου, καὶ τῶν μετὰ πίστεως, εὐλαβείας καὶ φόβου Θεοῦ εἰσιόντων ἐν αὐτῷ, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Υπέρ τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ Ὀρθοδόξων Χριστιανῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Υπέο τοῦ (ἀρχιερατικοῦ βαθμοῦ) ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος), τοῦ τιμίου πρεσβυτερίου, τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ διακονίας, παντὸς τοῦ κλήρου καὶ τοῦ λαοῦ, τοῦ Κυρίου 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 Άγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Άμήν.)

ΧΟΡΟΣ

$^{\circ}$ H χ o ς α' .

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 1.

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.

Έμὲ 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.

Στιχηρά. Τοῦ Προφήτου.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Ήχος α΄. Τῶν οὐρανίων ταγμάτων.

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

Ό τὸν Θεσβίτην Ἡλίαν, πυρίνω ἄρματι, ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς οἰκτίρμον, μεταθέμενος Λόγε, ταῖς τούτου ἱκεσίαις, σῶσον ἡμᾶς τοὺς πιστῶς σε δοξάζοντας, καὶ τὴν αὐτοῦ ἐκτελοῦντας χαρμονικῶς, θείαν μνήμην καὶ σεβάσμιον.

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

Ό τὸν Θεσβίτην Ἡλίαν, πυρίνω ἄρματι, ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς οἰκτίρμον, μεταθέμενος Λόγε, ταῖς τούτου ἱκεσίαις, σῶσον ἡμᾶς τοὺς πιστῶς σε δοξάζοντας, καὶ τὴν αὐτοῦ ἐκτελοῦντας χαρμονικῶς, θείαν μνήμην καὶ σεβάσμιον.

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 Prophet.

From Menaion - - -

Mode 1. *For the celestial orders.*

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

Merciful Lord, You translated Tishbite Elijah from earth * by fiery chariot taking * him as if into heaven. * O Logos, we who faithfully glorify You * pray You save and deliver us, * by his entreaties for us who with joy observe * his divine and solemn memory.

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

Merciful Lord, You translated Tishbite Elijah from earth * by fiery chariot taking * him as if into heaven. * O Logos, we who faithfully glorify You * pray You save and deliver us, * by his entreaties for us who with joy observe * his divine and solemn memory.

[SD]

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

Οὐ συσσεισμῷ ἀλλ' ἐν αὕρᾳ, λεπτῆ τεθέασαι, Θεοῦ τὴν παρουσίαν, Ἡλιοὺ θεομάκαρ, φωτίζουσάν σε πάλαι, ἄρματι δέ, ἐποχούμενος τέθριππος, τὸν οὐρανὸν διϊππεύεις ξενοπρεπῶς, θαυμαζόμενος θεόπνευστε.

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

Οὐ συσσεισμῷ ἀλλ' ἐν αὕρᾳ, λεπτῆ τεθέασαι, Θεοῦ τὴν παρουσίαν, Ἡλιοὺ θεομάκαρ, φωτίζουσάν σε πάλαι, ἄρματι δέ, ἐποχούμενος τέθριππος, τὸν οὐρανὸν διϊππεύεις ξενοπρεπῶς, θαυμαζόμενος θεόπνευστε.

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

Τοὺς ἱεφεῖς τῆς αἰσχύνης, ξίφει κατέσφαξας, τὸν οὐφανὸν τῆ γλώττη, ἐπὶ γῆς τοῦ μὴ βρέχειν, ἐπέσχες ζήλῳ θείῳ πυρποληθείς, Ἐλισαῖον δὲ ἔπλησας, τῆς μηλωτῆς ἐπιδόσει διπλῆς σοφέ, Ἡλιοὺ ἐνθέου χάριτος.

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

Τοὺς ἱεφεῖς τῆς αἰσχύνης, ξίφει κατέσφαξας, τὸν οὐφανὸν τῆ γλώττη, ἐπὶ γῆς τοῦ μὴ βφέχειν, ἐπέσχες ζήλφ θείφ πυφποληθείς, Ἐλισαῖον δὲ ἔπλησας, τῆς

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

O blessed Prophet Elijah, of old the Lord appeared * to you, but not in whirlwind, nor in earthquake nor fire, * but in the gentle breeze, and illumined you. * Then on a four-horse chariot * you rode as if into heaven amazingly, * O most wondrous God-inspired Saint.

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

O blessed Prophet Elijah, of old the Lord appeared * to you, but not in whirlwind, nor in earthquake nor fire, * but in the gentle breeze, and illumined you. * Then on a four-horse chariot * you rode as if into heaven amazingly, * O most wondrous God-inspired Saint.

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

Being on fire with divine zeal, * you put to death with the sword * the priests of shame, O Prophet, * having spoken, the heavens * withheld their rain and dew for the span of three years. * And by sending your mantle to * Prophet Elisha, you filled him with twice the grace, O Elijah, that you had from God. [50]

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

Being on fire with divine zeal, * you put to death with the sword * the priests of shame, O Prophet, * having spoken, the heavens * withheld their rain and dew for the span of μηλωτῆς ἐπιδόσει διπλῆς σοφέ, Ἡλιοὺ ἐνθέου χάριτος.

Δόξα.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Ήχος πλ. β'.

Δεῦτε τῶν ὀρθοδόξων τὸ σύστημα, συναθροισθέντες σήμερον, ἐν τῷ πανσέπτω ναῷ τῶν θεηγόρων Προφητῶν, ψαλμικῶς ἄσωμεν ἐναρμόνιον μέλος, τῷ τούτους δοξάσαντι, Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ ήμῶν, καὶ ἐν χαρᾳ καὶ ἀγαλλιάσει ἀναβοήσωμεν Χαίροις ἐπίγειε ἄγγελε, καὶ οὐράνιε ἄνθρωπε, Ἡλία μεγαλώνυμε. Χαίροις ὁ διπλῆν τὴν χάριν παρὰ Θεοῦ κομισάμενος, Έλισαῖε πανσεβάσμιε· Χαίρετε ἀντιλήπτορες θερμοί, καὶ προστάται καὶ ἰατροί, τῶν ψυχῶν καὶ τῶν σωμάτων τοῦ φιλοχρίστου λαοῦ, ἀπὸ πάσης προσβολῆς ἐναντίας καὶ περιστάσεως, καὶ παντοίων κινδύνων λυτρώσασθε, τούς πιστῶς ἐκτελοῦντας, τὴν πανέορτον μνήμην ὑμῶν.

Τῆς Ὁκτωήχου - - -

Καὶ νῦν. Ἦχος γ'. Τὸ α' Θεοτοκίον τοῦ Ἡχου.

