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### Μηναΐον - ΤΗι ΚΗ' ΔΕΚΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

Μνήμη τῶν Ἁγίων Δισμυρίων, τῶν ἐν Νικομηδείᾳ καέντων.

#### ΟΡΘΡΟΣ

### ΧΟΡΟΣ

### $^{5}$ H $\chi$ o $\varsigma$ $\delta'$ .

Θεὸς Κύριος καὶ ἐπέφανεν ἡμῖν. Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.

**Στίχ.** α'. Έξομολογεῖσθε τῷ Κυρίῳ καὶ ἐπικαλεῖσθε τὸ ὄνομα τὸ ἄγιον αὐτοῦ.

ἤ' Ἐξομολογεῖσθε τῷ Κυρίῳ, ὅτι ἀγαθός,ὅτι εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα τὸ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ.

**Στίχ. β'.** Πάντα τὰ ἔθνη ἐκύκλωσάν με, καὶ τῷ ὀνόματι Κυρίου ἠμυνάμην αὐτούς.

**Στίχ. γ'.** Παρὰ Κυρίου ἐγένετο αὕτη καὶ ἔστι θαυμαστὴ ἐν ὀφθαλμοῖς ἡμῶν.

Απολυτίκιον τῆς Έορτῆς.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

### Ήχος δ'.

Ή Γέννησίς σου Χοιστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ἀνέτειλε τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ φῶς τὸ τῆς γνώσεως ἐν αὐτῆ γὰο οἱ τοῖς ἄστοοις λατοεύοντες, ὑπὸ ἀστέρος ἐδιδάσκοντο, σὲ ποοσκυνεῖν, τὸν Ἦλιον τῆς δικαιοσύνης, καὶ σὲ γινώσκειν ἐξ ὕψους ἀνατολήν. Κύοιε δόξα σοι.

Δόξα. Τῶν Μαρτύρων.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

### Ήχος β'.

Άθλοφόςοι Κυςίου, μακαςία ή γῆ ή πιανθεῖσα τοῖς αἵμασιν ὑμῶν, καὶ ἄγιαι αἱ σκηναί, αἱ δεξάμεναι τὰ σώματα ὑμῶν ἐν σταδίῳ γὰς τὸν ἐχθςὸν ἐθςιαμβεύσατε, καὶ Χςιστὸν μετὰ παζόησίας ἐκηςύξατε, αὐτὸν

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#### **MATINS**

### **CHOIR**

#### Mode 4.

God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. [SAAS]

**Verse 1:** Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His name.

or: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

**Verse 2:** All the nations surrounded me, but in the name of the Lord I defended myself against them.

**Verse 3:** And this came about from the Lord, and it is wonderful in our eyes.

### Apolytikion of the Feast.

From Menaion - - -

#### Mode 4.

Your nativity, O Christ our God, has caused the light of knowledge to rise upon the world. For therein the worshippers of the stars were by a star instructed to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know You as Orient from on high. Glory to You, O Lord. [50]

Glory. For the Martyrs.

From Menaion - - -

### Mode 2.

O victorious Athletes of the Lord, blessed is the ground that was watered with your blood, and holy are the dwellings that received your spirits. You prevailed over the enemy in the stadium, and you openly proclaimed Christ. We pray you will earnestly

ώς ἀγαθὸν ίκετεύσατε, σωθῆναι δεόμεθα τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Καὶ νῦν.

Απολυτίκιον τῆς Έορτῆς.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

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#### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Έτι καὶ ἔτι ἐν εἰρήνη τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Άντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῆ σῆ χάριτι.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

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

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

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

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

### ΧΟΡΟΣ

Κάθισμα Α'.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

<sup>™</sup>**Ηχος πλ. δ΄.** Ἀνέστης ἐκ νεκρῶν.

Παράδοξον πιστοί, τὸ μυστήριον τοῦτο! Θεὸς ἐκ γυναικός, ἐγεννήθη ὡς οἶδε,

entreat Him for us, that He save our souls, since He is good. [5D]

Both now.

Apolytikion of the Feast.

From Menaion - -

Mode 4.

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### **PRIEST**

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

(To You, O Lord.)

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**

Kathisma I.

From Menaion - - - **Mode pl. 4.** *N/M* (*When You, the Life.*)

Faithful, behold a strange mystery!/
In His good pleasure, God is born of a

τάγματα τῶν ἀγγέλων, καταπλαγέντα τῆ καταβάσει αὐτοῦ, κράζουσιν ἀνυμνοῦντα· Ότι ἐτέχθη Χριστὸς ὁ Κύριος, ὁ εὐδοκήσας σῶσαι ὡς Θεός, τὸ γένος τῶν ἀνθρώπων.

Δόξα καὶ νῦν. Τὸ αὐτό.

Παράδοξον πιστοί, τὸ μυστήριον τοῦτο! Θεὸς ἐκ γυναικός, ἐγεννήθη ὡς οἶδε, τάγματα τῶν Ἁγγέλων, καταπλαγέντα τῆ καταβάσει αὐτοῦ, κράζουσιν ἀνυμνοῦντα· Ὅτι ἐτέχθη Χριστὸς ὁ Κύριος, ὁ εὐδοκήσας σῶσαι ὡς Θεός, τὸ γένος τῶν ἀνθρώπων.

### Κάθισμα Β'.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

### **Ήχος πλ. δ΄.** Αὐτόμελον.

Αὐλῶν Ποιμενικῶν, καταπαύων ἄσμα, στρατὸς ἄγγελικός, ἐπεφώνει λέγων Παύσασθε ἀγραυλοῦντες, οἱ τῶν θρεμμάτων ἠγεμονεύοντες, κράξατε ἀνυμνοῦντες Ὁτι ἐτέχθη Χριστὸς ὁ Κύριος, ὁ εὐδοκήσας σῶσαι ὡς Θεός, τὸ γένος τῶν ἀνθρώπων.

Δόξα καὶ νῦν. Τὸ αὐτό.

Αὐλῶν Ποιμενικῶν, καταπαύων ἄσμα, στοατὸς ἄγγελικός, ἐπεφώνει λέγων Παύσασθε ἀγραυλοῦντες, οἱ τῶν θρεμμάτων ἠγεμονεύοντες, κράξατε ἀνυμνοῦντες Ὅτι ἐτέχθη Χριστὸς ὁ Κύριος, ὁ εὐδοκήσας σῶσαι ὡς Θεός, τὸ γένος τῶν ἀνθρώπων.

### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

### Ψαλμὸς N' (50).

Ἐλέησόν με, ὁ Θεός, κατὰ τὸ μέγα ἔλεός σου, καὶ κατὰ τὸ πλῆθος τῶν οἰκτιομῶν σου ἐξάλειψον τὸ ἀνόμημά μου. Ἐπὶ πλεῖον πλῦνόν με ἀπὸ τῆς ἀνομίας μου, καὶ απὸ τῆς ἁμαρτίας μου καθάρισόν με. Ότι τὴν ἀνομίαν μου ἐγὼ γινώσκω, καὶ ἡ ἁμαρτία

woman./The hosts of angels, amazed at His condescension, cry out and sing, for Christ the Lord is born!//He is our God, Who takes delight in saving the human race! [OCA]

Glory. Both now. Repeat.

