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Μνήμη τοῦ Ἁγίου Προφήτου Ἡλίου

ΕΣΠΕΡΙΝΟΣ

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εὐλογητὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν πάντοτε, νῦν
καὶ ἀεὶ 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 δέῃον, 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 αἵωνος. Ἄβυσσος ὡς ἱμάτιον
τὸ περιβόλαιον αὐτοῦ, ἐπὶ τῶν ὀρέων
στήσονται ὕδατα. Ἀπὸ ἐπιτιμῆσεώς
σου φεύξονται, ἀπὸ φωνῆς βροντῆς
σου δειλιάσουσιν. Ἀναβαίνουσιν ὄρη,
καὶ καταβαίνουσιν πεδία εἰς τόπον, ὃν
ἐθεμελίωσας αὐτά. Ὅριον ἔθου, ὃ οὐ

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PRIEST

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

(Amen.)

READER

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

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

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

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
a boundary they shall not pass over; neither

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, ἃς
ἐφύτευσας. Ἐκεῖ στρουθία ἐννοσσεύσουσι,
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
πρὸς σὲ προσδοκῶσι, δοῦναι τὴν τροφήν

shall they return to cover the earth. You are
He who sends springs into the valley; the
waters shall pass between the mountains; they
shall give drink to all the wild animals of the
field; the wild asses shall quench their thirst;
the birds of heaven shall dwell beside them;
they shall sing from the midst of the rocks.
You are He who waters the mountains from
His higher places; the earth shall be satisfied
with the fruit of Your works. You are He who
causes grass to grow for the cattle, and the
green plant for the service of man, to bring
forth bread from the earth; and wine gladdens
the heart of man, to brighten his face with oil;
and bread strengthens man's heart. The trees
of the plain shall be full of fruit, the cedars
of Lebanon, which You planted; there the
sparrows shall make their nests; the house
of the heron takes the lead among them.
The high mountains are for the deer; the
cliff is a refuge for the rabbits. He made the
moon for seasons; the sun knows its setting.
You established darkness, and it was night,
wherein all the wild animals of the forest
will prowl about; the young lions roar and
snatch their prey, and seek their food from
God. The sun arises, and they are gathered
together; and they shall be put to bed in their
dens. Man shall go out to his work and to his
labor until evening. O Lord, Your works shall
be magnified greatly; You made all things
in wisdom; the earth was filled with Your
creation. There is this great and spacious sea:
the creeping things are there without number;
the living things are there, both small and
great; there the ships pass through; there is
this dragon You formed to play therein. All
things wait upon You, that You may give

αὐτῶν εἰς 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 ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν
 αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

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

Ἡ ἐλπίς ἡμῶν, Κύριε, δόξα σοι.

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

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

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

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

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

Our hope, O Lord, glory to You.

Απαγγελλομένου επίσης τοῦ Προοιμιακοῦ, ὁ Ἱερεὺς ἵσταται ἀσκεπής 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 ποίησον 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

Ὅ τοῖς ἀσιγήτοις ὕμνοις καὶ ἀπαύστοις δοξολογίαις ὑπὸ τῶν ἁγίων δυνάμεων ἀννυμνούμενος, 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. ^[EL]

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. ^[EL]

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. ^[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]

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 ἐπιοῦσαν 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 ἀγίας
Τραπεζῆς, 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. ^[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

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 ἀγίων τοῦ Θεοῦ Ἐκκλησιῶν καὶ τῆς τῶν πάντων ἐνώσεως, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ ἀγίου 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.)

*Ἀναγινώσκεται ἡ πρώτη στάσις τοῦ 1ου
Καθίσματος τοῦ Ψαλτηρίου. Γίνεται καὶ μικρὰ
Συναπτή.*

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Ἔτι καὶ ἔτι ἐν εἰρήνῃ 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

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.)

*The first stanza of Kathisma 1 of the Psalter may be
read, followed by the short litany.*

DEACON

Again and again, in peace, 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

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

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

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

(Ἀμήν.)

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ἦχος α'.

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 ἐσπερινή. Εἰσάκουσόν μου,
Κύριε.

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
ἀμαρτίαις.

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

Παιδεύσει με δίκαιος ἐν ἐλέει, καὶ ἐλέγξει με,
ἔλαιον δὲ ἀμαρτωλοῦ 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·
ὥσπερ πάχος γῆς ἐρράγη ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, διεσκορπίσθη τὰ
ὀστᾶ αὐτῶν παρὰ τὸν ἄδην.

ourselves and one another and our whole life to
Christ our God.

(To You, O Lord.)

PRIEST

For Yours is the dominion, and Yours 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

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]

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.

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 ἀμφιβλήστῳ αὐτῶν οἱ ἀμαρτωλοί· 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.

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 οὗ ἀνταποδῶς μοι.

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

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

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.

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.

Στιχηρά. Τοῦ Προφήτου.

Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

Ἦχος α΄. Τῶν οὐρανίων ταγμάτων.

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

Ὁ τὸν Θεοβίτην Ἠλίαν, πυρίνῳ ἄρματι,
ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς οἰκτίρμον, μεταθέμενος Λόγε,
ταῖς τούτου ἰκεσίαις, σῶσον ἡμᾶς τοὺς
πιστῶς σε δοξάζοντας, καὶ τὴν αὐτοῦ
ἐκτελοῦντας χαρμονικῶς, θείαν μνήμην καὶ
σεβάσμιον.

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

Ὁ τὸν Θεοβίτην Ἠλίαν, πυρίνῳ ἄρματι,
ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς οἰκτίρμον, μεταθέμενος Λόγε,
ταῖς τούτου ἰκεσίαις, σῶσον ἡμᾶς τοὺς
πιστῶς σε δοξάζοντας, καὶ τὴν αὐτοῦ
ἐκτελοῦντας χαρμονικῶς, θείαν μνήμην καὶ
σεβάσμιον.

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

Οὐ συσσεισμῷ ἀλλ' ἐν αὐρᾷ, λεπτῇ
τεθέασαι, Θεοῦ τὴν παρουσίαν, Ἡλιοῦ
θεομάκαρ, φωτίζουσάν σε πάλαι, ἄρματι
δέ, ἐποχούμενος τέθριππος, τὸν οὐρανὸν
διΐππεύεις ξενοπρεπῶς, θαυμαζόμενος
θεόπνευστε.

Stichera. For the Prophet.

From Menaion ---

Mode 1. For the celestial orders.

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

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

[SD]

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

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

[SD]

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

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

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

Οὐ συσσεισμῷ ἀλλ' ἐν αὐρᾷ, λεπτῇ
τεθέασαι, Θεοῦ τὴν παρουσίαν, Ἥλιου
θεομάκαρ, φωτίζουσάν σε πάλαι, ἄρματι
δέ, ἐποχούμενος τέθριππος, τὸν οὐρανὸν
διῦππεύεις ξενοπρεπῶς, θαυμαζόμενος
θεόπνευστε.

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

Τοὺς ἱερεῖς τῆς αἰσχύνης, ξίφει
κατέσφαξας, τὸν οὐρανὸν τῇ γλώττῃ, ἐπὶ
γῆς τοῦ μὴ βρέχειν, ἐπέσχες ζήλω θείῳ
πυρποληθείς, Ἐλισαῖον δὲ ἔπλησας, τῆς
μηλωτῆς ἐπιδόσει διπλῆς σοφέ, Ἥλιου
ἐνθέου χάριτος.

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

Τοὺς ἱερεῖς τῆς αἰσχύνης, ξίφει
κατέσφαξας, τὸν οὐρανὸν τῇ γλώττῃ, ἐπὶ
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ἐνθέου χάριτος.

Δόξα.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Ἦχος πλ. β'.

Δεῦτε τῶν ὀρθοδόξων τὸ σύστημα,
συναθροισθέντες σήμερον, ἐν τῷ
πανσέπτῳ ναῷ τῶν θεηγόρων Προφητῶν,
ψαλμικῶς ἄσωμεν ἐναρμόνιον μέλος,
τῷ τούτους δοξάσαντι, Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ

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

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

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

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

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

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

Glory.

From Menaion - - -

Mode pl. 2.

Come, gathering of the orthodox,
assembled today in the all-honoured temple
of the inspired Prophets, let us sing in
psalms a harmonious melody to Him who
glorified them, Christ our God, and let us

ἡμῶν, καὶ ἐν χαρᾷ καὶ ἀγαλλιάσει
ἀναβοήσωμεν· Χαίροις ἐπίγειε ἄγγελε,
καὶ οὐράνιε ἄνθρωπε, Ἡλία μεγαλύνουμε.
Χαίροις ὁ διπλὴν τὴν χάριν παρὰ Θεοῦ
κομισάμενος, Ἐλισαῖε πανσεβάσμιε·
Χαίρετε ἀντιλήπτορες θερμοί, καὶ
προστάται καὶ ἰατροί, τῶν ψυχῶν καὶ τῶν
σωμάτων τοῦ φιλοχρίστου λαοῦ, ἀπὸ πάσης
προσβολῆς ἐναντίας καὶ περιστάσεως,
καὶ παντοίων κινδύνων λυτρώσασθε,
τοὺς πιστῶς ἐκτελοῦντας, τὴν πανέορτον
μνήμην ὑμῶν.

