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ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εὐλογητὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν πάντοτε, νῦν
καὶ αἰεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Ἀμήν.

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ
προσπέσωμεν τῷ Βασιλεῖ ἡμῶν Θεῷ.

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ
προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ τῷ Βασιλεῖ ἡμῶν
Θεῷ.

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ
προσπέσωμεν αὐτῷ, Χριστῷ τῷ Βασιλεῖ καὶ
Θεῷ ἡμῶν.

Ψαλμὸς ΡΓ' (103).

Εὐλόγει ἡ ψυχὴ μου, τὸν Κύριον.
Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου ἐμεγαλύνθης σφόδρα.
Ἐξομολόγησιν καὶ μεγαλοπρέπειαν
ἐνεδύσω, ἀναβαλλόμενος φῶς ὡς ἱμάτιον.
Ἐκτείνων τὸν οὐρανὸν ὥσει δέρριν, ὁ
στεγάζων ἐν ὕδασι τὰ ὑπερῶα αὐτοῦ.
Ὅ τιθεὶς νέφη τὴν ἐπίβασιν αὐτοῦ, ὁ
περιπατῶν ἐπὶ πτερύγων ἀνέμων. Ὁ
ποιῶν τοὺς Ἀγγέλους αὐτοῦ πνεύματα,
καὶ τοὺς λειτουργοὺς αὐτοῦ πυρὸς
φλόγα. Ὁ θεμελιῶν τὴν γῆν ἐπὶ τὴν
ἀσφάλειαν αὐτῆς, οὐ κλιθήσεται εἰς τὸν
αἰῶνα τοῦ αἰῶνος. Ἄβυσσος ὡς ἱμάτιον
τὸ περιβόλαιον αὐτοῦ, ἐπὶ τῶν ὀρέων
στήσονται ὕδατα. Ἀπὸ ἐπιτιμήσεώς
σου φεύξονται, ἀπὸ φωνῆς βροντῆς
σου δειλιάσουσιν. Ἀναβαίνουνσιν ὄρη,
καὶ καταβαίνουνσι πεδία εἰς τόπον, ὃν
ἐθεμελίωσας αὐτά. Ὅριον ἔθου, ὃ οὐ
παρελεύσονται, οὐδὲ ἐπιστρέψουσι
καλύψαι τὴν γῆν. Ὁ ἐξαποστέλλων
πηγὰς ἐν φάραγξιν, ἀνάμεσον τῶν ὀρέων
διελεύσονται ὕδατα· ποτιοῦσι πάντα τὰ

PRIEST

Blessed is our God always, now and ever,
and to the ages of ages.

READER

Amen.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before God our King.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before Christ God our King.

Come, let us worship and bow down
before Him, Christ our King and God.

Psalms 103 (104).

Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my
God, You are magnified exceedingly; You
clothe Yourself with thanksgiving and
majesty, Who cover Yourself with light as
with a garment, Who stretch out the heavens
like a curtain; You are He Who covers His
upper chambers with water, Who makes the
clouds His means of approach, Who walks
on the wings of the winds, Who makes His
angels spirits and His ministers a flame of
fire. He established the earth on its stable
foundation; It shall not be moved unto ages of
ages. The deep like a garment is His covering;
the waters shall stand upon the mountains;
at Your rebuke they shall flee; at the sound
of Your thunder, they shall be afraid. The
mountains rise up, and the plains sink down
to the place You founded for them. You set
a boundary they shall not pass over; neither
shall they return to cover the earth. You are
He Who sends springs into the valley; the
waters shall pass between the mountains; they
shall give drink to all the wild animals of the

