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# The Service of Vespers

**on Sunday Evening**

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**Menaion - March 25**

**Annunciation of the Most Holy Theotokos**

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**Μηναῖον - ΤΗ ΚΕ' ΜΑΡΤΙΟΥ**

Ὁ Εὐαγγελισμὸς τῆς Ὑπεραγίας  
Θεοτόκου

**ΕΣΠΕΡΙΝΟΣ**

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ**

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

(Ἀμήν.)

**ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ**

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ  
προσπέσωμεν τῷ Βασιλεῖ ἡμῶν Θεῷ.

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ  
προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ τῷ Βασιλεῖ ἡμῶν  
Θεῷ.

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

**Ψαλμὸς ΡΓ' (103).**

Εὐλόγει ἡ ψυχὴ μου, τὸν Κύριον.  
Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου ἐμεγαλύνθης σφόδρα.  
Ἐξομολόγησιν καὶ μεγαλοπρέπειαν  
ἐνεδύσω, ἀναβαλλόμενος φῶς ὡς ἱμάτιον.  
Ἐκτείνων τὸν οὐρανὸν ὥσει δέσρην, ὁ  
στεγάζων ἐν ὕδασι τὰ ὑπερῶα αὐτοῦ.  
Ὅ 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 γῆν ἐπὶ τὴν  
ἀσφάλειαν αὐτῆς, οὐ κλιθήσεται εἰς τὸν  
αἰῶνα τοῦ αἰῶνος. Ἄβυσσος ὡς ἱμάτιον  
τὸ περιβόλαιον αὐτοῦ, ἐπὶ τῶν ὀρέων  
στήσονται ὕδατα. Ἀπὸ ἐπιτιμήσεώς  
σου φεύξονται, ἀπὸ φωνῆς βροντῆς  
σου δειλιάσουσιν. Ἀναβαίνουνσιν ὄρη,  
καὶ καταβαίνουνσι πεδία εἰς τόπον, ὃν

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**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.

**Psalms 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

ἐθεμελίωσας αὐτά. Ὅριον ἔθου, ὃ οὐ  
παρελεύσονται, οὐδὲ ἐπιστρέψουσι  
καλύψαι τὴν γῆν. Ὁ ἐξαποστέλλων  
πηγὰς ἐν φάραγξιν, ἀναμέσον τῶν ὀρέων  
διελεύσονται ὕδατα· ποτιοῦσι πάντα τὰ  
θηρία τοῦ ἀγροῦ, προσδέξονται ὄναγροι  
εἰς δίψαν αὐτῶν. Ἐπ' αὐτὰ τὰ πετεινὰ  
τοῦ οὐρανοῦ κατασκηνώσει, ἐκ μέσου  
τῶν πετρῶν δώσουσι φωνήν. Ποτίζων  
ὄρη ἐκ τῶν ὑπερώων αὐτοῦ, ἀπὸ καρποῦ  
τῶν ἔργων σου χορτασθήσεται ἡ γῆ. Ὁ  
ἐξανατέλλων χόρτον τοῖς κτήνεσι, καὶ  
χλόην τῇ δουλείᾳ τῶν ἀνθρώπων. Τοῦ  
ἐξαγαγεῖν ἄρτον ἐκ τῆς γῆς, καὶ οἶνος  
εὐφραίνει καρδίαν ἀνθρώπου. Τοῦ ἱλαρύναι  
πρόσωπον ἐν ἐλαίῳ, καὶ ἄρτος καρδίαν  
ἀνθρώπου στηρίζει. Χορτασθήσεται τὰ  
ξύλα τοῦ πεδίου, αἱ κέδροι τοῦ Λιβάνου, ὥς  
ἐφύτευσας. Ἐκεῖ στρουθία ἐννοσσεύουσιν,  
τοῦ ἐρωδιοῦ ἡ κατοικία ἡγεῖται αὐτῶν. Ὅρη  
τὰ ὑψηλὰ ταῖς ἐλάφοις, πέτρα καταφυγὴ  
τοῖς λαγωαῖς. Ἐποίησε σελήνην εἰς καιροῦς,  
ὁ ἥλιος ἔγνω τὴν δύσιν αὐτοῦ. Ἔθου σκότος,  
καὶ ἐγένετο νύξ, ἐν αὐτῇ διελεύσονται  
πάντα τὰ θηρία τοῦ δρυμοῦ. Σκύμνοι  
ὠρυόμενοι τοῦ ἀρπᾶσαι, καὶ ζητῆσαι παρὰ  
τῷ Θεῷ βρῶσιν αὐτοῖς. Ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος,  
καὶ συνήχθησαν, καὶ εἰς τὰς μάνδρας  
αὐτῶν κοιτασθήσονται. Ἐξελεύσεται  
ἄνθρωπος ἐπὶ τὸ ἔργον αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐπὶ  
τὴν ἐργασίαν αὐτοῦ ἕως ἑσπέρας. Ὡς  
ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου, Κύριε, πάντα  
ἐν σοφίᾳ ἐποίησας, ἐπληρώθη ἡ γῆ τῆς  
κτίσεώς σου. Αὕτη ἡ θάλασσα ἡ μεγάλη  
καὶ εὐρύχωρος, ἐκεῖ ἐρπετὰ ὧν οὐκ ἔστιν  
ἀριθμός, ζῶα μικρὰ μετὰ μεγάλων. Ἐκεῖ  
πλοῖα διαπορεύονται, δράκων οὗτος,  
ὃν 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 τροφήν  
αὐτῶν εἰς εὐκαιρον, δόντος σου αὐτοῖς  
συλλέξουσιν. Ἀνοίξαντός σου τὴν χεῖρα,  
τὰ σύμπαντα πλησθήσονται χρηστότητος,  
ἀποστρέψαντος δέ σου τὸ πρόσωπον,  
ταραχθήσονται. Ἀντανελεῖς τὸ πνεῦμα  
αὐτῶν, καὶ ἐκλείψουσι, καὶ εἰς τὸν χοῦν  
αὐτῶν ἐπιστρέψουσιν. Ἐξαποστελεῖς  
τὸ πνεῦμα σου, καὶ κτισθήσονται, καὶ  
ἀνακαινιεῖς τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γῆς.  
Ἦτω ἡ δόξα Κυρίου εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας,  
εὐφρανθήσεται Κύριος ἐπὶ τοῖς ἔργοις  
αὐτοῦ. Ὁ ἐπιβλέπων ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, καὶ ποιῶν  
αὐτὴν τρέμειν, ὁ ἀπτόμενος τῶν ὀρέων,  
καὶ καπνίζονται. Αἰσῶ τῷ Κυρίῳ ἐν τῇ  
ζωῇ μου, ψαλῶ τῷ Θεῷ μου ἕως ὑπάρχω.  
Ἦδυνθείη αὐτῷ ἡ διαλογία μου, ἐγὼ δὲ  
εὐφρανθήσομαι ἐπὶ τῷ Κυρίῳ. Ἐκλείποιεν  
ἀμαρτωλοὶ ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς, καὶ ἄνομοι, ὥστε  
μὴ ὑπάρχειν αὐτοῦς. Εὐλόγει, ἡ ψυχὴ μου,  
τὸν Κύριον.

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

Ὡς ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου, Κύριε·  
πάντα ἐν σοφίᾳ ἐποίησας.

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι.  
Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν  
αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

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

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

Our hope, O Lord, glory to You.

*Ἀπαγγελλομένου ἐπίσης τοῦ Προοιμιακοῦ, ὁ  
Ἱερεὺς ἵσταται ἀσκεπὴς ἐνώπιον τῆς ἁγίας Τραπέζης  
ἢ καὶ ἐνώπιον τῆς εἰκόνης τοῦ Σωτῆρος Χριστοῦ,  
ἱστάμενος ἐπὶ τοῦ Σολέα (ὡς ἐν τῷ Ὁρθρῳ), καὶ  
ἀναγινώσκει μυστικῶς τὰς Εὐχὰς τοῦ Λιχνικοῦ·*

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ** (μυστικῶς)

### **ΕΥΧΗ ΠΡΩΤΗ**

Κύριε, οἰκτίρμον καὶ ἐλεῆμον,  
μακρόθυμε καὶ πολυέλεε, ἐνώτισαι τὴν  
προσευχὴν ἡμῶν, καὶ πρόσχες τῇ φωνῇ  
τῆς δεήσεως ἡμῶν· ποίησον μεθ' ἡμῶν  
σημεῖον εἰς ἀγαθόν· ὁδήγησον ἡμᾶς ἐν τῇ  
ὁδῷ σου τοῦ πορεύεσθαι ἐν τῇ ἀληθείᾳ  
σου· εὐφρανον τὰς καρδίας ἡμῶν, εἰς τὸ  
φοβεῖσθαι τὸ Ὄνομά σου τὸ ἅγιον· 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 σῶζειν πάντας τοὺς ἐλπίζοντας εἰς τὸ  
Ὄνομά σου τὸ ἅγιον.

Ὅτι πρέπει σοι πᾶσα δόξα, τιμὴ καὶ  
προσκύνησις, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ  
Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς  
αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

### **ΕΥΧΗ ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ**

Κύριε, μὴ τῷ θυμῷ σου ἐλέγξης ἡμᾶς,  
μηδὲ τῇ ὀργῇ σου παιδεύσης ἡμᾶς, ἀλλὰ  
ποιήσον μεθ' ἡμῶν κατὰ τὴν ἐπιείκειάν  
σου, ἱατρὲ 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. [EL]

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. [EL]

### **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. [EL]



προσβείαις τῆς ἁγίας Θεοτόκου, καὶ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων σου.

Ὅτι σὸν τὸ κράτος καὶ σοῦ ἐστὶν ἡ βασιλεία καὶ ἡ δύναμις καὶ ἡ δόξα, τοῦ Πατρὸς καὶ τοῦ Υἱοῦ καὶ τοῦ Ἁγίου 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 ἅγιον ὄνομά σου, καὶ μὴ κατασχύνῃς ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ τῆς προσδοκίας τοῦ ἐλέους σου, ἀλλὰ χάρισαι ἡμῖν, Κύριε, πάντα τὰ πρὸς σωτηρίαν αἰτήματα· καὶ ἀξιώσον ἡμᾶς ἀγαπᾶν, καὶ φοβεῖσθαι σε ἐξ ὅλης τῆς καρδίας ἡμῶν, καὶ ποιεῖν ἐν πᾶσι τὸ θέλημά σου.