Τῆς Οκτωήχου ---

Καὶ νῦν. **Ἦχος γ'.**

Τὸ α' Θεοτοκίον τοῦ Ἦχου.

Πῶς μὴ θαυμάσωμεν, τὸν θεανδρικόν
σου Τόκον Πανσεβάσμιε; πεῖραν γὰρ
ἄνδρὸς μὴ δεξαμένη Πανάμωμε, ἔτεκες
ἀπάτορα Υἱὸν ἐν σαρκί, τὸν πρὸ αἰώνων
ἐκ Πατρὸς γεννηθέντα ἀμήτορα, μηδαμῶς
ὑπομείναντα τροπὴν, ἢ φυρμόν, ἢ διαίρεσιν,
ἀλλ' ἑκατέρας οὐσίας τὴν ιδιότητα, σῶαν
φυλάξαντα. Διὸ Μητροπάρθενε Δέσποινα,
αὐτόν ἰκέτευε σωθῆναι, τὰς ψυχὰς τῶν
ὀρθοδόξως, Θεοτόκον ὁμολογούντων σε.

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 ἐκκλίνης τὰς καρδίας ἡμῶν εἰς
λόγους, ἢ εἰς λογισμοὺς πονηρίας, ἀλλὰ ῥῦσαι ἡμᾶς
ἐκ πάντων τῶν θηρευόντων τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν· ὅτι

cry out with joy and gladness: Hail, angel
on earth and man of heaven, glorious Elias.
Hail, all-honoured Elissaios, who received
double grace from God. Hail, fervent helpers,
defenders and physicians of both souls and
bodies of the people which loves Christ. From
every hostile assault and calamity, from every
kind of danger deliver those who celebrate
with faith your festive memorial. [EL]

From Octoechos ---

Both now. **Mode 3.**

The First Theotokion of the Mode.

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

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, ἰδόντες φῶς ἐσπερινόν, ὑμνοῦμεν Πατέρα, Υἱόν, καὶ ἅγιον Πνεῦμα Θεόν. Ἀξιόν σε ἐν πᾶσι καιροῖς, ὑμνεῖσθαι φωναῖς αἰσίαις, Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ζωὴν ὁ διδούς· * διὸ ὁ κόσμος σὲ δοξάζει.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Ἐσπέρας Προκείμενον.

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Προκείμενον. Ἦχος βαρύς.

Ὁ Θεός, ἀντιλήπτωρ μου εἶ· τὸ ἔλεός σου προφθάσει με. (δίς)

Στίχ. Ἐξελοῦ με ἐκ τῶν ἐχθρῶν μου, ὁ Θεός, καὶ ἐκ τῶν ἐπανισταμένων ἐπ' ἐμὲ λύτρωσαί με.

Ὁ Θεός, ἀντιλήπτωρ μου εἶ· τὸ ἔλεός σου προφθάσει με.

Τὰ Ἀναγνώσματα

Τοῦ Μηναίου --

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Βασιλειῶν Γ' τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Κεφ. 17, 1-24

Ἐγένετο λόγος Κυρίου πρὸς Ἡλιοῦ τὸν Προφήτην, καὶ εἶπε πρὸς Ἀχαάβ· Ζῇ Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς τῶν δυνάμεων, ὁ Θεὸς Ἰσραὴλ ᾧ

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]

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 Third Book of the Kingdoms (1 Kings).

DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

READER

17:1-24

Now Elijah the Tishbite from Tishbe in Gilead said to Ahab, "As the Lord God of Hosts lives, the God of all Israel before whom

παρέστην ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ σήμερον, εἰ ἔσται τὰ ἔτη ταῦτα δρόσος καὶ ὑετός, εἰ μὴ διὰ στόματός μου. Καὶ ἐγένετο ῥῆμα Κυρίου πρὸς Ἡλιοῦ, λέγον· Πορεύου ἐντεῦθεν κατ' ἀνατολάς, καὶ κρύβηθι ἐν τῷ χειμάρρῳ Χορράθ, τῷ ἐπὶ προσώπου Ἰορδάνου, καὶ ἔσται ἐκ τοῦ χειμάρρου πίεσαι ὕδωρ, καὶ τοῖς κόραξιν ἐντελοῦμαι τοῦ διατρέφειν σε ἐκεῖ. Καὶ ἐπορεύθη, καὶ ἐκάθισεν ἐν τῷ χειμάρρῳ Χορράθ, ἐπὶ πρόσωπον τοῦ Ἰορδάνου, καὶ οἱ κόρακες ἔφερον αὐτῷ ἄρτους τὸ πρωῒ, καὶ κρέας τὸ δείλης, καὶ ἐκ τοῦ χειμάρρου ἔπινεν ὕδωρ. Καὶ ἐγένετο μεθ' ἡμέρας, καὶ ἐξηράνθη ὁ χειμάρρος, ὅτι οὐκ ἐγένετο ὑετός ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς. Καὶ ἐγένετο ῥῆμα Κυρίου πρὸς Ἡλιοῦ, λέγων· Ἀνάστηθι καὶ πορεύθητι εἰς Σαρεφθὰ τῆς Σιδωνίας, καὶ καθίση ἐκεῖ, καὶ ἰδοὺ ἐντελοῦμαι γυναικὶ χήρᾳ τοῦ διατρέφειν σε. Καὶ ἀνέστη, καὶ ἐπορεύθη εἰς Σαρεφθὰ, εἰς τὸν πυλῶνα τῆς πόλεως. Καὶ ἰδοὺ ἐκεῖ γυνὴ χήρα συνέλεγε ξύλα, καὶ ἐβόησεν Ἡλιοῦ ὀπίσω αὐτῆς, καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῇ· Λάβε δὴ μοι ὀλίγον ὕδωρ εἰς ἄγγος, καὶ πίομαι. Καὶ ἐπορεύθη λαβεῖν. Καὶ ἐβόησεν Ἡλιοῦ ὀπίσω αὐτῆς, καὶ εἶπε· Λήψη δὴ μοι καὶ ψωμὸν ἄρτου ἐν τῇ χειρὶ σου. Καὶ εἶπεν ἡ γυνή· Ζῆ Κύριος ὁ Θεός σου, εἰ ἔστι μοι ἐγκρυφίας, ἀλλ' ἢ ὅσον δρᾶξ ἀλεύρου ἐν τῇ ὑδρίᾳ, καὶ ὀλίγον ἔλαιον ἐν τῷ καμψάκῃ· καὶ ἰδοὺ συλλέγω δύο ξυλάρια, καὶ εἰσελεύσομαι, καὶ ποιήσω αὐτὸ ἐμαυτῇ καὶ τοῖς τέκνοις μου, καὶ φαγόμεθα καὶ ἀποθανούμεθα. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιοῦ πρὸς αὐτήν· θάρσει, εἰσελθε, καὶ ποιήσον κατὰ τὸ ῥῆμά σου, ἀλλὰ ποιήσόν μοι ἐκεῖθεν ἐγκρυφίαν μικρόν ἐν πρώτοις, καὶ ἐξοίσεις μοι, σεαυτῇ δὴ καὶ τοῖς τέκνοις σου ποιήσεις ἐπ' ἐσχάτων,

I stand, there shall not be any dew nor rain during these years except at my word." Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Depart and go eastward, and hide by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan. You shall drink water from the brook, and I shall command the ravens to feed you there." So Elijah went and obeyed the word of the Lord, and stayed by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan. The ravens brought him bread in the morning and meat in the evening, and he drank water from the brook. But after a while the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land. Again the word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Arise, go to Zarephath of Sidon and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you." So he arose and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the city, there was a widow gathering firewood. Elijah called to her and said, "Please bring me a little water in a cup so I can drink." She went to get it, and Elijah called after her and said, "Please bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But the woman said, "As the Lord your God lives, I do not have any bread, only a handful of flour in a bin, and a little oil in a jar. You see I am gathering a couple of sticks, so I can go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." But Elijah said to her, "Take courage, and do as you say, but make me a small cake from it first and bring it to me. Afterward make some for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord, 'The bin of flour shall not be used up, and the jar of oil shall not run dry, until the day the Lord sends rain on the earth.' " So the woman went and did it. Thus she and he