Faithful, behold a strange mystery!/
In His good pleasure, God is born of a
woman./The hosts of angels, amazed at His
condescension, cry out and sing, for Christ
the Lord is born!//He is our God, Who takes
delight in saving the human race! [OCA]

### Kathisma II.

From Menaion - -

### Mode pl. 4. Automelon.

The army of the Angels appearing silenced \* the song of shepherds pipes. And the Angel uttered, \* Stop in the field abiding, \* O you the governors of animals. \* Cry out in exaltation, \* for Christ the Lord has been born today. \* It is His will to save the human race, \* as God, in His good pleasure.

Glory. Both now. Repeat.

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### **READER**

### Psalm 50 (51).

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your great mercy; and according to the abundance of Your compassion, blot out my transgression. Wash me thoroughly from my lawlessness and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my lawlessness, and my sin is always

μου ἐνώπιόν μού ἐστι διὰ παντός. Σοὶ μόνω ήμαρτον καὶ τὸ πονηρὸν ἐνώπιόν σου ἐποίησα, ὅπως ἂν δικαιωθῆς ἐν τοῖς λόγοις σου, καὶ νικήσης ἐν τῷ κρίνεσθαί σε. Ίδοὺ γὰρ ἐν ἀνομίαις συνελήφθην, καὶ ἐν άμαρτίαις ἐκίσσησέ με ἡ μήτηρ μου. Ἰδοὺ γὰο ἀλήθειαν ἠγάπησας, τὰ ἄδηλα καὶ τὰ κούφια τῆς σοφίας σου ἐδήλωσάς μοι. Ραντιεῖς με ὑσσώπω, καὶ καθαρισθήσομαι, πλυνεῖς με, καὶ ὑπὲο χιόνα λευκανθήσομαι. Άκουτιεῖς μοι ἀγαλλίασιν καὶ εὐφοοσύνην· άγαλλιάσονται ὀστέα τεταπεινωμένα. Απόστρεψον τὸ πρόσωπόν σου ἀπὸ τῶν άμαςτιῶν μου καὶ πάσας τὰς ἀνομίας μου ἐξάλειψον. Καρδίαν καθαράν κτίσον ἐν ἐμοί, ὁ Θεός, καὶ πνεῦμα εὐθὲς ἐγκαίνισον έν τοῖς ἐγκάτοις μου. Μὴ ἀποζοίψης με ἀπὸ τοῦ προσώπου σου καὶ το Πνεῦμά σου τὸ ἄγιον μὴ ἀντανέλης ἀπ' ἐμοῦ. Απόδος μοι τὴν ἀγαλλίασιν τοῦ σωτηρίου σου καὶ πνεύματι ἡγεμονικῷ στήριξόν με. Διδάξω ἀνόμους τὰς ὁδούς σου, καὶ ἀσεβεῖς ἐπὶ σὲ ἐπιστρέψουσι. Ρῦσαί με έξ αίμάτων, ὁ Θεός, ὁ Θεὸς τῆς σωτηρίας μου άγαλλιάσεται ή γλῶσσά μου τὴν δικαιοσύνην σου. Κύριε, τὰ χείλη μου ἀνοίξεις, καὶ τὸ στόμα μου ἀναγγελεῖ τὴν αἴνεσίν σου. Ότι εὶ ἠθέλησας θυσίαν, ἔδωκα άν όλοκαυτώματα οὐκ εὐδοκήσεις. Θυσία τῷ Θεῷ πνεῦμα συντετριμμένον, καρδίαν συντετοιμμένην καὶ τεταπεινωμένην ὁ Θεὸς οὐκ ἐξουδενώσει. Ἁγάθυνον, Κύριε, ἐν τῆ εὐδοκία σου τὴν Σιών, καὶ οἰκοδομηθήτω τὰ τείχη Ίερουσαλήμ. Τότε εὐδοκήσεις θυσίαν δικαιοσύνης, ἀναφορὰν καὶ ὁλοκαυτώματα. Τότε ἀνοίσουσιν ἐπὶ τὸ θυσιαστήριόν σου μόσχους.

before me. Against You only have I sinned and done evil in Your sight; that You may be justified in Your words, and overcome when You are judged. For behold, I was conceived in transgressions, and in sins my mother bore me. Behold, You love truth; You showed me the unknown and secret things of Your wisdom. You shall sprinkle me with hyssop, and I will be cleansed; You shall wash me, and I will be made whiter than snow. You shall make me hear joy and gladness; my bones that were humbled shall greatly rejoice. Turn Your face from my sins, and blot out all my transgressions. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your guiding Spirit. I will teach transgressors Your ways, and the ungodly shall turn back to You. Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall greatly rejoice in Your righteousness. O Lord, You shall open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise. For if You desired sacrifice, I would give it; You will not be pleased with whole burnt offerings. A sacrifice to God is a broken spirit, a broken and humbled heart God will not despise. Do good, O Lord, in Your good pleasure to Zion, and let the walls of Jerusalem be built; then You will be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with offerings and whole burnt offerings; then shall they offer young bulls on Your altar. [SAAS]

### Συναξάριον.

### Τοῦ Μηναίου.

Τῆ ΚΗ΄ τοῦ αὐτοῦ μηνὸς μνήμη τῶν Άγίων Δισμυρίων, τῶν ἐν Νικομηδεία καέντων.

Τῆ αὐτῆ ἡμέρα μνήμη τῶν ἁγίων Μαρτύρων, τῶν ἀπὸ τῆς Συγκλήτου, ἔξω τῆς πυρᾶς ἀπολειφθέντων, καὶ τελειωθέντων.

Ὁ ἄγίος Ἰνδης, ἐν τῆ θαλάσση βληθείς, τελειοῦται.

Οἱ ἄγιοι Γοργόνιος καὶ Πέτρος, ἐν τῆ θαλάσση τελειοῦνται.

Ό ἄγιος Μάοτυς Ζήνων, ξίφει τελειοῦται.

Ό ἄγιος Μάρτυς Μαρδόνιος, πυρὶ τελειοῦται.

Ό ἄγιος Δωρόθεος, ὁ Πρεπόσιτος, ξίφει τελειοῦται.

Ό ἄγιος Θεόφιλος ὁ Διάκονος, λιθοβοληθείς, τελειοῦται.

Ό ἄγιος Μυγδόνιος, βόθοω ἐγχωσθείς, τελειοῦται.

Ό ἄγιος Γλυκέριος ὁ Πρεσβύτερος, πυρὶ τελειοῦται.