Πῶς μὴ θαυμάσωμεν, τὸν θεανδοικόν σου Τόκον Πανσεβάσμιε; πεῖραν γὰρ ἀνδρὸς μὴ δεξαμένη Πανάμωμε, ἔτεκες ἀπάτορα Υίὸν ἐν σαρκί, τὸν πρὸ αἰώνων ἐκ Πατρός γεννηθέντα ἀμήτορα, μηδαμῶς ὑπομείναντα τροπήν, ἢ φυρμόν, ἢ διαίρεσιν, ἀλλ' ἑκατέρας οὐσίας τὴν ἰδιότητα, σώαν φυλάξαντα. Διὸ Μητροπάρθενε Δέσποινα, αὐτόν ἱκέτευε σωθῆναι, τὰς ψυχὰς τῶν ὀρθοδόξως, Θεοτόκον ὁμολογούντων σε.

three years. * And by sending your mantle to * Prophet Elisha, you filled him with twice the grace, O Elijah, that you had from God. [5D]

Glory.

From Menaion - - -

Mode pl. 2.

Come, gathering of the orthodox, assembled today in the all-honoured temple of the inspired Prophets, let us sing in psalms a harmonious melody to Him who glorified them, Christ our God, and let us cry out with joy and gladness: Hail, angel on earth and man of heaven, glorious Elias. Hail, all-honoured Elissaios, who received double grace from God. Hail, fervent helpers, defenders and physicians of both souls and bodies of the people which loves Christ. From every hostile assault and calamity, from every kind of danger deliver those who celebrate with faith your festive memorial.

From Octoechos - - -

Both now. Mode 3. The First Theotokion of the Mode.

How can we not marvel at your theandric childbirth, O most reverend Maid? For while having had no spousal congress, all-blameless one, you gave birth unto a Son unfathered in the flesh, Who had, unmothered, been begotten of the Father before all ages. He in no way underwent any change, intermingling or division; but He preserved each nature's distinct identity in its totality. Therefore, O Virgin Mother and Lady, entreat Him for the salvation of the souls of those confessing you, in Orthodox manner, to be Theotokos.

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 πᾶσι καιροῖς, 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.

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 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.

Τὰ Ἀναγνώσματα

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Βασιλειῶν Γ' τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Κεφ. 17, 1-24

Έγένετο λόγος Κυρίου πρὸς Ἡλιοὺ τὸν Προφήτην, καὶ εἶπε πρὸς Ἀχαάβ· Ζῆ Κύριος ό Θεὸς τῶν δυνάμεων, ὁ Θεὸς Ἰσραὴλ ὧ παρέστην ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ σήμερον, εἰ ἔσται τὰ ἔτη ταῦτα δρόσος καὶ ὑετός, εἰ μὴ διὰ στόματός μου. Καὶ ἐγένετο ὁῆμα Κυρίου πρὸς Ἡλιού, λέγον Πορεύου ἐντεῦθεν κατ' ἀνατολάς, καὶ κούβηθι ἐν τῷ χειμάὀὸω Χοζόάθ, τῷ ἐπὶ προσώπου Ἰορδάνου, καὶ ἔσται ἐκ τοῦ χειμάৢοου πίεσαι ὕδωρ, καὶ τοῖς κόραξιν ἐντελοῦμαι τοῦ διατρέφειν σε ἐκεῖ. Καὶ ἐπορεύθη, καὶ ἐκάθισεν ἐν τῷ χειμάζοψ Χος κάθ, ἐπὶ πρόσωπον τοῦ Ίορδάνου, καὶ οἱ κόρακες ἔφερον αὐτῷ ἄρτους τὸ πρωΐ, καὶ κρέας τὸ δείλης, καὶ ἐκ τοῦ χειμάζορου ἔπινεν ὕδωρ. Καὶ ἐγένετο μεθ' ἡμέρας, καὶ ἐξηράνθη ὁ χείμαζόος, ὅτι οὐκ ἐγένετο ὑετὸς ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς. Καὶ έγένετο ἡῆμα Κυρίου πρὸς Ἡλιού, λέγων Ανάστηθι καὶ πορεύθητι εἰς Σαρεφθὰ τῆς Σιδωνίας, καὶ καθίση ἐκεῖ, καὶ ἰδοὺ έντελοῦμαι γυναικὶ χήρα τοῦ διατρέφειν σε. Καὶ ἀνέστη, καὶ ἐπορεύθη εἰς Σαρεφθά, εἰς τὸν πυλῶνα τῆς πόλεως. Καὶ ἰδοὺ ἐκεῖ γυνὴ χήρα συνέλεγε ξύλα, καὶ ἐβόησεν Ἡλιοὺ οπίσω αὐτῆς, καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῆ. Λάβε δὴ μοι ολίγον ύδως εἰς ἄγγος, καὶ πίομαι. Καὶ ἐπορεύθη λαβεῖν. Καὶ ἐβόησεν Ἡλιοὺ ὀπίσω αὐτῆς, καὶ εἶπε. Λήψη δὴ μοι καὶ ψωμὸν ἄρτου ἐν τῆ χειρί σου. Καὶ εἶπεν ἡ γυνή Ζῆ

The Readings

From Menaion - - -

READER

The reading is from the Third Book of the Kingdoms (1 Kings).

DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

READER

17:1-24

Now Elijah the Tishbite from Tishbe in Gilead said to Ahab, "As the Lord God of Hosts lives, the God of all Israel before whom I stand, there shall not be any dew nor rain during these years except at my word." Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Depart and go eastward, and hide by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan. You shall drink water from the brook, and I shall command the ravens to feed you there." So Elijah went and obeyed the word of the Lord, and stayed by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan. The ravens brought him bread in the morning and meat in the evening, and he drank water from the brook. But after a while the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land. Again the word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Arise, go to Zarephath of Sidon and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you." So he arose and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the city, there was a widow gathering firewood. Elijah called to her and said, "Please bring me a little water in a cup so I can drink." She went to get it, and Elijah called after her and said, "Please bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But the woman said, "As the Lord your God lives, I do not have any bread, only a handful of flour in a bin, and a little oil