ὅτι τάδε λέγει Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς Ἰσραήλ. Ἡ ὑδρία τοῦ ἀλεύρου οὐκ ἐκλείψει καὶ ὁ καμψάκης τοῦ ἐλαίου οὐκ ἐλαττονήσεται ἕως ἡμέρας τοῦ δοῦναι Κύριον τὸν Θεὸν ὑετὸν ἐπὶ προσώπου πάσης τῆς γῆς. Καὶ ἐπορεύθη ἡ γυνή, καὶ ἐποίησε κατὰ τὸ ῥῆμα Ἡλίου, καὶ ἥσθιεν αὐτὸς καὶ αὐτή, καὶ τὰ τέκνα αὐτῆς. Καὶ ἀπὸ τῆς ἡμέρας ταύτης ἡ ὑδρία τοῦ ἀλεύρου οὐκ ἐξέλιπε, καὶ ὁ καμψάκης τοῦ ἐλαίου οὐκ ἐλαττονήθη, κατὰ τὸ ῥῆμα Κυρίου, ὃ ἐλάλησεν ἐν χειρὶ Ἡλίου. Καὶ ἐγένετο μετὰ τὰ ῥήματα ταῦτα, καὶ ἠρρώσθησεν ὁ υἱὸς τῆς γυναικός, τῆς κυρίας τοῦ οἴκου, καὶ ἡ ἀρρώστια αὐτοῦ κραταιὰ σφόδρα, ἕως οὐχ ὑπελείφθη ἐν αὐτῷ πνεῦμα. Καὶ εἶπεν ἡ γυνή πρὸς Ἡλίον· τί ἐμοὶ καὶ σοί, ἄνθρωπε τοῦ Θεοῦ; εἰσηλθες πρὸς με τοῦ ἀναμνησαί τὰς ἀμαρτίας μου, καὶ θανατῶσαι τὸν υἱόν μου; Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλίου πρὸς αὐτήν· Δὸς μοι τὸν υἱόν σου. Καὶ ἔλαβεν αὐτὸν ἐκ τοῦ κόλπου αὐτῆς, καὶ ἀνήνεγκεν αὐτὸν ἐπὶ τὸ ὑπερῶν, ἐν ᾧ αὐτὸς ἐκάθητο ἐκεῖ, καὶ ἐκοίμισεν αὐτὸν ἐπὶ τῆς κλίνης αὐτοῦ. Καὶ ἀνεβόησεν Ἡλίου, καὶ εἶπεν· Οἴμοι! Κύριε, ὁ μάρτυς τῆς χήρας, μεθ' ἧς ἐγὼ κατοικῶ μετ' αὐτῆς, σὺ ἐκάκωσας τοῦ θανατῶσαι τὸν υἱὸν αὐτῆς. Καὶ ἐνεφύσησε τῷ παιδαρίῳ τρίς, καὶ ἐπεκαλέσατο τὸν Κύριον, καὶ εἶπε· Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου, ἐπιστραφήτω δὴ ἡ ψυχὴ τοῦ παιδαρίου τούτου εἰς αὐτό. Καὶ ἐγένετο οὕτω, καὶ ἀνεβόησε, καὶ ἤκουσε Κύριος ἐν φωνῇ Ἡλίου, καὶ ἐπεστράφη ἡ ψυχὴ τοῦ παιδαρίου πρὸς ἔγκατον αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἔζησε. Καὶ ἔλαβεν Ἡλίας τὸ παιδάριον, καὶ κατήγαγεν αὐτὸ ἀπὸ τοῦ ὑπερώου εἰς τὸν οἶκον, καὶ ἔδωκεν αὐτὸ τῇ μητρὶ αὐτοῦ, καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλίου· Βλέπε, ζῇ ὁ υἱός σου. Καὶ εἶπεν

and her children ate for many days. The bin of flour was not used up, and the jar of oil did not run dry, according to the word the Lord spoke by Elijah. Now after this, the son of the woman who owned the house became sick. His sickness was so serious there was no breath left in him. So she said to Elijah, "What have I to do with you, O man of God? You came to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to kill my son." But Elijah said to her, "Give me your son." So he took him out of her arms and carried him to the upper room where he was staying, and laid him on his bed. Then Elijah cried out to the Lord and said, "Woe is me, O Lord! The witness of the widow with whom I lodge, you have embittered her by killing her son." Then he stretched himself out on the child three times, and called on the Lord and said, "O Lord my God, let the soul of this child come back to him." So it happened, and the child cried out. He took the child and brought him down from the upper room of the house, and gave him to his mother. Elijah said, "Behold, your son lives." Then the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and the word of the Lord in your mouth is the truth." [SAAS]

ἡ γυνὴ πρὸς Ἡλίου. Ἴδου τοῦτο ἔγνωκα, ὅτι
σὺ ἄνθρωπος εἶ τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ ῥῆμα Κυρίου
ἐν τῷ στόματί σου ἀληθινόν.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Βασιλειῶν Γ' τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Κεφ. 18, 1, 17-46 καὶ 19, 1-16

Ἐγένετο ῥῆμα Κυρίου πρὸς Ἡλίου
τὸν Θεσβίτην ἐν τῷ ἐνιαυτῷ τῷ τρίτῳ,
λέγον· Πορεύθητι, καὶ ὄφθητι τῷ Ἀχαάβ,
καὶ δώσω τὸν ὑετὸν ἐπὶ προσώπου τῆς
γῆς. Καὶ ἐγένετο, ὡς εἶδεν Ἀχαάβ τὸν
Ἡλίου, καὶ εἶπε πρὸς αὐτόν· Σὺ εἶ αὐτὸς ὁ
διαστρέφων τὸν Ἰσραήλ; Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλίου·
Οὐ διαστρέφω ἐγὼ τὸν Ἰσραήλ, ἀλλ' ἡ
σύ, καὶ ὁ οἶκος τοῦ πατρός σου, ἐν τῷ
καταλιμπάνειν ὑμᾶς Κύριον τὸν Θεὸν
ἡμῶν, καὶ ἐπορεύθητε ὀπίσω τοῦ Βάαλ. Καὶ
νῦν ἀπόστειλον, καὶ συνάθροισον πρὸς με
πάντα, Ἰσραὴλ εἰς τὸ ὄρος τὸ Καρμήλιον,
καὶ τοὺς προφήτας τοῦ Βάαλ, τετρακοσίους
καὶ πεντήκοντα, καὶ τοὺς προφήτας τῶν
ἁλσῶν τετρακοσίους, ἐσθίοντας τράπεζαν
Ἰεζάβελ. Καὶ ἀπέστειλεν Ἀχαάβ εἰς πάντα
Ἰσραὴλ, καὶ ἐπισυνήγαγε πάντας τοὺς
προφήτας εἰς τὸ ὄρος τὸ Καρμήλιον.
Καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Ἡλίου· Ἔως πότε ὑμεῖς
χωλανεῖτε ἐπ' ἀμφοτέραις ταῖς ἰγνύαις
ὑμῶν; Εἰ ἔστι Κύριος ὁ Θεός, πορεύεσθε
ὀπίσω αὐτοῦ, εἰ δὲ ὁ Βάαλ αὐτός, πορεύεσθε
ὀπίσω αὐτοῦ. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλίου πρὸς τὸν
λαόν· Ἐγὼ ὑπολέλειμμαι προφήτης τοῦ
Κυρίου μονώτατος, καὶ οἱ προφῆται τοῦ
ἁλσους σφόδρα πολλοί. Δότωσαν οὖν ἡμῖν

READER

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

DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

READER

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

It came to pass many days later, in the
third year, the word of the Lord came to
Elijah, saying, "Go and appear to Ahab, and
I will send rain on the earth." When Ahab
saw Elijah, Ahab said to him, "Are you the
one who is troubling Israel?" Elijah answered,
"I have not troubled Israel, but rather you
and the house of your father, in that you
forsook the Lord your God and followed after
the Baals. Now therefore, send and gather
all Israel to me on Mount Carmel, the four
hundred and fifty prophets of shame, and the
four hundred prophets of the sacred groves
who eat at Jezebel's table." So Ahab went
back to Israel and gathered all the prophets
on Mount Carmel. Then Elijah came near
to all of them and said, "How long will you
be undecided between two opinions? If the
Lord is God, follow Him, but if Baal, follow
him." But the people did not answer. Then
Elijah said to the people, "I alone remain
as a prophet of the Lord, but there are four
hundred and fifty men who are prophets
of Baal and four hundred prophets of the
sacred groves. Let them give us two oxen.
Then let them choose one bull for themselves,
to be cut into pieces and laid on the wood;

