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Μηναῖον - ΤΗι Β΄ ΦΕΒΡΟΥΑΡΙΟΥ

Ἡ Ὑπαπαντὴ τοῦ Κυρίου, καὶ Θεοῦ καὶ Σωτῆρος ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ.

ΕΣΠΕΡΙΝΟΣ

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

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

(Άμήν.)

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Δεῦτε ποοσκυνήσωμεν καὶ ποοσπέσωμεν τῷ Βασιλεῖ ἡμῶν Θεῷ.

Δεῦτε ποοσκυνήσωμεν καὶ ποοσπέσωμεν Χοιστῷ τῷ Βασιλεῖ ἡμῶν Θεῷ.

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ προσπέσωμεν αὐτῷ, Χριστῷ τῷ Βασιλεῖ καὶ Θεῷ ἡμῶν.

Ψαλμὸς ΡΓ΄ (103).

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

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The Meeting of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ.

VESPERS

PRIEST

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

(Amen.)

READER

Come, let us worship and bow down before God our King.

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ God our King.

Come, let us worship and bow down before Him, Christ our King and God.

Psalm 103 (104).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Ή ἐλπὶς ἡμῶν, Κύριε, δόξα σοι.

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

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

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

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

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

Our hope, O Lord, glory to You.

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

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ (μυστικῶς)

ΕΥΧΗ ΠΡΩΤΗ

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

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

ΕΥΧΗ ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ

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

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

PRIEST (inaudibly)

1st Prayer

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

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

2nd Prayer

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

ποεσβείαις τῆς ἁγίας Θεοτόκου, καὶ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων σου.

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

ΕΥΧΗ ΤΡΙΤΗ

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

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

ΕΥΧΗ ΤΕΤΑΡΤΗ

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

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

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

3rd Prayer

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

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

4th Prayer

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

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

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

ΕΥΧΗ ΠΕΜΠΤΗ

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

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

ΕΥΧΗ ΕΚΤΗ

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

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

5th Prayer

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

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

6th Prayer

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

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

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

ΕΥΧΗ ΕΒΔΟΜΗ

Ό 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 τήν προσευχήν ήμῶν 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.

Ύνοαί 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.

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

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

Στιχηρὰ τῆς Ἑορτῆς. Τοῦ Μηναίου - - - Ἰδιόμελον. Ἡχος α'.

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

Λέγε Συμεών, τίνα φέρων ἐν ἀγκάλαις, ἐν τῷ ναῷ ἀγάλλη; τίνι κράζεις καὶ βοῆς; Νῦν ἠλευθέρωμαι· εἶδον γὰρ τὸν Σωτῆρά μου· Οὖτός ἐστιν, ὁ ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθείς, οὖτός ἐστιν ὁ ἐκ Θεοῦ Θεὸς Λόγος, ὁ σαρκωθεὶς δι' ἡμᾶς, καὶ σώσας τὸν ἄνθρωπον· Αὐτὸν προσκυνήσωμεν.

Ίδιόμελον. ή Ηχος α'.

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

Λέγε Συμεών, τίνα φέρων ἐν ἀγκάλαις, ἐν τῷ ναῷ ἀγάλλη; τίνι κράζεις καὶ βοᾳς; Νῦν ἠλευθέρωμαι· εἶδον γὰρ τὸν Σωτῆρά μου· Οὖτός ἐστιν, ὁ ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθείς, οὖτός ἐστιν ὁ ἐκ Θεοῦ Θεὸς Λόγος, ὁ σαρκωθεὶς δι' ἡμᾶς, καὶ σώσας τὸν ἄνθρωπον· Αὐτὸν προσκυνήσωμεν.

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 Feast.

From Menaion - - - Idiomelon. Mode 1.

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

Tell us, Symeon. Who are you holding in your arms, in the temple rejoicing? Who are you speaking to and saying, "Now I am set free, for I have seen my Savior. He is the One born of a Virgin; He is God, the Word of God, who became incarnate for us and saved humanity. Let us worship Him."

Idiomelon. Mode 1.

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

Tell us, Symeon. Who are you holding in your arms, in the temple rejoicing? Who are you speaking to and saying, "Now I am set free, for I have seen my Savior. He is the One born of a Virgin; He is God, the Word of God, who became incarnate for us and saved humanity. Let us worship Him." [5D]

Ίδιόμελον. Ήχος α'.

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

Δέχου Συμεών, ὃν ὑπὸ τὸν γνόφον, Μωσῆς νομοθετοῦντα, προεώρα ἐν Σινᾳ, βρέφος γενόμενον, νόμω ὑποταττόμενον. Οὖτός ἐστιν, ὁ διὰ νόμου λαλήσας οὖτός ἐστιν, ὁ ἐν Προφήταις ἡηθείς, ὁ σαρκωθεὶς δι' ἡμᾶς, καὶ σώσας τὸν ἄνθρωπον Αὐτὸν προσκυνήσωμεν.