Τῆ αὐτῆ ἡμέρα ἡ ἁγία Δόμνα, ξίφει τμηθεῖσα, τῷ πυρὶ τελειοῦται.

Ό ὅσιος Σίμων ὁ Μυφοβλύτης, ὁ κτήτως τῆς ἐν τῷ Ἄθῳ ἱερᾶς Μονῆς Σιμωνοπέτρας, ἐν εἰρήνη τελειοῦται.

Ταῖς αὐτῶν ἁγίαις ποεσβείαις, ὁ Θεός, ἐλέησον καὶ σῶσον ἡμᾶς. Ἀμήν.

### Synaxarion.

#### From the Menaion.

On December 28 we commemorate the Holy 20,000 who burned in Nicomedia.

On this day we also commemorate the holy Martyrs, who were in the Senate, who fled from the fire, died.

St. Indos, died by drowning in the sea.

Sts. Gorgon and Peter, died in the sea.

The holy Martyr Zeno, died by the sword.

The holy Martyr Mardonios, died by fire.

St. Dorotheos, the courtier, died by the sword.

St. Theophilos the Deacon, died by stoning.

St. Mygdonios died by being buried in a pit.

St. Glycerius the Priest, died by fire.

On this day St. Domna, was cut by the sword and died by fire.

The devout St. Simon the Myrrh-Streamer, the the founder of the holy Monastery of Simonopetra on Athos reposed in peace.

By the intercessions of Your Saints, O God, have mercy and save us. Amen.

#### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Τὴν Θεοτόκον καὶ μητέρα τοῦ φωτὸς ἐν ὕμνοις τιμῶντες μεγαλύνωμεν.

#### ΧΟΡΟΣ

## αδή θ'.

### Μεγαλυνάριον. ήχος α'.

**Στίχ.** Μεγαλύνει ή ψυχή μου τὸν Κύριον, καὶ ἠγαλλίασε τὸ πνεῦμά μου ἐπὶ τῷ Θεῷ τῷ σωτῆρί μου.

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

**Στίχ.** Ότι ἐπέβλεψεν ἐπὶ τὴν ταπείνωσιν τῆς δούλης αὐτοῦ· ἰδού γάρ, ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν μακαριοῦσί με πᾶσαι αἱ γενεαί.

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

Στίχ. Ότι ἐποίησέ μοι μεγαλεῖα ὁ Δυνατός, καὶ ἄγιον τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ, καὶ το ἔλεος αὐτοῦ εἰς γενεάν, καὶ γενεὰν τοῖς φοβουμένοις αὐτόν.

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

**Στίχ.** Ἐποίησε Κράτος ἐν βραχίονι αὐτοῦ, διεσκόρπισεν ὑπερηφάνους διανοία καρδίας αὐτῶν.

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

#### **DEACON**

Let us honor and magnify in song the Theotokos and the Mother of the light.

### **CHOIR**

### Ode ix.

### Megalynarion. Mode 1.

**Verse:** My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. [NKIVI]

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. [5D]

**Verse:** For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; for behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. [NKIV]

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. [5D]

**Verse:** For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation. [NKJV]

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. [5D]

**Verse:** He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. [NKJV]

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τὴν ἀδιαφθόρως, Θεὸν Λόγον τεκοῦσαν, τὴν ὄντως Θεοτόκον, σὲ μεγαλύνομεν.

Στίχ. Καθεῖλε δυνάστας ἀπὸ θρόνων, καὶ ὕψωσε ταπεινούς, πεινῶντας ἐνέπλησεν ἀγαθῶν, καὶ πλουτοῦντας ἐξαπέστειλε κενούς.

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

Στίχ. Άντελάβετο Ίσραὴλ παιδὸς αὐτοῦ, μνησθῆναι ἐλέους, καθὼς ἐλάλησε πρὸς τοὺς Πατέρας ἡμῶν, τῷ Άβραάμ, καὶ τῷ σπέρματι αὐτοῦ ἕως αἰῶνος.

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### Ό Είρμός. Ἡχος α'.

Τὴν φωτοφόρον νεφέλην, ἐν ἦ ὁ πάντων Δεσπότης, ὡς ὑετὸς ἐξ οὐρανοῦ, ἐπὶ πόκον κατῆλθε, καὶ ἐσαρκώθη δι' ἡμᾶς, γενόμενος ἄνθρωπος, ὁ ἄναρχος, μεγαλύνωμεν πάντες, ὡς Μητέρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν ἁγνήν.

ἄξιόν ἐστιν ὡς ἀληθῶς μακαρίζειν σε τὴν Θεοτόκον, τὴν ἀειμακάριστον καὶ παναμώμητον καὶ μητέρα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν. Τὴν τιμιωτέραν τῶν Χερουβείμ, καὶ ἐνδοξοτέραν, ἀσυγκρίτως τῶν Σεραφείμ, τὴν ἀδιαφθόρως, Θεὸν Λόγον τεκοῦσαν, τὴν ὄντως Θεοτόκον, σὲ μεγαλύνομεν.

Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify. [5D]

**Verse:** He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. [NKJV]

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. [5D]

**Verse:** He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever. [NKIVI]

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. [5D]

### Heirmos. Mode 1.

The cloud that radiates brightly \* and into which, as the rain fell \* upon the fleece, the Lord of all \* from the heavens descended \* and was incarnated for us \* becoming a man, though Unoriginate, \* the immaculate Mother \* of our God do we all magnify in song. [5D]

It is truly right to bless you, Theotokos, ever blessed, most pure, and Mother of our God. 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.

#### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Έτι καὶ ἔτι ἐν εἰρήνη τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Αντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῆ σῆ 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

Ότι σὲ αἰνοῦσι πᾶσαι αἱ δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπουσι, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰωνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

### ΧΟΡΟΣ

### Έξαποστειλάριον.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

\***Ηχος β΄.** Γυναῖκες ἀκουτίσθητε.

Πληθὺς Μαρτύρων πάντιμε, καὶ φάλαγξ θεοσύλλεκτε, τῶν Δυσμυρίων άγίων, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα, Θεὸν ἐκδυσωπήσατε, ὁυσθῆναι πάσης θλίψεως, τοὺς νῦν ὑμᾶς γεραίροντας, καὶ τὴν λαμπρὰν ἐκτελοῦντας, καὶ πάμφωτον ὑμῶν μνήμην.

### Τῆς Έορτῆς.

'Ηχος β'. Γυναῖκες ἀκουτίσθητε.

Εἰκόνος ἦς μετέλαβον, θεουργικῶς τῆς κρείττονος, ἐξώσθην οἴμοι ὁ τλήμων! δι' ἀκρασίας τῆς πάλαι, σὰ δὲ Χριστὲ ὡς εἴσπλαγχνος, ἀρδήτως κοινωνήσας μοι, τοῦ

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

(To You, O Lord.)

