

**Octoechos - Mode 4.**

On Tuesday Morning

**Menaion - November 12**

Memory of our Father among the Saints  
John the Merciful; and our Devout Father  
Neilos.

**LITURGY**

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**Antiphon I. Mode 2.**

**Verse 1:** *Bless the Lord, O my soul, and everything within me, bless His holy name.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the  
Theotokos, Savior, save us. [GOA]

**Verse 2:** *Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His rewards.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the  
Theotokos, Savior, save us.

**Verse 3:** *The Lord prepared His throne in heaven, and His Kingdom rules over all.* [SAAS]

Through the intercessions of the  
Theotokos, Savior, save us.

*Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

*Both now and ever and to the ages of ages.*  
Amen.

Through the intercessions of the  
Theotokos, Savior, save us.

**Antiphon II. Mode 2.**

**Verse 1:** *Praise the Lord, O my soul! I shall praise the Lord while I live; I shall sing to my God as long as I exist.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, Who are wondrous  
in Your saints. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

**Verse 2:** *Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob; his hope is in the Lord his God.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, Who are wondrous  
in Your saints. We sing to You, Alleluia.

**Verse 3:** *The Lord shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, to all generations.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, Who are wondrous  
in Your saints. We sing to You, Alleluia.

*Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

*Both now and ever and to the ages of ages.*  
Amen.

Only begotten Son and Logos of God,  
being immortal, You condescended for  
our salvation to take flesh from the holy  
Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary and, without  
change, became man. Christ, our God, You  
were crucified and conquered death by death.  
Being one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with  
the Father and the Holy Spirit: Save us. [GOA]

**Antiphon III.**

**Apolytikion. For the Saint.**

From Menaion - - -

**Mode pl. 4.**

By your patience you obtained your  
reward, O devout Father. You persevered in  
your prayers without ceasing; and the poor  
you loved and satisfied. We entreat you,  
blessed John the Merciful, intercede with

Christ our God, for the salvation of our souls.

[SD]

*An optional alternative to the Antiphons are the Typika (Psalms 102 and 145), and the Beatitudes with the appointed troparia, which are provided here.*

**Psalm 102.**

**Psalm 145.**

**The Beatitudes.**

**Mode 4.**

In Your kingdom. Remember us, O Lord, when You come in Your kingdom. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven [RSV]

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. [RSV]

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. [RSV]

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. [RSV]

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. [RSV]

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. [RSV]

**Troparia.**

From Octoechos - - -

*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.* [RSV]

Adam fell by a tree, and he was evicted from Paradise. \* By the tree of the Cross the Robber gained entrance to Paradise. \* The former, by tasting fruit, disobeyed his Maker's commandment not to eat. \* The latter was crucified with Him, whom though hidden he confessed to be God. \* Remember us as well in Your kingdom, O Savior. [SD]

*Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.* [RSV]

O compassionate Christ, \* You accepted Peter who wept in grief; \* You received the harlot's tears, \* and You granted mercy to the Publican, \* O God, when he merely sighed. \* O Word most benevolent, now I entreat and pray \* that You in Your tender love will grant me forgiveness of all my trespasses, \* and rescue me from the fire \* of perdition, O loving Lord. [SD]

*Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely [for my sake].* [RSV]

Holy Forerunner, you broke \* the bonds of your mother's infertility. \* I entreat you now to break \* the infertility of my humble heart, \* and pray for me so that I may bring forth the good fruits of virtuous deeds, \* through which I may also attain everlasting life, and cry aloud to Christ, \* "Remember me as well in Your kingdom, O Savior." [SD]

*Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.* [RSV]

**For the Martyrs.**

You were brutally condemned \* to submit to torture and punishment: \* you were flayed, you were crushed, \* you were given over to wild beasts; \* your bodies were cut apart; \* you were burnt in fire, you were thrown into the sea, \* O Martyrs, and you did not renounce Christ our God. Now entreat Him that peace, \* enlightenment, and His great mercy be granted us. [SD]

Glory.

Having purified our minds, \* let us cry  
aloud to the Trinity: \* "Father, only-begotten  
Son, \* and Holy Spirit, in honor equal to them,  
\* preserve us Your servants who with genuine  
love worship You our only God \* in single  
Divinity, Kingdom, Rule and glory, as we cry  
out and say: \* Remember me as well in Your  
heavenly kingdom." [SD]

Both now. **Theotokion.**

You received Him in your womb, \* in a  
way surpassing both thought and speech, \*  
and you carried Him to term, \* who with the  
Father is unoriginate, \* and with the Holy  
Spirit shares the throne, and became man to  
benefit mankind, \* O Mary the Bride of God,  
He made you a spacious receptacle of God. \*  
Now earnestly pray to Him to save us your  
servants. [SD]

**Entrance Hymn. Mode 2.**

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who are wondrous in Your saints. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

**Hymns After the Small Entrance.  
Apolytikion. For the Saint.**

From Menaion ---

**Mode pl. 4.**

By your patience you obtained your reward, O devout Father. You persevered in your prayers without ceasing; and the poor you loved and satisfied. We entreat you, blessed John the Merciful, intercede with Christ our God, for the salvation of our souls.

[SD]

**For the Devout Man.**

**Mode pl. 4.**

With the rivers of your tears you made the barren desert bloom; and with your sighs from deep within, you made your labors bear their fruits a hundredfold; and you became a star, illuminating the world by your miracles, O Nilos, our devout father. Intercede with Christ our God, for the salvation of our souls. [SD]

**Apolytikion of the Parish Church**

(The text of the Apolytikion of the local church goes here.)

**Kontakion. For the Forerunner.**

**Mode 2.**

O Prophet of God and Forerunner of grace divine, since we have obtained your Head from beneath the earth, as if a most sacred rose, we are receiving the healings continually. And once again, as formerly,

you are preaching repentance throughout the world. [SD]

**THE TRISAGION HYMN**

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

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.

**The Epistle**

For the Saint.

**Prokeimenon. Grave Mode. Psalm 115.**

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His holy one. [SAAS]

**Verse:** *What shall we give back to the Lord for all He rendered to us?* [SAAS]

2 Cor. 9:6-11

Brethren, the point is this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. [RSV]

**Alleluia. Mode 2. Psalms 96, 111.**

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Verse 1:** *Light dawned for the righteous and gladness for the upright in heart.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Verse 1:** *He dispersed; he gave to the poor.*  
[SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**The Gospel**

For the Saint.

Mt. 5:14-19

The Lord said to his disciples, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven." [RSV]

**Hymn to the Theotokos.**

It is truly right to bless you, Theotokos, ever blessed, most pure, and Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim, without corruption you gave birth

to God the Logos. We magnify you, the true Theotokos. [GOA]

**Communion Hymn. Psalm 111/112.**

The righteous will be remembered for ever. Alleluia. [RSV]

**Hymn after Holy Communion.  
Mode 2.**

We have seen the true light; we have received the heavenly Spirit; we have found the true faith, worshiping the undivided Trinity, for the Trinity has saved us. [GOA]

**THE DISMISSAL**

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 ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, our father among the saints John the Merciful, whose memory we observe, and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

**Fasting Rule**

*Fast Free: All foods allowed.*