Ὅτι ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλόανθρωπος Θεὸς ὑπάρχεις καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

### ΕΥΧΗ ΤΕΤΑΡΤΗ

Ὁ τοῖς ἀσιγήτοις ὕμνοις καὶ ἀπαύστοις δοξολογίαις ὑπὸ τῶν ἁγίων δυνάμεων ἀνυμνούμενος, πλήρωσον τὸ στόμα ἡμῶν τῆς αἰνέσεώς σου, τοῦ δοῦναι μεγαλωσύνην τῷ ὀνόματί σου τῷ ἁγίῳ· καὶ δὸς ἡμῖν μερίδα καὶ κληρὸν μετὰ πάντων τῶν φοβουμένων σε ἐν ἀληθείᾳ καὶ φυλασσόντων τὰς ἐντολάς σου· προσβείαις τῆς ἁγίας Θεοτόκου καὶ πάντων τῶν ἁγίων σου.

Ὅτι πρέπει σοι πᾶσα δόξα, τιμὴ καὶ προσκύνησις, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ 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. <sup>[EL]</sup>

### 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. <sup>[EL]</sup>

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. <sup>[EL]</sup>

### 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. <sup>[EL]</sup>

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. <sup>[EL]</sup>

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

#### ΕΥΧΗ ΠΕΜΠΤΗ

Κύριε, Κύριε, ὁ τῇ ἀχραντῷ σου παλάμῃ συνέχων τὰ σύμπαντα, ὁ μακροθυμῶν ἐπὶ πάντας ἡμᾶς καὶ μετανοῶν ἐπὶ ταῖς κακίαις ἡμῶν, μνήσθητι τῶν οἰκτιρμῶν σου καὶ τοῦ ἐλέους σου· ἐπίσκεψαι ἡμᾶς ἐν τῇ σῇ ἀγαθότητι· καὶ δὸς ἡμῖν διαφυγεῖν καὶ τὸ λοιπὸν τῆς παρούσης ἡμέρας, ἐκ τῶν τοῦ πονηροῦ ποικίλων μηχανημάτων, καὶ ἀνεπιβούλευτον τὴν ζωὴν ἡμῶν διαφύλαξον, τῇ χάριτι τοῦ Παναγίου σου Πνεύματος.

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

#### ΕΥΧΗ ΕΚΤΗ

Ὁ Θεός, ὁ μέγας καὶ θαυμαστός, ὁ ἀνεκδιηγῆτῳ 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 ἀγαθῶν· ὁ ποιήσας ἡμᾶς καὶ τῆς νῦν ἡμέρας τὸ παρελθὸν μέρος ἀπὸ παντὸς ἐκκλίνειν κακοῦ, δώρησαι ἡμῖν καὶ τὸ ὑπόλοιπον ἀμέμπτως ἐκτελέσαι, ἐνώπιον τῆς ἁγίας δόξης σου, ὑμνοῦντάς σε τὸν μόνον ἀγαθόν, καὶ φιλάνθρωπον Θεὸν ἡμῶν.

Ὅτι σὺ εἶ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατρὶ 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. [EL]

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. [EL]

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 ὑψιστος, ὁ μόνος  
ἔχων ἀθανασίαν, φῶς οἰκῶν ἀπρόσιτον, ὁ  
πᾶσαν τὴν κτίσιν ἐν σοφίᾳ δημιουργήσας.  
Ὁ διαχωρήσας ἀνὰ μέσον τοῦ φωτός, καὶ  
ἀνὰ μέσον τοῦ σκότους, καὶ τὸν μὲν ἥλιον  
θέμενος εἰς ἐξουσίαν τῆς ἡμέρας, σελήνην  
δὲ καὶ ἀστέρας εἰς ἐξουσίαν τῆς νυκτός· ὁ  
καταξιώσας ἡμᾶς τοὺς ἁμαρτωλοὺς καὶ  
ἐπὶ τῆς παρούσης ὥρας προφθάσαι τὸ  
πρόσωπόν σου ἐν ἐξομολογήσει, καὶ τὴν  
ἐσπερινὴν σοι δοξολογίαν προσαγαγεῖν·  
αὐτός, φιλάνθρωπε Κύριε, κατεύθυνον  
τὴν προσευχὴν ἡμῶν ὡς θυμίαμα ἐνώπιόν  
σου καὶ πρόσδεξαι αὐτὴν εἰς ὁσμὴν  
εὐωδίας. Παράσχου δὲ ἡμῖν τὴν παροῦσαν  
ἐσπέραν καὶ τὴν ἐπιούσαν νύκτα εἰρηνικὴν·  
ἐνδυσον ἡμᾶς ὅπλα φωτός· ῥῦσαι ἡμᾶς  
ἀπὸ φόβου νυκτερινοῦ καὶ ἀπὸ παντός  
πράγματος ἐν σκότει διαπορευομένου· καὶ  
δὸς ἡμῖν τὸν ὕπνον, ὃν εἰς ἀνάπausιν τῇ  
ἀσθενείᾳ ἡμῶν 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 τῇ μελέτῃ τῶν σῶν ἐντολῶν  
καταυγαζόμενοι, ἐν ἀγαλλιάσει ψυχῆς  
διανιστῶμεν πρὸς δοξολογίαν τῆς σῆς  
ἀγαθότητος, δεήσεις καὶ ἱκεσίας τῇ σῇ  
εὐσπλαγχνίᾳ προσάγοντες ὑπὲρ τῶν ἰδίων  
ἁμαρτημάτων καὶ παντός τοῦ λαοῦ σου,  
ὃν ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς ἁγίας Θεοτόκου ἐν  
ἐλέει 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]

Ὅτι ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλόανθρωπος Θεὸς  
ὑπάρχεις καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν,  
τῷ Πατρὶ 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 ἁγίας  
Τραπέζης, ὁ δὲ Διάκονος ποιεῖ σχῆμα πρὸς τὸ Τερέα,  
καὶ ἐξελθὼν τοῦ ἱεροῦ Βήματος, διὰ τῆς βορείας  
πύλης, καὶ στὰς πρὸ τῆς Ὁραίας πύλης, καὶ βλέπων  
κατ' ἐνώπιον τῆς εἰκόνης τοῦ Χριστοῦ, λέγει τὴν  
Μεγάλην Συναπτὴν, ἥτοι 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. <sup>[EL]</sup>

*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**

Ἐν εἰρήνῃ τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τῆς ἄνωθεν εἰρήνης καὶ τῆς σωτηρίας τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τῆς εἰρήνης τοῦ σύμπαντος κόσμου, εὐσταθείας τῶν ἁγίων τοῦ Θεοῦ Ἐκκλησιῶν καὶ τῆς τῶν πάντων ἐνώσεως, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ ἁγίου οἴκου τούτου, καὶ τῶν μετὰ πίστεως, εὐλαβείας καὶ φόβου Θεοῦ εἰσιόντων ἐν αὐτῷ, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ Ὁρθοδόξων Χριστιανῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ (ἀρχιερατικοῦ βαθμοῦ) ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος), τοῦ τιμίου πρεσβυτερίου, τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ διακονίας, παντὸς τοῦ κλήρου καὶ τοῦ λαοῦ, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ εὐσεβοῦς ἡμῶν ἔθνους, πάσης ἀρχῆς καὶ ἐξουσίας ἐν αὐτῷ, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τῆς πόλεως ταύτης, πάσης πόλεως, χώρας καὶ τῶν πίστει οἰκούντων ἐν αὐταῖς, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ εὐκρασίας 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.)

Ὑπὲρ πλεόντων, ὁδοιπορούντων,  
νοσούντων, καμνόντων, αἰχμαλώτων καὶ  
τῆς σωτηρίας αὐτῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ ῥυσθῆναι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ πάσης  
θλίψεως, ὀργῆς, κινδύνου καὶ ἀνάγκης, τοῦ  
Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ἀντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ  
διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῇ σῇ χάριτι.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Τῆς Παναγίας ἀχράντου,  
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

Ὅτι πρέπει σοι πᾶσα δόξα, τιμὴ καὶ  
προσκύνησις, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ  
Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς  
αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

### ΧΟΡΟΣ

**Ἦχος πλ. β'.**

Κύριε ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, εἰσάκουσόν  
μου, εἰσάκουσόν μου, Κύριε. Κύριε,  
ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, εἰσάκουσόν μου·  
πρόσχες τῇ φωνῇ τῆς δεήσεώς μου, ἐν τῷ  
κεκραγέναι με πρὸς σέ. Εἰσάκουσόν μου,  
Κύριε.

Κατευθυνθήτω ἡ προσευχή μου, ὡς  
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 pl. 2.**

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 χεῖλη μου.

Μὴ ἐκκλίνης τὴν καρδίαν μου εἰς λόγους πονηρίας, τοῦ προφασίζεσθαι προφάσεις ἐν ἁμαρτίαις.

Σὺν ἀνθρώποις ἐργαζομένοις τὴν ἀνομίαν, καὶ οὐ μὴ συνδυάσω μετὰ τῶν ἐκλεκτῶν αὐτῶν.

Παιδεύσει με δίκαιος ἐν ἐλέει, καὶ ἐλέγξει με, ἔλαιον δὲ ἁμαρτωλοῦ μὴ λιπανάτω τὴν κεφαλὴν μου.

Ὅτι ἔτι καὶ ἡ προσευχή μου ἐν ταῖς εὐδοκίαις αὐτῶν· κατεπόθησαν ἐχόμενα πέτρας οἱ κριταὶ αὐτῶν.

Ἀκούσονται τὰ ῥήματά μου, ὅτι ἠδύνθησαν· ὥσεί πάχος γῆς ἐρράγῃ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, διεσκορπίσθη τὰ ὅσα αὐτῶν παρὰ τὸν ἄδην.