### **PRIEST**

For all the powers of heaven praise You and give You glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

### **CHOIR**

### Exaposteilarion.

From Menaion - - -

**Mode 2.** O Women, hearken.

O God-selected regiment, \* all-honored company of Saints, \* holy Twenty-thousand Martyrs, \* pray earnestly to our Lord God \* and Savior, whom the Virgin bore, \* to rescue us from all distress, \* who now extol and honor you, \* observing your most resplendent \* and illustrious memory. [SD]

### For the Feast.

Mode 2. O Women, hearken.

When God created me I had \* a nobler image; but alas, \* wretch that I am, I was exiled \* because of my lack of self-control. \* Now You, O Christ compassionate, \* ineffably communed with me, \* partaking of what is

χείρονος μετείληφας, καινοποιήσας Σωτήρ με, Παρθενικῶν ἐξ αἱμάτων.

### Οἱ Αἶνοι. Ἡχος δ'.

Πᾶσα πνοὴ αἰνεσάτω τὸν Κύριον. Αἰνεῖτε τὸν Κύριον ἐκ τῶν οὐρανῶν αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις. Σοὶ πρέπει ὕμνος τῷ Θεῷ.

Αἰνεῖτε αὐτόν, πάντες οἱ ἄγγελοι αὐτοῦ· αἰνεῖτε αὐτόν, πᾶσαι αἱ δυνάμεις αὐτοῦ. Σοὶ πρέπει ὕμνος τῷ Θεῷ.

Αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν ἥλιος καὶ σελήνη, αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν πάντα τὰ ἄστρα καὶ τὸ φῶς.

Αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν οἱ οὐρανοὶ τῶν οὐρανῶν καὶ τὸ ὕδωρ τὸ ὑπεράνω τῶν οὐρανῶν. Αἰνεσάτωσαν τὸ ὄνομα Κυρίου.

Ότι αὐτὸς εἶπε, καὶ ἐγενήθησαν, αὐτὸς ἐνετείλατο, καὶ ἐκτίσθησαν.

Έστησεν αὐτὰ εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα καὶ εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα τοῦ αἰῶνος· πρόσταγμα ἔθετο, καὶ οὐ παρελεύσεται.

Αἰνεῖτε τὸν Κύριον ἐκ τῆς γῆς, δράκοντες καὶ πᾶσαι ἄβυσσοι.

Πῦο, χάλαζα, χιών, κούσταλλος, πνεῦμα καταιγίδος, τὰ ποιοῦντα τὸν λόγον αὐτοῦ.

Τὰ ὄρη καὶ πάντες οἱ βουνοί, ξύλα καρποφόρα καὶ πᾶσαι κέδροι.

Τὰ θηρία καὶ πάντα τὰ κτήνη, ἑρπετὰ καὶ πετεινὰ πτερωτά.

Βασιλεῖς τῆς γῆς καὶ πάντες λαοί, ἄρχοντες καὶ πάντες κριταὶ γῆς.

Νεανίσκοι καὶ παρθένοι, πρεσβύτεροι μετὰ νεωτέρων αἰνεσάτωσαν τὸ ὄνομα Κυρίου, ὅτι ὑψώθη τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ μόνου.

Ή ἐξομολόγησις αὐτοῦ ἐπὶ γῆς καὶ οὐφανοῦ. καὶ ὑψώσει κέφας λαοῦ αὐτοῦ.

Ύμνος πᾶσι τοῖς ὁσίοις αὐτοῦ, τοῖς υἱοῖς Ἰσραήλ, λαῷ ἐγγίζοντι αὐτῷ.

baser, \* and making be new, O Savior, \* from what You took from the Virgin. [5D]

### Lauds. Mode 4.

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. It is fitting to sing a hymn to You, O God. [SAAS]

Praise Him, all you His angels; praise Him, all you His hosts. It is fitting to sing a hymn to You, O God. [SAAS]

Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all you stars and light.

Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, and you waters above the heavens. Let them praise the Lord's name

For He spoke, and they were made; He commanded, and they were created.

He established them forever and unto ages of ages; He set forth His ordinance, and it shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you dragons and all the deeps.

Fire and hail, snow and ice, stormy wind, which perform His word.

Mountains and all the hills, fruitful trees and all cedars.

Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds.

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all judges of the earth.

Young men and maidens, elders with younger, let them praise the Lord's name, for His name alone is exalted.

His thanksgiving is in earth and heaven. And He shall exalt the horn of His people.

A hymn for all His saints, for the children of Israel, a people who draw near to Him.

Άσατε τῷ Κυρίῳ ἄσμα καινόν, ἡ αἴνεσις αὐτοῦ ἐν ἐκκλησίᾳ ὁσίων.

Εὐφοανθήτω Ἰσοαήλ ἐπὶ τῷ ποιήσαντι αὐτόν, καὶ οἱ υἱοὶ Σιὼν ἀγαλλιάσθωσαν ἐπὶ τῷ βασιλεῖ αὐτῶν.

Αἰνεσάτωσαν τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ ἐν χορῷ, ἐν τυμπάνῳ καὶ ψαλτηρίῳ ψαλάτωσαν αὐτῷ.

Ότι εὐδοκεῖ Κύριος ἐν τῷ λαῷ αὐτοῦ καὶ ὑψώσει πραεῖς ἐν σωτηρίᾳ.

Καυχήσονται ὅσιοι ἐν δόξη καὶ ἀγαλλιάσονται ἐπὶ τῶν κοιτῶν αὐτῶν.

Αἱ ὑψώσεις τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐν τῷ λάουγγι αὐτῶν, καὶ ὁομφαῖαι δίστομοι ἐν ταῖς χεοσὶν αὐτῶν.

Τοῦ ποιῆσαι ἐκδίκησιν ἐν τοῖς ἔθνεσιν, ἐλεγμοὺς ἐν τοῖς λαοῖς.

Τοῦ δῆσαι τοὺς βασιλεῖς αὐτῶν ἐν πέδαις καὶ τοὺς ἐνδόξους αὐτῶν ἐν χειροπέδαις σιδηραῖς.

Τοῦ ποιῆσαι ἐν αὐτοῖς κοῖμα ἔγγοαπτον δόξα αὕτη ἔσται πᾶσι τοῖς ὁσίοις αὐτοῦ.

Αἰνεῖτε τὸν Θεὸν ἐν τοῖς άγίοις αὐτοῦ, αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν ἐν στερεώματι τῆς δυνάμεως αὐτοῦ.

### Στιχηρά Προσόμοια.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Ήχος δ΄. Ώς γενναῖον ἐν Μάρτυσι.

Αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν ἐπὶ ταῖς δυναστείαις αὐτοῦ, αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν κατὰ τὸ πλῆθος τῆς μεγαλωσύνης αὐτοῦ.

