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and Memory of our Father among the saints Basil the Great,  
Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia**

**Katavasias of Epiphany I and II**

**Text in English**

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**MATINS**

**CHOIR**

**Mode 1.**

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. For the Saint.**

From Menaion ---

**Mode 1.**

Your proclamation went forth into all the earth, for it accepted your word, through which you taught the dogmas befitting God, you expounded on the nature of all that is, and you arranged the morals of society. A royal priesthood! Devout father Basil, intercede with Christ our God, to grant us His great mercy. [SD]

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Both now. **For the Feast.**

From Menaion ---

**Mode 1. The stone had been secured.**

In essence being God, most-compassionate Master, \* You assumed human nature without transmutation. \* Fulfilling the Law, of Your own will \* You accepted circumcision in the flesh, \* to bring an end to the shadow, and to remove the passions that cover us. \* Glory to Your benevolence, O Lord; \* glory to Your compassion; \* glory to Your inexpressible condescension, O Word. [SD]

**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. 1.** *Let us worship the Word.*

Let us all now extol holy Basil the Great \* the basilical ornament of the Church of Christ, \* and the treasure of dogmatic teachings that never fail; \* for by means of them he trained us to worship and adore \* the holy Trinity rightly, \* which is united in essence \* and distinguished in hypostases. [SD]

Glory. **For the Saint.**

From Menaion ---

**Mode 1.** *The soldiers keeping watch.*

O Basil, just and wise, by the Trinity standing, \* entreat that we who now sing your hymns and who honor \* your sacred memorial \* may be given on Judgment Day \* mercy, grace divine, and of offences forgiveness, \* so that we might sing \* with mouth and heart praise and glory \* to Him who loves humanity. [SD]

Both now. **For the Feast.**

From Menaion ---

**Mode 1.** *The soldiers keeping watch.*

The Master of the world and Creator of all things, \* the One who is on high with the Father and Spirit, \* on earth has been circumcised \* as an infant just eight days old. \* Lord, divine indeed are all Your works and amazing. \* You were circumcised on our behalf, loving Master, \* the fulfillment of the Mosaic Law. [SD]

**Kathisma II.**

From Menaion ---

**Mode pl. 4.** *By conceiving the wisdom.*

Having drawn out the mystical wealth of God's \* inexpressible wisdom as from a well, \* you stored up the waters of \* Orthodoxy for everyone, \* gladdening the hearts of

the faithful with godly joy, \* appropriately drowning the dogmas of heretics. \* Therefore by your labors for the truth you became an \* invincible champion of the all-holy Trinity; \* holy Basil the hierarch, \* intercede with Christ our God \* that He grant forgiveness of offences \* to those observing with longing your holy memorial. [SD]

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Both now. **For the Feast.**

From Menaion ---

**Mode 4.** *You appeared today.*

Since You are an ocean of the love for mankind, \* You, O Lord, put on the form of us Your servants and Your slaves, \* and You were circumcised in the flesh; \* and thus You granted great mercy to all mankind. [SD]

**Kathisma III.**

From Menaion ---

**Mode pl. 4.** *By conceiving the wisdom.*

By the power contained in your godly words \* you demolished the heresies that were dark, \* you drowned all the arrogance \* and the raging of Arius; \* for you proclaimed to mortals that the Spirit is God indeed, \* and lifting your hands in prayer, you killed off the enemies; \* you attacked the worship

that Sabellius imagined, \* and brought the theology of Nestorius to an end. \* O Saint Basil the hierarch, \* intercede with Christ our God \* that He grant forgiveness of offences \* to those observing with longing your holy memorial. [SD]

Glory.

**Mode pl. 4.** *By conceiving the wisdom.*

Now the grace of your words which derive from God \* and the mystical height and sublimity \* of dogmas became for us \* a ladder of divine ascent; \* for when you had acquired a spiritual trumpet, \* on it you, O father, proclaimed divine doctrines. \* Therefore you are dwelling in a place of green pasture, \* O holy one, and receive the rewards for your labors. \* O Saint Basil the hierarch, \* intercede with Christ our God \* that He grant forgiveness of offences \* to those observing with longing your holy memorial. [SD]

Both now.