Κύριος ὁ Θεός σου, εἰ ἔστι μοι ἐγκρυφίας, άλλ' ἢ ὅσον δρὰξ ἀλεύρου ἐν τῆ ύδρία, καὶ ολίγον ἔλαιον ἐν τῷ καμψάκη· καὶ ἰδοὺ συλλέγω δύο ξυλάρια, καὶ εἰσελεύσομαι, καὶ ποιήσω αὐτὸ ἐμαυτῆ καὶ τοῖς τέκνοις μου, καὶ φαγόμεθα καὶ ἀποθανούμεθα. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιοὺ πρὸς αὐτήν θάρσει, εἴσελθε, καὶ ποίησον κατὰ τὸ ὁῆμά σου, ἀλλὰ ποίησόν μοι ἐκεῖθεν ἐγκουφίαν μικοόν ἐν πρώτοις, καὶ ἐξοίσεις μοι, σεαυτῆ δὴ καὶ τοῖς τέκνοις σου ποιήσεις ἐπ' ἐσχάτων, ὅτι τάδε λέγει Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς Ἰσραήλ. Ἡ ύδοία τοῦ ἀλεύρου οὐκ ἐκλείψει καὶ ὁ καμψάκης τοῦ ἐλαίου οὐκ ἐλαττονήσει έως ήμέρας τοῦ δοῦναι Κύριον τὸν Θεὸν ύετὸν ἐπὶ προσώπου πάσης τῆς γῆς. Καὶ ἐπορεύθη ἡ γυνή, καὶ ἐποίησε κατὰ τὸ ἑῆμα Ήλιού, καὶ ἤσθιεν αὐτὸς καὶ αὐτή, καὶ τὰ τέκνα αὐτῆς. Καὶ ἀπὸ τῆς ἡμέρας ταύτης ή ύδρία τοῦ ἀλεύρου οὐκ ἐξέλιπε, καὶ ὁ καμψάκης τοῦ ἐλαίου οὐκ ἐλαττονήθη, κατὰ τὸ ὁῆμα Κυρίου, ὃ ἐλάλησεν ἐν χειρὶ Ήλιού. Καὶ ἐγένετο μετὰ τὰ ἡήματα ταῦτα, καὶ ἠὀῥώστησεν ὁ υἱὸς τῆς γυναικός, τῆς κυρίας τοῦ οἴκου, καὶ ἡ ἀἰρωστία αὐτοῦ κραταιὰ σφόδρα, ἕως οὐχ ὑπελείφθη ἐν αὐτῷ πνεῦμα. Καὶ εἶπεν ἡ γυνὴ πρὸς Ἡλιού τί ἐμοὶ καὶ σοί, ἄνθρωπε τοῦ Θεοῦ; εἰσῆλθες πρὸς με τοῦ ἀναμνῆσαι τὰς ἁμαρτίας μου, καὶ θανατῶσαι τὸν υἱόν μου; Καὶ εἶπεν Ήλιοὺ πρὸς αὐτήν. Δὸς μοι τὸν υίόν σου. Καὶ ἔλαβεν αὐτὸν ἐκ τοῦ κόλπου αὐτῆς, καὶ ἀνήνεγκεν αὐτὸν ἐπὶ τὸ ὑπερῷον, έν ῷ αὐτὸς ἐκάθητο ἐκεῖ, καὶ ἐκοίμισεν αὐτὸν ἐπὶ τῆς κλίνης αὐτοῦ. Καὶ ἀνεβόησεν Ήλιού, καὶ εἶπεν Οἴμοι! Κύριε, ὁ μάρτυς τῆς χήρας, μεθ' ἦς ἐγὼ κατοικῶ μετ' αὐτῆς, σὺ ἐκάκωσας τοῦ θανατῶσαι τὸν υἱὸν

in a jar. You see I am gathering a couple of sticks, so I can go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." But Elijah said to her, "Take courage, and do as you say, but make me a small cake from it first and bring it to me. Afterward make some for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord, 'The bin of flour shall not be used up, and the jar of oil shall not run dry, until the day the Lord sends rain on the earth." So the woman went and did it. Thus she and he and her children ate for many days. The bin of flour was not used up, and the jar of oil did not run dry, according to the word the Lord spoke by Elijah. Now after this, the son of the woman who owned the house became sick. His sickness was so serious there was no breath left in him. So she said to Elijah, "What have I to do with you, O man of God? You came to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to kill my son." But Elijah said to her, "Give me your son." So he took him out of her arms and carried him to the upper room where he was staying, and laid him on his bed. Then Elijah cried out to the Lord and said, "Woe is me, O Lord! The witness of the widow with whom I lodge, you have embittered her by killing her son." Then he stretched himself out on the child three times, and called on the Lord and said, "O Lord my God, let the soul of this child come back to him." So it happened, and the child cried out. He took the child and brought him down from the upper room of the house, and gave him to his mother. Elijah said, "Behold, your son lives." Then the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and

αὐτῆς. Καὶ ἐνεφύσησε τῷ παιδαρίῳ τρίς, καὶ ἐπεκαλέσατο τὸν Κύριον, καὶ εἶπε Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου, ἐπιστραφήτω δὴ ἡ ψυχὴ τοῦ παιδαρίου τούτου εἰς αὐτό. Καὶ ἐγένετο οὕτω, καὶ ἀνεβόησε, καὶ ἤκουσε Κύριος ἐν φωνῆ Ἡλιού, καὶ ἐπεστράφη ἡ ψυχὴ τοῦ παιδαρίου πρὸς ἔγκατον αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἔζησε. Καὶ ἔλαβεν Ἡλίας τὸ παιδάριον, καὶ κατήγαγεν αὐτὸ ἀπὸ τοῦ ὑπερῷου εἰς τὸν οἶκον, καὶ ἔδωκεν αὐτὸ τῆ μητρὶ αὐτοῦ, καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιού Βλέπε, ζῆ ὁ υίός σου. Καὶ εἶπεν ἡ γυνὴ πρὸς Ἡλιού. Ἰδοὺ τοῦτο ἔγνωκα, ὅτι σὺ ἄνθρωπος εἶ τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ ἡῆμα Κυρίου ἐν τῷ στόματί σου ἀληθινόν.

the word of the Lord in your mouth is the truth." [SAAS]

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Βασιλειῶν Γ' τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Κεφ. 18, 1, 17-46 καὶ 19, 1-16

Ἐγένετο ῥῆμα Κυρίου πρὸς Ἡλιοὺ τὸν Θεσβίτην ἐν τῷ ἐνιαυτῷ τῷ τρίτῳ, λέγον Πορεύθητι, καὶ ὄφθητι τῷ Ἀχαάβ, καὶ δώσω τὸν ὑετὸν ἐπὶ προσώπου τῆς γῆς. Καὶ ἐγένετο, ὡς εἶδεν Ἀχαὰβ τὸν Ήλιού, καὶ εἶπε πρὸς αὐτόν: Σὺ εἶ αὐτὸς ὁ διαστρέφων τὸν Ἰσραήλ; Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιού· Οὐ διαστρέφω ἐγὼ τὸν Ἰσραήλ, ἀλλ' ἢ σύ, καὶ ὁ οἶκος τοῦ πατρός σου, ἐν τῷ καταλιμπάνειν ύμᾶς Κύριον τὸν Θεὸν ήμῶν, καὶ ἐπορεύθητε ὀπίσω τοῦ Βάαλ. Καὶ νῦν ἀπόστειλον, καὶ συνάθροισον πρὸς με πάντα, Ἰσραήλ εἰς τὸ ὄρος τὸ Καρμήλιον, καὶ τοὺς προφήτας τοῦ Βάαλ, τετρακοσίους καὶ πεντήκοντα, καὶ τοὺς προφήτας τῶν άλσῶν τετρακοσίους, ἐσθίοντας τράπεζαν

READER

The reading is from the Third Book of the Kingdoms (1 Kings).

DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

READER

18:1, 17-27, 29b-41a, 41c, 44b, 42b, 45; 19:1a, 2-4a, 5-10, 15a, 16b

It came to pass many days later, in the third year, the word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Go and appear to Ahab, and I will send rain on the earth." When Ahab saw Elijah, Ahab said to him, "Are you the one who is troubling Israel?" Elijah answered, "I have not troubled Israel, but rather you and the house of your father, in that you forsook the Lord your God and followed after the Baals. Now therefore, send and gather all Israel to me on Mount Carmel, the four hundred and fifty prophets of shame, and the four hundred prophets of the sacred groves who eat at Jezebel's table." So Ahab went back to Israel and gathered all the prophets on Mount Carmel. Then Elijah came near

Ίεζάβελ. Καὶ ἀπέστειλεν Ἀχαὰβ εἰς πάντα Ίσραήλ, καὶ ἐπισυνήγαγε πάντας τοὺς προφήτας εἰς τὸ ὄρος τὸ Καρμήλιον. Καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Ἡλιού Εως πότε ὑμεῖς χωλανεῖτε ἐπ' ἀμφοτέραις ταῖς ἰγνύαις ύμῶν; Εἰ ἔστι Κύριος ὁ Θεός, πορεύεσθε οπίσω αὐτοῦ, εὶ δὲ ὁ Βάαλ αὐτός, πορεύεσθε οπίσω αὐτοῦ. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιοὺ πρὸς τὸν λαόν Ἐγὰ ὑπολέλειμμαι προφήτης τοῦ Κυρίου μονώτατος, καὶ οἱ προφῆται τοῦ ἄλσους σφόδοα πολλοί. Δότωσαν οὖν ἡμῖν δύο βόας καὶ ἐκλεξάσθωσαν ἑαυτοῖς τὸν ένα, καὶ μελισάτωσαν, καὶ ἐπιθέτωσαν ἐπὶ τῶν ξύλων, καὶ πῦς μὴ ἐπιθέτωσαν. Καὶ ἐγὼ ποιήσω τὸν βοῦν τὸν ἄλλον, καὶ πῦς μὴ ἐπιθῶ. Καὶ βοᾶτε ἐν ὀνόματι τοῦ Θεοῦ ὑμῶν καὶ ἐγὰ ἐπικαλέσομαι ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Κυρίου τοῦ Θεοῦ μου. Καὶ ἔσται ὁ Θεὸς ὃς ἂν ἀκούση ἐν πυρί, οὖτος Θεός. Καὶ ἀπεκρίθη πᾶς ὁ λαὸς καὶ εἶπε· καλὸν τὸ ὁῆμα, ὁ έλάλησας σήμερον. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιοὺ τοῖς προφήταις τῆς αἰσχύνης. Ἐκλέξασθε έαυτοῖς τὸν μόσχον τὸν ἕνα, καὶ ποιήσατε ποῶτοι, καὶ ἐπικαλεῖσθε ἐν ὀνόματι Θεοῦ ύμῶν, καὶ πῦς μὴ ἐπιθῆτε. Καὶ ἔλαβον τὸν μόσχον, καὶ ἐποίησαν οὕτω, καὶ ἐπεκάλουν τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ Βάαλ ἐκ πρωΐας έως μεσημβοίας, λέγοντες: Ἐπάκουσον ήμῶν, ὁ Βάαλ, ἐπάκουσον ἡμῶν, καὶ οὐκ ἦν φωνή, καὶ οὐκ ἦν ἀκρόασις, καὶ διέτρεχον ἐπὶ τοῦ θυσιαστηρίου, οὖ ἐποίησαν. Καὶ έγένετο μεσημβοία, καὶ ἐμυκτήρισεν αὐτούς Ήλιοὺ ὁ Θεσβίτης, καὶ εἶπεν· Ἐπικαλεῖσθε ἐν φωνῆ μεγάλη, ὅτι ἀδολεσχία ἐστὶ τῷ Θεῷ ύμῶν. Καὶ ἐγένετο, ὡς ὁ καιρὸς ἔστη τοῦ ἀναβῆναι τὴν θυσίαν, καὶ οὐκ ἦν, ἐλάλησεν Ήλιοὺ ὁ Θεσβίτης πρὸς τοὺς προφήτας τῶν προσοχθισμάτων, λέγων Μετάστητε ἀπὸ

to all of them and said, "How long will you be undecided between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him, but if Baal, follow him." But the people did not answer. Then Elijah said to the people, "I alone remain as a prophet of the Lord, but there are four hundred and fifty men who are prophets of Baal and four hundred prophets of the sacred groves. Let them give us two oxen. Then let them choose one bull for themselves, to be cut into pieces and laid on the wood; but they shall not light a fire under it. I will prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood; and I will not light a fire under it. Then you will call loudly on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the Lord, my God. So it shall come to pass that the God who answers by fire, He is God." So all the people answered and said, "The word you have spoken is good." "Choose one calf for yourselves and prepare it, for there are many of you. Then call on the name of your god, but do not put fire to the wood under it." So they took a calf and prepared it, and called on the name of Baal from morning until noon, saying, "Hear us, O Baal, hear us." But there was no voice, for no one answered, and they ran about the altar they had made. Then it came to pass at noon that Elijah the Tishbite mocked them and said, "Cry out with a loud voice, for he is a god; for either he is away meditating, or he is too busy, or preoccupied with other business. Perhaps he is sleeping and has need to be awakened from his nap." When the appointed time to offer the evening sacrifice, but even still, there was no voice. Finally, Elijah the Tishbite spoke to the prophets of the idols, saying, "Now remove

