Menaion - February 10

Memory of the Holy Hieromartyr Haralambos

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 4.

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

Resurrectional Apolytikion. Mode 4.

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

[SAAS]

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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 4.

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]

Adam fell by a tree, and he was evicted from Paradise. * By the tree of the Cross the Robber gained entrance to Paradise. * The former, by tasting fruit, disobeyed his Maker's commandment not to eat. * The latter was crucified with Him, whom though hidden he confessed to be God. * Remember us as well in Your kingdom, O Savior.

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

You were lifted on the Cross and destroyed the power of death on us, * and You set aside the bond which stood against us and, as God, cancelled it. * Grant that we may also have the Robber's repentance, O only

Friend of man. * We faithfully worship You, O Christ our God, and we cry aloud to You, * "Remember us as well in Your kingdom, O Savior."

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

You have set aside the bond which stood against us, shredding it by Your Cross. *
When You were numbered with the dead,
You disarmed and bound the tyrant ruling there, * delivering everyone from the bonds of death by Your resurrection; * through which we were illumined. And we cry out to You, O Lord who love humanity, * "Remember us as well in Your kingdom, O Savior."

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

Theotokion.

O Christ our God, we present, as an intercessor to pray for us, * Your Virgin Mother who conceived without seed and physically gave birth to You, * and after the childbirth remained incorrupt, O most merciful Lord. * She prays that You always grant forgiveness of offences to those who cry aloud, * "Remember us as well in Your kingdom, O Savior." [5D]

Canon 1 for the Saint.

From Menaion -

Ode vi. Mode pl. 2. N/ M (Perceiving the open sea.)

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

You became a lamp by the light of your struggles, illuminating the ends of the earth,

confessing the notmetered of Christ before tyrants, praiseworthy prize-winner of the Lord. [VPA]

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

Being aflame with the fire of the love of God, by the dew of the faith you put out the fire of the ungodly, showing to the unbelieving the wonders of Christ, praiseworthy one. [VPA]

Glory.

Longing for the eternal life, Haralambos, you put to death the passionate movements of the flesh and through prayer you raised up the dead, hymning the one who glorified you in all things. [VPA]

Both now. Theotokion.

Mother of God strengthen me who am harassed by hostile attacks of passions, as the one who gave birth to the spring of dispassion, for I run to you who are the great refuge of humanity [VPA]

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. [COA]

Hymns After the Small Entrance. From Octoechos - - Resurrectional Apolytikion. Mode 4.

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For the Hieromartyr.

From Menaion - - -

Mode 4. Come quickly.

A pillar unshakable are you in Christ's holy Church, * and, as your own name denotes, an ever radiant lamp, * all-blessed Haralambos, * shining throughout the whole world * by your feats as a martyr, * driving away the darkness of the worship of idols. * With confidence, therefore, pray to Christ, * entreating Him to save our souls.

(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 falls, 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.

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 Hieromartyr.

Prokeimenon. Grave Mode. Psalm 63.

The righteous man shall be glad in the Lord. [SAAS]

Verse: Hear my voice, O God. [SAAS]

The reading is from Paul's Second Letter to Timothy.

(2:1-10)

Timothy, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me before many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier on service gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to satisfy the one who enlisted him. An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. It is the hardworking farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will grant you understanding in everything. Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descended from David, as preached in my gospel, the gospel for which I am suffering and wearing fetters like a criminal. But the word of God is not fettered. Therefore I

endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain salvation in Christ Jesus with its eternal glory.

Alleluia. Mode 4. Psalm 44.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 1: Stretch Your bow, and grant prosperity, and reign, because of truth and goodness. [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 2: You loved righteousness and hated lawlessness. [SAAS]

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,

The Gospel

Seventeenth Sunday of Matthew

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

(15:21-28)

At that time, Jesus went to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and cried, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon." But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." And he answered, "It is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table." Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly. [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 148.

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia. [SAAS]

and the following:

Communion Hymn. Psalm 111/112.

The righteous will be remembered for ever. Alleluia. [RSV]

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, 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 hieromartyr Haralambos the Wonder-worker, whose memory we celebrate; 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.