Ίδιόμελον. ήχος α'.

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

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Ἰδιόμελον. Ἡχος α'.

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

Δεῦτε καὶ ἡμεῖς, ἄσμασιν ἐνθέοις, Χοιστῷ συναντηθῶμεν, καὶ δεξώμεθα αὐτόν, οὖ τὸ σωτήριον ὁ Συμεὼν ἑώρακεν. Οὖτός ἐστιν, ὃν ὁ Δαυΐδ καταγγέλλει οὖτός ἐστιν, ὁ ἐν Προφήταις λαλήσας, ὁ σαρκωθεὶς δι' ἡμᾶς, καὶ νόμῳ φθεγγόμενος Αὐτὸν προσκυνήσωμεν.

Idiomelon. Mode 1.

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

Symeon, receive the One whom Moses saw in the dark cloud giving the Law on Sinai, and who now became an infant and is submitting to the Law. He is the One who spoke through the Law and who was spoken of by the Prophets; He became incarnate for us and saved humanity. Let us worship Him.

Idiomelon. Mode 1.

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

Symeon, receive the One whom Moses saw in the dark cloud giving the Law on Sinai, and who now became an infant and is submitting to the Law. He is the One who spoke through the Law and who was spoken of by the Prophets; He became incarnate for us and saved humanity. Let us worship Him.

Idiomelon. Mode 1.

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

Let us also come; let us meet Christ with inspired song, and let us receive Him whose salvation was seen by Symeon. He is the One whom David proclaimed. He is the One who spoke in the Prophets; He became incarnate for us and spoke through the Law. Let us worship Him. [SD]

Ίδιόμελον. Ήχος α'.

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

Δεῦτε καὶ ἡμεῖς, ἄσμασιν ἐνθέοις, Χοιστῷ συναντηθῶμεν, καὶ δεξώμεθα αὐτόν, οὖ τὸ σωτήριον ὁ Συμεὼν ἑώρακεν. Οὖτός ἐστιν, ὃν ὁ Δαυῗδ καταγγέλλει οὖτός ἐστιν, ὁ ἐν Προφήταις λαλήσας, ὁ σαρκωθεὶς δι' ἡμᾶς, καὶ νόμῳ φθεγγόμενος Αὐτὸν προσκυνήσωμεν.

Δόξα καὶ νῦν.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

$^{\circ}$ Ηχος πλ. β'.

Ανοιγέσθω ή πύλη τοῦ οὐρανοῦ σήμερον ὁ γὰρ ἄναρχος Λόγος τοῦ Πατρός, ἀρχὴν λαβὼν χρονικήν, μὴ ἐκστὰς τῆς αὐτοῦ Θεότητος, ὑπὸ Παρθένου ὡς βρέφος τεσσαρακονθήμερον, Μητρὸς ἑκὼν προσφέρεται, ἐν ναῷ τῷ νομικῷ καὶ τοῦτον ἀγκάλαις εἰσδέχεται ὁ Πρέσβυς. Ἀπόλυσον κράζων, ὁ δοῦλος τῷ Δεσπότη οἱ γὰρ ὀφθαλμοί μου εἶδον τὸ σωτήριόν σου, ὁ ἐλθὼν εἰς τὸν κόσμον, σῶσαι γένος ἀνθρώπων, Κύριε, δόξα σοι.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ (χαμηλοφώνως)

Τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ (χαμηλοφώνως)

ΕΥΧΗ ΤΗΕ ΕΙΣΟΔΟΥ

Έσπέρας καὶ πρωΐ 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 ἡλπίσαμεν μὴ καταισχύνης ἡμᾶς, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν.

Idiomelon. Mode 1.

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

Let us also come; let us meet Christ with inspired song, and let us receive Him whose salvation was seen by Symeon. He is the One whom David proclaimed. He is the One who spoke in the Prophets; He became incarnate for us and spoke through the Law. Let us worship Him. [SD]

Glory. Both now.

From Menaion - - -

Mode pl. 2.

Let the gate of heaven open today. For the Father's beginningless Logos, having taken a beginning in time and not separated from His divinity, is willingly offered as a forty-day old infant, in the Temple of the Law, by His virgin Mother. And the Elder receives Him in his arms. "Let me depart," cries the servant to the Master. "For my eyes have seen Your salvation." O Lord, who came to the world to save the human race, glory to You! [GKD]

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.