δύο βόας καὶ ἐκλεξάσθωσαν ἑαυτοῖς τὸν
 ἕνα, καὶ μελισάτωσαν, καὶ ἐπιθέτωσαν ἐπὶ
 τῶν ξύλων, καὶ πῦρ μὴ ἐπιθέτωσαν. Καὶ
 ἐγὼ ποιήσω τὸν βούν τὸν ἄλλον, καὶ πῦρ μὴ
 ἐπιθῶ. Καὶ βοᾶτε ἐν ὀνόματι τοῦ Θεοῦ ὑμῶν
 καὶ ἐγὼ ἐπικαλέσομαι ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Κυρίου
 τοῦ Θεοῦ μου. Καὶ ἔσται ὁ Θεὸς ὃς ἂν
 ἀκούσῃ ἐν πυρί, οὗτος Θεός. Καὶ ἀπεκρίθη
 πᾶς ὁ λαὸς καὶ εἶπε· καλὸν τὸ ῥῆμα, ὃ
 ἐλάλησας σήμερον. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιοῦ τοῖς
 προφήταις τῆς αἰσχύνης. Ἐκλέξασθε
 ἑαυτοῖς τὸν μόσχον τὸν ἕνα, καὶ ποιήσατε
 πρῶτοι, καὶ ἐπικαλεῖσθε ἐν ὀνόματι Θεοῦ
 ὑμῶν, καὶ πῦρ μὴ ἐπιθῆτε. Καὶ ἔλαβον
 τὸν μόσχον, καὶ ἐποίησαν οὕτω, καὶ
 ἐπεκάλουν τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ Βάαλ ἐκ πρωΐας
 ἕως μεσημβρίας, λέγοντες· Ἐπάκουσον
 ἡμῶν, ὁ Βάαλ, ἐπάκουσον ἡμῶν, καὶ οὐκ ἦν
 φωνή, καὶ οὐκ ἦν ἀκρόασις, καὶ διέτρεχον
 ἐπὶ τοῦ θυσιαστηρίου, οὗ ἐποίησαν. Καὶ
 ἐγένετο μεσημβρία, καὶ ἐμυκτήρισεν αὐτοὺς
 Ἡλιοῦ ὁ Θεσβίτης, καὶ εἶπεν· Ἐπικαλεῖσθε
 ἐν φωνῇ μεγάλη, ὅτι ἀδολεσχία ἐστὶ τῷ Θεῷ
 ὑμῶν. Καὶ ἐγένετο, ὡς ὁ καιρὸς ἔστη τοῦ
 ἀναβῆναι τὴν θυσίαν, καὶ οὐκ ἦν, ἐλάλησεν
 Ἡλιοῦ ὁ Θεσβίτης πρὸς τοὺς προφήτας τῶν
 προσοχθισμάτων, λέγων· Μετάστητε ἀπὸ
 τοῦ νῦν, καὶ ἐγὼ ποιήσω τὸ ὀλοκαύτωμά
 μου. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιοῦ πρὸς τὸν λαόν·
 Προσαγάγετε πρὸς με, καὶ προσήγαγε
 πρὸς αὐτὸν πᾶς ὁ λαός. Καὶ ἔλαβεν Ἡλιοῦ
 δώδεκα λίθους κατὰ ἀριθμὸν τῶν δώδεκα
 φυλῶν τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ, ὡς ἐλάλησε πρὸς αὐτὸν
 Κύριος, λέγων· Ἰσραὴλ ἔσται τὸ ὄνομά σου.
 Καὶ ῥυτιδίσθησαν οἱ λίθοι, καὶ ἰάσατο τὸ
 θυσιαστήριον Κυρίου τὸ κατεσκευασμένον,
 καὶ ἐποίησε θαλάμω, χωροῦσαν δύο
 μετρητάς σπέρματος κύκλωθεν τοῦ

but they shall not light a fire under it. I will
 prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood;
 and I will not light a fire under it. Then you
 will call loudly on the name of your gods,
 and I will call on the name of the Lord, my
 God. So it shall come to pass that the God
 who answers by fire, He is God." So all the
 people answered and said, "The word you
 have spoken is good." "Choose one calf for
 yourselves and prepare it, for there are many
 of you. Then call on the name of your god,
 but do not put fire to the wood under it." So
 they took a calf and prepared it, and called on
 the name of Baal from morning until noon,
 saying, "Hear us, O Baal, hear us." But there
 was no voice, for no one answered, and they
 ran about the altar they had made. Then it
 came to pass at noon that Elijah the Tishbite
 mocked them and said, "Cry out with a loud
 voice, for he is a god; for either he is away
 meditating, or he is too busy, or preoccupied
 with other business. Perhaps he is sleeping
 and has need to be awakened from his nap."
 When the appointed time to offer the evening
 sacrifice, but even still, there was no voice.
 Finally, Elijah the Tishbite spoke to the
 prophets of the idols, saying, "Now remove
 yourselves from this place, for I will offer my
 whole burnt offering." And they turned away
 and departed. Then Elijah said to the people,
 "Come near me." So all the people came near
 to him. Elijah took twelve stones, according
 to the number of the tribes of Israel, for the
 Lord said, "Israel shall be your name." Then
 he built an altar with the stones in the name of
 the Lord, and he repaired the altar of sacrifice
 that was scattered about, and around the altar
 he made a furrow holding two measures of

θυσιαστηρίου. Καὶ ἐπέθηκε τὰς σχίδακας ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον ὃ ἐποίησε, καὶ ἐμέλισε τὸ ὀλοκαύτωμα, καὶ ἐπέθηκεν εἰς τὰς σχίδακας, καὶ ἐστοίβασεν ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιὸν· Λάβετε μοι δύο ὑδρίας ὕδατος, καὶ ἐπιχεέτωσαν ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριον, ἐπὶ τὸ ὀλοκαύτωμα καὶ ἐπὶ τὰς σχίδακας. Καὶ εἶπεν· Δευτερώσατε, καὶ ἐδευτέρωσαν. Τρισεύσατε, καὶ ἐτρίσευσαν. Καὶ διεπορεύετο τὸ ὕδωρ κύκλῳ τοῦ θυσιαστηρίου, καὶ τὴν θαλαᾶ ἔπλησεν ὕδατος, καὶ ἀνεβόησεν Ἡλιὸν εἰς τὸν οὐρανόν, καὶ εἶπε· Κύριε ὁ Θεός, Ἀβραάμ, καὶ Ἰσαὰκ καὶ Ἰακώβ, ἐπάκουσόν μου σήμερον ἐν πυρὶ. Καὶ γνώτωσαν ὁ λαὸς οὗτος, ὅτι σὺ εἶ μόνος Κύριος, ὁ Θεὸς Ἰσραὴλ, καὶ ἐγὼ δοῦλος σός, καὶ διὰ σὲ πεποίηκα ταῦτα πάντα, καὶ σὺ ἐπέστρεψας τὴν καρδίαν τοῦ λαοῦ τούτου ὀπίσω σου. Καὶ ἔπεσε πῦρ παρὰ Κυρίου ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ, καὶ κατέφαγε τὸ ὀλοκαύτωμα καὶ τὰς σχίδακας, καὶ τὸ ὕδωρ τὸ ἐν τῇ θαλαᾷ, καὶ τοὺς λίθους, καὶ τὸν χοῦν ἐξέλειξε τὸ πῦρ. Καὶ ἔπεσε πᾶς ὁ λαὸς ἐπὶ πρόσωπον αὐτῶν, καὶ εἶπεν· Ἀληθῶς Κύριος ὁ Θεός, αὐτὸς ἐστὶν ὁ Θεός. Καὶ εἶπε Ἡλιὸν πρὸς τὸν λαόν· Συλλάβετε τοὺς προφῆτας τοῦ Βάαλ, μηδεὶς σωθήτω ἐξ αὐτῶν. Καὶ συνέλαβον αὐτούς, καὶ κατήγαγεν αὐτοὺς Ἡλιὸν εἰς τὸν χειμάρρουν Κισσών, καὶ ἐκεῖ αὐτοὺς ἀπέκτεινε. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλιὸν μετὰ ταῦτα τῷ Ἀχαάβ· Φωνὴ ποδῶν τοῦ ὑετοῦ· ζεῦξον τὸ ἄρμα σου καὶ κατάβηθι, μὴ καταλάβῃ σε ὁ ὑετός. Καὶ Ἡλιὸν ἀνέβη ἐπὶ τὸν Κάρμηλον, καὶ ἔκυψεν ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, καὶ ἔθηκε τὸ πρόσωπον αὐτοῦ ἀναμέσον τῶν γονάτων αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἠΰξατο πρὸς Κύριον. Καὶ ὁ οὐρανὸς συνεσκότασεν

seed. He piled the firewood on the altar he had made, divided the whole burnt offering, laid it on the firewood, and laid it in order on the altar. Then he said, "Bring me four pots of water, and pour it on the whole burnt offering and pour it on the unlit firewood." They did so. Again Elijah said, "Do it a second time." So they did it again. Again he said, "Do it a third time." So they did it a third time. And the water ran all about the altar, and even the furrow became filled with water. After this, Elijah cried out to heaven and said, "O Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, answer me, O Lord, answer me this day with fire, and let this people know You are the God of Israel, and I am Your servant; and for Your sake I do all these works. Hear me, O Lord, hear me with fire, and let these people know You are the Lord God, so as turn the heart of this people back." Then fire fell from the Lord out of the heaven and consumed the whole burnt offering, the firewood, and the water in the furrow. The fire also licked up the stones and the soil. So all the people fell on their faces, and they said, "Truly, the Lord is God; He is God." Elijah then said to the people, "Seize the prophets of Baal. Let not one of them escape." So they seized them, and Elijah brought them down to the Brook Kishon, where he slaughtered them. After this, Elijah said to Ahab, "There is a sound of rain. Make ready your chariot and get down from here before the rain overcomes you." But Elijah went up to the top of Carmel, where he bowed down on the ground and put his face between his knees. Thus it came to pass that the sky darkened with black clouds and wind, and there was a heavy