**Mode pl. 4.** *By conceiving the wisdom.*

The Creator and Master of all the world, \* who took flesh from your all-pure and holy womb, \* made you, the all-blameless Maid, \* the protectress of humanity. \* For this reason all we faithful now have recourse to you, \* and we ask you, O Lady, to be forgiven our offences, \* and to be delivered from eternal perdition \* and every adversity that the prince of the world inflicts. \* And we therefore cry out to you: \* Intercede with your Son and our God \* that He grant forgiveness of offenses \* to those who piously worship the all-holy Child you bore. [SD]

**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 blessed is your name, and glorified is your kingdom, of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

*(Amen.)*

**CHOIR**

**Antiphon I.**

**Mode 4.**

Since my youth have many passions waged war against me. O my Savior, nonetheless help me and save me. (2) [SD]

You, the haters of Zion, be put to shame by the Lord, for like thatch in fire you will be completely dried up. (2) [SD]

Glory.

From the Holy Spirit every soul receives life, and through cleansing is lifted and brightened, in a hidden, sacred manner, by the trinal Monad. [SD]

Both now.

From the Holy Spirit do the streams of grace well forth; they irrigate everything created, so that life be engendered. <sup>[SD]</sup>

**Prokeimenon. Psalm 48.**

My mouth shall speak wisdom, and the meditation of my heart, understanding. (2)

**Verse:** *Hear this, all you nations; give ear, all you inhabitants of the world.*

My mouth shall speak wisdom, and the meditation of my heart, understanding. <sup>[SAAS]</sup>

**DEACON**

Let us pray to the Lord.

*(Lord, have mercy.)*

**PRIEST**

For you are holy, our God, who rest among the Saints, 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.

**CHOIR**

Amen.

**Mode 2.**

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord. (2) Let everything that breathes. praise the Lord. <sup>[SAAS]</sup>

**DEACON**

Let us pray to the Lord our God that we may be made worthy to hear the holy Gospel.

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

**DEACON**

Wisdom. Arise. Let us hear the Holy Gospel.

**PRIEST**

Peace be with all.

*(And with your spirit.)*

**PRIEST**

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to John.

**DEACON**

Let us be attentive.

*(Glory to You, O Lord. Glory to You.)*

**PRIEST** *(from the gate)*

*(10:1-9)*

The Lord said to the Jews who had come to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber; but he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens; the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." This figure Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not heed them. I am the door; if any one enters by me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture." <sup>[RSV]</sup>

*(Glory to You, O Lord. Glory to You.)*

**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 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]

From Menaion ---

**CHOIR**

Glory. **Mode 2.**

At the intercession of Your holy Hierarchy, O Lord of mercy, blot out my many offences.

[SD]

Both now.

At the intercession of the Theotokos, O Lord of mercy, blot out my many offences. [SD]

**Idiomelon. Mode pl. 2.**

**Verse:** *Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your great mercy; and according to the abundance of Your compassion, blot out my transgression.* [SAAS]

Grace was poured upon your lips, O devout father, and you became a shepherd of the Church of Christ, teaching the reasonable sheep to believe in the Trinity, coessential, in one Divinity. [SD]

**DEACON**

O God, save your people and bless your inheritance. Look upon your world with mercy and compassion. Raise the Orthodox Christians in glory, and send down upon us your rich mercies, 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, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom, Athanasios, Cyril, and John the Merciful, patriarchs of Alexandria; Nicholas, bishop of Myra, Spyridon, bishop of Trimythous, Nektarios of Pentapolis, the wonder-workers; the holy, glorious great Martyrs George the Victorious,

Demetrios the Myrobletes, Theodore the Teron, and Theodore the General, Menas the Wonderworker, the Hieromartyrs Haralambos and Eleftherios; the holy, glorious, and victorious martyrs; the glorious great Martyr and all-laudable Euphemia; the holy and glorious Martyrs Thecla, Barbara, Anastasia, Katherine, Kyriake, Fotene, Marina, Paraskeve and Irene; of our holy God-bearing Fathers; (local patron saint); the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, our Father among the saints Basil the Great, Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia, whose memory we celebrate; and of all your Saints. We beseech you, only merciful Lord, hear us sinners who pray to you and have mercy on us.