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, Υἱόν, 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.

Τὰ Άναγνώσματα

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Τῆς Ἐξόδου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

(12:51)

Ἐλάλησε Κύριος πρὸς Μωσῆν τῆ ἡμέρα ἐκείνη, ἡ ἐξήγαγε τοὺς υίοὺς Ἰσραὴλ ἐκ γῆς Αἰγύπτου, λέγων ἀγίασόν μοι πᾶν πρωτότοκον πρωτογενές, διανοῖγον πᾶσαν μήτραν ἐν τοῖς υίοῖς, Ἰσραήλ. Εἶπε δὲ

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.

The Readings

From Menaion - - -

READER

The reading is from the book of Exodus.

DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

READER

(12:51; 13:1-2a, 3a, 10a, 11-12a, 14-16a; 22:28b; Leviticus 12:2b, 3, 4a, 4c, 6c, 8a, 8c; Numbers 8:16a, 16c, 17b-c)

On that very same day, that the Lord brought the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt with their army, the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Sanctify to Me all the firstborn, the first-begotten, whatever opens the womb Μωϋσῆς πρὸς τὸν λαόν Μνημονεύετε τὴν ἡμέραν ταύτην, ἐν ἦ ἐξήλθετε ἐκ γῆς Αἰγύπτου, ἐξ οἴκου δουλείας ἐν γὰο χειοὶ κραταιᾶ ἐξήγαγεν ὑμᾶς Κύριος ἐντεῦθεν. Καὶ φυλάξασθε τὸν νόμον αὐτοῦ. Καὶ ἔσται, ώς ἂν εἰσαγάγη σε Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς εἰς τὴν γῆν τῶν Χαναναίων, ὃν τρόπον ὤμοσε τοῖς πατράσι σου, καὶ ἀφοριεῖς πᾶν διανοῖγον μήτραν τὰ ἀρσενικά τῷ Κυρίῳ. Ἐὰν δὲ έρωτήση σε μετά ταῦτα ὁ υίός σου λέγων Τί τοῦτο; καὶ ἐρεῖς αὐτῷ. Ότι ἐν χειρὶ κραταιᾳ έξήγαγεν ήμᾶς Κύριος ἐκ γῆς Αἰγύπτου, ἐξ οἴκου δουλείας. Ἡνίκα δὲ ἐσκλήουνε Φαραώ τοῦ ἐξαποστεῖλαι ἡμᾶς, ἀπέκτεινε Κύριος πᾶν πρωτότοκον ἐν γῆ Αἰγύπτου, ἀπὸ πρωτοτόκων ἀνθρώπων ἕως πρωτοτόκων κτηνῶν διὰ τοῦτο ἐγὰ θύω τῷ Κυρίῳ πᾶν διανοίγον μήτραν τὰ ἀρσενικά, καὶ πᾶν πρωτότοκον τῶν υίῶν μου λυτρώσομαι. Καὶ ἔσται εἰς σημεῖον ἐπὶ τῆς χειρός σου, καὶ ἀσάλευτον πρὸ τῶν ὀφθαλμῶν σου, ότι οὕτως ἔφη Κύριος ὁ παντοκράτωρ. Ότι τὰ πρωτότοκα τῶν υἱῶν σου δώσεις ἐμοί. Καὶ ἔσται πᾶς δς ἂν τέξη παιδίον ἄρσεν, τῆ ἡμέρα τῆ ὀγδόη περιτεμεῖ τὴν σάρκα τῆς ἀκροβυστίας αὐτοῦ. Καὶ τριάκοντα καὶ τρεῖς ἡμέρας οὐκ εἰσελεύσεται εἰς τὸ άγιαστήριον τοῦ Θεοῦ πρὸς τὸν ἱερέα, ἕως πληρωθῶσιν αἱ ἡμέραι τῆς καθάρσεως. Καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα προσοίσει τῷ Κυρίῳ ἀμνὸν ένιαύσιον ἄμωμον εἰς όλοκαύτωμα, καὶ νεοσσὸν περιστερᾶς, ἢ Τουγόνος, ἐπὶ τὴν θύραν τῆς σκηνῆς τοῦ Μαρτυρίου πρὸς τὸν Ἱερέα: ἢ ἀντὶ τούτων, προσοίσει ἔναντι Κυρίου δύο νεοσσούς περιστερῶν, ἢ δύο τουγόνας. Καὶ ἐξιλάσεται πεοὶ αὐτοῦ ὁ Ίερεύς· ὅτι ἀπόδομα ἀποδεδομένοι οὖτοί μοι είσιν ἐκ πάντων τῶν υίῶν Ἰσραήλ, καὶ