τοῦ νῦν, καὶ ἐγὼ ποιήσω τὸ ὁλοκαύτωμά μου. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιοὺ πρός τὸν λαόν Ποοσαγάγετε πρὸς με, καὶ προσήγαγε πρὸς αὐτὸν πᾶς ὁ λαός. Καὶ ἔλαβεν Ἡλιοὺ δώδεκα λίθους κατὰ ἀριθμὸν τῶν δώδεκα φυλῶν τοῦ Ἰσραήλ, ὡς ἐλάλησε πρὸς αὐτὸν Κύριος, λέγων Ἰσραὴλ ἔσται τὸ ὄνομά σου. Καὶ ὢκοδόμησε τοὺς λίθους, καὶ ἰάσατο τὸ θυσιαστήριον Κυρίου τὸ κατεσκαμμένον, καὶ ἐποίησε θαλαά, χωροῦσαν δύο μετοητάς σπέοματος κύκλωθεν τοῦ θυσιαστηρίου. Καὶ ἐπέθηκε τὰς σχίδακας έπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον ὃ ἐποίησε, καὶ ἐμέλισε τὸ ὁλοκαύτωμα, καὶ ἐπέθηκεν εὶς τὰς σχίδακας, καὶ ἐστοίβασεν ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιοὺ Λάβετέ μοι δύο ύδρίας ὕδατος, καὶ ἐπιχεέτωσαν ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον, ἐπὶ τὸ ὁλοκαύτωμα καὶ ἐπὶ τὰς σχίδακας. Καὶ εἶπεν• Δευτερώσατε, καὶ ἐδευτέρωσαν. Τρισσεύσατε, καὶ έτρίσευσαν. Καὶ διεπορεύετο τὸ ὕδωρ κύκλω τοῦ θυσιαστηρίου, καὶ τὴν θαλαὰ ἔπλησεν ὕδατος, καὶ ἀνεβόησεν Ἡλιοὺ είς τὸν οὐρανόν, καὶ εἶπε· Κύριε ὁ Θεός, Άβοαάμ, καὶ Ισαὰκ καὶ Ιακώβ, ἐπάκουσόν μου σήμερον ἐν πυρί. Καὶ γνώτωσαν ὁ λαὸς οὖτος, ὅτι σὰ εἶ μόνος Κύριος, ὁ Θεὸς Ίσραήλ, καὶ ἐγὼ δοῦλος σός, καὶ διὰ σὲ πεποίηκα ταῦτα πάντα, καὶ σὺ ἐπέστρεψας τὴν καρδίαν τοῦ λαοῦ τούτου ὀπίσω σου. Καὶ ἔπεσε πῦρ παρὰ Κυρίου ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ, καὶ κατέφαγε τὸ όλοκαύτωμα καὶ τὰς σχίδακας, καὶ τὸ ὕδως τὸ ἐν τῆ θαλαᾳ, καὶ τοὺς λίθους, καὶ τὸν χοῦν ἐξέλειξε τὸ πῦρ. Καὶ ἔπεσε πᾶς ὁ λαὸς ἐπὶ πρόσωπον αὐτῶν, καὶ εἶπεν Ἀληθῶς Κύριος ὁ Θεός, αὐτὸς ἐστιν ὁ Θεός. Καὶ εἶπε Ἡλιοὺ πρὸς τὸν λαόν. Συλλάβετε τοὺς προφήτας

yourselves from this place, for I will offer my whole burnt offering." And they turned away and departed. Then Elijah said to the people, "Come near me." So all the people came near to him. Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of Israel, for the Lord said, "Israel shall be your name." Then he built an altar with the stones in the name of the Lord, and he repaired the altar of sacrifice that was scattered about, and around the altar he made a furrow holding two measures of seed. He piled the firewood on the altar he had made, divided the whole burnt offering, laid it on the firewood, and laid it in order on the altar. Then he said, "Bring me four pots of water, and pour it on the whole burnt offering and pour it on the unlit firewood." They did so. Again Elijah said, "Do it a second time." So they did it again. Again he said, "Do it a third time." So they did it a third time. And the water ran all about the altar, and even the furrow became filled with water. After this, Elijah cried out to heaven and said, "O Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, answer me, O Lord, answer me this day with fire, and let this people know You are the God of Israel, and I am Your servant; and for Your sake I do all these works. Hear me, O Lord, hear me with fire, and let these people know You are the Lord God, so as turn the heart of this people back." Then fire fell from the Lord out of the heaven and consumed the whole burnt offering, the firewood, and the water in the furrow. The fire also licked up the stones and the soil. So all the people fell on their faces, and they said, "Truly, the Lord is God; He is God." Elijah then said to the people, "Seize the prophets of Baal. Let not

τοῦ Βάαλ, μηδεὶς σωθήτω ἐξ αὐτῶν. Καὶ συνέλαβον αὐτούς, καὶ κατήγαγεν αὐτοὺς Ήλιοὺ εἰς τὸν χειμάζοουν Κισσών, καὶ ἐκεῖ αὐτοὺς ἀπέκτεινε. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιοὺ μετὰ ταῦτα τῷ Ἀχαάβ· Φωνὴ ποδῶν τοῦ ύετοῦ ζεῦξον τὸ ἄρμα σου καὶ κατάβηθι, μη καταλάβη σε ὁ ὑετός. Καὶ Ἡλιοὺ ἀνέβη ἐπὶ τὸν Κάρμηλον, καὶ ἔκυψεν ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, καὶ ἔθηκε τὸ πρόσωπον αὐτοῦ ἀναμέσον τῶν γονάτων αὐτοῦ, καὶ ηὔξατο πρὸς Κύριον. Καὶ ὁ οὐρανὸς συνεσκότασεν έν νεφέλαις, καὶ πνεύματι, καὶ ἐγένετο ύετός μέγας. Καὶ ἐπορεύετο Ἀχαὰβ ἕως Ίεσοάελ. Καὶ ἀνήγγειλεν Ἀχαὰβ Ἰεζάβελ τῆ γυναικὶ αὐτοῦ πάντα, ὅσα ἐποίησεν Ήλιού, καὶ ἀπέστειλεν Ἰεζάβελ πρὸς Ἡλιού, καὶ εἶπεν Αὔριον θύσομαι τὴν ψυχήν σου ώς ἕνα ἐξ αὐτῶν. Καὶ ἤκουσεν Ἡλιοὺ καὶ ἐφοβήθη. Καὶ ἀνέστη καὶ ἀπῆλθε κατὰ τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἔρχεται εἰς Βηρσαβεέ, γῆν Ἰούδα καὶ ἀφῆκε τὸ παιδάριον αὐτοῦ ἐκεῖ. Καὶ αὐτὸς ἐπορεύθη ἐν τῇ ἐρήμω ὁδὸν ήμέρας καὶ ἦλθε. Καὶ ἐκάθισεν ὑποκάτω ἀρκεύθου, καὶ ἐκοιμήθη καὶ ὕπνωσεν ἐκεῖ ὑπὸ τὸ φυτόν, καὶ ἰδοὺ τις ἥψατο αὐτοῦ, καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ. Ἀνάστηθι φάγε καὶ πίε, ὅτι πολλη ἀπὸ σοῦ ἡ ὁδός. Καὶ ἐπέβλεψεν Ἡλιού, καὶ ἰδοὺ πρὸς κεφαλῆς αὐτοῦ ἐγκουφίας ὀλυοίτης, καὶ καμψάκης ύδατος. Καὶ ἀνέστη καὶ ἔφαγε καὶ ἔπιε, καὶ ἐπιστρέψας ἐκοιμήθη. Καὶ ἐπέστρεψε ό Άγγελος Κυρίου ἐκ δευτέρου, καὶ ήψατο αὐτοῦ καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ. Ἀνάστηθι, φάγε καὶ πίε ὅτι πολλὴ ἀπὸ σοῦ ἡ ὁδός. Καὶ ἀνέστη καὶ ἔφαγε καὶ ἔπιε, καὶ ἐπορεύθη, ἐν τῆ ἰσχὺϊ τῆς βρώσεως ἐκείνης, τεσσαράκοντα ήμέρας, καὶ τεσσαράκοντα νύκτας ἕως ὄρους Χωρήβ, καὶ εἰσῆλθεν ἐκεῖ εἰς τὸ