ἐν νεφέλαις, καὶ πνεύματι, καὶ ἐγένετο
 ὑετός μέγας. Καὶ ἐπορεύετο Ἀχαάβ ἕως
 Ἰερσάελ. Καὶ ἀνήγγειλεν Ἀχαάβ Ἰεζάβελ
 τῇ γυναικὶ αὐτοῦ πάντα, ὅσα ἐποίησεν
 Ἥλιου, καὶ ἀπέστειλεν Ἰεζάβελ πρὸς Ἥλιου,
 καὶ εἶπεν· Αὐριον θύσομαι τὴν ψυχὴν σου
 ὡς ἓνα ἐξ αὐτῶν. Καὶ ἤκουσεν Ἥλιος καὶ
 ἐφοβήθη. Καὶ ἀνέστη καὶ ἀπῆλθε κατὰ τὴν
 ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἔρχεται εἰς Βηρσαβέε,
 γῆν Ἰούδα καὶ ἀφῆκε τὸ παιδάριον αὐτοῦ
 ἐκεῖ. Καὶ αὐτὸς ἐπορεύθη ἐν τῇ ἐρήμῳ ὁδὸν
 ἡμέρας καὶ ἦλθε. Καὶ ἐκάθισεν ὑποκάτω
 ἄρκεύθου, καὶ ἐκοιμήθη καὶ ὑπνωσεν
 ἐκεῖ ὑπὸ τὸ φυτόν, καὶ ἰδοὺ τις ἤψατο
 αὐτοῦ, καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· Ἀνάστηθι φάγε
 καὶ πίε, ὅτι πολλὴ ἀπὸ σοῦ ἡ ὁδός. Καὶ
 ἐπέβλεψεν Ἥλιος, καὶ ἰδοὺ πρὸς κεφαλῆς
 αὐτοῦ ἐγκρυφίας ὀλυρίτης, καὶ καμψάκης
 ὕδατος. Καὶ ἀνέστη καὶ ἔφαγε καὶ ἔπιε,
 καὶ ἐπιστρέψας ἐκοιμήθη. Καὶ ἐπέστρεψε
 ὁ Ἄγγελος Κυρίου ἐκ δευτέρου, καὶ ἤψατο
 αὐτοῦ καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· Ἀνάστηθι, φάγε καὶ
 πίε ὅτι πολλὴ ἀπὸ σοῦ ἡ ὁδός. Καὶ ἀνέστη
 καὶ ἔφαγε καὶ ἔπιε, καὶ ἐπορεύθη, ἐν τῇ
 ἰσχυρῇ τῆς βρώσεως ἐκείνης, τεσσαράκοντα
 ἡμέρας, καὶ τεσσαράκοντα νύκτας ἕως
 ὄρους Χωρήβ, καὶ εἰσῆλθεν ἐκεῖ εἰς τὸ
 σπήλαιον, καὶ κατέλυσεν ἐκεῖ. Καὶ ἰδοὺ
 ῥῆμα Κυρίου πρὸς αὐτόν, καὶ εἶπε· Τί σὺ
 ἐνταῦθα; Καὶ εἶπεν Ἥλιος· Ζηλῶν ἐζήλωσα
 τῷ Κυρίῳ παντοκράτορι, ὅτι ἐγκατέλιπον
 τὴν διαθήκην σου οἱ υἱοὶ Ἰσραὴλ, τὰ
 θυσιαστήριά σου κατέσκαψαν καὶ τοὺς
 προφῆτας σου ἀπέκτειναν ἐν ῥομφαίᾳ, καὶ
 ὑπολέλειμμαι ἐγὼ μονώτατος, καὶ ζητοῦσι
 τὴν ψυχὴν μου λαβεῖν αὐτήν. Καὶ εἶπε
 Κύριος πρὸς αὐτόν· Πορεύου καὶ ἀνάστρεφε
 εἰς τὴν ὁδόν σου, καὶ ἦξεις εἰς ὁδὸν ἐρήμου

downpour of rain. But Ahab mourned and
 went to Jezreel. Now Ahab told Jezebel his
 wife everything Elijah did. Then Jezebel sent
 to Elijah, saying, "If you are Elijah and I this
 Jezebel, may God do so to me and more also
 if at this hour tomorrow, I do not make your
 life like the life of one of them." Elijah was
 fearful, and he arose and ran for his life. He
 came to Beersheba of Judah, where he left
 his servant. But Elijah himself went a day's
 journey into the wilderness, and came and sat
 under a juniper tree. Then he lay down and
 slept under a tree. Unexpectedly, someone
 touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat."
 Then Elijah looked, and there by his head was
 a cake made of wheat and a jar of water. So
 he ate and drank, and lay down again. Again
 the angel of the Lord came back a second
 time, touched him, and said, "Arise and eat,
 because the journey is a great many days for
 you." So he arose, ate and drank; and he went
 with the strength of that food forty days and
 forty nights, as far as Mount Horeb. There he
 went into a cave and rested. Behold, the word
 of the Lord came to him and said to him,
 "Elijah, what are you doing here?" And Elijah
 said, "I have been very zealous for the Lord
 Almighty since the children of Israel have
 forsaken You. They tore down Your altars
 and killed Your prophets with the sword. I
 alone am left, and they seek to take my life."
 Then the Lord said to him, "Go and return on
 your way to the desert of Damascus; and you
 shall anoint Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel
 Meholah as prophet in your place." [SAAS]

Δαμασκοῦ, καὶ χρίσεις τὸν Ἐλισαῖ υἱὸν
Σαφάτ, ἀντὶ σοῦ, εἰς προφήτην.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Βασιλειῶν Γ' τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Κεφ. 19, 19-21 καὶ Δ' Βασ. 2, 1, 6-14

Ἐγένετο ἡμέρα, καὶ εὕρισκει Ἡλιοῦ τὸν
Ἐλισαῖ υἱὸν Σαφάτ. Καὶ αὐτὸς ἡροστρία ἐν
βουσί. Καὶ ἀπῆλθεν Ἡλιοῦ ἐπ' αὐτόν, καὶ
ἐπέρριψε τὴν μηλωτὴν αὐτοῦ ἐπ' αὐτόν.
Καὶ κατέλιπεν Ἐλισαῖ τοὺς βόας καὶ
ἔδραμεν ὀπίσω Ἡλιοῦ, καὶ ἐλειτούργει
αὐτῷ. Καὶ ἐγένετο, ἐν τῷ ἀνάγειν τὸν
Κύριον Ἡλιοῦ ἐν συσσεισμῷ ὡς εἰς τὸν
οὐρανόν, καὶ ἐπορεύθη Ἡλιοῦ καὶ Ἐλισαῖ
ἐν Γαλαάλοις. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἡλίας τῷ Ἐλισαί·
Κάθου δὴ ἐνταῦθα, ὅτι Κύριος ἀπέσταλκέ
με ἕως τοῦ Ἰορδάνου. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἐλισαί· Ζῆ
Κύριος καὶ ζῆ ἡ ψυχὴ σου, εἰ ἐγκαταλείψω
σε. Καὶ ἐπορεύθησαν ἀμφοτέρω καὶ
πεντήκοντα ἄνδρες ἀπὸ τῶν υἱῶν τῶν
προφητῶν ἦλθον, καὶ ἔστησαν ἐξ ἐναντίας
μακρόθεν, ἀμφοτέρω δὲ ἔστησαν ἐπὶ
τὸν Ἰορδάνην. Καὶ ἔλαβεν Ἡλίας τὴν
μηλωτὴν αὐτοῦ, καὶ εἴλησεν αὐτήν, καὶ
ἐπάταξεν ἐν αὐτῇ τὰ ὕδατα, καὶ διηρέθη
τὸ ὕδωρ ἐνθεν καὶ ἐνθεν, καὶ διέβησαν
ἀμφοτέρω διὰ ξηρᾶς. Καὶ ἐγένετο, ὡς
διήλθον, εἶπεν Ἡλίας τῷ Ἐλισαί· Αἴτησόν
με τί ποιήσω σοι, πρὶν ἀναληφθῆναί με
ἀπὸ σοῦ. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἐλισαί· Γενηθήτω δὴ
τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἐπὶ σοὶ δισσωῶς ἐπ' ἐμέ. Καὶ
εἶπεν Ἡλίας, ἐσκληρύνας τοῦ αἰτήσασθαι.
Πλὴν ἐὰν ἴδῃς με ἀναλαμβάνόμενον