Ὅτι πρὸς σέ, Κύριε, Κύριε, οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ μου· ἐπὶ σοὶ ἤλπισα, μὴ ἀντανέλης τὴν ψυχὴν μου.

Φύλαξόν με ἀπὸ παγίδος ἧς συνεστήσαντό μοι, καὶ ἀπὸ σκανδάλων τῶν ἐργαζομένων τὴν ἀνομίαν.

Πεσοῦνται ἐν ἀμφιβλήστρῳ αὐτῶν οἱ ἁμαρτωλοί· κατὰ μόνας εἰμὶ ἐγὼ ἕως ἂν παρέλθω.

Φωνῇ μου πρὸς Κύριον ἐκέκραξα, φωνῇ μου πρὸς Κύριον ἐδεήθην.

Ἐκχεῶ ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ τὴν δέησίν μου, τὴν θλιψίν μου ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ ἀπαγγελῶ.

Ἐν τῷ ἐκλείπειν ἐξ ἐμοῦ τὸ πνεῦμά μου, καὶ σὺ ἔγνωσ τὰς τρίβους μου.

Ἐν ὁδῷ ταύτῃ, ἣ ἐπορευόμην, ἔκρυψαν παγίδα μοι.

Κατενόουν εἰς τὰ δεξιὰ, καὶ ἐπέβλεπον, καὶ οὐκ ἦν ὁ ἐπιγινώσκων με.

Ἀπώλετο φυγὴ ἀπ' ἐμοῦ, καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ὁ ἐκζητῶν τὴν ψυχὴν μου.

Ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, Κύριε εἶπα· Σὺ εἶ ἡ ἐλπίς μου, μερίς μου εἶ ἐν γῇ ζώντων.

Πρόσχεες πρὸς τὴν δέησίν μου, ὅτι ἐταπεινώθην σφόδρα.

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.

Ῥῥσαί με ἐκ τῶν καταδιωκόντων με, ὅτι  
ἐκραταιώθησαν ὑπὲρ ἐμέ.

Ἐξάγαγε ἐκ φυλακῆς τὴν ψυχὴν μου, τοῦ  
ἐξομολογήσασθαι τῷ ὀνόματί σου.

Ἐμὲ ὑπομενοῦσι δίκαιοι, ἕως οὐ ἀνταποδῶς μοι.

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

Γενηθήτω τὰ ὦτά σου προσέχοντα εἰς τὴν  
φωνὴν τῆς δεήσεώς μου.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

**Ἦχος πλ. β'. Ὁλην ἀποθέμενοι.**

Ἐὰν ἀνομίας παρατηρήσης, Κύριε Κύριε,  
τίς ὑποστήσεται; ὅτι παρὰ σοὶ ὁ ἰλασμός  
ἐστίν.

Βουλὴν προαιώνιον, ἀποκαλύπτων  
σοι Κόρη, Γαβριὴλ ἐφέστηκε, σὲ  
κατασπαζόμενος, καὶ φθεγγόμενος· Χαῖρε  
γῇ ἄσπορε, χαῖρε βάτε ἄφλεκτε, χαῖρε  
βάθος δυσθεώρητον, χαῖρε ἡ γέφυρα, πρὸς  
τοὺς οὐρανοὺς ἡ μετάγουσα, καὶ κλίμαξ  
ἡ μετάρσιος, ἣν ὁ Ἰακώβ ἐθεάσατο· χαῖρε  
θεία στάμνε τοῦ Μάννα, χαῖρε λύσις τῆς  
ἀρᾶς, χαῖρε Ἀδάμ ἡ ἀνάκλησις, μετὰ σοῦ ὁ  
Κύριος.

Ἐνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου ὑπέμεινά σε,  
Κύριε, ὑπέμεινεν ἡ ψυχὴ μου εἰς τὸν λόγον  
σου. Ἦλπισεν ἡ ψυχὴ μου ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον.

Βουλὴν προαιώνιον, ἀποκαλύπτων  
σοι Κόρη, Γαβριὴλ ἐφέστηκε, σὲ  
κατασπαζόμενος, καὶ φθεγγόμενος· Χαῖρε  
γῇ ἄσπορε, χαῖρε βάτε ἄφλεκτε, χαῖρε  
βάθος δυσθεώρητον, χαῖρε ἡ γέφυρα, πρὸς  
τοὺς οὐρανοὺς ἡ μετάγουσα, καὶ κλίμαξ  
ἡ μετάρσιος, ἣν ὁ Ἰακώβ ἐθεάσατο· χαῖρε

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.

From Menaion - - -

**Mode pl. 2. When the saints deposited.**

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

Gabriel appeared to you, \* O virgin  
Damsel, revealing \* the pre-eternal plan of  
God. \* And as he saluted you, \* he called  
out and said, \* "O unsowed earth, rejoice; \*  
unconsumed bush, rejoice. \* O rejoice, depth  
hard to apprehend. \* Rejoice, O sacred bridge  
\* that conveys to heaven. I say, rejoice, \* O  
ladder that is lifted up \* and was seen by  
Jacob the patriarch. \* Rejoice, O divine jar \* of  
manna, and the lifting of the curse. \* Rejoice,  
Adam's recovery. \* Rejoice, for the Lord is  
with you." [SD]

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

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Damsel, revealing \* the pre-eternal plan of  
God. \* And as he saluted you, \* he called  
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\* that conveys to heaven. I say, rejoice, \* O



θεία στάμνε τοῦ Μάννα, χαῖρε λύσις τῆς ἀρᾶς, χαῖρε Ἀδάμ ἡ ἀνάκλησις, μετὰ σοῦ ὁ Κύριος.

*Ἀπὸ φυλακῆς πρωῒας μέχρι νυκτός· ἀπὸ φυλακῆς πρωῒας ἐλπισάτω Ἰσραὴλ ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον.*

Φαίνη μοι ὡς ἄνθρωπος, φησὶν ἡ ἄφθορος Κόρη, πρὸς τὸν Ἀρχιστράτηγον, καὶ πῶς φθέγγῃ ῥήματα ὑπὲρ ἄνθρωπον· μετ' ἐμοῦ ἔφης γάρ, τὸν Θεὸν ἔσεσθαι, καὶ σκηνώσειν ἐν τῇ μήτρᾳ μου, καὶ πῶς γενήσομαι, λέγε μοι χωρίον εὐρύχωρον, καὶ τόπος ἀγιάσματος, τοῦ τοῖς Χερουβὶμ ἐπιβαίνοντος; Μὴ με δελεάσης ἀπάτη· οὐ γὰρ ἔγνων ἡδονήν, γάμου ὑπάρχω ἀμύητος, πῶς οὖν παῖδα τέξομαι!

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

Φαίνη μοι ὡς ἄνθρωπος, φησὶν ἡ ἄφθορος Κόρη, πρὸς τὸν Ἀρχιστράτηγον, καὶ πῶς φθέγγῃ ῥήματα ὑπὲρ ἄνθρωπον· μετ' ἐμοῦ ἔφης γάρ, τὸν Θεὸν ἔσεσθαι, καὶ σκηνώσειν ἐν τῇ μήτρᾳ μου, καὶ πῶς γενήσομαι, λέγε μοι χωρίον εὐρύχωρον, καὶ τόπος ἀγιάσματος, τοῦ τοῖς Χερουβὶμ ἐπιβαίνοντος; Μὴ με δελεάσης ἀπάτη· οὐ γὰρ ἔγνων ἡδονήν, γάμου ὑπάρχω ἀμύητος, πῶς οὖν παῖδα τέξομαι!

ladder that is lifted up \* and was seen by Jacob the patriarch. \* Rejoice, O divine jar \* of manna, and the lifting of the curse. \* Rejoice, Adam's recovery. \* Rejoice, for the Lord is with you." [SD]

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

Unto the angelic Chief \* says the inviolate Damsel, \* "You appear to be a man. \* But how is it that you speak \* superhuman words? \* For you say unto me \* that with me God will be, \* and will make His dwelling in my womb. \* But how shall I become \* a most spacious confine, explain to me. \* How shall I be a holy place \* of the One who rides on the Cherubim? \* Please do not beguile me. \* Do not deceive me. For I have not known \* sensual pleasure nor intercourse. \* How, then, shall I bear a child?" [SD]

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

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

Θεὸς ὅπου βούλεται, νικᾶται φύσεως  
τάξις, φησὶν ὁ Ἀσώματος, καὶ τὰ ὑπὲρ  
ἄνθρωπον διαπράττεται. τοῖς ἐμοῖς πίστευε,  
ἀληθέσι ῥήμασι, Παναγία ὑπεράμωμε·  
Ἦ δὲ ἐβόησε· Γένοιτό μοι νῦν ὡς τὸ ῥῆμά  
σου, καὶ τέξομαι τὸν ἄσαρκον, σάρκα  
ἐξ ἐμοῦ δανεισάμενον, ὅπως ἀναγάγῃ  
τὸν ἄνθρωπον, ὡς μόνος δυνατός, εἰς τὸ  
ἀρχαῖον ἀξίωμα, διὰ τῆς συγκράσεως.

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

Θεὸς ὅπου βούλεται, νικᾶται φύσεως  
τάξις, φησὶν ὁ Ἀσώματος, καὶ τὰ ὑπὲρ  
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Δόξα· καὶ νῦν.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - -

**Ἦχος πλ. β'.**

Ἀπεστάλη ἐξ οὐρανοῦ Γαβριήλ  
ὁ Ἀρχάγγελος, εὐαγγελίσασθαι τῇ  
Παρθένῳ τὴν σύλληψιν· καὶ ἐλθὼν εἰς  
Ναζαρέτ, ἐλογίζετο ἐν ἑαυτῷ, τῷ θαῦμα  
ἐκπληττόμενος· ὅτι, Πῶς ὁ ἐν ὑψίστοις  
ἀκατάληπτος ὢν, ἐκ παρθένου τίκτεται!