**CHOIR**

Lord, have mercy. (12)

**PRIEST**

Through the mercy, compassion, and love of mankind of your only-begotten Son, with whom you are blessed, together with your all-holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

From Menaion - - -

**READER**

**Kontakion.**

**Mode 4.** *You appeared today.*

As a base unshakable \* you were presented \* to the Church, attributing \* the full dominion to mankind, \* and by your dogmas confirming this, O devout Basil, Revealer of heaven to all. [SD]

**Oikos.**

That goblet of self-control, the mouth of wisdom, and the base of the dogmas, Basil the Great, shines brightly in the hearts of all. So come, and let us stand in the house of

God, gazing ardently, and be thrilled by his miracles. And when their lustrous light has made us also shine, \* let us be warmed by the purifying spirit of his life, imitating his faith, ardor, and humility, through which he became the house of the true God. And let us extol him and cry out to him: O devout Basil, Revealer of heaven to all. [GKD]

**Synaxarion.**

*From the Menaion.*

On January 1, we celebrate the circumcision in the flesh of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ.

On this day we also commemorate our father among the saints Basil the Great, Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia.

On this day the holy Martyr Theodotos died by the sword.

On this day, Saint Gregory, the father of Saint Gregory the Theologian, died in peace.

By their holy intercessions, O God, have mercy on us. Amen.

**CHOIR**

**Katavasia of Epiphany I and II**

**Ode i. Mode 2.**

The Lord who is powerful in battle \* once exposed the bottom of deep sea \* and He drew His people through it as on dry land, \* while there again He engulfed the enemies, \* for He is glorified. [SD]

**Iambic. Mode 2.**

Israel treaded on the sea's swelling billow, \* which had been rendered once again into dry land. \* Then the dark waters concealed all the Egyptian \* riders together, as a tomb laid



in water, \* by the mighty strength of the right of the Master. [SD]

**Ode iii.**

The Lord who bestows upon our rulers His might and exalts \* the horn of His own anointed ones \* was born of a pure virgin Maid, and now He goes to baptism. O faithful, let us cry aloud \* and say that there is no one holy like our God, \* and no one is righteous except for You, O Lord. [SD]

**Iambic.**

From the ancient snares of the gluttonous lions, \* whose teeth are broken, we all have been delivered. \* Let us exult, then, and our mouth let us widen, \* weaving melody from words unto the Logos, \* whose delight it is to bestow gifts upon us. [SD]

**Ode iv.**

When You thundered on the many waters, \* O Lord, unto Your Son thus bearing witness, \* then he whom You once designated as the voice of the one who cries out in the desert \* heard Your voice; and filled with the Spirit there present, he cried aloud and said, \* You are the Christ, the wisdom and the power of God. [SD]

**Iambic.**

Once purged by the fire of mystical vision, \* the Prophet, hymning the renewal of mortals, \* cried in a loud voice energized by the Spirit, \* telling the ineffable Word's incarnation. \* He it is who crushed the power of the princes. [SD]

**Ode v.**

He is Jesus, the Author of life. \* He has come to loose the condemnation of first-

created Adam. \* Being God, and thus not needing to be purified, \* in the Jordan He purifies the one who had fallen. \* He put to death the enmity, and therefore He grants the peace that passes all understanding. [SD]

**Iambic.**

The Spirit's cleansing has washed away from us now \* the dark and dirty enemy's poison venom. \* Therefore we have landed on a new unerring \* path, which leads to happiness that has no access, \* save to them whom God to himself reconciled. [SD]

**Ode vi.**

The voice of the Logos, the lantern of the Light, the morning star that precedes the Sun, the Forerunner is in the desert, \* crying to all the peoples, Repent and beforehand purify yourselves. \* Behold, among us is the Christ, who out of corruption redeems the world. [SD]

**Iambic.**

With the blessed utterance proclaimed the Father \* Him He produced from the womb His beloved Son. \* Yes, He said, this is My own connatural offspring, \* splendor of My light, now also borne of mankind, \* both My living Word, and by providence mortal. [SD]

**Ode vii.**

When the pious youths were thrown in the furnace all aflame with fire, \* the Angel of the Lord went down with them and drove out the fiery flame \* and moist whistling wind preserved them free of harm. \* Being thus refreshed in the flames, they gave glory, singing in gratitude. \* O supremely praised and most exalted Lord and God of the fathers, You are blessed. [SD]

**Iambic.**

He who retarded once the towering fire \* within the furnace that held the pious young men \* burned the dragons' heads in the streams of the river, \* and the stubborn stain of sin He has completely \* washed away therein, with the dew of the Spirit. [SD]

**Ode viii.**

The furnace once in Babylon displayed a paradoxical mystery by pouring out moisture: \* that the Jordan was to receive in its streams the immaterial fire, \* and hold the Creator when He was being baptized. \* Him do the peoples all bless and exalt supremely unto all the ages. [SD]

