

Pentecostarion

Sunday After Pascha (Thomas Sunday)

LITURGY

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Antiphon I. Mode 2. Psalm 65.

Verse 1: *Shout to God, all the earth.* [SAAS]

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

Verse 2: *Sing now to His name; give glory to His praise.* [SAAS]

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

Verse 3: *Say to God, "How fearful are Your works.* [SAAS]

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

Verse 4: *Let all the earth worship You and sing to You.* [SAAS]

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

Glory. Both now.

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

Antiphon II. Mode 2. Psalm 66.

Verse 1: *May God be gracious to us, and bless us.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the
dead. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Verse 2: *May He cause His face to shine upon us, and have mercy on us.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the
dead. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Verse 3: *That we may know His way on the earth, Your salvation among all the Gentiles.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the
dead. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Verse 4: *Let the peoples give thanks to You, O God; let all the peoples praise You.* [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the
dead. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

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. Mode pl. 1. Psalm 67.

Verse 1: *Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered, and let those who hate Him flee from before His face.* [SAAS]

Christ is risen from the dead, by death
trampling down upon death, and to those in
the tombs He has granted life. [GOA]

Verse 2: *As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish, as wax melts before the fire.* [SAAS]

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [GOA]

Verse 3: *So shall the sinners perish from the face of God. And let the righteous be glad.* [SAAS]

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [GOA]

Verse 4: *This is the day the Lord made; let us greatly rejoice and be glad therein.* [SAAS]

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [GOA]

Entrance Hymn. Mode 2.

Bless God in the churches, the Lord from the fountains of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

[GOA]

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 1.

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]

Canon of the Feast.

Ode iii. Mode 1. Establish me. (NM)

From Pentecostarion - - -

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

When by your Cross, O Christ, you had made us new instead of old, instead of corruptible incorruptible, you commanded us to live worthily in newness of life. [EL]

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

When by your Cross, O Christ, you had made us new instead of old, instead of corruptible incorruptible, you commanded us to live worthily in newness of life. [EL]

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

Though you had been locked in the tomb with your finite flesh, O Christ, as infinite you arose; and when the doors were shut you came to your Disciples, O All-powerful. [EL]

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

Theotokion.

By keeping your wounds, O Christ, which you had borne willingly for our sakes, you gave your Disciples proof of your glorious Resurrection. [EL]

Canon of the Feast.

From Pentecostarion - - -

Ode vi. Mode 1. You saved the prophet. (NM)

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

You did not leave Thomas, Master, plunged in the deep of unbelief when you stretched out your palms for investigation. [EL]

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

You did not leave Thomas, Master, plunged in the deep of unbelief when you stretched out your palms for investigation. [EL]

Glory.

The Saviour said, 'Handle me and see that I have bones and flesh. I am not changed'. [EL]

Both now. **Theotokion.**

Thomas, who was not present at your first entrance, handled your side and believing acknowledged you. [EL]

Entrance Hymn. Mode 2.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, risen
from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Hymns After the Small Entrance.

Apolytikion.

From Pentecostarion - - -

Grave Mode.

O Life, You rose from the sepulcher, even though the tomb was secured with a seal, O Christ God. And though the doors had been bolted, You came to Your disciples, O Resurrection of all. Through them You renew a right spirit in us, according to Your great mercy. [SD]

From Pentecostarion - - -

Kontakion of Pascha.

Mode pl. 4.

Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection. [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

SUNDAY AFTER EASTER, SUNDAY OF SAINT THOMAS

Prokeimenon. Mode 3.

Great is our Lord, and great is His strength. [SAAS]

Verse: *Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.*

[SAAS]

The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles.

5:12-20

In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." [RSV]

Alleluia. Mode pl. 4. Psalm 94.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 1: *Come, let us greatly rejoice in the Lord.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 2: *For the Lord is a great God.* [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Gospel

Thomas Sunday

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to John.

20:19-31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them: "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them: "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him: "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them: "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe." Eight days later, His disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said: "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to Him: "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which

are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name. [RSV]

Hymn to the Theotokos.

Mode 1.

You, the brightly shining lantern and the Mother of our God,* the conspicuous glory,* you are superior to all creation.* We hymn you and magnify. [SD]

Communion Hymn. Psalm 147.

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion. Alleluia. [SAAS]

Selected Psalm Verses for the Sunday of Thomas

1. The Lord reigns; He clothed Himself with majesty. (92:1) [SAAS]
2. The Lord clothed and girded Himself with power. (92:1) [SAAS]
3. And He established the world, which shall not be moved. (92:1) [SAAS]
4. Who shall tell the mighty deeds of the Lord, who shall make all His praises heard? (105:2) [SAAS]
5. Let them give thanks to the Lord for His mercies and His wonders to the sons of men. (106:8) [SAAS]
6. For He fed the empty soul and filled the hungry soul with good things. (106:9) [SAAS]
7. Those sitting in the darkness and shadow of death. (106:10) [SAAS]
8. Bound in poverty and fetters. (106:10) [SAAS]

9. Let those redeemed by the Lord say so, whom He redeemed from the hand of the enemy. (106:2) [SAAS]

10. Their soul fainted in them. (106:5) [SAAS]

11. They were weak, and there was no one to help them. (106:12) [SAAS]

12. They cried out to the Lord in their afflictions. (106:13) [SAAS]

13. He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death. (106:14) [SAAS]

14. He crushed the gates of bronze and shattered the bars of iron. (106:16) [SAAS]

15. Let them offer a sacrifice of praise. (106:22) [SAAS]

16. Let them proclaim His works with exceeding joy. (106:22) [SAAS]

17. Let them exalt Him in the assembly of the people and praise Him in the seat of the elders. (106:32) [SAAS]

18. The Lord awoke as from sleep, and He struck His enemies. (77:66) [SAAS]

19. Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered. (67:2) [SAAS]

20. Let those who hate Him flee from before His face. (67:2) [SAAS]

21. This is the day the Lord made; let us greatly rejoice and be glad therein. (117:24) [SAAS]

22. Arise, O Lord my God, let Your hand be lifted high, and do not forget Your poor to the end. (9:33) [SAAS]

Hymn after Holy Communion.

Instead of "We have seen."

Mode pl. 1.

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [GOA]

THE DISMISSAL

May He Who rose from the dead, 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, the holy Apostle Thomas, whose touching of the Lord we celebrate, 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.

It is Pascha and Bright Week.