among the children of Israel. Then Moses said to the people: Remember this day, in which you went out from the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand the Lord brought you out from this place. You shall therefore keep this law. Then it shall be, when the Lord your God brings you into the land of the Canaanites, as He swore to your fathers, and gives it to you, that you shall set apart to the Lord all that open the womb, that is, every male. So it shall be, when your son asks you in time to come, saying, 'What is this?' that you shall say to him, 'With a strong hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thus it came to pass, when Pharaoh was stubborn about letting us go, that the Lord killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man and the firstborn of cattle. Therefore I sacrifice to the Lord all males that open the womb, but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.' It shall be as a sign on your hand and immoveable before your eyes, because thus says the Lord the Almighty: The firstborn of your sons you shall give to Me. If a woman conceived and bore a male child, then on the eighth day, the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised. For thirty-three days she is not to come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purification are fulfilled. When the days of her purification are fulfilled, she is to bring to the priest a lamb of the first year as a whole burnt offering, and a young pigeon or a turtledove as a sin offering, to the door of the tabernacle of testimony. But if she is unable to afford a lamb, she may bring two turtledoves or two young pigeons. So the priest shall make atonement for her. For they are Mine as a

εἴληφα αὐτούς, καὶ ἡγίασα αὐτούς ἐμοί, ἀντὶ τῶν πρωτοτόκων τῶν Αἰγυπτίων, ἡ ἡμέρα ἐπάταξα πᾶν πρωτότοκον ἐν γῆ Αἰγύπτου, ἀπὸ ἀνθρώπου ἕως κτήνους, εἶπεν ὁ Θεὸς ὁ ὕψιστος, ὁ ἄγιος Ἰσραήλ.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Προφητείας Ἡσαΐου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

(C' 1-12)

Έγένετο τοῦ ἔτους, οὖ ἀπέθανεν Ὀζίας ό Βασιλεύς, εἶδον τὸν Κύριον καθήμενον ἐπὶ θρόνου ύψηλοῦ καὶ ἐπηρμένου, καὶ πλήρης ό οἶκος τῆς δόξης αὐτοῦ. Καὶ Σεραφὶμ είστήκεισαν κύκλω αὐτοῦ, εξ πτέρυγες τῷ ένὶ καὶ εξ πτέρυγες τῷ ένί, καὶ ταῖς μὲν δυσὶ κατεκάλυπτον τὰ πρόσωπα αὐτῶν, ταῖς δὲ δυσὶ κατεκάλυπτον τοὺς πόδας, καὶ ταῖς δυσὶν ἐπέταντο. Καὶ ἐκέκραγεν ἕτερος πρὸς τὸν ἕτερον καὶ ἔλεγον Ἁγιος, Ἅγιος, Άγιος Κύριος Σαβαώθ, πλήρης πᾶσα ἡ γῆ τῆς δόξης αὐτοῦ. Καὶ ἐπήρθη τὸ ὑπέρθυρον ἀπὸ τῆς φωνῆς, ῆς ἐκέκραγον, καὶ ὁ οἶκος ἐνεπλήσθη καπνοῦ. Καὶ εἶπον. "Ω τάλας ἐγώ! ὅτι κατανένυγμαι: ὅτι ἄνθοωπος ὤν, καὶ ἀκάθαρτα χείλη ἔχων, ἐν μέσω λαοῦ ἀκάθαρτα χείλη ἔχοντος ἐγὼ οἰκῶ· καὶ τὸν Βασιλέα Κύριον Σαβαὼθ εἶδον τοῖς όφθαλμοῖς μου. Καὶ ἀπεστάλη πρός με εν τῶν Σεραφίμ, καὶ ἐν τῆ χειρὶ αὐτοῦ εἶχεν ἄνθοακα, ὃν τῆ λαβίδι ἔλαβεν ἀπὸ τοῦ θυσιαστηρίου καὶ ήψατο τοῦ στόματός μου, καὶ εἶπεν Ἰδού, ἥψατο τοῦτο τῶν χειλέων σου, καὶ ἀφελεῖ τὰς ἀνομίας σου,

restitution offering from among the children of Israel; I have taken them for Myself instead of the firstborn from all the children of Israel, from man to cattle; on the day I struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, I sanctified them to Myself. [SAAS]

READER

The reading is from the Prophecy of Isaiah.

DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

READER

(6:1-12)

In the year King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up. The house was full of His glory. Around Him stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one cried to another and said, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory." The lintel was lifted up by the voice of those who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke. So I said, "Woe is me, because I am pierced to the heart, for being a man and having unclean lips, I dwell in the midst of a people with unclean lips; for I saw the King, the Lord of hosts, with my eyes!" Then one of the seraphim was sent to me. He had a live coal in his hand, which he took with tongs from the altar. He touched my mouth, and said, "Behold, this has touched your lips. Your lawlessness is taken away, and your sin is cleansed." I also heard the voice of the Lord, saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go to this people?" Then I said, "Behold, here am I, send me." So He said, "Go, and

καὶ τὰς ἁμαρτίας σου περικαθαριεῖ. Καὶ ἤκουσα τῆς φωνῆς Κυρίου λέγοντος Τίνα ἀποστείλω; καὶ τὶς πορεύσεται πρὸς τὸν λαὸν τοῦτον; καὶ εἶπον Ἰδού, ἐγώ εἰμι ἀπόστειλόν με. Καὶ εἶπε· Πορεύθητι, καὶ εἰπὲ τῷ λαῷ τούτῳ. Ἀκοῆ ἀκούσετε, καὶ οὐ μὴ συνῆτε, καὶ βλέποντες βλέψετε, καὶ οὐ μὴ ἴδητε. Ἐπαχύνθη γὰο ἡ καοδία τοῦ λαοῦ τούτου, καὶ τοῖς ἀσὶν αὐτῶν βαρέως ήκουσαν, καὶ τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς αὐτῶν ἐκάμμυσαν, μήποτε ἴδωσι τοῖς ὀφθαλμοῖς, καὶ τοῖς ἀσὶν ἀκούσωσι, καὶ τῆ καρδία συνῶσι, καὶ ἐπιστρέψωσι, καὶ ἰάσομαι αὐτούς. Καὶ εἶπα: Έως πότε, Κύριε; καὶ εἶπεν Έως ἂν ἐρημωθῶσι πόλεις, παρὰ τὸ μή κατοικεῖσθαι, καὶ οἶκοι, παρὰ τὸ μἡ εἶναι ανθοώπους, καὶ ἡ γῆ καταλειφθήσεται ἔρημος. Καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα μακρυνεῖ ὁ Θεὸς τοὺς ἀνθοώπους, καὶ πληθυνθήσονται οί έγκαταλειφθέντες ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Προφητείας Ἡσαΐου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Ποόσχωμεν.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

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Ίδοὺ Κύριος καθήσεται ἐπὶ νεφέλης κούφης, καὶ ἥξει εἰς Αἴγυπτον, καὶ σεισθήσεται τὰ χειροποίητα Αἰγύπτου ἀπὸ προσώπου αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἡ καρδία αὐτῶν ἡττηθήσεται ἐν αὐτοῖς. Καὶ ταραχθήσεται τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτῶν ἐν αὐτοῖς, καὶ τὴν βουλὴν αὐτῶν διασκεδάσω, καὶ παραδώσω τὴν Αἴγυπτον εἰς χεῖρας κυρίων σκληρῶν, τάδε λέγει Κύριος Σαβαώθ. Καὶ πίονται οἱ Αἰγύπτιοι ὕδωρ τὸ παρὰ θάλασσαν, ὁ δὲ

tell this people, 'You shall hear indeed, but not understand; and you shall see indeed, but not perceive.' For the heart of this people has become insensitive, and their ears hear with difficulty. They have closed their eyes, lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and return, and I should heal them." Then I said, "Lord, how long?" So He answered, "Until the cities are laid waste and without inhabitant, the houses are without people, and the land shall be left desolate. After this God will remove the people far away, and those left in the land shall multiply." [SAAS]

READER

The reading is from the Prophecy of Isaiah.

DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

READER

(19:1, 3a, 4a, 4c, 5, 12, 16, 19-21)

The vision of Egypt: Behold, the Lord sits on a swift cloud and shall come to Egypt, and the things made by hands in Egypt shall be shaken by His presence, and their heart shall be overcome within them. "The spirit of the Egyptians will be troubled within them, and I will reject their counsel, and I will deliver Egypt into the hands of harsh lords," thus says the Lord of hosts. And the Egyptians will drink water from the sea, for the river

