

**Octoechos - Mode pl. 4.**

On Wednesday Morning

**Menaion - December 11**

Memory of St. Daniel the Stylite

**LITURGY**

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**Antiphon I. Mode 2.**

**Verse 1:** *It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing to Your name, O Most High.* [SAAS]

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

**Verse 2:** *To proclaim Your mercy in the morning and Your truth at night.* [SAAS]

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

**Verse 3:** *The Lord my God is upright, and there is no wrongdoing in Him.* [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:** *The Lord reigns; He clothed Himself with majesty; the Lord clothed and girded Himself with power.* [SAAS]

*or:*

**Verse 1:** *Come, let us greatly rejoice in the Lord; let us shout aloud to God our savior.* [SAAS]

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

**Verse 2:** *And He established the world, which shall not be moved.* [SAAS]

*or:*

**Verse 2:** *Let us come before His face with thanksgiving, and let us shout aloud to Him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, a great King over all the earth.* [SAAS]

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

**Verse 3:** *Holiness is proper to Your house, O Lord, unto length of days.* [SAAS]

*or:*

**Verse 3:** *For in His hand are the ends of the earth, and the heights of the mountains are His. For the sea is His, and He made it, and His hands formed the dry land.* [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 Devout Man.**

**Mode 1.**

You became a pillar of patience, O devout one, emulating the forefathers, Job in his sufferings and Joseph in his temptations, and the manner of the bodiless, though you were still in body. O devout father Daniel, intercede with Christ God, to save our souls. <sup>[SD]</sup>

*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 pl. 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]

Savior of the world, remember us Your servants \* as upon the Cross You remembered the Robber, \* only compassionate Christ, and account us worthy \* of inheriting Your heavenly Rule. [SD]

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

Moses once portrayed the Cross when he extended \* his rod and split the sea for the

Israelite people \* to pass. And making the sign of the Cross, do we now \* turn back our spiritual enemies. [SD]

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

Jacob stretched his hands in cruciform of old when \* blessing Joseph's sons. And thus did he prefigure \* Your precious Cross, through which we all have been delivered, \* O Christ our Savior, from the ancient curse. [SD]

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

**For the Martyrs.**

Bravely you endured excruciating tortures, \* imitating Christ's own sufferings, O Martyrs. \* Having been crowned with the laurels of incorruption, \* you promenade about the heavens now. [SD]

Glory.

Glory to Father the only immortal; \* glory to the Son who lives unto the ages; \* and glory equally to the all-holy Spirit \* the sanctifier of the universe. [SD]

Both now. **Stavrotheotokion.**

From your virgin womb has risen the Creator \* of the sun and moon, O ever-blessed Maiden. \* And all creation was quaking as it perceived Him, \* O Theotokos, to be crucified. [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 Devout Man.  
Mode 1.**

You became a pillar of patience, O devout one, emulating the forefathers, Job in his sufferings and Joseph in his temptations, and the manner of the bodiless, though you were still in body. O devout father Daniel, intercede with Christ God, to save our souls. [SD]

**Apolytikion of the Parish Church**

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

**Kontakion. For the Cross.  
Mode 4. Automelon.**

You who were lifted on the cross voluntarily, \* O Christ our God, bestow Your tender compassions \* upon Your new community to which You gave Your name. \* Cause our faithful emperors to be glad in Your power, \* granting them the victories against their adversaries. \* And for an ally, Lord, may they have You, \* peace as their armor, the trophy invincible. [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**

WEDNESDAY OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH WEEK

**Prokeimenon. Mode 3. Ode ix.**

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. [RSV]

**Verse:** *For he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed.* [RSV]

1 Tim. 1:18-20; 2:8-15

Timothy, my son, this charge I commit to you in accordance with the prophetic utterances which pointed to you, that inspired by them you may wage the good warfare, holding faith and a good conscience. By rejecting conscience, certain persons have made shipwreck of their faith, among them Hymenaios and Alexander, whom I have delivered to Satan that they may learn not to blaspheme. I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; also that women should adorn themselves modestly and sensibly in seemly apparel, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly attire but by good deeds, as befits women who profess religion. Let a woman learn in silence with all submissiveness. I permit no woman to teach or to have authority over men; she is to keep silent. For Adam was formed first, then Eve; and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor. Yet woman will be saved through bearing children, if she continues in faith and love and holiness, with modesty. [RSV]

**Alleluia. Mode pl. 4. Psalm 131.**

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Verse 1:** *Arise, O Lord, into Your rest, You and the ark of Your holiness.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Verse 2:** *The Lord swore to David this truth, and He shall not reject it, "I shall set upon your throne one from the fruit of your loins."* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**The Gospel**

Wednesday of the Thirteenth Week of Luke

Mk. 8:30-34

At that time, Jesus charged his disciples to tell no one that he is the Christ. And he began to teach them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him. But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter, and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not on the side of God, but of men." And he called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." [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 115.**

I will take up the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia. [SAAS]

**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, and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

**Fasting Rule**

*Strict: Refrain from meat, fish, oil, dairy, and eggs.*

*It is the Christmas fast.*