READER

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

DEACON

Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

READER

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

Elijah departed from there and found
Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing.
Then Elijah passed by him and threw his
mantle on him. So Elisha left the oxen, and
ran after Elijah, and ministered to him. As
the time came to be for the Lord to take up
Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and
Elisha went from Gilgal. Then Elijah said to
him, "Stay here, please, for the Lord sent me
on to the Jordan." But Elisha said, "As the
Lord lives, and as your soul lives, I will not
leave you!" So both of them went on. Fifty
men of the sons of the prophets went and
stood facing them at a distance, while the
two of them stood by the Jordan. Now Elijah
took his mantle, rolled it up, and struck the
water. The water divided this way and that,
and the two of them crossed on dry ground.
So it was that during the time they crossed
over, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I may
do for you, before I am taken away from
you." Elisha said, "Please let a double portion
of your spirit be upon me." So Elijah said,
"You have asked a hard thing. If you see me
when I am taken up from you, it shall be so
for you; and if not, it shall not be so." Thus it
came to be, as they walked and continued to
talk, behold a chariot of fire appeared with

ἀπὸ σοῦ, ἔσται σοι οὕτως, ἐὰν δὲ μή,
 ἴδῃς, οὐ μὴ γένηται. Καὶ ἐγένετο αὐτῶν
 πορευομένων καὶ λαλούντων, καὶ ἰδοὺ
 ἄρμα πυρὸς καὶ ἵπποι πυρός, καὶ διεχώρισεν
 ἀναμέσον ἀμφοτέρων, καὶ ἀνελήφθη
 Ἡλίας ἐν συσσεισμῷ ὥς εἰς τὸν οὐρανόν.
 Καὶ Ἐλισαῖ ἐώρα, καὶ αὐτὸς ἐβόα· Πάτερ,
 Πάτερ, ἄρμα Ἰσραήλ, καὶ ἵππεὺς αὐτοῦ,
 καὶ οὐκ εἶδεν αὐτὸν οὐκ ἔτι, καὶ ἐκράτησεν
 Ἐλισαῖ τοῦ ἱματίου αὐτοῦ, καὶ διέρōρηξεν
 αὐτὸ εἰς δύο. Καὶ ἀνείλετο τὴν μηλωτὴν
 Ἡλιοῦ Ἐλισαῖ, τὴν πεσοῦσαν ἐπάνωθεν
 αὐτοῦ. Καὶ ἐπέστρεψεν Ἐλισαῖ καὶ ἔστη
 ἐπὶ τὸ χεῖλος τοῦ Ἰορδάνου. Καὶ ἔλαβεν
 Ἐλισαῖ τὴν μηλωτὴν Ἡλιοῦ, τὴν πεσοῦσαν
 ἐπάνωθεν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐπάταξε τὰ ὕδατα καὶ
 οὐ διηρέθη. Καὶ εἶπεν Ἐλισαῖ. Ποῦ δὴ ἐστὶν
 ὁ Θεὸς Ἡλιοῦ Ἀπφώ; Καὶ οὕτως ἐπάταξε τὰ
 ὕδατα ἐκ δευτέρου, καὶ διηρέθη τὰ ὕδατα
 καὶ διήλθε διὰ ξηρᾶς.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Εἰπόμεν πάντες ἐξ ὅλης τῆς ψυχῆς καὶ
 ἐξ ὅλης τῆς διανοίας ἡμῶν εἰπόμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

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

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

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.)

horses of fire, and the fire separated them one
 from the other; and Elijah was taken up into
 heaven by a whirlwind. Then Elisha saw it
 and cried aloud, "Father, O father, the chariot
 of Israel and its horsemen!" He saw Elijah no
 more, and he took hold of his own clothes
 and tore them into two pieces. Then he raised
 Elijah's mantle, which fell from Elijah and
 upon Elisha, and Elisha returned and stood on
 the bank of the River Jordan. He took Elijah's
 mantle which had fallen upon him and struck
 the water, but it did not divide. Then he said,
 "Where is the Lord God of Elijah himself?"
 And he struck the water again, and it divided
 this way and that. So Elisha crossed over. [SAAS]

DEACON

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

(Lord, have mercy.)

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.)

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

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

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

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

Ἦτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ ἐλέους, ζωῆς, εἰρήνης, υἰείας, σωτηρίας, ἐπισκέψεως, συγχωρήσεως καὶ ἀφέσεως τῶν ἀμαρτιῶν 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.)

Ἦτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν μακαρίων καὶ αἰοιδίμων κτιτόρων τῆς ἁγίας Ἐκκλησίας ταύτης, καὶ ὑπὲρ πάντων τῶν προαναπαυσασμένων πατέρων καὶ ἀδελφῶν ἡμῶν, τῶν ἐνθάδε εὐσεβῶς, κειμένων, καὶ ἀπανταχοῦ ὀρθοδόξων.

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

Ἦτι 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,

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 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

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

(Ἀμήν.)

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Καταξίωσον, Κύριε, ἐν τῇ ἐσπέρᾳ
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, Ἄγιε, φώτισόν με τοῖς
δικαιώμασί σου. Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου εἰς τὸν
αἰῶνα· τὰ ἔργα τῶν χειρῶν σου μὴ παρίδῃς.
Σοὶ πρόπει αἶνος, σοὶ πρόπει ὕμνος, σοὶ
δόξα πρόπει, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ
Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς
αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Πληρώσωμεν τὴν ἐσπερινὴν δέησιν
ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

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

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Τὴν ἐσπέραν πᾶσαν τελείαν, ἁγίαν,
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.)

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.)

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 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 Ἁγίων μνημονεύσαντες,
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.)

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 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 δοῦλοι ὑπέκλιναν τὰς κεφαλὰς, τοὺς δὲ αὐτῶν ὑπέταξαν αὐχένας, 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 ἐσπέραν 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.)

Ἡ Λιτὴ καὶ Ἀρτοκλασία.

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ἰδιόμελον Α'.

Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

Ἦχος α'.

Ἠλίας ὁ ζηλωτής, καὶ τῶν παθῶν αὐτοκράτωρ, ἀεροβάτης ἐδέσκετο σήμερον, τῆς παγκοσμίου μνητῆς σωτηρίας προχειριζόμενος. Ὡ δόξης ἀκραιφνοῦς, ἧς ἡξιώται ὁ ὑψιπέτης Προφήτης, καὶ Προφητῶν ἐξαίρετον ἐγκαλλώπισμα! οὗτος γὰρ ἐν σώματι ἄγγελος, καὶ ἄσαρκος ἄνθρωπος δέδεικται τοῖς κατορθώμασιν. Ὅν ἐπαινοῦντες εἰπώμεν· Ἀντιλαβοῦ ἡμῶν σοφέ, ἐν τῇ ἡμέρᾳ τῆς κρίσεως.

Ἰδιόμελον Β'.

Ἦχος α'.

Δαυϊτικῶς σήμερον πιστοί, τὸν Προφήτην Κυρίου ὕμνοις τιμήσωμεν,

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.)

Litany and Blessing of Loaves.

CHOIR

Idiomelon 1.

From Menaion ---

Mode 1.

Elias, the zealot, the ruler over his own passions, is riding into the sky today, and he is made a mystic of worldwide salvation. Oh, unadulterated glory that was granted to this soaring Prophet and exquisite gem of the Prophets! By his accomplishments, he showed himself to be an angel in body and man without flesh. Let us extol him and say, "We pray you, O wise one, help us on Judgment Day!" ^[SD]

Idiomelon 2.

Mode 1.