one of them escape." So they seized them, and Elijah brought them down to the Brook Kishon, where he slaughtered them. After this, Elijah said to Ahab, "There is a sound of rain. Make ready your chariot and get down from here before the rain overcomes you." But Elijah went up to the top of Carmel, where he bowed down on the ground and put his face between his knees. Thus it came to pass that the sky darkened with black clouds and wind, and there was a heavy downpour of rain. But Ahab mourned and went to Jezreel. Now Ahab told Jezebel his wife everything Elijah did. Then Jezebel sent to Elijah, saying, "If you are Elijah and I this Jezebel, may God do so to me and more also if at this hour tomorrow, I do not make your life like the life of one of them." Elijah was fearful, and he arose and ran for his life. He came to Beersheba of Judah, where he left his servant. But Elijah himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat under a juniper tree. Then he lay down and slept under a tree. Unexpectedly, someone touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." Then Elijah looked, and there by his head was a cake made of wheat and a jar of water . So he ate and drank, and lay down again. Again the angel of the Lord came back a second time, touched him, and said, "Arise and eat, because the journey is a great many days for you." So he arose, ate and drank; and he went with the strength of that food forty days and forty nights, as far as Mount Horeb. There he went into a cave and rested. Behold, the word of the Lord came to him and said to him, "Elijah, what are you doing here?" And Elijah said, "I have been very zealous for the Lord

σπήλαιον, καὶ κατέλυσεν ἐκεῖ. Καὶ ἰδοὺ ὁῆμα Κυρίου πρὸς αὐτόν, καὶ εἶπε· Τί σὺ ἐνταῦθα; Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιού· Ζηλῶν ἐζήλωσα τῷ Κυρίῳ παντοκράτορι, ὅτι ἐγκατέλιπον τὴν διαθήκην σου οἱ υἱοὶ Ἰσραήλ, τὰ θυσιαστήριά σου κατέσκαψαν καὶ τοὺς προφήτας σου ἀπέκτειναν ἐν ὁρμφαία, καὶ ὑπολέλειμμαι ἐγὼ μονώτατος, καὶ ζητοῦσι τὴν ψυχήν μου λαβεῖν αὐτήν. Καὶ εἶπε Κύριος πρὸς αὐτόν· Πορεύου καὶ ἀνάστρεφε εἰς τὴν ὁδόν σου, καὶ ἥξεις εἰς ὁδὸν ἐρήμου Δαμασκοῦ, καὶ χρίσεις τὸν Ἐλισαιὲ υἱὸν Σαφάτ, ἀντὶ σοῦ, εἰς προφήτην.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Βασιλειῶν Γ' τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Kεφ. 19, 19-21 καὶ Δ' Βασ. 2, 1, 6-14

Ἐγένετο ἡμέρα, καὶ εὑρίσκει Ἡλιοὺ τὸν Ἐλισαιὲ υίὸν Σαφάτ. Καὶ αὐτὸς ἠοοτοία ἐν βουσί. Καὶ ἀπῆλθεν Ἡλιοὺ ἐπ' αὐτόν, καὶ ἐπέζος τὴν μηλωτὴν αὐτοῦ ἐπ' αὐτόν. Καὶ κατέλιπεν Ἐλισαιὲ τοὺς βόας καὶ ἔδοαμεν ὀπίσω Ἡλιού, καὶ ἐλειτούργει αὐτῷ. Καὶ ἐγένετο, ἐν τῷ ἀνάγειν τὸν Κύριον Ἡλιοὺ ἐν συσσεισμῷ ὡς εἰς τὸν οὐρανόν, καὶ ἐπορεύθη Ἡλιοὺ καὶ Ἐλισαιὲ έν Γαλγάλοις. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλίας τῷ Ἐλισαιέ· Κάθου δὴ ἐνταῦθα, ὅτι Κύριος ἀπέσταλκέ με έως τοῦ Ἰορδάνου. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἐλισαιέ· Ζῆ Κύριος καὶ ζῆ ἡ ψυχή σου, εἰ ἐγκαταλείψω σε. Καὶ ἐπορεύθησαν ἀμφότεροι καὶ πεντήκοντα ἄνδρες ἀπὸ τῶν υίῶν τῶν προφητῶν ἦλθον, καὶ ἔστησαν ἐξ ἐναντίας μακρόθεν, αμφότεροι δὲ ἔστησαν ἐπὶ

Almighty since the children of Israel have forsaken You. They tore down Your altars and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they seek to take my life." Then the Lord said to him, "Go and return on your way to the desert of Damascus; and you shall anoint Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel Meholah as prophet in your place." [SAAS]

READER

The reading is from the Third Book of the Kingdoms (1 Kings).

DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

READER

3 Kingdoms (1 Kings) 19:19a, 19c, 20a, 21b; 4 Kingdoms (2 Kings) 2:1, 6-14

Elijah departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing. Then Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle on him. So Elisha left the oxen, and ran after Elijah, and ministered to him. As the time came to be for the Lord to take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha went from Gilgal. Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here, please, for the Lord sent me on to the Jordan." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!" So both of them went on. Fifty men of the sons of the prophets went and stood facing them at a distance, while the two of them stood by the Jordan. Now Elijah took his mantle, rolled it up, and struck the water. The water divided this way and that,

τὸν Ἰοοδάνην. Καὶ ἔλαβεν Ἡλίας τὴν μηλωτήν αὐτοῦ, καὶ εἵλησεν αὐτήν, καὶ ἐπάταξεν ἐν αὐτῆ τὰ ὕδατα, καὶ διηρέθη τὸ ὕδως ἔνθεν καὶ ἔνθεν, καὶ διέβησαν αμφότεροι δια ξηράς. Καὶ ἐγένετο, ώς διῆλθον, εἶπεν Ἡλίας τῷ Ἐλισαιέ· Αἴτησόν με τί ποιήσω σοι, ποιν ἀναληφθῆναί με ἀπὸ σοῦ. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἐλισαιέ· Γενηθήτω δὴ τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἐπὶ σοὶ δισσῶς ἐπ' ἐμέ. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλίας, ἐσκλήουνας τοῦ αἰτήσασθαι. Πλην ἐὰν ἴδης με ἀναλαμβανόμενον ἀπὸ σοῦ, ἔσται σοι οὕτως, ἐὰν δὲ μή, ἴδης, οὐ μὴ γένηται. Καὶ ἐγένετο αὐτῶν πορευομένων καὶ λαλούντων, καὶ ἰδοὺ ἄρμα πυρὸς καὶ ἵπποι πυρός, καὶ διεχώρισεν αναμέσον αμφοτέρων, καὶ ανελήφθη Ήλίας ἐν συσσεισμῷ ὡς εἰς τὸν οὐρανόν. Καὶ Ἐλισαιὲ ἑώρα, καὶ αὐτὸς ἐβόα· Πάτερ, Πάτες, ἄρμα Ἰσραήλ, καὶ ἱππεὺς αὐτοῦ, καὶ οὐκ εἶδεν αὐτὸν οὐκ ἔτι, καὶ ἐκράτησεν Ἐλισαιὲ τοῦ ἱματίου αὐτοῦ, καὶ διέὀὑηξεν αὐτὸ εἰς δύο. Καὶ ἀνείλετο τὴν μηλωτὴν Ήλιοὺ Ἐλισαιέ, τὴν πεσοῦσαν ἐπάνωθεν αὐτοῦ. Καὶ ἐπέστρεψεν Ἐλισαιὲ καὶ ἔστη ἐπὶ τὸ χεῖλος τοῦ Ἰορδάνου. Καὶ ἔλαβεν Ἐλισαιὲ τὴν μηλωτὴν Ἡλιού, τὴν πεσοῦσαν ἐπάνωθεν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐπάταξε τὰ ὕδατα καὶ οὐ διηρέθη. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἐλισαιέ. Ποῦ δὴ ἐστιν ό Θεὸς Ἡλιοὺ Ἀπφώ; Καὶ οὕτως ἐπάταξε τὰ ύδατα ἐκ δευτέρου, καὶ διηρέθη τὰ ὕδατα καὶ διῆλθε διὰ ξηρᾶς.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