ποταμός ἐκλείψει καὶ ξηρανθήσεται. Τάδε λέγει Κύριος: Ποῦ εἰσι νῦν οἱ σοφοί σου; καὶ ἀναγγειλάτωσάν σοι, καὶ εἰπάτωσαν Τί βεβούλευται Κύριος Σαβαὼθ ἐπ' Αἴγυπτον τῆ ἡμέρα ἐκείνη ἔσονται οἱ Αἰγύπτιοι ώς γυναῖκες, ἐν φόβω καὶ ἐν τρόμω ἀπὸ προσώπου τῆς χειρὸς Κυρίου Σαβαώθ, ην αὐτὸς ἐπιβαλεῖ αὐτοῖς. Καὶ ἔσται θυσιαστήριον τῷ Κυρίῳ ἐν χώρᾳ Αἰγυπτίων, καὶ στήλη πρὸς τὸ ὅριον αὐτῆς τῷ Κυρίῳ. Καὶ ἔσται εἰς σημεῖον εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα Κυρίω έν χώρα Αἰγύπτου, ὅτι κεκράξονται πρὸς Κύριον, καὶ ἀποστελεῖ αὐτοῖς ἄνθρωπον, δς σώσει αὐτούς. Καὶ γνωστὸς ἔσται Κύριος τοῖς Αἰγυπτίοις, καὶ γνώσονται οἱ Αἰγύπτιοι τὸν Κύριον ἐν τῆ ἡμέρα ἐκείνη, καὶ ποιήσουσι θυσίαν καὶ δῶρον, καὶ εὔξονται εὐχὰς τῷ Κυρίῳ, καὶ ἀποδώσουσι.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

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

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

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

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

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

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

Έτι δεόμεθα ύπὲς τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν.

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

will run dry and have no water. Thus says the Lord, "Where are your wise men now? Let them now tell you, and let them say what the Lord of hosts planned against Egypt." In that day, the Egyptians shall be like women in fear and trembling because of the hand of the Lord of hosts, which He shall lay upon them. In that day, there will be an altar to the Lord in the midst of the country of Egypt and a pillar to the Lord at its border. It will be a sign forever to the Lord in the country of Egypt, for they will cry to the Lord because of their oppressors, and the Lord will send them a Man who will save them. He will judge and save them. Then the Lord will be known to the Egyptians, and in that day the Egyptians will know the Lord and offer sacrifices. Yes, they will make vows to the Lord and pay them. [SAAS]

DEACON

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

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

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

Let us pray for pious and Orthodox Christians.

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

Έτι δεόμεθα ύπὲο τοῦ (ἀρχιερατικοῦ 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 ὑπὲς ἐλέους, ζωῆς, εἰςήνης, ὑγείας, σωτηςίας, ἐπισκέψεως, συγχωςήσεως καὶ ἀφέσεως τῶν ἁμαςτιῶν τῶν δούλων τοῦ Θεοῦ, πάντων τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν, τῶν κατοικούντων καὶ παςεπιδημούντων ἐν τῆ (πόλει, κώμη), ταύτη, τῶν ἐνοςιτῶν, ἐπιτρόπων, συνδρομητῶν καὶ ἀφιεςωτῶν τοῦ ἁγίου ναοῦ τούτου.

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

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

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

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

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

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ότι ἐλεήμων καὶ φιλάνθοωπος Θεὸς ὑπάοχεις, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν,

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 been piously laid to their rest, as well as the Orthodox everywhere.

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

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

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

PRIEST

For You are a merciful God Who loves mankind, and to You we offer up glory, to the

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

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

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

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

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

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Πληρώσωμεν τὴν ἑσπερινὴν δέησιν ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ.

(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.)

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.)

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.)

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, εἰοηνικά, καὶ καλὴν ἀπολογίαν τὴν ἐπὶ τοῦ φοβεροῦ βήματος τοῦ Χριστοῦ αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

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

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

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

(Άμήν.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εἰρήνη πᾶσι.

(Καὶ τῷ πνεύματί σου.)

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Τὰς κεφαλὰς ὑμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ κλίνομεν.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

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.

(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.)

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 οὺς 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 Υἱοῦ, καὶ τοῦ ἁγίου Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ἀπόστιχα τῆς Έορτῆς. Ἰδιόμελον Α΄. Ἡχος βαρύς.

Κατακόσμησον τὸν νυμφῶνά σου Σιών, καὶ ὑπόδεξαι τὸν Βασιλέα Χριστόν, ἄσπασαι τὴν Μαριάμ, τὴν ἐπουράνιον πύλην αὕτη γὰρ θρόνος Χερουβικὸς ἀνεδείχθη, αὕτη βαστάζει τὸν Βασιλέα τῆς δόξης, νεφέλη φωτὸς ὑπάρχει ἡ Παρθένος, φέρουσα ἐν σαρκὶ Υίὸν πρὸ Ἑωσφόρου, ὃν λαβὼν Συμεὼν ἐν ἀγκάλαις αὐτοῦ ἐκήρυξε λαοῖς, Δεσπότην αὐτὸν εἶναι, ζωῆς καὶ τοῦ θανάτου, καὶ Σωτῆρα τοῦ κόσμου.

Ίδιόμελον Β΄. ήΚος βαρύς.