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

"When God wills it, nature's laws \* are  
overridden, O Damsel," \* said the incorporeal,  
\* "and the superhuman deeds \* then are  
brought to pass. \* Therefore, trust that indeed  
\* true are these words of mine, \* O all-holy  
and most blameless one." \* She then cried  
out in turn, \* "According to your word be it  
unto me; \* and I shall bear the One who is \*  
bodiless but borrowing flesh from me, \* so  
that by His mingling \* with man He might  
restore him to the height \* of his primordial  
dignity, \* as the only One who can." [SD]

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

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overridden, O Damsel," \* said the incorporeal,  
\* "and the superhuman deeds \* then are  
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bodiless but borrowing flesh from me, \* so  
that by His mingling \* with man He might  
restore him to the height \* of his primordial  
dignity, \* as the only One who can." [SD]

Glory. Both now.

From Menaion - -

**Mode pl. 2.**

From the heavens, the Archangel Gabriel  
was sent down to announce the conception  
to the Virgin. When he arrived in Nazareth,  
he pondered on the wonder in astonishment:  
"He who is in the highest is incomprehensible.  
So, how can He be born of a Virgin? Heaven

ὁ ἔχων θρόνον οὐρανόν, καὶ ὑποπόδιον  
τὴν γῆν, ἐν μήτρᾳ χωρεῖται γυναικός!  
ὦ τὰ Ἑξαπτέρυγα καὶ Πολυόμματα  
ἀτενίσαι οὐ δύνανται, λόγῳ μόνῳ ἐκ ταύτης  
σαρκωθῆναι ἠὲ δόκησε, Θεοῦ ἐστι Λόγος  
ὁ παρῶν. Τί οὖν ἴσταμαι, καὶ οὐ λέγω  
τῇ Κόρῃ; Χαῖρε Κεχαριτωμένη ὁ Κύριος  
μετὰ σοῦ, χαῖρε ἀγνή Παρθέने, χαῖρε  
Νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε, χαῖρε Μήτηρ τῆς ζωῆς,  
εὐλογημένος ὁ καρπὸς τῆς κοιλίας σου.

**ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ** (χαμηλοφώνως)

Τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ** (χαμηλοφώνως)

### ΕΥΧΗ ΤΗΣ ΕΙΣΟΔΟΥ

Ἐσπέρας καὶ πρωῒ καὶ μεσημβρίας, αἰνοῦμεν,  
εὐλογοῦμεν, εὐχαριστοῦμεν καὶ δεόμεθα σου,  
Δέσποτα τῶν ἀπάντων, Φιλάνθρωπε, Κύριε.  
Κατεύθυνον τὴν προσευχὴν ἡμῶν, ὡς θυμίαμα  
ἐνώπιόν σου καὶ μὴ ἐκκλίνῃς τὰς καρδίας ἡμῶν εἰς  
λόγους, ἢ εἰς λογισμοὺς πονηρίας, ἀλλὰ ῥῦσαι ἡμᾶς  
ἐκ πάντων τῶν θηρευόντων τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν· ὅτι  
πρὸς σέ, Κύριε, Κύριε, οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ ἡμῶν, καὶ ἐπὶ σοὶ  
ἠλπίσαμεν· μὴ κατασχύνῃς ἡμᾶς, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν.

**ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ**

Σοφία. Ὁρθοί.

**ΚΛΗΡΟΣ ΚΑΙ ΛΑΟΣ**

**Ἦχος β'.**

Φῶς ἱλαρὸν ἀγίας δόξης, ἀθανάτου  
Πατρός, οὐρανίου, ἀγίου, μάκαρος, Ἰησοῦ  
Χριστέ, ἐλθόντες ἐπὶ τὴν ἡλίου δύσιν,  
ιδόντες φῶς ἑσπερινόν, ὑμνοῦμεν Πατέρα,  
Υἱόν, καὶ ἅγιον Πνεῦμα Θεόν. Ἄξιόν σε ἐν  
πᾶσι καιροῖς, ὑμνεῖσθαι φωναῖς αἰσίοις,  
Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ζῶν ὁ διδούς· \* διὸ ὁ κόσμος σέ  
δοξάζει.

is His throne and earth is His footstool. So,  
how can He be contained in the womb of  
a woman? He on whom the six-winged  
Seraphim and many-eyed Cherubim are  
unable to gaze is well pleased to become  
incarnate of her by word alone. It is the Word  
of God who is present here. So, why am I  
standing here and not saying to the Maiden,  
'Rejoice, you who are full of grace; the Lord is  
with you. Rejoice, O pure Virgin! Rejoice, O  
unwedded Bride! Rejoice, O Mother of Life!  
Blessed is the fruit of your womb.'" [SD]

**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. [SD]

## ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Ἑσπέρας Προκείμενον.

## ΧΟΡΟΣ

**Προκείμενον. Ἦχος πλ. δ'.**

Ἴδου δὴ εὐλογεῖτε τὸν Κύριον, πάντες οἱ δοῦλοι Κυρίου. (δῖς)

**Στίχ.** Οἱ ἐστῶτες ἐν οἴκῳ Κυρίου, ἐν ἀνταίῃ οἶκον Θεοῦ ἡμῶν.

Ἴδου δὴ εὐλογεῖτε τὸν Κύριον, πάντες οἱ δοῦλοι Κυρίου.

## Τὰ Ἀναγνώσματα

Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

## ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Γενέσεως τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

## ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

## ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Κεφ. κη' 10

Ἐξῆλθεν Ἰακώβ ἀπὸ τοῦ φρέατος τοῦ ὄρκου καὶ ἐπορεύθη εἰς Χαρρᾶν. Καὶ ἀπῆντησε τόπῳ, καὶ ἐκοιμήθη ἐκεῖ· ἔδω γὰρ ὁ ἥλιος· καὶ ἔλαβεν ἀπὸ τῶν λίθων τοῦ τόπου, καὶ ἔθηκε πρὸς κεφαλῆς αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐκοιμήθη ἐν τῷ τόπῳ ἐκείνῳ, καὶ ἐνυπνιάσθη. Καὶ ἰδὺν κλίμαξ ἐστηρικμένη ἐν τῇ γῇ, ἧς ἡ κεφαλὴ ἀφικνεῖτο εἰς τὸν Οὐρανόν, καὶ οἱ Ἄγγελοι τοῦ Θεοῦ ἀνέβαινον καὶ κατέβαινον ἐπ' αὐτῆς. Ὁ δὲ Κύριος ἐπεστήρικτο ἐπ' αὐτῆς, καὶ εἶπεν· Ἐγὼ εἰμι ὁ Θεὸς Ἀβραάμ τοῦ πατρός σου, καὶ ὁ Θεὸς Ἰσαάκ, μὴ φοβοῦ, ἡ γῇ, ἐφ' ἧς σὺ καθεύδεις ἐπ' αὐτῆς, σοὶ δώσω αὐτήν, καὶ τῷ σπέρματί σου. Καὶ ἔσται τὸ σπέρμα σου ὡσεὶ ἄμμος τῆς γῆς καὶ πλατυνθήσεται ἐπὶ θάλασσαν, καὶ λίβα, καὶ βορρᾶν, καὶ ἐπὶ ἀνατολάς, καὶ ἐνευλογηθήσονται ἐν σοὶ πᾶσαι αἱ φυλαὶ τῆς γῆς, καὶ ἐν τῷ

## DEACON

The evening Prokeimenon.

## CHOIR

**Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 4.**

Behold now, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord. (2) [SAAS]

**Verse:** Who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God.

Behold now, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord.

## The Readings

From Menaion ---

## READER

The reading is from the book of Genesis.

## DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

## READER

28:10-17

Now Jacob went out from the Well of Oath and went toward Haran. So he came to a certain place and stayed there all night, because the sun had set. then he took one of the stones of that place and put it at his head, and he lay down in that place to sleep. Then he dreamed, and behold, a ladder was set up on the earth, and its top reached to heaven; and there the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. So behold, the Lord stood above it and said, "I am the Lord God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. Do not fear, the land on which you lie I will give to you and your seed. Also, your seed shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed all the tribes of the earth shall be blessed. Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever

σπέρματί σου. Καὶ ἰδοὺ ἐγὼ εἰμι μετὰ σοῦ, διαφυλάσσων σε ἐν τῇ ὁδῷ πάσῃ, οὗ ἂν πορευθῇς, καὶ ἐπιστρέψω σε εἰς τὴν γῆν ταύτην, ὅτι οὐ μὴ σε ἐγκαταλίπω, ἕως τοῦ ποιῆσαι με πάντα ὅσα ἐλάλησά σοι. Καὶ ἐξηγέρθη Ἰακώβ ἐκ τοῦ ὕπνου αὐτοῦ καὶ εἶπεν· Ὅτι ἐστὶ Κύριος ἐν τῷ τόπῳ τούτῳ, ἐγὼ δὲ οὐκ ᾔδειν. Καὶ ἐφοβήθη, καὶ εἶπεν· Ὡς φοβερός ὁ τόπος οὗτος! Οὐκ ἔστι τοῦτο, ἀλλ' ἡ οἰκὸς Θεοῦ, καὶ αὕτη ἡ πύλη τοῦ οὐρανοῦ.

### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Προφητείας Ἰεζεκιὴλ τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

43:27-44:4

Τάδε λέγει Κύριος· Ἔσται ἀπὸ τῆς ἡμέρας τῆς ὀγδόης καὶ ἐπέκεινα, ποιήσουσιν οἱ Ἱερεῖς ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον τὰ ὀλοκαυτώματα ὑμῶν, καὶ τὰ τοῦ σωτηρίου ὑμῶν, καὶ προσδέξομαι ὑμᾶς, λέγει Κύριος (μδ' 1). Καὶ ἐπέστρεψέ με κατὰ τὴν ὁδὸν τῆς πύλης τῶν Ἀγίων τῆς ἐξωτερικῆς τῆς βλεπούσης κατὰ ἀνατολάς, καὶ αὕτη ἦν κεκλεισμένη. Καὶ εἶπε Κύριος πρὸς με· Ἡ πύλη αὕτη κεκλεισμένη ἔσται, οὐκ ἀνοιχθήσεται, καὶ οὐδεὶς οὐ μὴ διέλθῃ δι' αὐτῆς, ὅτι Κύριος ὁ Θεός, Ἰσραὴλ εἰσελεύσεται δι' αὐτῆς, καὶ ἔσται κεκλεισμένη. Διότι ὁ Ἡγούμενος οὗτος κάθηται ἐπ' αὐτὴν τοῦ φαγεῖν ἄρτον ἐνώπιον Κυρίου, κατὰ τὴν ὁδὸν τοῦ Αἰλάμ τῆς πύλης εἰσελεύσεται, καὶ κατὰ τὴν ὁδὸν αὐτοῦ ἐξελεύσεται. Καὶ εἰσήγαγέ με κατὰ τὴν ὁδὸν τῆς πύλης τῶν Ἀγίων τῆς πρὸς

you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you." Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "The Lord is in this place, and I did not know it." So he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." [SAAS]

### READER

The reading is from the Prophecy of Ezekiel.

### DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

### READER

43:27-44:4

Thus says the Lord: "When they have completed these days, then from the eighth day onward the priests shall offer upon the altar your burnt offerings and your peace offerings; and I will accept you, says the Lord God." Then he brought me back to the outer gate of the sanctuary, which faces east; and it was shut. And the Lord said to me, "This gate shall remain shut; it shall not be opened, and no one shall enter by it; for the Lord, the God of Israel, shall enter by it; therefore it shall remain shut. Only the prince shall sit in it to eat bread before the Lord; he shall enter by way of the vestibule of the gate, and shall go out by the same way." Then he brought me by way of the north gate to the front of the temple; and I looked, and behold, the glory of the Lord filled the house of the Lord. [SAAS]



βορῶν, κατέναντι τοῦ οἴκου· καὶ εἶδον καὶ ἰδοὺ πλήρης δόξης ὁ οἶκος Κυρίου.

#### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Παροιμιῶν τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

#### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

#### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Κεφ. θ' 1

Ἡ σοφία ᾠκοδόμησεν ἑαυτῇ οἶκον καὶ ὑπῆρξε στύλους ἑπτὰ. Ἐσφαξε τὰ ἑαυτῆς θύματα, καὶ ἐκέρασεν εἰς κρατῆρα τὸν ἑαυτῆς οἶνον, καὶ ἡτοιμάσατο τὴν ἑαυτῆς τράπεζαν. Ἀπέστειλε τοὺς ἑαυτῆς δούλους, συγκαλοῦσα μετὰ ὑψηλοῦ κηρύγματος, ὡς ἐπὶ κρατῆρα, λέγουσα· Ὅς ἐστιν ἄφρων, ἐκκλινάτω πρὸς με, καὶ τοῖς ἐνδεέσι φρενῶν εἶπεν· Ἐλθετε φάγετε τὸν ἐμὸν ἄρτον, καὶ πίετε οἶνον, ὃν κεκέρακα ὑμῖν, ἀπολίπετε ἀφροσύνην, καὶ ζήσεσθε, καὶ ζητήσατε φρόνησιν, ἵνα βιώσητε, καὶ κατορθώσητε σύνεσιν ἐν γνώσει, ὁ παιδεύων κακοὺς, λήψεται ἑαυτῷ ἀτιμίαν, ἐλέγχων δὲ τὸν ἄσεβῆ, μωμῆσεται ἑαυτόν, (οἱ γὰρ ἔλεγχοι τῷ ἄσεβεῖ, μώλωπες αὐτῷ). Μὴ ἔλεγχε κακοὺς, ἵνα μὴ μισήσωσί σε, ἔλεγχε σοφὸν καὶ ἀγαπήσει σε. Δίδου σοφῷ ἀφορμήν, καὶ σοφώτερος ἔσται, γινώριζε δικαίῳ, καὶ προσθήσει τοῦ δέχεσθαι. Ἀρχὴ σοφίας, φόβος Κυρίου, καὶ βουλὴ Ἁγίων, σύνεσις, (τὸ γὰρ γινῶναι Νόμον, διανοίας ἐστὶν ἀγαθῆς)· τοῦτω γὰρ τῷ τρόπῳ πολὺν ζήσεις χρόνον, καὶ προστεθήσεται σοι ἔτη ζωῆς.

#### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Εἰπώμεν πάντες ἐξ ὅλης τῆς ψυχῆς καὶ ἐξ ὅλης τῆς διανοίας ἡμῶν εἰπώμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

#### READER

The reading is from the Proverbs of Solomon.

#### DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

#### READER

9:1-11

Wisdom has built her house, she has set up her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her beasts, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her servants to call from the highest places in the town, "Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" To him who is without sense she says, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Leave simpleness, that you may reign forever; seek wisdom, and live; and improve understanding by knowledge. He who corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury. Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man and he will increase in learning. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the counsel of saints is understanding. For to know the law is the character of a sound mind. For by me your days will be multiplied, and years will be added to your life." [SAAS]

#### DEACON

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

(Lord, have mercy.)



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

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

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

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

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ  
ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν.

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

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τοῦ (ἀρχιερατικοῦ  
βαθμοῦ) ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος).

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

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν ἀδελφῶν ἡμῶν,  
τῶν ἱερέων, ἱερομονάχων, ἱεροδιακόνων καὶ  
μοναχῶν, καὶ πάσης τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ ἡμῶν  
ἀδελφότητος.

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

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ ἐλέους, ζωῆς,  
εἰρήνης, υἰγείας, σωτηρίας, ἐπισκέψεως,  
συγχωρήσεως καὶ ἀφέσεως τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν  
τῶν δούλων τοῦ Θεοῦ, πάντων τῶν  
εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν, τῶν  
κατοικούντων καὶ παρεπιδημούντων ἐν  
τῇ (πόλει, κώμῃ), ταύτῃ, τῶν ἐνοριτῶν,  
ἐπιτρόπων, συνδρομητῶν καὶ ἀφιερωτῶν  
τοῦ ἁγίου ναοῦ τούτου.

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

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν μακαρίων  
καὶ ἀοιδίμων κτιτόρων τῆς ἁγίας  
Ἐκκλησίας ταύτης, καὶ ὑπὲρ πάντων τῶν  
προαναπαυσαμένων 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 ever-  
memorable founders of this holy church,  
and for all our fathers and brethren who  
have fallen asleep before us, who here have

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

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

Ἐτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν καρποφορούντων καὶ καλλιεργούντων ἐν τῷ ἁγίῳ καὶ πανσέπτῳ ναῷ τούτῳ, κοπιώντων, ψαλλόντων καὶ ὑπὲρ τοῦ περιεστῶτος λαοῦ, τοῦ ἀπεκδεχομένου τὸ παρὰ σοῦ μέγα καὶ πλούσιον ἔλεος.

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

### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὅτι ἐλεήμων καὶ φιλόανθρωπος Θεὸς ὑπάρχεις, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Καταξίωσον, Κύριε, ἐν τῇ ἑσπέρᾳ ταύτῃ, ἀναμαρτήτους φυλαχθῆναι ἡμᾶς. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς τῶν Πατέρων ἡμῶν, καὶ αἰνετὸν καὶ δεδοξασμένον τὸ ὄνομά σου εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας. Ἀμήν. Γένοιτο, Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου ἐφ' ἡμᾶς, καθάπερ ἠλπίσαμεν 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 Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

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. [HC]

(Amen.)

**ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ**

Πληρώσωμεν τὴν ἑσπερινὴν δέησιν  
ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ.

*(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)*

Ἀντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ  
διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῇ σῇ χάριτι.

*(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)*

Τὴν ἑσπέραν πᾶσαν τελείαν, ἀγίαν,  
εἰρηνικὴν καὶ ἀναμάρτητον, παρὰ τοῦ  
Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

*(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)*

Ἄγγελον εἰρήνης, πιστὸν ὁδηγόν,  
φύλακα τῶν ψυχῶν καὶ τῶν σωμάτων  
ἡμῶν, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

*(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)*

Συγγνώμην καὶ ἄφεσιν τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν  
καὶ τῶν πλημμελημάτων ἡμῶν, παρὰ τοῦ  
Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

*(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)*

Τὰ καλὰ καὶ συμφέροντα ταῖς ψυχαῖς  
ἡμῶν καὶ εἰρήνην τῷ κόσμῳ, παρὰ τοῦ  
Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

*(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)*

Τὸν ὑπόλοιπον χρόνον τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν  
ἐν εἰρήνῃ καὶ μετάνοιᾳ ἐκτελέσαι, παρὰ τοῦ  
Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

*(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)*

Χριστιανὰ τὰ τέλη τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν,  
ἀνώδυνα, ἀνεπαίσχυντα, εἰρηνικά, καὶ  
καλὴν ἀπολογία τὴν ἐπὶ τοῦ φοβεροῦ  
βήματος τοῦ Χριστοῦ αἰτησώμεθα.

*(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)*

Τῆς Παναγίας ἀχράντου,  
ὑπερευλογημένης, ἐνδόξου Δεσποίνης  
ἡμῶν Θεοτόκου καὶ ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας  
μετὰ πάντων τῶν Ἀγίων 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.

ἑαυτοὺς καὶ ἀλλήλους καὶ πᾶσαν τὴν ζωὴν  
ἡμῶν Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ παραθώμεθα.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ**

Ὅτι ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλόανθρωπος Θεὸς  
ὑπάρχεις καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν,  
τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι,  
νῦν καὶ αἰεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ**

Εἰρήνη πᾶσι.

(Καὶ τῷ πνεύματί σου.)

**ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ**

Τὰς κεφαλὰς ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ κλίνομεν.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ** (χαμηλοφώνως)

Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ κλίνας οὐρανοὺς καὶ  
καταβάς ἐπὶ σωτηρίᾳ τοῦ γένους τῶν ἀνθρώπων,  
ἔπιδε ἐπὶ τοὺς δούλους σου καὶ ἐπὶ τὴν κληρονομίαν  
σου· σοὶ γὰρ τῷ φοβερῷ καὶ φιλανθρώπῳ κριτῇ  
οἱ σοὶ δούλοι ὑπέκλιναν τὰς κεφαλὰς, τοὺς δὲ  
αὐτῶν ὑπέταξαν ἀρχένας, οὐ τὴν ἐξ ἀνθρώπων  
ἀναμένοντες βοήθειαν, ἀλλὰ τὸ σὸν περιμένοντες  
ἔλεος καὶ τὴν σὴν ἀπεκδεχόμενοι σωτηρίαν·  
οὓς 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  
Πατρὸς, καὶ τοῦ Υἱοῦ, καὶ τοῦ ἁγίου  
Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ αἰεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας  
τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

(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.)