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

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

and the two of them crossed on dry ground. So it was that during the time they crossed over, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I may do for you, before I am taken away from you." Elisha said, "Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me." So Elijah said, "You have asked a hard thing. If you see me when I am taken up from you, it shall be so for you; and if not, it shall not be so." Thus it came to be, as they walked and continued to talk, behold a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and the fire separated them one from the other; and Elijah was taken up into heaven by a whirlwind. Then Elisha saw it and cried aloud, "Father, O father, the chariot of Israel and its horsemen!" He saw Elijah no more, and he took hold of his own clothes and tore them into two pieces. Then he raised Elijah's mantle, which fell from Elijah and upon Elisha, and Elisha returned and stood on the bank of the River Jordan. He took Elijah's mantle which had fallen upon him and struck the water, but it did not divide. Then he said, "Where is the Lord God of Elijah himself?" And he struck the water again, and it divided this way and that. So Elisha crossed over. [SAAS]

DEACON

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

Κύοιε 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.)

"Ετι δεόμεθα ύπὲς τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀςθοδόξων χριστιανῶν.

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

"Ετι δεόμεθα ύπὲο τοῦ (ἀοχιεοατικοῦ βαθμοῦ) ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος).

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

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.)

Έτι δεόμεθα ύπὲς ἐλέους, ζωῆς, εἰρήνης, ὑγείας, σωτηρίας, ἐπισκέψεως, συγχωρήσεως καὶ ἀφέσεως τῶν ἁμαςτιῶν 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 ἀγίου ναοῦ τούτου.

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

Έτι δεόμεθα ὑπέο τῶν μακαοίων καὶ ἀοιδίμων κτιτόοων τῆς ἁγίας Ἐκκλησίας ταύτης, καὶ ὑπὲο πάντων τῶν ποοαναπαυσαμένων πατέρων καὶ ἀδελφῶν

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.)

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 ήμῶν, τῶν ἐνθάδε εὐσεβῶς, κειμένων, καὶ ἀπανταχοῦ ὀρθοδόξων.

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

Έτι δεόμεθα ύπὲς τῶν κας ποφοςούντων καὶ καλλιες γούντων ἐν τῷ άγίῳ καὶ πανσέπτῳ ναῷ τούτῳ, κοπιώντων, ψαλλόντων καὶ ὑπὲς τοῦ πεςιεστῶτος λαοῦ, τοῦ ἀπεκδεχομένου τὸ παρὰ 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.

(Ἀμήν.)

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.

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

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 all-venerable 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.)

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.)

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 ἁμαοτιῶν καὶ τῶν πλημμελημάτων ἡμῶν, παοὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

Τὰ καλὰ καὶ συμφέροντα ταῖς ψυχαῖς ήμῶν 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, εἰρηνικά, 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 Ἁγίων μνημονεύσαντες,

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.

(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.

έαυτοὺς 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 σου σοὶ γὰρ τῷ φοβερῷ καὶ φιλανθρώπῳ κριτῆ οἱ σοὶ δοῦλοι ὑπέκλιναν τὰς κεφαλάς, τοὺς δὲ αὐτῶν ὑπέταξαν αὐχένας, οὐ τὴν ἐξ ἀνθρώπων ἀναμένοντες βοήθειαν, ἀλλὰ τὸ σὸν περιμένοντες ἔλεος καὶ τὴν σὴν ἀπεκδεχόμενοι σωτηρίαν οῦς διαφύλαξον ἐν παντὶ καιρῷ καὶ κατὰ τὴν παροῦσαν ἑσπέραν καὶ τὴν προσιοῦσαν νύκτα, ἀπὸ παντὸς ἐχθροῦ, ἀπὸ πάσης ἀντικειμένης ἐνεργίας διαβολικῆς, καὶ διαλογισμῶν ματαίων καὶ ἐνθυμήσεων πονηρῶν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

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

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

(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, 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.)

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Απόστιχα.

Ήχος δ'. Ο ἐξ ὑψίστου κληθείς.

Ό ποὸ συλλήψεως ὢν ἡγιασμένος, ὁ ἔνσαρκος Ἄγγελος, ὁ νοῦς ὁ πύρινος, ὁ ἐπουράνιος ἄνθρωπος, ὁ τῆς δευτέρας, Χριστοῦ ἐλεύσεως θεῖος πρόδρομος, Ἡλίας ὁ ἔνδοξος, τῶν Προφητῶν ἡ κρηπίς, πνευματικῶς συνεκάλεσε, τοὺς φιλέορτους, πανηγυρίσαι τὴν θείαν μνήμην αὐτοῦ. Οὖ ταῖς πρέσβείαις διαφύλαξον, τὸν λαόν σου Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ἀπὸ βλάβης παντοίας, τοῦ δολίου ἀνενόχλητον.

Στίχ. Μὴ ἄπτεσθε τῶν χριστῶν μου καὶ ἐν τοῖς προφήταις μου μὴ πονηρεύεσθε.

Ό οὐρανόφοων Ἡλίας ὁ Προφήτης, θεώμενος ἄπαντα ἀπὸ Κυρίου Θεοῦ, τὸν Ἰσραὴλ ἐκπορνεύσαντα, καὶ τοῖς εἰδώλοις, προστετηκότα ζήλῳ πυρούμενος, νεφέλας συνέστειλε, καὶ γῆν ἐξήρανε, καὶ οὐρανοὺς λόγῳ ἔκλεισεν, εἰπών, οὐκ ἔσται, σταγὼν ἐν γῆ, εἰ μὴ ἐμοῦ διὰ στόματος. Αὐτὸς ὑπάρχει ἑστιάτωρ νῦν, ὡς ἀφθόνως ἡμῖν παρεχόμενος, ἀνεκλάλητον χάριν, τοῖς πιστῶς αὐτὸν γεραίρουσι.

Στίχ. Σὺ ίερεὺς εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα κατὰ τὴν τάξιν Μελχισεδέκ.