Στίχ. Νῦν ἀπολύεις τον δοῦλόν σου, Δέσποτα, κατὰ τὸ ῥῆμά σου, ἐν εἰρήνη: ὅτι

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.)

From Menaion - - -

CHOIR

Aposticha of the Feast. Idiomelon 1. Grave Mode.

Decorate your bridal hall, O Zion, and welcome Christ the King. Greet Mary, the heavenly gate; for she became a cherubic throne. She holds the King of glory. The Virgin is the cloud of light, carrying her Son in the flesh, who is before the Morning. When Symeon took Him in his arms, he proclaimed to the people, that He is the Master of life and death, and the Savior of the world.

Idiomelon 2. Grave Mode.

Verse: Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word;

εἶδον οἱ ὀφθαλμοί μου τὸ σωτήριόν σου, δ ἡτοίμασας κατὰ πρόσωπον πάντων τῶν λαῶν.

Τὸν ἐκλάμψαντα ποὸ αἰώνων ἐκ Πατρός, ἐπ' ἐσχάτων δὲ ἐκ μήτρας Παρθενικῆς, φέρουσα ἐν τῷ ναῷ, ἡ ἀπειρόγαμος Μήτηρ, τὸν ἐν Σιναίῳ νομοθετήσαντα ὄρει, τῆ διατάξει τῆ νομικῆ πειθαρχοῦντα, προσῆγεν Ἱερεῖ, πρεσβύτη καὶ δικαίῳ, Χριστὸν τὸν Κύριον, ἰδεῖν χρηματισθέντι, ὃν δεξάμενος Συμεὼν ἐν ταῖς ἀγκάλαις αὐτοῦ, ἠγαλλιάσατο βοῶν Θεὸς ὑπάρχει οὖτος, Πατρὶ συναΐδιος, καὶ Λυτρωτὴς τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Ἰδιόμελον Γ΄. Ἡχος βαούς.

Στίχ. Φῶς εἰς ἀποκάλυψιν ἐθνῶν, καὶ δόξαν λαοῦ σου Ἰσραήλ.

Τὸν ὀχούμενον ἐν ἄρμασι Χερουβίμ, καὶ ὑμνούμενον ἐν ἄσματι Σεραφίμ, φέρουσα ἐν ἀγκάλαις ἡ Θεοτόκος Μαρία, ἀπειρογάμως ἐξ αὐτῆς σαρκωθέντα, τὸν Νομοδότην νόμου, πληροῦντα νόμου τάξιν, ἐδίδου χερσὶ πρεσβύτου Ἱερέως· ζωὴν δὲ φέρων, ζωῆς ἠτεῖτο λύσιν, λέγων· Δέσποτα, νῦν ἀπόλυσόν με, μηνῦσαι τῷ Ἀδάμ, ὡς εἶδον ἄτρεπτον βρέφος, Θεὸν προαιώνιον, καὶ Σωτῆρα τοῦ κόσμου.

Δόξα καὶ νῦν.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

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Ό τοῖς Χεφουβὶμ ἐποχούμενος, καὶ ὑμνούμενος ὑπὸ τῶν Σεφαφίμ, σήμεφον τῷ θείῳ Ἱερῷ κατὰ νόμον προσφερόμενος, πρεσβυτικαῖς ἐνθρονίζεται ἀγκάλαις, καὶ

for my eyes have seen Your salvation which You have prepared before the face of all peoples. [NKJV]

Before the ages, Christ the Lord shone forth from the Father, and lately He came from a Virgin's womb. Of old He gave the Law on Mt. Sinai, and now He was obeying what the Law commanded. His Mother, who was a virgin, brought Him into the Temple and presented Him to Symeon the Priest, who was elderly and righteous, to whom it had been revealed that he would see the Messiah. When he took Him in his arms, Symeon greatly rejoiced and said, "This child is God, He is coeternal with the Father, and He is the Redeemer of our souls."

Idiomelon 3. Grave Mode.

Verse: A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel. [NKIV]

The Lord who rides the chariot of cherubim and is praised in song by the seraphim became incarnate of Mary the Theotokos without conjugal union. He is the giver of the Law, and He fulfilled the order of the Law. His Mother carried Him in her arms and handed Him to the Priest. And he, as he was holding life, asked to be released from life, saying, "Master, let me go now, to tell Adam that I have seen as an infant the immutable, pre-eternal God and Savior of the world." [SD]

Glory. Both now.

From Menaion - - -

Mode pl. 4.