**Ἡ Λιτή.**

**ΧΟΡΟΣ**

**Ἰδιόμελον Α'.**

Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

**Ἦχος α'.**

Τῷ ἔκτω μηνί, ὁ Ἀρχιστράτηγος  
ἀπεστάλη πρὸς σὲ τὴν Παρθένον καὶ  
Ἀγνήν, μηνῦσαί σοι τὸν λόγον τῆς  
σωτηρίας, ἅμα δὲ καὶ καλέσαι σε· Χαῖρε  
Κεχαριτωμένη ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ· τέξη  
Υἱόν, τὸν πρὸ αἰώνων ἐκ Πατρός, ὃς σώσει  
τὸν λαὸν αὐτοῦ, ἐκ τῶν πταισμάτων αὐτῶν.

**Ἰδιόμελον Β'.**

**Ἦχος α'.**

Ἐν τῷ μηνὶ τῷ ἔκτῳ, ἀπεστάλη  
οὐρανόθεν Γαβριήλ ὁ Ἀρχάγγελος, ἐν πόλει  
τῆς Γαλιλαίας Ναζαρέτ, κομίσαι τῇ Κόρῃ  
χαρὰς εὐαγγέλια, καὶ προσελθὼν πρὸς  
αὐτὴν ἐβόησε λέγων· Χαῖρε Κεχαριτωμένη,  
ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ, χαῖρε δοχεῖον τῆς  
ἀχωρήτου φύσεως· ὃν γὰρ οὐρανοὶ οὐκ  
ἐχώρησαν, ἡ νηδὺς σου κεχώρηκεν  
εὐλογημένη· Χαῖρε σεμνή, τοῦ Ἀδὰμ ἡ  
ἀνάκλησις, καὶ τῆς Εὕας ἡ λύτρωσις, καὶ  
χαρὰ τοῦ κόσμου, καὶ ἀγαλλίασις τοῦ  
γένους ἡμῶν.

**Ἰδιόμελον Γ'.**

**Ἦχος α'.**

Ἀπεστάλη Ἄγγελος Γαβριήλ,  
οὐρανόθεν ἐκ Θεοῦ, πρὸς Παρθένον  
ἀμόλυντον, εἰς πόλιν τῆς Γαλιλαίας  
Ναζαρέτ, εὐαγγελίσασθαι αὐτῇ τοῦ  
ξένου τρόπου τὴν σύλληψιν. Ἀπεστάλη  
δοῦλος ἀσώματος, πρὸς ἔμψυχον πόλιν  
καὶ πύλην νοερὰν, μηνύσαι Δεσποτικῆς  
παρουσίας τὴν συγκατάβασιν. Ἀπεστάλη  
στρατιώτης οὐράνιος, πρὸς τὸ ἔμψυχον τῆς

**Procession and Litany.**

**CHOIR**

**Idiomelon 1.**

From Menaion ---

**Mode 1.**

In the sixth month, the chief Commander  
of the Angels was sent to you the pure Virgin,  
to disclose to you the tidings of salvation, and  
also to salute you: "Rejoice, Maiden full of  
grace, the Lord is with you. You shall bear a  
Son who was begotten of the Father before all  
ages. And He shall save His people from their  
transgressions." <sup>[SD]</sup>

**Idiomelon 2.**

**Mode 1.**

In the sixth month, the Archangel Gabriel  
was sent from heaven to Nazareth, a city in  
Galilee, to bring to the Damsel good tidings  
of joy. And when he drew near to her, he  
shouted saying, "Rejoice, O Maiden full of  
grace; the Lord is with you. Rejoice, O vessel  
of the uncontainable Nature. For the One  
whom the heavens could not contain has  
your womb now contained, O blessed one.  
Rejoice, O noble Virgin, Adam's restoration  
and deliverance of Eve, and the joy of the  
world, and the exultation of our race." <sup>[SD]</sup>

**Idiomelon 3.**

**Mode 1.**

The Angel Gabriel was sent from heaven  
by God to the undefiled Virgin in Nazareth, a  
city in Galilee, to annunciate to her the good  
tidings of the strangely effected conception.  
A bodiless servant was sent to the animate  
city and intelligible gate, to inform her of  
the Master's condescension and coming. A  
heavenly soldier was sent to the animate  
palace of glory, to prepare for the Creator an



δόξης Παλάτιον, προετοιμάσαι τῷ Κτίστῃ κατοικίαν ἄληκτον, καὶ προσελθὼν πρὸς αὐτὴν ἐκραύγαζε· Χαῖρε θρόνε πυρίμορφε, τῶν τετραμόρφων ὑπερενδοξοτέρα, Χαῖρε καθέδρα, Βασιλική οὐράνιε, χαῖρε ὄρος ἀλατόμητον, δοχεῖον πανέντιμον· ἐν σοὶ γὰρ πᾶν τὸ πλήρωμα κατώκησε, τῆς Θεότητος σωματικῶς, εὐδοκία Πατρός ἀϊδίου, καὶ συνεργεία τοῦ Ἁγίου Πνεύματος, Χαῖρε Κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ Σοῦ.

Δόξα· καὶ νῦν.

Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

**Ἰδιόμελον. Ὕμνος β'.**

Εὐαγγελίζεται ὁ Γαβριὴλ τῇ Κεχαριτωμένη σήμερον· Χαῖρε ἀνύμφευτε Κόρη καὶ ἀπειρόγαμε, μὴ καταπλαγῆς τῇ ξένη μου μορφῇ, μηδὲ δειλιάσης, Ἀρχάγγελός εἰμι, ὅφρις ἐξηπάτησεν Εὐὰν ποτέ, νῦν εὐαγγελίζομαί σοι τὴν χαράν, καὶ μενεῖς ἄφθορος, καὶ τέξῃ τὸν Κύριον Ἀχραντε.

### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

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

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

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν.

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

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τοῦ (ἀρχιερατικοῦ βαθμοῦ) ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος).

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

Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ ἐλέους, ζωῆς, εἰρήνης, υἰείας, σωτηρίας, ἐπισκέψεως, συγχωρήσεως καὶ ἀφέσεως τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν

everlasting dwelling. And coming to her he cried aloud, "Rejoice, O fiery throne, Maiden by far more glorious than the living creatures with four faces. Rejoice, heavenly royal seat. Rejoice, unquarried mountain and exquisite vessel. For in you has dwelt all the fullness of the Godhead bodily, by the good pleasure of the eternal Father, and by the joint action of the Holy Spirit. Rejoice, O Maiden full of grace; the Lord is with you." [SD]

Glory. Both now.

From Menaion ---

**Idiomelon. Mode 2.**

Gabriel announces good tidings today to her who is full of grace: "Rejoice, O Maiden unmarried and unwed. Be not astonished by my strange appearance, nor be dismayed. For an Archangel am I. The serpent once beguiled Eve, but I am now announcing to you the joy. You shall remain inviolate, and yet shall bear the Lord, O Immaculate." [SD]

### DEACON

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 mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, visitation, forgiveness and remission of the sins of all pious and



τῶν δούλων τοῦ Θεοῦ, πάντων τῶν  
εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν, τῶν  
κατοικούντων καὶ παρεπιδημούντων ἐν  
τῇ (πόλει, κώμῃ), ταύτῃ, τῶν ἐνοριτῶν,  
ἐπιτρόπων, συνδρομητῶν καὶ ἀφιερωτῶν  
τοῦ ἁγίου ναοῦ τούτου, καὶ τῶν δούλων τοῦ  
Θεοῦ [...] τῶν ἐπιτελούντων τὴν πανήγυριν  
ταύτην.

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

Ἔτι δεόμεθα καὶ ὑπὲρ τοῦ  
διαφυλαχθῆναι τὴν ἁγίαν Ἐκκλησίαν  
καὶ τὴν πόλιν ταύτην, καὶ πᾶσαν πόλιν  
καὶ χώραν, ἀπὸ ὀργῆς, λοιμοῦ, λιμοῦ,  
σεισμοῦ, καταποντισμοῦ, πυρός, μαχαίρας,  
ἐπιδρομῆς ἀλλοφύλων, ἐμφυλίου πολέμου  
καὶ αἰφνιδίου θανάτου· ὑπὲρ τοῦ ἵλεων,  
εὐμενῇ καὶ εὐδιάλλακτον γενέσθαι τὸν  
ἀγαθὸν καὶ φιλόανθρωπον Θεὸν ἡμῶν, τοῦ  
ἀποστρέψαι καὶ διασκεδάσαι πᾶσαν ὀργὴν  
καὶ νόσον τὴν καθ' ἡμῶν κινουμένην, καὶ  
ρύσασθαι ἡμᾶς ἐκ τῆς ἐπικειμένης δικαίας  
αὐτοῦ ἀπειλῆς, καὶ ἐλεῆσαι ἡμᾶς.

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

Ἔτι δεόμεθα καὶ ὑπὲρ τοῦ εἰσακοῦσαι  
Κύριον τὸν Θεὸν ἡμῶν φωνῆς τῆς δεήσεως  
ἡμῶν τῶν ἁμαρτωλῶν, καὶ ἐλεῆσαι ἡμᾶς.

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

### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ἐπάκουσον ἡμῶν, ὁ Θεός, ὁ Σωτὴρ  
ἡμῶν, ἡ ἐλπίς πάντων τῶν περάτων τῆς  
γῆς καὶ τῶν ἐν θαλάσῃ μακράν· καὶ  
ἵλεως, ἵλεως γενοῦ ἡμῖν, Δέσποτα, ἐπὶ ταῖς  
ἁμαρτίαις ἡμῶν, καὶ ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς.

Ἐλεήμων γὰρ καὶ φιλόανθρωπος Θεὸς  
ὑπάρχεις, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν,  
τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι,  
νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

Orthodox Christians living and visiting in  
this city, the parishioners, the members of  
the Parish Council and every Ministry of this  
Parish, and the donors and benefactors of this  
holy church, and the servants of God [names]  
who celebrate this holy feast.