O believers, using words of David, let us honor in hymns the Lord's Prophet Elias

Ἡλίαν τὸν Θεσβίτην, καὶ ζηλωτὴν τὸν
 ὑπέρλαμπρον· οὗτος γὰρ ἐν τῇ γλώσσει
 τὸν οὐρανὸν ὡς σίδηρον ἐχάλκευσε, καὶ
 τὴν γῆν τὴν ἔγκαρπον, ἄκαρπον ἐποίησεν.
 Ὡ τοῦ θαύματος! ὁ πῆλινος ἄνθρωπος,
 οὐρανούς τοῦ δοῦναι ὑετὸν οὐκ εἴασεν.
 Ὡ τοῦ θαύματος! ὁ φθαρτός ἄνθρωπος,
 ἀφθαρσίαν ἐνδέδεται, καὶ οὐρανούς
 ἀνατρέχει ἐν πυρίνῳ ἄρματι, τῇ μηλωτῇ
 Ἐλισαίῳ διπλῆς τὴν χάριν χαριζόμενος,
 Βασιλεῖς ἐλέγχει, καὶ λαὸν ἀπειθῇ λιμῶ
 διαφθείρει. Τοὺς ἱερεῖς τῆς αἰσχύνῃς πάντας
 κατήσχυνε, καὶ τῆς χήρας τὸν υἱὸν λόγῳ
 ἀνέστησεν. Αὐτοῦ ταῖς ἰκεσίαις, Χριστὲ ὁ
 Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ἐν εἰρήνῃ διαφύλαξον τοὺς
 ὀρθοδόξους Βασιλεῖς ἡμῶν, καὶ τὰ τῆς νίκης
 τρόπαια κατὰ βαρβάρων αὐτοῖς δώρησαι.

Ἰδιόμελον Γ'.

Ἦχος α'.

Πνευματικοῖς ἄσμασι τοὺς Προφῆτας
 τοῦ Χριστοῦ ἅπαντες εὐφημήσωμεν· Ἡλίας
 γὰρ ὁ Θεσβίτης, οὐρανοδρόμος γέγονε,
 καὶ μηλωτῇ Ἐλισαῖος, τὴν χάριν ἐδέξατο
 διπλὴν παρὰ Θεοῦ, καὶ φωστῆρες φαιδροὶ
 τῇ οἰκουμένῃ ἀνεδείχθησαν, πρεσβεύοντες
 ἀπαύστως ὑπὲρ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Ἰδιόμελον Δ'.

Ἦχος β'.

Φωστῆρες ἀνέτειλαν τῇ οἰκουμένῃ δύο
 παμφαεῖς Ἡλίας καὶ Ἐλισαῖος, ὁ μὲν θείῳ
 λόγῳ, οὐρανίους σταγόνas ἀπέκλεισε,
 καὶ βασιλεῖς διήλεγξεν, ἄρματι δὲ πυρίνῳ
 εἰς οὐρανούς ἀνῆλθεν, ὁ δὲ, ἀτεκνοῦντα
 ἰάσατο ὕδατα, καὶ διπλὴν δεξάμενος χάριν,
 Ἰορδάνου τὰ ῥεῖθρα ἐπέζευσεν, καὶ νῦν
 μετ' Ἀγγέλων χορεύοντες, ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν
 πρεσβεύουσι, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

the Tishbite, the illustrious zealot. He is the
 one who with his tongue made the sky hard
 like iron, and made the fruitful earth to be
 unfruitful. What a miracle! A corruptible
 man is garbed in incorruption, and he dashes
 to the heavens in a fiery chariot, and he
 grants double grace to Elisha by giving him
 his mantel. He rebukes kings. With famine
 he punishes the disobedient people. He
 embarrassed all the shameful priests of Baal,
 and by a word he resurrected the widow's
 son. O Christ our God, at his entreaties
 preserve our elected officials in peace, and
 keep us safe from foreign enemies. [SD]

Idiomelon 3.

Mode 1.

Let us all now sing spiritual songs to
 extol those Prophets of Christ. Elias the
 Tishbite became a sky-rider. Elisha received
 his mantel, and with it, double the grace from
 God. They were shown to bright luminaries
 for the whole world. And they unceasingly
 intercede on behalf of our souls. [SD]

Idiomelon 4.

Mode 2.

Two radiant luminaries have risen on the
 world. The one, Elijah, by divine word, made
 the sky withhold its raindrops, he censured
 kings, and he went up as if into heaven on
 a fiery chariot. The other, Elisha, received a
 double portion of grace, he crossed over the
 Jordan on foot, and he healed Jericho's water
 of death and barrenness. Now both of these
 Prophets celebrate with the Angels, and they

Ἰδιόμελον Ε'.

Ἦχος β'.

Τὸ ἐξᾶραν ἄρμα σε πυρφόρον, ὡς ἐν
συσσεισμῷ εἰς οὐρανούς, τὴν πυρίπνοον
χάριν σοι παρέσχετο, Ἠλία Θεσβίτα, τοῦ
μὴ ἰδεῖν θάνατον, ἕως ἂν κηρύξης τὴν τῶν
πάντων συντέλειαν· διὸ πάρεσο διδούς ἡμῖν,
τῶν σῶν κατορθωμάτων τὴν μύησιν.

Δόξα.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Ἦχος δ'.

Ἐν πυρίνῳ ἄρματι ἐπιδίφριος ἀρθείς,
εἰς χώραν φωτοειδῇ μετετέθης, ὦ Θεσβίτα
Ἡλιοῦ, αἰσχύνης δὲ προφήτας κατήσχυνας,
ὁ τὸν οὐρανὸν λόγῳ δεσμεύσας, ὡσαύτως
λῦσον καὶ ἡμῶν τὰ πταίσματα, ταῖς πρὸς
Κύριον πρεσβείαις σου, καὶ σῶσον τὰς
ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Τῆς Οκτωήχου - - -

Καὶ νῦν. **Θεοτοκίον.**

Ἦχος δ'.

Ἐκ παντοίων κινδύνων, τοὺς δούλους
σου φύλαττε, εὐλογημένη Θεοτόκε, ἵνα σε
δοξάζωμεν, τὴν ἐλπίδα τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς κατὰ τὸ μέγα
ἐλεὸς 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.)

intercede on our behalf, for the salvation of
our souls. [SD]

Idiomelon 5.

Mode 2.

The fiery chariot, that took you up in a
whirlwind as if into heaven, granted you the
fire-breathing grace, O Elijah the Tishbite,
such that you will not see death, until you
announce the completion of all things.
Therefore be with us now, and give us to
understand what you accomplished. [SD]

Glory.

From Menaion - - -

Mode 4.

You were taken up, riding a fiery chariot,
and transported to a place of light, O Elias the
Tishbite, after you embarrassed the shameful
priests of Baal. You had the power, by your
word, to bind and loose the sky; so now,
by your intercessions to the Lord, loose our
offences, and save our souls. [SD]

From Octoechos - - -

Both now. **Theotokion.**

Mode 4.

Guard your servants from dangers of
every kind, O blessed Theotokos, so that we
may glorify you, the hope of our souls. [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.)

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

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

Ἦτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ ἐλέους, ζωῆς, εἰρήνης, υἰείας, 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, καὶ τῶν δούλων τοῦ Θεοῦ [...] τῶν ἐπιτελούντων τὴν πανήγυριν ταύτην.

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

Ἦτι 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 ἁλλοφύλων, 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.)

Ἦτι 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 μακρὰν· καὶ

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 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

Ἰλεως, Ἰλεως 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.

(*Αμήν.*)

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, δυνάμει τοῦ τιμίου καὶ ζωοποιοῦ Σταυροῦ, προστασίαις τῶν τιμίων ἐπουρανίων Δυνάμεων ἁσωμάτων, 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,

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.

(*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, 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

Παρασκευῆς καὶ Εἰρήνης· τῶν ὁσίων καὶ Θεοφόρων Πατέρων ἡμῶν· (τοῦ Ἁγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ)· τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων Θεοπατόρων Ἰωακείμ καὶ Ἀννης, καὶ τοῦ Ἁγίου Ἐνδόξου Προφήτου Ἡλιοῦ τοῦ Θεσβίτου, οὗ καὶ τὴν μνήμην ἐπιτελοῦμεν· 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· ἀποδίωξον 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

Ὕμνος 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 εὐλογήσας τοὺς πέντε ἄρτους ἐν τῇ ἐρήμῳ, καὶ ἐξ αὐτῶν πεντακισχιλίους ἄνδρας 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 ἀγιάσον.

Ὅτι σὺ εἶ ὁ εὐλογῶν καὶ ἀγιάζων τὰ σύμπαντα, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν

holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, the holy and glorious Prophet Elias the Tishbite, whose memory we celebrate; and of all your Saints.

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 ^[SD]

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

ἀναπέμπομεν, σὺν τῷ ἀνάρχῳ σου Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ παναγίῳ καὶ ἀγαθῷ καὶ ζωοποιῷ σου Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Amen.)

ΚΛΗΡΟΣ

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

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Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ἀπόστιχα.

Ἦχος δ'. Ὁ ἐξ ὑψίστου κληθεὶς.