*We praise and we bless and we worship the Lord.*

**Iambic.**

The created world exults in its liberty, \* and sons of the light are they who once were darkened. \* Only the champion of darkness is groaning. \* Now let the formerly wretched inheritance \* of the Nations bless eagerly Him who caused this. [SD]

**DEACON**

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

**CHOIR**

From Menaion - - -

**Ode ix.**

**Canon of the Feast.**

**Mode 2. Heirmos.**

*O my soul, magnify her who is higher in honor than the heavenly armies.*

Lady, from your virginal belly \* you ineffably embodied God, \* the luminary who arose before the sun, \* and the One who came

down to us \* and dwelt among us bodily. \* O blessed and all-holy one, \* you, O Theotokos, do we magnify. [SD]

**Troparia.**

*O my soul, magnify the Lord who according to the Law received circumcision.*

Lady, from your virginal belly \* you ineffably embodied God, \* the luminary who arose before the sun, \* and the One who came down to us \* and dwelt among us bodily. \* O blessed and all-holy one, \* you, O Theotokos, do we magnify. [SD]

*O my soul, magnify the Lord who on the eighth day received circumcision.*

Christ the Savior did from a Virgin \* come forth extraordinarily, \* for He surpassed the bounds of human nature all. \* He fulfilled the Mosaic Law \* when He was duly circumcised \* in the flesh according as the letter of the Law prescribed. [SD]

*Today the Master was circumcised in the flesh, and He was called Jesus.*

Come, let us with holiness celebrate the glorious festivities \* as we observe the Name Day of the Master Christ. \* For He is named Jesus today \* in a manner befitting God. \* And also let us magnify the memorial of the Hierarch. [SD]

From Menaion - - -

**Canon for the Saint.**

**Mode 2. Lady, from your virginal belly.**

*O my soul, magnify one great among the hierarchs, our holy father Basil.*

Basil, inasmuch as you are a faithful sheep of the Chief Shepherd Christ, \* you followed in His steps, for they were full of life. \* You delivered your very life, O father, to the tyrant

king, \* and for the Church you valiantly  
braved danger, O all-blessed one. [SD]

*O my soul, magnify one great among the  
hierarchs, our holy father Basil.*

When that most pernicious of tyrants  
saw the sacred body of the Church \* of Christ  
to be adorned and put in order by \* your  
episcopacy, O Basil, he was thunderstruck  
and fell. \* For he could not endure the bright \*  
light of the Spirit that abode in you. [SD]

Glory.

*O my soul, magnify the power of the Godhead  
that is three hypostases and also undivided.*

You were counted worthy, O Basil, of the  
Apostles' teaching chair, \* the chorus of the  
medal-winning martyrs of Christ, \* the tent  
of the Patriarchs, delight of Prophets and the  
Just, \* O mystic of the Mother of God, \* and  
worshipper of the Trinity. [SD]

Both now.

*O my soul, magnify the ever-virgin Maid who  
from the curse has redeemed us.*

He who covers His upper chambers  
with the waters as the only Lord, \* and who  
restrains the sea and caused the deep abyss  
\* to become dry, and who assumed the flesh  
from you, O Virgin pure, \* goes urgently from  
Bethlehem \* to Jordan to be baptized in the  
flesh. [SD]

**Katavasias**  
**Canon I. Mode 2.**

*O my soul, magnify her who is greater in  
honor and in glory than the armies of heaven.*

Every tongue is dumbfounded to extol as  
is worthy; \* a super-mundane mind is dizzied  
praising you with hymns, O Theotokos. \*

Nonetheless accept our faith, since you are  
full of goodness, \* for you have seen our  
longing indeed inspired by God. \* Lady, as the  
protectress of Christians, you do we magnify.

[SD]

**Iambic.**

*O my soul, magnify the ever-virgin Maid who  
from the curse has redeemed us.*

O all spotless Bride, surpassing  
comprehension \* are the wonders of your  
childbirth, blessed Mother! \* Through you  
obtaining comprehensive salvation, \* we bring  
you a gift in striking up this worthy \* hymn of  
gratitude to you our Benefactress. [SD]

**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 3. *The Elder in the Temple.***

You circumcised the covering \* of your soul, holy father, \* enamored with philosophy; \* and in the world you shone forth \* like the sun by your miracles, \* thus enlightening the minds \* of the believers, O Basil \* the wise and godly-minded \* worshipper of the Trinity, \* and mystic of the Theotokos. [SD]

**For the Feast.**

**Mode 3. *The Elder in the Temple.***

The fulfiller of His own Law, \* the Creator of the ages, \* is circumcised in the flesh \* as an eight-day old infant. \* And He is wrapped in swaddling clothes \* as a mortal and is nursed \* on milk, even while maintaining \* in His infinite power \* the entire world as God, \* who by His act orders all things. [SD]

**Lauds. Mode pl. 1.**

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.