He who rides upon the Cherubim, and who is extolled by the Seraphim, and who now according to the law is brought to the holy Temple, He is enthroned in the embraces ύπὸ Ἰωσὴφ εἰσδέχεται δῶρα θεοπρεπῶς, ὡς ζεῦγος τρυγόνων τὴν ἀμίαντον Ἐκκλησίαν, καὶ τῶν ἐθνῶν τὸν νεόλεκτον λαόν, περιστερῶν δὲ δύο νεοσσούς, ὡς ἀρχηγὸς Παλαιᾶς τε καὶ Καινῆς. Τοῦ πρὸς αὐτὸν χρησμοῦ δὲ Συμεών, τὸ πέρας δεξάμενος, εὐλογῶν τὴν Παρθένον, Θεοτόκον Μαρίαν, τὰ τοῦ πάθους σύμβολα τοῦ ἐξ αὐτῆς προηγόρευσε, καὶ παρ' αὐτοῦ ἐξαιτεῖται τὴν ἀπόλυσιν βοῶν Νῦν ἀπολύεις με Δέσποτα, καθὼς προεπηγγείλω μοι, ὅτι εἶδόν σε τὸ προαιώνιον φῶς, καὶ Σωτῆρα Κύριον τοῦ Χριστωνύμου λαοῦ.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

'Ωδὴν τοῦ Θεοδόχου Συμεών.

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

ΛΑΟΣ

Τρισάγιον.

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

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

Παναγία Τοιάς, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. Κύοιε, ἱλάσθητι ταῖς ἁμαοτίαις ἡμῶν. Δέσποτα, συγχώοησον τὰς ἀνομίας ἡμῖν. Ἅγιε, ἐπίσκεψαι καὶ ἴασαι τὰς ἀσθενείας ἡμῶν, ἕνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου. of the Elder; and He as God receives the gifts offered by Joseph, a pair of turtledoves, as a figure of the spotless Church and the new-chosen people of the Gentiles; and two young pigeons, since He is the author of both Old and New Covenants. Symeon received the fulfillment of what had been prophesied to him; and in blessing Mary the Virgin Theotokos, he revealed to her the symbols of the Passion of the Son she had borne; and from Him he requests to be released, saying: Master, now You are dismissing me, even as You promised me; for I have seen You, the pre-eternal Light and the Savior Lord, O Christ, of the people named after You.

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. [NKJV]

PEOPLE

Trisagion Prayers.

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

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

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, forgive our sins. Master, pardon our transgressions. Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities for your name's sake. 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.

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

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Χαῖφε κεχαφιτωμένη Θεοτόκε Παφθένε· ἐκ σοῦ γὰφ ἀνέτειλεν ὁ Ἦλιος τῆς δικαιοσύνης, Χφιστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, φωτίζων τοὺς ἐν σκότει. Εὐφφαίνου καὶ σὺ Πφεσβύτα δίκαιε, δεξάμενος ἐν ἀγκάλαις τὸν ἐλευθεφωτὴν τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν, χαφιζόμενον ἡμῖν καὶ τὴν Ἀνάστασιν. (ἐκ γ΄)

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία.

(Εὐλόγησον.)

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

From Menaion - -

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. (3)

[SD]

DEACON

Wisdom.

(Father, bless!)

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

Άμήν.

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

Ο ἐν ἀγκάλαις τοῦ δικαίου Συμεὼν βασταχθῆναι καταδεξάμενος, διὰ τὴν ήμῶν σωτηρίαν, Χριστὸς ὁ ἀληθινὸς Θεὸς ήμῶν, ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς παναχράντου καὶ παναμώμου άγίας αὐτοῦ Μητρός, δυνάμει τοῦ τιμίου καὶ ζωοποιοῦ Σταυροῦ, προστασίαις τῶν τιμίων ἐπουρανίων Δυνάμεων Άσωμάτων, ίκεσίαις τοῦ τιμίου, ένδόξου, προφήτου, Προδρόμου καὶ βαπτιστοῦ Ἰωάννου, τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων καὶ πανευφήμων Ἀποστόλων, τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων καὶ καλλινίκων μαρτύρων τῶν όσίων καὶ θεοφόρων Πατέρων ήμῶν (τοῦ Άγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ) τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων Θεοπατόρων Ίωακεὶμ καὶ Άννης, καὶ πάντων τῶν Άγίων, ἐλεήσαι καὶ σώσαι ήμᾶς, ώς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθοωπος.

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 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 allimmaculate holy Mother, the power of the precious and life-giving Cross, the protection of the honorable, bodiless powers of heaven, the supplications of the honorable, glorious prophet and forerunner John the Baptist, of the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy apostles, of the holy, glorious, and triumphant martyrs, of our righteous and God-bearing fathers, (local patron saint); of the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

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

(Ἀμήν.)

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

(Amen.)