Τῆς οἰκείας χρηστότητος, ὁ Δεσπότης βουλόμενος, τοῖς ἀνθρώποις τὸν πλοῦτον ὁ φιλάνθρωπος, καθυποδεῖξαι τὸ φύραμα, τὸ τούτων ἀνέλαβες, καὶ ἐτέχθης ἐν σαρκί καὶ τὸ Σπήλαιον ὤκησας, ἵνα ἄπαντας, οὐρανίους ποιήσης ἀνυψώσας, τοὺς αἰνοῦντας καὶ ὑμνοῦντας, τὴν σὴν ἀνέκφραστον Γέννησιν.

Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise in the assembly of His holy ones.

Let Israel be glad in Him who made him, and let the children of Zion greatly rejoice in their King.

Let them praise His name with dance; with tambourine and harp let them sing to Him.

For the Lord is pleased with His people, and He shall exalt the gentle with salvation.

The holy ones shall boast in glory, and they shall greatly rejoice on their beds.

The high praise of God shall be in their mouth and a two-edged sword in their hand.

To deal retribution to the nations, reproving among the peoples.

To shackle their kings with chains and their nobles with fetters of iron.

To fulfill among them the written judgment: this glory have all His holy ones.

Praise God in His saints; praise Him in the firmament of His power.

### Stichera Prosomia.

From Menaion - -

**Mode 4.** To a brave one.

Praise Him for His mighty acts; praise Him according to the abundance of His greatness. [SAAS]

You the Master who loves mankind, \*
ever wishing to demonstrate \* the abundant
wealth of Your goodness to mankind, \*
became incarnate and thus assumed \* our
nature; and You were born \* of a Virgin in the
flesh; \* and You dwelt in a cave on earth, \* so
that You might raise \* to the heights and make
heavenly Your servants, who are praising and
extolling \* Your ineffable Nativity. [5D]

Αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν ἐν ἤχῳ σάλπιγγος, αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν ἐν ψαλτηρίῳ καὶ κιθάρα.

Τῆς οἰκείας χρηστότητος, ὁ Δεσπότης βουλόμενος, τοῖς ἀνθρώποις τὸν πλοῦτον ὁ φιλάνθρωπος, καθυποδεῖξαι τὸ φύραμα, τὸ τούτων ἀνέλαβες, καὶ ἐτέχθης ἐν σαρκί καὶ τὸ Σπήλαιον ὤκησας, ἵνα ἄπαντας, οὐρανίους ποιήσης ἀνυψώσας, τοὺς αἰνοῦντας καὶ ὑμνοῦντας, τὴν σὴν ἀνέκφραστον Γέννησιν.

Αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν ἐν τυμπάνῳ καὶ χορῷ, αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν ἐν χορδαῖς καὶ ὀργάνῳ.

Τῆ δυνάμει νευφούμενοι, καὶ στεξόῶς κρατυνόμενοι, καὶ ἐνισχυόμενοι τοῦ Παντάνακτος, ἐν ἀσθενείᾳ τῆς φύσεως, ἀήττητοι Μάφτυφες, τὸν ἀφχέκακον ἐχθφόν, κραταιῶς ἐνικήσατε, καὶ πρεσβεύετε, δωρηθῆναι τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν εἰρήνην, καὶ πιστοῖς τὴν σωτηρίαν, ὡς ἀντιλήπτοφες μέγιστοι.

Αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν ἐν κυμβάλοις εὐήχοις, αἰνεῖτε αὐτὸν ἐν κυμβάλοις ἀλαλαγμοῦ. Πᾶσα πνοὴ αἰνεσάτω τὸν Κύριον.

Έν τοῖς λόγοις Φιλόθεος, καὶ ἐν ἔργοις Δωρόθεος, καὶ θεῖος Μαρδόνιος, καὶ Γοργόνιος, σὺν τῷ Σεκούνδῳ καὶ Πέτρῳ τε, καὶ Ἰνδη ἠρίστευσαν, καὶ ἐχθροῦ παρεμβολάς, ἐτροπώσαντο χαίροντες, καὶ πρεσβεύουσιν, ἐκ παντοίων κινδύνων λυτρωθῆναι, τοὺς ἐν πίστει ἐκτελοῦντας, τὴν σεπτὴν αὐτῶν πανήγυριν.

Praise Him with the sound of trumpet; praise Him with the harp and lyre. [SAAS]

You the Master who loves mankind, \*
ever wishing to demonstrate \* the abundant
wealth of Your goodness to mankind, \*
became incarnate and thus assumed \* our
nature; and You were born \* of a Virgin in the
flesh; \* and You dwelt in a cave on earth, \* so
that You might raise \* to the heights and make
heavenly Your servants, who are praising and
extolling \* Your ineffable Nativity. [5D]

Praise Him with timbrel and dance; praise Him with strings and flute. [SAAS]

Being strengthened and fortified \* and supported and reinforced \* by the mighty power of God the King of all, \* you, O invincible Martyr Saints, \* were roundly victorious \* over the arch-evil foe, \* even though being human your nature was infirm. \* Now you pray for the peace of all the world and for salvation of believers, \* as their great helpers and advocates.

Praise Him with resounding cymbals; praise Him with triumphant cymbals; let everything that breathes praise the Lord. [SAAS]

In his words, St. Philotheos, \* in his deeds St. Dorotheos, and divine Mardonios and Gorgonios, \* Indus and Peter and Secundus \* in martyrdom all excelled, \* and rejoicing put to flight \* all the hosts of the enemy. \* Now they intercede \* with the Lord, that He rescue from all danger those now faithfully observing \* the solemn feast of their memory.

[SD]

Δόξα καὶ νῦν.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

### Ήχος πλ. α'.

Άκατάληπτον τὸ τελούμενον, ἐν Βηθλεὲμ σήμερον μυστήριον! ὁ ἀόρατος ὁρᾶται, ὁ ἄσαρκος σαρκοῦται, ὁ Λόγος παχύνεται, καὶ ὁ Ὠν γίνεται ὁ οὐκ ἦν, Παρθένος τίκτει ἐν σπηλαίω βρέφος νέον, τὸν Πλάστην τῆς φύσεως φάτνη ἐκτυποῦται, εἰς θρόνον ἐπουράνιον, κτήνη ἀπεικάζει, χερουβικὴν παράστασιν Ποιμένες θαυμάζουσι Μάγοι δῶρα προσφέρουσιν Ἄγγελοι ἀνυμνοῦντες λέγουσι Δόξα ἐν ὑψίστοις Θεῷ, καὶ ἐπὶ γῆς εἰρήνη ἐν ἀνθρώποις γὰρ εὐδόκησεν, ἀναλλοιώτως ὁ Ἐμμανουήλ.

#### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

### Δοξολογία (διαβαστά)

Σοὶ δόξα πρέπει, Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατρί, καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ, καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν, καὶ ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Άμήν. Δόξα ἐν ὑψίστοις Θεῷ, καὶ ἐπὶ γῆς εἰρήνη ἐν ἀνθρώποις εὐδοκία. Ύμνοῦμέν σε, εὐλογοῦμέν σε, προσκυνοῦμέν σε, δοξολογοῦμέν σε, εὐχαριστοῦμέν σοι, διὰ τὴν μεγάλην σου δόξαν. Κύριε Βασιλεῦ, ἐπουράνιε Θεέ, Πάτερ παντοκράτορ· Κύριε Υίὲ μονογενές, Ἰησοῦ Χριστέ, καὶ Άγιον Πνεῦμα. Κύριε ὁ Θεός, ὁ Άμνὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, ὁ Υίὸς τοῦ Πατρός, ὁ αἴρων τὴν άμαρτίαν τοῦ κόσμου, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς, ὁ αἴρων τὰς ἁμαρτίας τοῦ κόσμου. Πρόσδεξαι τὴν δέησιν ἡμῶν, ὁ καθήμενος ἐν δεξιᾳ τοῦ Πατρός, καὶ ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. Ότι σὺ εἶ μόνος Άγιος, σὺ εἶ μόνος Κύριος, Ἰησοῦς Χριστός, εἰς δόξαν Θεοῦ Πατρός. Ἀμήν.

Glory. Both now.

From Menaion - - -

### Mode pl. 1.

Incomprehensible is the mystery that is accomplished today in Bethlehem! The invisible One becomes visible; the fleshless One assumes flesh; the Logos takes substance; and the One who is becomes what He was not. A Virgin gives birth in a cave to a new baby who is the Fashioner of nature. A manger portrays a heavenly throne, and animals represent an array of Cherubim. Shepherds marvel; Magi bring gifts. Angels sing praises, saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth. For Emmanuel, without changing, is well pleased to be with mankind." [SD]

### **READER**

### Doxology (read)

To you belongs glory, O Lord our God, and to you we send up glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men. We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you, and we thank you, for your great glory. Lord, King, Heavenly God, Father Almighty; onlybegotten Son, Lord Jesus Christ and Holy Spirit. Lord God, the Lamb of God, the Son of the Father, who take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us, you who take away the sins of the world. Accept our supplication, you who sit at the right of the Father, and have mercy on us. For you are the only Holy One, you are the only Lord, Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen. Every day I shall bless you, and I shall praise your name

Καθ' ἑκάστην ἡμέραν εὐλογήσω σε, καὶ αἰνέσω τὸ ὄνομά σου εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα, καὶ εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα τοῦ αἰῶνος. Κύριε, καταφυγή ἐγενήθης ἡμῖν ἐν γενεᾳ καὶ γενεᾶ. Ἐγὰ εἶπα Κύριε, ἐλέησόν με ἴασαι τὴν ψυχήν μου, ὅτι ἥμαρτόν σοι. Κύριε, πρὸς σὲ κατέφυγον δίδαξόν με τοῦ ποιεῖν τὸ θέλημά σου, ὅτι σὰ εἶ ὁ Θεός μου. Ότι παρά σοὶ πηγή ζωῆς ἐν τῷ φωτί σου ὀψόμεθα φῶς. Παράτεινον τὸ ἔλεός σου τοῖς γινώσκουσί σε. Καταξίωσον, Κύριε, ἐν τῆ ἡμέρα ταύτη ἀναμαρτήτους φυλαχθῆναι ἡμᾶς. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, ό Θεός 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· συνέτισόν με τὰ δικαιώματά σου. Εὐλογητός εἶ, Άγιε φώτισόν με τοῖς δικαιώμασί σου. Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου εἰς τὸν αὶῶνα· τὰ ἔργα τῶν χειρῶν σου μὴ παρίδης. Σοὶ πρέπει αἶνος, σοὶ πρέπει ὕμνος, σοὶ δόξα πρέπει, τῷ Πατρί, καὶ τῷ Υίῷ, καὶ τῷ Άγίω Πνεύματι, νῦν, καὶ ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

#### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Πληρώσωμεν τὴν ἑωθινὴν δέησιν ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Άντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῆ σῆ χάριτι.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Τὴν ἡμέραν πᾶσαν τελείαν, ἁγίαν, εἰρηνικὴν καὶ ἀναμάρτητον, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

forever, and unto the ages of ages. Lord, you have become for us a refuge from generation to generation. I have said: Lord, have mercy on me, heal my soul, for I have sinned against you. Lord, to you I have fled; teach me to do your will, for you are my God. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we shall see light. Extend your mercy to those who know you. Grant, O Lord, that in this day we may be kept without sin. Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our Fathers, and praised and glorified is your name unto the ages. Amen. Let your mercy, Lord, come upon us, just as we have hoped in you. Blessed are you, O Lord, teach me your commandments. Blessed are you, O Master, make me understand your commandments. Blessed are you, O Holy One, enlighten me with your commandments. Lord, your mercy remains forever, do not turn away from the works of your hands. To you belongs praise, to you belongs a hymn, to you belongs glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

#### **DEACON**

Let us complete our morning 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 day may be perfect, holy, peaceful, and sinless, let us ask the Lord.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

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

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

Συγγνώμην καὶ ἄφεσιν τῶν ἁμαοτιῶν καὶ τῶν πλημμελημάτων ἡμῶν, παοὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

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

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

Τὸν ὑπόλοιπον χοόνον τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν ἐν εἰρήνη καὶ μετανοία ἐκτελέσαι, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

Χοιστιανὰ τὰ τέλη τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν, ἀνώδυνα, ἀνεπαίσχυντα, εἰοηνικά, καὶ καλὴν ἀπολογίαν τὴν ἐπὶ τοῦ φοβεροῦ βήματος τοῦ Χριστοῦ αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχου, Κύριε.)

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

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ότι Θεὸς ἐλέους, οἰκτιρμῶν, καὶ φιλανθρωπίας ὑπάρχεις, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατρί, καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ, καὶ τῷ Άγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν, καὶ ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For an angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For pardon and remission of our sins and transgressions, let us ask the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For that which is good and beneficial for our souls, and for peace for the world, let us ask the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

That we may complete the remaining time of our life in peace and repentance, let us ask the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

And let us ask for a Christian end to our life, peaceful, without shame and suffering, and for a good defense before the awesome judgment seat of Christ.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

Commemorating our most holy, pure, blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

(To You, O Lord.)

### **PRIEST**

For You are the God of mercy and compassion and love for mankind, and to You we give glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to ages of ages.

(Amen.)

#### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εἰρήνη πᾶσι.

(Καὶ τῷ πνεύματί σου.)

### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Τὰς κεφαλὰς ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ κλίνομεν. (Σοί, Κύριε.)

### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ (χαμηλοφώνως)

Κύριε, Άγιε, ὁ ἐν ὑψηλοῖς κατοικῶν καὶ τὰ ταπεινὰ ἐφορῶν, καὶ τῷ παντεφόρῳ σου ὅμματι ἐπιβλέπων ἐπὶ πᾶσαν τὴν κτίσιν, σοὶ ἐκλίναμεν τὸν αὐχένα τῆς ψυχῆς καὶ τοῦ σώματος, καὶ δεόμεθά σου Άγιε Άγίων ἔκτεινον τὴν χεῖρά σου τὴν ἀόρατον ἐξ άγίου κατοικητηρίου σου, καὶ εὐλόγησον πάντας ἡμᾶς· καὶ εἴτι ἡμάρτομεν ἑκουσίως ἤ ἀκουσίως, ώς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθρωπος Θεὸς συγχώρησον, δωρούμενος ἡμῖν τὰ ἐγκόσμια καὶ ὑπερκόσμια ἀγαθά σου.

#### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Σὸν γάς ἐστι τὸ ἐλεεῖν καὶ σώζειν ἡμᾶς, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατςί, καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ, καὶ τῷ Άγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν, καὶ ἀεί, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

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

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

### ΧΟΡΟΣ

### Απόστιχα.

### Ήχος πλ. β΄. Αἱ Άγγελικαί.

Άγει έορτήν, ἐν χαρᾳ πᾶσα ἡ Κτίσις, καὶ οἱ οὐρανοί, σὺν ἡμῖν ἀγαλλιῶνται ἐν φάτνη γὰρ ὁ Κτίστης, ἐκ Παρθένου τικτόμενος, καὶ ἐν Βηθλεὲμ τῆς Ἰουδαίας, βρέφος νῦν ὡράθη παραδόξως, πρὸς ὃν εἴπωμεν Εὐλογημένος ὁ τεχθείς, Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

### **PRIEST**

Peace be with all.

(And with your spirit.)

#### **DEACON**

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

(To You, O Lord.)

### PRIEST (in a low voice)

Holy Lord, dwelling on high and beholding things below and, with your eye that observes all, keeping watch over the whole creation, to you we have bowed the neck of our soul and body, and we beseech you, O Holy of Holies: Stretch forth your invisible hand from your holy dwelling and bless us all. And, as you are good and love humankind, pardon us if we have sinned in anything, voluntarily or involuntarily, granting us your blessings both of this world and of the world above.

#### **PRIEST**

For Yours it is to show mercy and to save us, O our God, and to You we give glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to ages of ages.

(Amen.)

From Menaion - - -

### **CHOIR**

### Aposticha.

**Mode pl. 2.** *N/M (O angelic powers.)* 

All creation, celebrate the feast with joy!/
Rejoice with us, you heavens!/The Creator
is born from the Virgin in the cave;/a young
Child comes in the fullness of time./Let us cry
out to Him://Blessed are You, our newborn
God; glory to You! [OCA]

**Στίχ.** Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τῷ Κυρίῳ μου Κάθου ἐκ δεξιῶν μου, ἕως ἂν θῶ τοὺς ἐχθρούς σου ὑποπόδιον τῶν ποδῶν σου.

Νέον δι' ἡμᾶς, Ἰησοῦ ὤφθης παιδίον, ὁ ἐκ τοῦ Πατοὸς ποὸ αἰώνων ἀνατείλας, παλαιωθέντας πάλαι, παραβάσει βουλόμενος, πάντας καινουργῆσαι τοὺς ἀνθρώπους· διὸ σοι πάντες εὐχαρίστως, ἀεὶ κράζομεν· Εὐλογημένος ὁ τεχθείς, Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

Στίχ. Ἐκ γαστρὸς πρὸ ἑωσφόρου ἐγέννησά σε. Ὠμοσε Κύριος καὶ οὐ μεταμεληθήσεται.

Ύμνησαν Χοιστόν, ἐκ Παρθένου προελθόντα, ὄρη καὶ βουνοί, καὶ κοιλάδες καὶ πεδία, ἀστὴρ δὲ τοῦτον Μάγοις, οὐρανόθεν ὑπέδειξε, κείμενον ὡς βρέφος ἐν σπηλαίω, σάρκα δουλικὴν ἠμφιεσμένον, πρὸς ὃν κράζομεν Εὐλογημένος ὁ τεχθείς, Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

Δόξα.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

### Ήχος πλ. β'.

Τίς σου ή πολλή, καὶ ἀνείκαστος πτωχεία, δι' ἦς ὁ Ἀδάμ, κατεπλούτησε τὰ θεῖα; ἐβόα ἡ Παρθένος, ἐν ἀγκάλαις κατέχουσα, τὸν Ἐμμανουὴλ Θεὸν καὶ Κτίστην, σάρκα ἐξ αὐτῆς ἀνειληφότα, πρὸς ὃν κράζομεν Εὐλογημένος ὁ τεχθείς, Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

Καὶ νῦν.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

### Ήχος πλ. β'.

Παιδίον ὁ ποοών, Βασιλεὺς ὁ τῶν αἰώνων, ἐτέχθη ἑκών, καὶ Υίὸς ἡμῶν ἐδόθη. Ἀκούσατε τὰ Ἔθνη, Ἰσοαὴλ ἐνωτίσθητι, γνῶτε καὶ ἡττᾶσθε· μεθ' ἡμῶν γάο, ὃς λεπτυνεῖ καὶ ἐκλικμήσει, ἐκ γῆς

**Verse:** The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at My right hand, until I make your enemies the footstool of Your feet." [SAAS]

Jesus, Who shone from the Father before the ages,/for us is seen today, a newborn Child./It is His will to refashion the human race/long grown old in sin./Let us tirelessly cry to Him in thanks://Blessed are You, our newborn God: glory to You! [OCA]

**Verse:** I have begotten You from the womb before the morning star. The Lord swore and will not repent. [SAAS]

You mountains and hills, you plains and valleys,/praise Christ, Who has come forth from the Virgin!/The star shines from heaven upon the Magi/revealing the Child in the manger/clothed in flesh as a servant./Let us cry to Him://Blessed are You, our newborn God: glory to You! [OCA]

Glory.

From Menaion - - -

### Mode pl. 2.

Never has anyone been so poor as our God,/or so rich as Adam, recreated in godliness,/the Virgin cried out as she held in her arms/Emmanuel, our God and Creator,/Who had clothed himself with flesh from her./Let us cry to Him://Blessed are You, our newborn God: glory to You!

Both now.

From Menaion - - -

### Mode pl. 2.

He Who is King before all ages wills to be born a Child./A Son is given to us./Listen, you nations; give ear, O Israel!/Understand and submit yourselves!/He is with us, Who threshes and winnows the ends of the earth.//

ἄπασαν, καὶ βασιλείαν καὶ ἀοχήν, αὐτῷ μὴ ὑπείκουσαν.

#### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Άγαθὸν τὸ ἐξομολογεῖσθαι τῷ Κυوίῳ καὶ ψάλλειν τῷ ὀνόματί σου, Ύψιστε· τοῦ ἀναγγέλλειν τῷ πρωΐ τὸ ἔλεός σου καὶ τὴν ἀλήθειάν σου κατὰ νύκτα.

#### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

### Τρισάγιον.

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

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

Παναγία Τοιάς, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. Κύοιε, ἱλάσθητι ταῖς ἁμαοτίαις ἡμῶν. Δέσποτα, συγχώοησον τὰς ἀνομίας ἡμῖν. Ἅγιε, ἐπίσκεψαι καὶ ἴασαι τὰς ἀσθενείας ἡμῶν, ἕνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου.

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

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

Πάτες ἡμῶν ὁ ἐν τοῖς οὐςανοῖς, άγιασθήτω τὸ ὄνομά σου. Ἐλθέτω ἡ βασιλεία σου. Γενηθήτω τὸ θέλημά σου, ώς ἐν οὐςανῷ καὶ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς. Τὸν ἄςτον ἡμῶν τὸν ἐπιούσιον δὸς ἡμῖν σήμεςον. Καὶ ἄφες ἡμῖν τὰ ὀφειλήματα ἡμῶν, ὡς καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀφίεμεν τοῖς ὀφειλέταις ἡμῶν. Καὶ μὴ εἰσενέγκης ἡμᾶς εἰς πειςασμόν, ἀλλὰ ςῦσαι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ τοῦ πονηςοῦ.

The kingdom and the power shall never be taken from Him! [OCA]

#### **PRIEST**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing to Your name, O Most High, to proclaim Your mercy in the morning and Your truth at night. [SAAS]

### **READER**

### **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.

### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ότι σοῦ ἐστιν ἡ βασιλεία καὶ ἡ δύναμις καὶ ἡ δόξα τοῦ Πατρὸς καὶ τοῦ Υίοῦ καὶ τοῦ Αγίου Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

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

#### ΧΟΡΟΣ

Άπολυτίκιον.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Ήχος β'.

Ἀθλοφόροι Κυρίου, μακαρία ή γῆ ή πιανθεῖσα τοῖς αἵμασιν ὑμῶν, καὶ ἄγιαι αἱ σκηναί, αἱ δεξάμεναι τὰ σώματα ὑμῶν ἐν σταδίω γὰρ τὸν ἐχθρὸν ἐθριαμβεύσατε, καὶ Χριστὸν μετὰ παὐόησίας ἐκηρύξατε, αὐτὸν ὡς ἀγαθὸν ἱκετεύσατε, σωθῆναι δεόμεθα τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Δόξα καὶ νῦν.

Απολυτίκιον τῆς Έορτῆς.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Ήχος δ'.

Ή Γέννησίς σου Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ἀνέτειλε τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ φῶς τὸ τῆς γνώσεως ἐν αὐτῆ γὰρ οἱ τοῖς ἄστροις λατρεύοντες, ὑπὸ ἀστέρος ἐδιδάσκοντο, σὲ προσκυνεῖν, τὸν Ἡλιον τῆς δικαιοσύνης, καὶ σὲ γινώσκειν ἐξ ὕψους ἀνατολήν. Κύριε δόξα σοι.

### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

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

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

Έτι δεόμεθα ύπὲο τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν.

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

### **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 2.

O victorious Athletes of the Lord, blessed is the ground that was watered with your blood, and holy are the dwellings that received your spirits. You prevailed over the enemy in the stadium, and you openly proclaimed Christ. We pray you will earnestly entreat Him for us, that He save our souls, since He is good. [5D]

Glory. Both now.

Apolytikion of the Feast.

From Menaion - - -

Mode 4.

Your nativity, O Christ our God, has caused the light of knowledge to rise upon the world. For therein the worshippers of the stars were by a star instructed to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know You as Orient from on high. Glory to You, O Lord. [5D]

### **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.)

Έτι δεόμεθα ύπὲο τοῦ (ἀρχιερατικοῦ βαθμοῦ) ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος).

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

Έτι δεόμεθα ύπὲς τῶν ἀδελφῶν ἡμῶν, τῶν ἱεςέων, ἱεςομονάχων, ἱεςοδιακόνων καὶ μοναχῶν, καὶ πάσης τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ ἡμῶν ἀδελφότητος.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

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

Again we pray for (episcopal rank) (name).

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

Again we pray for our brethren: the priests, the hieromonks, the hierodeacons, the monastics, and all our brotherhood in Christ.

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

Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, protection, forgiveness, and remission of the sins of the servants of God, all pious Orthodox Christians residing and visiting in this city: the parishioners, the members of the parish council, the stewards, and benefactors of this holy church.

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

Again we pray for the blessed and evermemorable founders of this holy church, and for all our fathers and brethren who have fallen asleep before us, who here have been piously laid to their rest, as well as the Orthodox everywhere.

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

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

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

#### **PRIEST**

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

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

(Ἀμήν.)

### ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία.

(Εὐλόγησον.)

### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

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

Στεφεώσαι, Κύφιος ὁ Θεός, τὴν ἁγίαν καὶ ἀμώμητον πίστιν τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀφθοδόξων Χριστιανῶν, σὺν τῆ ἁγία αὐτοῦ Ἐκκλησία καὶ τῆ πόλει ταύτη εἰς αἰῶνας αἰώνων.

#### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Άμήν.

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

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

Κύριε, ἐλέησον. (ἐκ γ') Εὐλόγησον.

#### ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ό ἐν σπηλαίῳ γεννηθείς, καὶ ἐν φάτνη ἀνακλιθείς, διὰ τὴν ἡμῶν σωτηρίαν, Χριστὸς ὁ ἀληθινὸς Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς παναχράντου καὶ παναμώμου άγίας αὐτοῦ Μητρός, δυνάμει τοῦ τιμίου καὶ ζωοποιοῦ Σταυροῦ, προστασίαις τῶν τιμίων ἐπουρανίων Δυνάμεων Ἀσωμάτων, ἱκεσίαις τοῦ τιμίου, ἐνδόξου, προφήτου, Προδρόμου καὶ βαπτιστοῦ Ἰωάννου, τῶν άγίων ἐνδόξων καὶ πανευφήμων Ἀποστόλων, τῶν άγίων ἐνδόξων καὶ καλλινίκων μαρτύρων τῶν

Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

### **DEACON**

Wisdom.

(Father, bless!)

### **PRIEST**

Blessed are You, Christ our God, always now and forever and to the ages of ages. (*Amen.*)

Make firm, Lord our God, the holy and pure faith of the pious Orthodox Christians, together with the Holy Church and this city forever.

#### **READER**

Amen.

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and in glory greater beyond compare than the Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify.

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

Lord, have mercy. (3) Father, bless!

#### **PRIEST**

May He who was born in a cave and lay in a manger for our salvation, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His allpure 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);

όσίων καὶ θεοφόρων Πατέρων ἡμῶν (τοῦ Αγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ) τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων Θεοπατόρων Ἰωακεὶμ καὶ ἄννης, καὶ πάντων τῶν Άγίων, ἐλεήσαι καὶ σώσαι ἡμᾶς, ὡς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθρωπος.

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

(Άμήν.)

of the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

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

(Amen.)