Ό τῶν ἀἰξήτων ἐπόπτης μυστηςίων, σὰ τὰ Ἰοςδάνια ξεῖθρα διέξξηξας, σὰ τὴν ἀπάτην ἐτέφρωσας, τὴν τῶν εἰδώλων, τῆ ἀστραπῆ τῶν θείων ξημάτων σου, σὰ παρανομήσαντα ἤλεγξας ἄνακτα, καὶ ἱερεῖς ἐθανάτωσας, τῆς ἀνομίας, καὶ τὴν θυσίαν εὐχῆ ἐνέπρησας, καὶ τοὺς φλογώδεις, τοῦ

From Menaion - - -

CHOIR

Aposticha.

Mode 4. When you were called.

Prophet Elias has spiritually summoned * fans of feasts to celebrate his sacred memory. * Heavenly man, he was sanctified before conception; * incarnate Angel, he had a fiery mind. * Glorious foundation of the Prophets of the Lord, * he will return as the forerunner of the Messiah's * dread Second Coming, as it has been foretold. * And now Your people pray You, Christ our God: * At his strong intercessions, preserve us from * the assaults of the devil * and from any type of injury. [5D]

Verse: Do not touch My anointed ones, and do not act wickedly towards My prophets. [SAAS]

Prophet Elias, whose mind was on the heavens, * seeing all of Israel's whorish unfaithfulness * to God the Lord, and the people all clinging to idols, * his soul aflame with the fire of zeal divine, * said, "There shall be neither dew nor rain, except by my word." * And with his word were the heavens shut, * and he prevented * the clouds from raining, and thus the earth was parched. * But he is now our banquet host on high, * as he lavishes great and ineffable * gifts of grace in abundance * on us faithfully extolling him. [50]

Verse: You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek. [SAAS]

Prophet and mystic, to you have been uncovered * ineffable mysteries. You parted Jordan's streams, * and you reduced the deception of idols to ashes, * with lightning bolts of your God-inspired words. * You rebuked the king when he transgressed the law of God. * You prayed for fire on your

λαοῦ σου νῦν, τῶν παθημάτων καὶ θλίψεων ἄνθοακας, Ἡλιοὺ σῆς ποεσβείας τῷ πυοὶ ἐναπομάρανον.

Δόξα.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Ήχος πλ. β'.

Ποοφῆτα κήουξ Χοιστοῦ, τοῦ θοόνου τῆς μεγαλωσύνης οὐδέποτε χωρίζη, καὶ ἑκάστω ἀσθενοῦντι ἀεὶ παρίστασαι, ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις λειτουργῶν, τὴν οἰκουμένην εὐλογεῖς, πανταχοῦ δοξαζόμενος. Αἴτησαι ἱλασμὸν ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν.

Τῆς Ὀκτωήχου - -

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

Θεοτόκε, σὺ εἶ ἡ ἄμπελος ἡ ἀληθινή, ἡ βλαστήσασα τὸν καρπὸν τῆς ζωῆς, σὲ ἱκετεύομεν, πρέσβευε Δέσποινα, μετὰ τοῦ Προφήτου καὶ πάντων τῶν ἁγίων, ἐλεηθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ώδὴν 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

Τοισάγιον.

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

Δόξα Πατοὶ καὶ Υίῷ καὶ Άγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν. sacrifice, and it consumed it, * and then you killed the unholy pagan priests. * Now for your people pray with fiery zeal, * O Elias, and smother the burning coals * of the unruly passions * and the suffering afflicting us.

Glory.

From Menaion - - -

Mode pl. 2.

O Prophet and herald of Christ, you are never away from the throne of majesty, and still you are ever at the side of every sick person. You minister in the heights, and you bless the whole world, and you are everywhere glorified. O Elias, pray for the forgiveness of our souls.

From Octoechos - -

Both now. **Theotokion**.

Mode pl. 2.

Theotokos, you are the true vine that produced the fruit of life. Lady, we fervently entreat you to intercede along with the Prophet and all the saints, that our souls be treated mercifully. [SD]

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.

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

Πάτες ἡμῶν 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 εἰσενέγκης ἡμᾶς εἰς πειςασμόν, ἀλλὰ ςῦσαι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ τοῦ πονηςοῦ.

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 Μηναίου - - -

Ήχος δ΄. Ταχὺ προκατάλαβε.

Ό ἔνσαρκος ἄγγελος, τῶν Προφητῶν ἡ κρηπίς, ὁ δεύτερος Πρόδρομος τῆς παρουσίας Χριστοῦ, Ἡλίας ὁ ἔνδοξος, ἄνωθεν καταπέμψας, Ἑλισαίω τὴν χάριν, νόσους ἀποδιώκει, καὶ λεπροὺς καθαρίζει διὸ καὶ τοῖς τιμῶσιν αὐτὸν βρύει ἰάματα.

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.

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.

From Menaion - - -

Mode 4. Come quickly.

The angel incarnate and the Prophets' pedestal, * the second Forerunner of the coming of Christ, Elias the glorious, * sent down to Elisha the divine grace from heaven. * He drives away diseases and he cleanses lepers. * Therefore he pours out healings to those who honor him.

Τῆς Ὀκτωήχου - - -

 Δ όξα· καὶ νῦν. Θεοτοκίον. 3 Ηχος δ'.

Τὸ ἀπ' αἰῶνος ἀπόκουφον, καὶ Ἁγγέλοις ἄγνωστον μυστήριον, διὰ σού Θεοτόκε τοῖς ἐπὶ γῆς πεφανέρωται Θεὸς ἐν ἀσυγχύτω ἑνώσει σαρκούμενος, καὶ Σταυρὸν ἑκουσίως ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν καταδεξάμενος δι' οὖ ἀναστήσας τὸν πρωτόπλαστον, ἔσωσεν ἐκ θανάτου τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία.

(Εὐλόγησον.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

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

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.

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

Χοιστὸς ὁ ἀληθινὸς Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ταῖς ποεσβείαις τῆς παναχοάντου καὶ παναμώμου ἁγίας αὐτοῦ Μητοός, From Octoechos - - -

Glory. Both now. **Theotokion. Mode 4.**

O Theotokos, through you became manifest to us on earth the mystery, which was hid from eternity, and which the Angels themselves knew not: that God, uniting natures without confusion, becomes a man and accepts crucifixion for our salvation voluntarily. By virtue of this, resurrecting man whom He had first created, He saved our souls from death.

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.

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 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 Αγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ) τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων Θεοπατόρων Ἰωακεὶμ καὶ ἄννης, καὶ τοῦ Αγίου Ἐνδόξου Προφήτου Ἡλιοὺ τοῦ Θεσβίτου, οὖ καὶ τὴν μνήμην ἐπιτελοῦμεν καὶ πάντων τῶν Άγίων, ἐλεήσαι καὶ σώσαι ἡμᾶς, ὡς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθρωπος.

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

(Ἀμήν.)

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 Prophet Elias the Tishbite, whose memory we celebrate; 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.)