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

Again we pray for the protection of this  
holy church, this city and every city and land,  
from wrath, famine, pestilence, earthquake,  
flood, fire, sword, foreign invasions, civil  
strife, and accidental death. That our good  
and loving God may be merciful, gracious  
and favorable to us by turning and keeping  
from us all wrath and sickness, and deliver us  
from His just rebuke, and have mercy on us.

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

Again we pray that the Lord our God may  
hear the prayer of us sinners, and have mercy  
on us.

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

### PRIEST

Hear us, O God our Savior, the hope of all  
those who live everywhere on earth and those  
far out at sea or in the air. Be gracious toward  
our sins, Master, and have mercy on us.

For you are a merciful and loving God,  
and to you we give glory, to the Father and  
the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever  
and to the ages of ages.

(Ἀμήν.)

Εἰρήνη πᾶσι.

(Καὶ τῷ πνεύματί σου.)

### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Τὰς κεφαλὰς ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ κλίνομεν.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Δέσποτα πολυέλεε, Κύριε Ἰησοῦ Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, πρεσβείαις τῆς παναχράντου Δεσποίνης ἡμῶν Θεοτόκου καὶ ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας, ἥς καὶ τὸν Εὐαγγελισμόν ἐορτάζομεν· 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 ἐν ἁγίοις Πατέρων ἡμῶν μεγάλων Ἱεραρχῶν καὶ οἰκουμενικῶν Διδασκάλων, Βασιλείου τοῦ Μεγάλου, Γρηγορίου τοῦ Θεολόγου καὶ Ἰωάννου τοῦ Χρυσοστόμου, Ἀθανασίου, Κυρίλλου καὶ Ἰωάννου τοῦ Ἐλεήμονος Πατριαρχῶν Ἀλεξανδρίας· Νικολάου τοῦ ἐν Μύροις, Σπυρίδωνος Τριμυθοῦντος καὶ Νεκταρίου Πενταπόλεως τῶν θαυματουργῶν· τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων Μεγαλομαρτύρων Γεωργίου τοῦ Τροπαιοφόρου, Δημητρίου τοῦ Μυροβλήτου, Θεοδώρου τοῦ Τήρωνος, Θεοδώρου τοῦ Στρατηλάτου, Μηνᾶ τοῦ θαυματουργοῦ· τῶν Ἱερομαρτύρων Χαράλαμπος καὶ Ἐλευθερίου, τῆς ἁγίας ἐνδόξου Μεγαλομάρτυρος καὶ πανευφήμου Εὐφημίας· τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων Μαρτύρων Θέκλας, Βαρβάρας, Ἀναστασίας, Αἰκατερίνης, Κυριακῆς, Φωτεινῆς, Μαρίνης, Παρασκευῆς καὶ Εἰρήνης· τῶν ὁσίων καὶ Θεοφόρων Πατέρων ἡμῶν· **(τοῦ Ἁγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ)**· τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων Θεοπατόρων

(Amen.)

Peace be with all.

(And with your spirit.)

### DEACON

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

(To You, O Lord.)

### PRIEST

Most merciful Master, Lord Jesus Christ our God, through the intercessions of our most pure Lady the Theotokos and ever-Virgin Mary, whose Annunciation we celebrate; the power of the precious and life giving Cross, the protection of the honorable, bodiless Powers of heaven, the supplications of the honorable and glorious prophet, and forerunner John the Baptist, the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy Apostles, our Fathers among the Saints, the great hierarchs and ecumenical teachers, Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom, Athanasios, Cyril, and John the Merciful, patriarchs of Alexandria; Nicholas, bishop of Myra, Spyridon, bishop of Trimythous, Nektarios of Pentapolis, the wonder-workers; the holy, glorious great Martyrs George the Victorious, Demetrios the Myrobletes, Theodore the Teron, and Theodore the General, Menas the Wonderworker, the Hieromartyrs Haralambos and Eleftherios; the holy, glorious, and victorious martyrs; the glorious great Martyr and all-laudable Euphemia; the holy and glorious Martyrs Thecla, Barbara, Anastasia, Katherine, Kyriake, Fotene, Marina, Paraskeve and Irene; of our holy God-bearing Fathers; **(local patron saint)**; the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, and of all your Saints.

Ἰωακείμ καὶ Ἄννης, καὶ πάντων σου τῶν Ἁγίων.

Εὐπρόσδεκτον ποιήσον τὴν δέησιν ἡμῶν· δώρησαι ἡμῖν τὴν ἄφεσιν τῶν παραπτωμάτων ἡμῶν· σκέπασον ἡμᾶς ἐν τῇ σκέπῃ τῶν πτερύγων σου· ἀποδιώξον ἀφ' ἡμῶν πάντα ἐχθρὸν καὶ πολέμιον· εἰρήνευσον ἡμῶν τὴν ζωὴν· Κύριε, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς καὶ τὸν κόσμον σου, καὶ σῶσον τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν, ὡς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλόανθρωπος.

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ ἢ ΧΟΡΟΣ**

**Ὑμνος εἰς τὴν Θεοτόκον.**

Θεοτόκε Παρθέने, χαῖρε κεχαριτωμένη Μαρία, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ· εὐλογημένη σὺ ἐν γυναιξί, καὶ εὐλογημένος ὁ καρπὸς τῆς κοιλίας σου, ὅτι Σωτῆρα ἔτεκες τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

**ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ**

Τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ**

**Ἡ Εὐλογία τῶν Ἄρτων.**

Κύριε, Ἰησοῦ Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ εὐλόγησας τοὺς πέντε ἄρτους ἐν τῇ ἐρήμῳ, καὶ ἐξ αὐτῶν πεντακισχιλίου ἀνδρας χορτάσας, αὐτὸς εὐλόγησον καὶ τοὺς ἄρτους τούτους, τὸν σῖτον, τὸν οἶνον, καὶ τὸ ἔλαιον· καὶ πλήθυνον αὐτὰ ἐν τῇ ἁγίᾳ Ἐκκλησίᾳ, τῇ πόλει ταύτῃ, ἐν τοῖς οἴκοις τῶν ἐορταζόντων καὶ εἰς τὸν κόσμον σου ἅπαντα· καὶ τοὺς ἐξ αὐτῶν μεταλαμβάνοντας πιστοὺς δούλους σου ἀγίασον.

Ὅτι σὺ εἶ ὁ εὐλογῶν καὶ ἀγιάζων τὰ σύμπαντα, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, σὺν τῷ ἀνάρχῳ σου Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ παναγίῳ καὶ ἀγαθῷ καὶ ζωοποιῷ σου Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

Accept our prayer; grant us forgiveness of our transgressions; protect us under the shelter of your wings; drive away from us every enemy and adversary; grant peace to our life; Lord have mercy on us and on your world; and save our souls as a good and loving God.

**PRIEST or: CHOIR**

**Hymn to the Theotokos.**

O Virgin Theotokos, rejoice, Mary full of grace. The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb; for you have borne the Savior of our souls <sup>[SD]</sup>

**DEACON**

Let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

**PRIEST**

**Blessing of the Loaves.**

Lord, Jesus Christ. our God, You blessed the five loaves in the wilderness and from them five thousand men were filled. Bless now these loaves, the wheat, the wine and oil and multiply them in this holy church, this city, in the homes of those who celebrate today, and in Your whole world. And sanctify Your faithful servants who partake of them.

For You are He who blesses and sanctifies all things, Christ our God, and to You we offer up glory together with Your eternal Father and Your holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Ἀμήν.)

**ΚΛΗΡΟΣ**

Πλούσιοι ἐπτώχευσαν καὶ ἐπείνασαν,  
οἱ δὲ ἐκζητοῦντες τὸν Κύριον οὐκ  
ἐλαττωθήσονται παντὸς ἀγαθοῦ.

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Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

**ΧΟΡΟΣ**

**Ἀπόστιχα τῆς Ἑορτῆς.  
Ἰδιόμελον Α'. Ἦχος δ'.**

Τῷ ἔκτῳ μηνί, ἀπεστάλη ὁ Ἀρχάγγελος  
πρὸς Παρθένον ἀγνήν, καὶ χαίρειν αὐτῇ  
προσειπὼν, εὐηγγελίσατο ἐξ αὐτῆς τὸν  
Λυτρωτὴν προελθεῖν. Ὅθεν πιστῶς  
δεξαμένη τὸν ἀσπασμόν, συνέλαβέ σε  
τὸν προαιώνιον Θεόν, τὸν ἀφράστως  
εὐδοκήσαντα ἐνανθρωπῆσαι, εἰς σωτηρίαν  
τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

**Ἰδιόμελον Β'. Ἦχος δ'.**

**Στίχ.** Εὐαγγελίζεσθε ἡμέραν ἐξ ἡμέρας  
τὸ σωτήριον τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν.

Γλῶσσαν ἦν οὐκ ἔγνω, ἤκουσεν  
ἡ Θεοτόκος· ἐλάλει γὰρ πρὸς αὐτὴν ὁ  
Ἀρχάγγελος, τοῦ Εὐαγγελισμοῦ τὰ ῥήματα·  
ὅθεν πιστῶς δεξαμένη τὸν ἀσπασμόν,  
συνέλαβέ σε τὸν προαιώνιον Θεόν. Διὸ καὶ  
ἡμεῖς ἀγαλλόμενοι βοῶμέν σοι ὁ ἐξ αὐτῆς  
σαρκωθεὶς ἀτρέπτως Θεός, εἰρήνην τῷ  
κόσμῳ δώρησαι, καὶ ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν τὸ  
μέγα ἔλεος.

(Amen.)