Ὁ πρὸ συλλήψεως ὦν ἡγιασμένος, ὁ ἔνσαρκος Ἀγγελος, ὁ νοῦς ὁ πύρινος, ὁ ἐπουράνιος ἄνθρωπος, ὁ τῆς δευτέρας, Χριστοῦ ἐλεύσεως θεῖος προδρομος, Ἡλίας ὁ ἔνδοξος, τῶν Προφητῶν ἡ κρηπὶς, πνευματικῶς συνεκάλεσε, τοὺς φιλέορτους, πανηγυρίσαι τὴν θεῖαν μνήμην αὐτοῦ. Οὐ ταῖς πρέσβειαις διαφύλαξον, τὸν λαόν σου Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ἀπὸ βλάβης παντοίας, τοῦ δολίου ἀνενόχλητον.

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

Ὁ οὐρανόφρων Ἡλίας ὁ Προφήτης, θεώμενος ἅπαντα ἀπὸ Κυρίου Θεοῦ, τὸν Ἰσραὴλ ἐκπορνεύσαντα, καὶ τοῖς εἰδώλοις, προστετηκότα ζήλῳ πυρούμενος, νεφέλας συνέστειλε, καὶ γῆν ἐξήρανε, καὶ οὐρανούς λόγῳ ἔκλεισεν, εἰπὼν, οὐκ ἔσται, σταγὼν ἐν γῇ, εἰ μὴ ἐμοῦ διὰ στόματος. Αὐτὸς

up glory together with Your eternal Father and Your holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(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.

Mode 4. When you were called.

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

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

Prophet Elias, whose mind was on the heavens, * seeing all of Israel's whorish unfaithfulness * to God the Lord, and the people all clinging to idols, * his soul aflame with the fire of zeal divine, * said, "There shall be neither dew nor rain, except by my word." * And with his word were the heavens

ὑπάρχει ἐστιάτωρ νῦν, ὡς ἀφθόνως ἡμῖν
παρεχόμενος, ἀνεκλάλητον χάριν, τοῖς
πιστῶς αὐτὸν γεραίρουσι.

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

Ὁ τῶν ἀρρήτων ἐπόπτης μυστηρίων,
σὺ τὰ Ἰορδάνια ῥεῖθρα διέρρηξας, σὺ τὴν
ἀπάτην ἐτέφρωσας, τὴν τῶν εἰδώλων,
τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῶν θείων ῥημάτων σου, σὺ
παρανομήσαντα ἤλεγξας ἄνακτα, καὶ ἱερεῖς
ἐθανάτωσας, τῆς ἀνομίας, καὶ τὴν θυσίαν
εὐχῇ ἐνέπρησας, καὶ τοὺς φλογώδεις, τοῦ
λαοῦ σου νῦν, τῶν παθημάτων καὶ θλίψεων
ἄνθρακας, Ἡλιοῦ σῆς πρεσβείας τῷ πυρὶ
ἐναπομάραντον.

Δόξα.

Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

Ἦχος πλ. β'.

Προφῆτα κήρυξ Χριστοῦ, τοῦ θρόνου
τῆς μεγαλωσύνης οὐδέποτε χωρίζῃ, καὶ
ἐκάστῳ ἀσθενοῦντι ἀεὶ παρίστασαι, ἐν
τοῖς ὑψίστοις λειτουργῶν, τὴν οἰκουμένην
εὐλογεῖς, πανταχοῦ δοξαζόμενος. Αἰτησαι
ἰλασμόν ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν.

Τῆς Οκτωήχου ---

Καὶ νῦν. **Θεοτοκίον.**

Ἦχος πλ. β'.

Ὁ ποιητὴς καὶ λυτρωτὴς μου Πάναγνε,
Χριστὸς ὁ Κύριος, ἐκ τῆς σῆς νηδύος
προελθὼν, ἐμὲ ἐνδυσάμενος, τῆς πρώην
κατάρας, τὸν Ἀδὰμ ἡλευθέρωσε· διό
σοι Πάναγνε, ὡς τοῦ Θεοῦ Μητρί τε καὶ
Παρθένῳ ἀληθῶς, βοῶμεν ἀσιγήτως,

shut, * and he prevented * the clouds from
raining, and thus the earth was parched. * But
he is now our banquet host on high, * as he
lavishes great and ineffable * gifts of grace in
abundance * on us faithfully extolling him. [SD]

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

Prophet and mystic, to you have been
uncovered * ineffable mysteries. You parted
Jordan's streams, * and you reduced the
deception of idols to ashes, * with lightning
bolts of your God-inspired words. * You
rebuked the king when he transgressed the
law of God. * You prayed for fire on your
sacrifice, and it consumed it, * and then you
killed the unholy pagan priests. * Now for
your people pray with fiery zeal, * O Elias,
and smother the burning coals * of the unruly
passions * and the suffering afflicting us. [SD]

Glory.

From Menaion ---

Mode pl. 2.

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

From Octoechos ---

Both now. **Theotokion.**

Mode pl. 2.

Most holy Virgin, Christ the Lord, Creator
and Redeemer, proceeded from your womb,
and clothing himself in me, set me free from
the ancient curse on Adam. Therefore, most
pure Virgin, we praise you without ceasing
as Mother of God and true Virgin with the

τὸ Χαῖρε τοῦ Ἀγγέλου. Χαῖρε Δέσποινα,
προστασία καὶ σκέπη, καὶ σωτηρία τῶν
ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

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. Ἄγιε,
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

greeting of the angel: Rejoice! Lady, advocate,
defender, and salvation of our souls. [HC]

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

Ἀπολυτίκιον.

Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

Ἦχος δ'. Ταχὺ προκατάλαβε.

Ὁ ἔνσαρκος ἄγγελος, τῶν Προφητῶν ἡ κρηπίς, ὁ δεῦτερος Πρόδρομος τῆς παρουσίας Χριστοῦ, Ἡλίας ὁ ἑνδοξος, ἄνωθεν καταπέμψας, Ἐλισαίῳ τὴν χάριν, νόσους ἀποδιώκει, καὶ λεπροὺς καθαρίζει· διὸ καὶ τοῖς τιμῶσιν αὐτὸν βρῦει ἰάματα.

Τῆς Ὀκτωήχου ---

Δόξα· καὶ νῦν. **Θεοτοκίον.**

Ἦχος δ'.

Τὸ ἀπ' αἰῶνος ἀπόκρυφον, καὶ Ἀγγέλοις ἄγνωστον μυστήριον, διὰ σοῦ Θεοτόκε τοῖς ἐπὶ γῆς πεφανέρωται· Θεὸς ἐν ἀσυγχύτῳ ἐνώσει σαρκούμενος, καὶ Σταυρὸν ἐκουσίως ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν καταδεξάμενος· δι' οὗ ἀναστήσας τὸν πρωτόπλαστον, ἔσωσεν ἐκ θανάτου τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εὐλογία Κυρίου καὶ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ ἔλθοι ἐφ' ὑμᾶς, τῇ αὐτοῦ θεία χάριτι καὶ

PRIEST

For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory, of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

CHOIR

Apolytikion.

From Menaion ---

Mode 4. Come quickly.

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

From Octoechos ---

Glory. Both now. **Theotokion.**

Mode 4.

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

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·

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὑπεραγία Θεοτόκε, σῶσον ἡμᾶς.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Τὴν τιμιωτέραν τῶν Χερουβείμ, καὶ
ἐνδοξοτέραν, ἀσυγκρίτως τῶν Σεραφείμ,
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

Χριστὸς ὁ ἀληθινὸς Θεὸς ἡμῶν,
ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς παναχράντου
καὶ παναμώμου ἁγίας αὐτοῦ Μητρός,
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 πανευφύμων Ἀποστόλων, τῶν ἁγίων
ἐνδόξων καὶ καλλινίκων μαρτύρων· τῶν
όσιων καὶ θεοφόρων Πατέρων ἡμῶν· (τοῦ

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:

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 Christ our true God, through
the intercessions of His all-pure and all-
immaculate holy Mother, the power of the
precious and life-giving Cross, the protection
of the honorable, bodiless powers of heaven,
the supplications of the honorable, glorious
prophet and forerunner John the Baptist, of
the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy apostles,
of the holy, glorious, and triumphant martyrs,
of our righteous and God-bearing fathers,
(local patron saint); of the holy and righteous

Ἁγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ): τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων
Θεοπατόρων Ἰωακεὶμ καὶ Ἄννης, καὶ τοῦ
Ἁγίου Ἐνδόξου Προφήτου Ἡλιοῦ τοῦ
Θεσβίτου, οὗ καὶ τὴν μνήμην ἐπιτελοῦμεν·
καὶ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων, ἐλεῆσαι καὶ σῶσαι
ἡμᾶς, ὡς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλόανθρωπος.

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

(Ἀμήν.)

ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, the holy
and glorious Prophet Elias the Tishbite, whose
memory we celebrate; and of all the saints,
have mercy on us and save us, for He is good
and loves mankind.

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

(Amen.)