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.

**For the Saint.**

From Menaion - - -

**Mode pl. 1. Rejoice.**

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

He who avoiding scission or flux \* was from the Father born as Logos, and God from God, \* ineffably as an infant \* is in the flesh circumcised \* remaining unaltered in Divinity. \* And so in accordance with \* His own Law, He who is beyond \* the Law now ransoms \* from the Law's curse the human race, \* and He has bestowed heaven's blessing upon us all. \* Therefore we worthily extol and praise Him with gratitude, \* and His superlative goodness and condescension we glorify; \* and earnestly praying, \* we implore Him to bestow His great mercy on our souls. [SD]

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

As an adopted son of God \* being reborn by holy baptism, you confessed \* that He, who in truth and nature \* before the ages is Son \* and Logos of God, is unoriginate \* along with the Father and coessential, O holy one. \* And with the brilliance of your words and your treatises \* you have stopped the unbridled mouths of the heretics. \* Therefore your residence is in the palaces there on high; \* you reign together with Christ who alone does naturally rule as King. \* O Basil, entreat Him \* who abundantly distributes great mercy to the world. [SD]

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

Into the Church in heaven have you \* gone, O devout one, as a most sacred hierarch. \* The vestments that you are wearing \* are

contemplation of God \* and the active life, as wisdom's principles. \* And now as you stand near God \* and you serve as a hierarch \* at the supernal \* holy altar, O holy one, \* and you celebrate the immaterial liturgy, \* all-blessed and compassionate \* Saint Basil, remember us \* who now observe your all-sacred \* and highly honored memorial; \* to Christ pray in earnest, \* and implore Him to bestow His great mercy on the world. [SD]

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

Totally consecrated to God \* were you from childhood and devoted in every way. \* The light of transcendent wisdom \* illuminating your soul, \* you made clear the knowledge of all that exists, \* explaining explicitly, and relating sagaciously \* the balanced order \* of creation, and made of this \* an occasion for more divine knowledge, holy one. \* Therefore we loudly do proclaim \* that you speak the words of God, \* as a divine sacred teacher, \* and as the Church's bright shining star. \* And thus we extol Christ \* who abundantly distributes great mercy to the world. [SD]

Glory.

From Menaion - - -

**Mode pl. 2.**

Grace was poured upon your lips, O devout father, and you became a shepherd of the Church of Christ, teaching the reasonable sheep to believe in the Trinity, coessential, in one Divinity. [SD]



Both now. **For the Feast.**

From Menaion - - -

**Mode pl. 4.**

In condescending to the race of humanity, the Savior consented to be wrapped in swaddling clothes; and He did not abominate the circumcision of His flesh, when He was eight days old as regards His Mother, while as regards His Father, unoriginate. To Him, O faithful, let us cry aloud: You are our God; have mercy on us. [SD]

**Great Doxology**

Glory be to You who showed the light. Glory in the highest to God. His peace is on earth, His good pleasure in mankind. [SD]

We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, we glorify You, we give thanks to You for Your great glory.

Lord King, heavenly God, Father, Ruler over all; Lord, only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; and You, O Holy Spirit.

Lord God, Lamb of God, 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 hand of the Father, and have mercy on us.

For You alone are holy, You alone are Lord, Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Every day I will bless You, and Your name will I praise to eternity, and to the ages of ages.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, this day, that we be kept without sin.

Blessed are You, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your name to the ages. Amen.

Let Your mercy be on us, O Lord, as we have set our hope on You.

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Lord, You have been our refuge from generation to generation. I said: Lord, have mercy on me. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against You.

Lord, I have fled to You. 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.

Continue Your mercy to those who know You.

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.

Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.



**Apolytikion. For the Saint.**

From Menaion - - -

**Mode 1.**

Your proclamation went forth into all  
the earth, for it accepted your word, through  
which you taught the dogmas befitting God,  
you expounded on the nature of all that  
is, and you arranged the morals of society.  
A royal priesthood! Devout father Basil,  
intercede with Christ our God, to grant us His  
great mercy. [SD]