**CLERGY**

Rich men turned poor and went hungry;  
but those who seek the Lord shall not lack any  
good thing. [SAAS]

**CHOIR**

Rich men turned poor and went hungry;  
but those who seek the Lord shall not lack any  
good thing. (2) [SAAS]

From Menaion - - -

**CHOIR**

**Aposticha of the Feast.  
Idiomelon 1. Mode 4.**

In the sixth month, the Archangel was  
sent to the Virgin pure. He said to her to  
rejoice, and he announced that the Redeemer  
would be born from her. When she accepted  
the salutation with faith, she conceived You,  
the pre-eternal God, Who were well pleased  
ineffably to become man to save our souls. [SD]

**Idiomelon 2. Mode 4.**

**Verse:** Proclaim from day to day the  
salvation of our God. [SAAS]

The Theotokos heard a tongue she knew  
not. For the Archangel spoke to her the words  
of the Annunciation. When she accepted the  
salutation with faith, she conceived You, the  
pre-eternal God. We also greatly rejoice, and  
we say to You: O God, Who without changing  
became incarnate of her, grant peace to the  
world, and great mercy to our souls. [SD]

**Ἰδιόμελον Γ'. Ἦχος δ'.**

**Στίχ.** Ἀσατε τῷ Κυρίῳ ἄσμα καινόν,  
ἄσατε τῷ Κυρίῳ πᾶσα ἡ γῆ.

Ἴδου ἡ ἀνάκλησις νῦν ἐπέφανεν ἡμῖν,  
ὑπὲρ λόγον ὁ Θεὸς τοῖς ἀνθρώποις ἐνοῦται,  
Ἀρχαγγέλου τῇ φωνῇ ἡ πλάνη ἐκμειοῦται·  
ἡ Παρθένης γὰρ δέχεται τὴν χαράν, τὰ  
ἐπίγεια γέγονεν οὐρανός, ὁ κόσμος λέλυται  
τῆς ἀρχαίας ἀρᾶς. Ἀγαλλιᾶσθω ἡ κτίσις καὶ  
φωναῖς ἀνυμνεῖτω. Ὁ ποιητὴς καὶ λυτρωτὴς  
ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Δόξα· καὶ νῦν.

Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

**Ἦχος δ'.**

Σήμερον χαρᾶς Εὐαγγέλια, παρθενικὴ  
πανήγυρις, τὰ κάτω τοῖς ἄνω συνάπτεται,  
ὁ Ἀδὰμ καινουργεῖται, ἡ Εὐὰ τῆς πρώτης  
λύτης ἐλευθεροῦται, καὶ ἡ σκηνὴ τῆς καθ'  
ἡμᾶς οὐσίας τῇ θεώσει τοῦ προσληφθέντος  
φυράματος, ναὸς Θεοῦ κεχηρμάτικεν.  
Ὡ Μυστήριον! ὁ τρόπος τῆς κενώσεως  
ἄγνωστος, ὁ τρόπος τῆς συλλήψεως  
ἄφραστος, Ἄγγελος λειτουργεῖ τῷ θαύματι,  
παρθενικὴ γαστήρ τὸν Υἱὸν ὑποδέχεται,  
Πνεῦμα Ἅγιον καταπέμπεται, Πατὴρ  
ἄνωθεν εὐδοκεῖ, καὶ τὸ συνάλλαγμα, κατὰ  
κοινὴν πραγματεύεται βούλησιν, ἐν ᾧ,  
καὶ δι' οὗ σωθέντες, συνωδὰ τῷ Γαβριήλ,  
πρὸς τὴν Παρθένον βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε  
Κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ, ἐξ ἧς ἡ  
σωτηρία, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, τὴν καθ'  
ἡμᾶς προσλαβόμενος φύσιν, πρὸς ἑαυτὸν  
ἐπανήγαγεν· Αὐτὸν ἰκέτευε, σωθῆναι τὰς  
ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

**Idiomelon 3. Mode 4.**

**Verse:** *Oh, sing a new song to the Lord, sing  
to the Lord, all the earth.* [SAAS]

Behold, the restoration has now been  
revealed to us. God unites himself to man  
in a manner transcending reason, at the  
voice of the Archangel. Delusion is greatly  
diminished. The Virgin is accepting the joy.  
Things earthly have become heaven. The  
world has been released from the ancient  
curse. Let creation greatly rejoice and sing  
praises. "O Lord, our Creator and Redeemer,  
glory to You!" [SD]

Glory. Both now.

From Menaion ---

**Mode 4.**

Today are glad announcements of joy  
proclaimed. This is the virgins' festival. The  
things below are joined to the things on  
high. Adam is made new again, while Eve is  
liberated from her former pain and sorrow.  
And the tabernacle of our human nature,  
with the deification of the substance that  
was assumed, has been designated as the  
temple of God. Oh, the mystery! The manner  
of the emptying is unknowable, the manner  
of conception ineffable. An Angel administers  
the miracle; the virgin womb welcomes the  
Son into itself. The Holy Spirit is sent down;  
above the Father gives His consent, and  
the transaction is effected according to the  
common wish. So, therein and thereby being  
saved, let us therefore cry aloud to the Virgin  
with Gabriel: "Rejoice, O Maiden full of grace,  
for with you is the Lord, our salvation, Christ  
our God who from you did assume our own  
nature, which He thereby led back to himself.



**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ**

**Ὡδὴν τοῦ Θεοδόχου Συμεών.**

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

**ΛΑΟΣ**

**Τρισάγιον.**

Ἅγιος ὁ Θεός, ἅγιος Ἰσχυρός, ἅγιος  
Ἀθάνατος, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. (ἐκ γ')

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι.  
Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν  
αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Παναγία Τριάς, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. Κύριε,  
ἱλάσθητι ταῖς ἁμαρτίαις ἡμῶν. Δέσποτα,  
συγχώρησον τὰς ἀνομίας ἡμῖν. Ἅγιε,  
ἐπίσκεψαι καὶ ἰάσαι τὰς ἀσθενείας ἡμῶν,  
ἐνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου.

Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,  
ἐλέησον.

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι.  
Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν  
αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Πάτερ ἡμῶν ὁ ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς,  
ἁγιασθήτω τὸ ὄνομά σου. Ἐλθέτω ἡ  
βασιλεία σου. Γενηθήτω τὸ θέλημά σου,  
ὡς ἐν οὐρανῷ καὶ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς. Τὸν ἄρτον  
ἡμῶν τὸν ἐπιούσιον δὸς ἡμῖν σήμερον. Καὶ  
ἄφες ἡμῖν τὰ ὀφειλήματα ἡμῶν, ὡς καὶ  
ἡμεῖς ἀφίεμεν τοῖς ὀφειλέταις ἡμῶν. Καὶ μὴ

To Him pray fervently, entreating Him to  
save our souls." [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. [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.

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.



εἰσενέγκης ἡμᾶς εἰς πειρασμόν, ἀλλὰ ρῦσαι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ τοῦ πονηροῦ.

### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὅτι σοῦ ἐστὶν ἡ βασιλεία καὶ ἡ δύναμις καὶ ἡ δόξα τοῦ Πατρὸς καὶ τοῦ Υἱοῦ καὶ τοῦ Ἁγίου Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(*Ἀμήν.*)

### ΧΟΡΟΣ

Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

### Ἀπολυτίκιον τῆς Ἑορτῆς. Ἦχος δ'.

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ κεφάλαιον, καὶ τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις· ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱὸς τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καὶ Γαβριὴλ τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζειται. Διὸ καὶ ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ τῇ Θεοτόκῳ βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε Κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ. (ἐκ γ')

### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(*Κύριε, ἐλέησον.*)

### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εὐλογία Κυρίου καὶ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ ἔλθοι ἐφ' ὑμᾶς, τῇ αὐτοῦ θεία χάριτι καὶ φιλανθρωπία πάντοτε, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(*Ἀμήν.*)

Στερεώσαι, Κύριος ὁ Θεός, τὴν ἁγίαν καὶ ἀμώμητον πίστιν τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων Χριστιανῶν, σὺν τῇ ἁγίᾳ αὐτοῦ Ἐκκλησίᾳ καὶ τῇ πόλει ταύτῃ εἰς αἰῶνας αἰώνων.

### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Ἀμήν.

*Εἰ βούλει, τὸ ἐξῆς·*

### 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 ---

### Ἀpolytikion of the Feast. Mode 4.

Today is the summary of our salvation, and the revelation of the age-old mystery. For the Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel announces the good news of grace. Therefore, let us join him, and cry aloud to the Theotokos: "Rejoice, Maiden full of grace! The Lord is with you." (3) [SD]

### DEACON

Let us pray to the Lord.

(*Lord, have mercy.*)

### PRIEST

May the blessing and the mercy of the Lord come upon you by His divine grace and love for mankind, 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.

*Optional:*

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ**

Υπεραγία Θεοτόκε, σῶσον ἡμᾶς.

**ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ**

Τὴν τιμιωτέραν τῶν Χερουβείμ, καὶ ἐνδοξοτέραν, ἀσυγκρίτως τῶν Σεραφεείμ, τὴν ἀδιαφθόρως, Θεὸν Λόγον τεκοῦσαν, τὴν ὄντως Θεοτόκον, σὲ μεγαλύνομεν.

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ**

Δόξα σοι, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, ἡ ἐλπίς ἡμῶν, δόξα σοι.

**ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ**

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Κύριε, ἐλέησον. (ἐκ γ') Εὐλόγησον.

**ΙΕΡΕΥΣ**

Ὁ δι' ἡμᾶς τοὺς ἀνθρώπους καὶ διὰ τὴν ἡμετέραν σωτηρίαν ἐκ Πνεύματος ἁγίου καὶ Μαρίας τῆς Παρθένου σαρκωθῆναι καταδεξάμενος, Χριστὸς ὁ ἀληθινὸς Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς παναχράντου καὶ παναμώμου ἁγίας αὐτοῦ Μητρός, ἧς καὶ τὸν Εὐαγγελισμόν ἐορτάζομεν· 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 Ἁγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ)· τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων Θεοπατόρων Ἰωακείμ καὶ Ἄννης, καὶ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων, ἐλεῆσαι καὶ σῶσαι ἡμᾶς, ὡς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθρωπος.

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

(Ἀμήν.)

**PRIEST**

*Most-holy Theotokos, save us.*

**READER**

*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.*

**PRIEST**

Glory to You, O Christ God, our hope. Glory to You.

**READER**

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 for us men and for our salvation condescended to become incarnate of the the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-pure and all-immaculate holy Mother, whose Annunciation we celebrate; 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.

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

(Amen.)