#### Menaion - September 21

Leave-taking of the Feast.

#### LITURGY

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## Antiphon I. Mode 2. Psalm 21.

**Verse 1:** O God, my God, hear me; why have You forsaken me? [SAAS]

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

**Verse 2:** The words of my transgressions are far from my salvation. [SAAS]

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

**Verse 3:** O my God, I will cry out by day, but You will not hear me. [SAAS]

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

**Verse 4:** But You dwell among the saints, O praise of Israel. [SAAS]

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

Glory. Both now.

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

## Antiphon II. Mode 2. Psalm 73.

**Verse 1:** O God, why have You rejected us to the end? [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were crucified in the flesh. We sing to You, Alleluia. [COA]

**Verse 2:** Remember Your congregation You acquired from the beginning. [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were crucified in the flesh. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

**Verse 3:** This Mount Zion, where You encamped. [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were crucified in the flesh. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

**Verse 4:** God is our King before the ages; He worked salvation in the midst of the earth. [SAAS]

Save us, O Son of God, who were crucified in the flesh. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. [HC]

Both now and ever and to the ages of ages.

Amen. [HC]

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 1. Psalm 98.

**Verse 1:** The Lord reigns; let the peoples be angry. [SAAS]

**Verse 2:** The Lord is great in Zion, and He is exalted. [SAAS]

**Verse 3:** Let them give thanks to Your great name. [SAAS]

# Apolytikion. For the Cross. Mode 1.

Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting victory to the faithful

over the enemy, and by Your Cross protecting Your commonwealth. [GOA]

## Entrance Hymn. Mode 2.

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who were crucified in the flesh. We sing to You, Alleluia. [GOA]

# Hymns After the Small Entrance.

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## Apolytikion. For the Cross. Mode 1.

Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting victory to the faithful over the enemy, and by Your Cross protecting Your commonwealth. (3) [GOA]

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### Kontakion.

## 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.

#### 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

Saturday After the Elevation of the Cross

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 2. Psalm 31.

Be glad in the Lord and rejoice greatly.

[SAAS]

**Verse:** Blessed are those whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sins are covered. [SAAS]

1 Cor. 1:26-31; 2:1-5

Brethren, consider your call, not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth; but God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise, God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong, God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption; therefore, as it is written, "Let him who boasts, boast of the Lord." When I came to you, brethren, I did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in much fear and trembling; and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God. [RSV]

#### **CHOIR**

Alleluia. Mode pl. 2. Psalms 64, 101. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. **Verse 1:** Blessed are they whom You have chosen and received, O Lord. [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Verse 2:** And their memorial abides from generation to generation. [SAAS]

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

# The Gospel Saturday After the Elevation of the Cross Jn. 8:21-30

The Lord said to the Jews who came to him, "I go away, and you will seek me and die in your sin; where I am going, you cannot come." Then said the Jews, "Will he kill himself, since he says, 'Where I am going, you can not come'?" He said to them, "You are from below, I am from above; you are of this world, I am not of this world. I told you that you would die in your sins, for you will die in your sins unless you believe that I am he." They said to him, "Who are you?" Jesus said to them, "Even what I have told you from the beginning. I have much to say about you and much to judge; but he who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him." They did not understand that he spoke to them of the Father. So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of man, then you will know that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own authority but speak thus as the Father taught me. And he who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what is pleasing to him." As he spoke thus, many believed in him. [RSV]

# Hymn to the Theotokos. Ode ix. Heirmos. Mode pl. 4.

Eating the tree's forbidden fruit once
\* in Paradise brought death to the human
race. \* But through the Cross, today death
has no effect, \* because the curse that fell on
the entire human race through mother Eve \*
was undone by the Offspring of the all pure
Mother of God, who now is by all the hosts of
heaven magnified. [5D]

## Communion Hymn. Psalm 4.

O Lord, the light of Your face was stamped upon us. Alleluia. [SAAS]

# Hymn after Holy Communion. Instead of "We have seen." Mode 1.

Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting victory to the faithful over the enemy, and by Your Cross protecting Your commonwealth. [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**

Fast Free: All foods allowed.