θηρία τοῦ ἀγροῦ, προσδέξονται ὄναγροι εἰς δίψαν αὐτῶν. Ἐπ' αὐτὰ τὰ πετεινὰ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ κατασκηνώσει, ἐκ μέσου τῶν πετρῶν δώσουσι φωνήν. Ποτίζων ὄρη ἐκ τῶν ὑπερώων αὐτοῦ, ἀπὸ καρποῦ τῶν ἔργων σου χορτασθήσεται ἡ γῆ. Ὁ ἐξανατέλλων χόρτον τοῖς κτήνεσι, καὶ χλόην τῇ δουλείᾳ τῶν ἀνθρώπων. Τοῦ ἐξαγαγεῖν ἄρτον ἐκ τῆς γῆς, καὶ οἶνος εὐφραίνει καρδίαν ἀνθρώπου. Τοῦ ἱλαρύναι πρόσωπον ἐν ἐλαίῳ, καὶ ἡ ἄρτος καρδίαν ἀνθρώπου στηρίζει. Χορτασθήσεται τὰ ξύλα τοῦ πεδίου, αἱ κέδροι τοῦ Λιβάνου, ἃς ἐφύτευσας. Ἐκεῖ στρουθία ἐννοσσεύσουσι, τοῦ ἐρωδιοῦ ἡ κατοικία ἡγεῖται αὐτῶν. Ὅρη τὰ ὑψηλὰ ταῖς ἐλάφοις, πέτρα καταφυγὴ τοῖς λαγωαῖς. Ἐποίησε σελήνην εἰς καιροῦς, ὁ ἥλιος ἔγνω τὴν δύσιν αὐτοῦ. Ἐθου σκότος, καὶ ἐγένετο νύξ, ἐν αὐτῇ διελεύσονται πάντα τὰ θηρία τοῦ δρυμοῦ. Σκύμνοι ὠρυόμενοι τοῦ ἀρπαῖσαι, καὶ ζητῆσαι παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ βρώσιν αὐτοῖς. Ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος, καὶ συνήχθησαν, καὶ εἰς τὰς μάνδρας αὐτῶν κοιτασθήσονται. Ἐξελεύσεται ἄνθρωπος ἐπὶ τὸ ἔργον αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐπὶ τὴν ἐργασίαν αὐτοῦ ἕως ἑσπέρας. Ὡς ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου, Κύριε, πάντα ἐν σοφίᾳ ἐποίησας, ἐπληρώθη ἡ γῆ τῆς κτίσεώς σου. Αὕτη ἡ θάλασσα ἡ μεγάλη καὶ εὐρύχωρος, ἐκεῖ ἐρπετὰ ὧν οὐκ ἔστιν ἀριθμός, ζῶα μικρὰ μετὰ μεγάλων. Ἐκεῖ πλοῖα διαπορεύονται, δράκων οὗτος, ὃν ἔπλασας ἐμπαίζειν αὐτή. Πάντα πρὸς σὲ προσδοκῶσι, δοῦναι τὴν τροφήν αὐτῶν εἰς εὐκαιρον, δόντος σου αὐτοῖς συλλέξουσιν. Ἀνοίξαντός σου τὴν χεῖρα, τὰ σύμπαντα πλησθήσονται χρηστότητος, ἀποστρέψαντος δέ σου τὸ πρόσωπον,

field; the wild asses shall quench their thirst; the birds of heaven shall dwell beside them; they shall sing from the midst of the rocks. You are He Who waters the mountains from His higher places; the earth shall be satisfied with the fruit of Your works. You are He Who causes grass to grow for the cattle, and the green plant for the service of man, to bring forth bread from the earth; and wine gladdens the heart of man, to brighten his face with oil; and bread strengthens man's heart. The trees of the plain shall be full of fruit, the cedars of Lebanon, which You planted; there the sparrows shall make their nests; the house of the heron takes the lead among them. The high mountains are for the deer; the cliff is a refuge for the rabbits. He made the moon for seasons; the sun knows its setting. You established darkness, and it was night, wherein all the wild animals of the forest will prowl about; the young lions roar and snatch their prey, and seek their food from God. The sun arises, and they are gathered together; and they shall be put to bed in their dens. Man shall go out to his work and to his labor until evening. O Lord, Your works shall be magnified greatly; You made all things in wisdom; the earth was filled with Your creation. There is this great and spacious sea: the creeping things are there without number; the living things are there, both small and great; there the ships pass through; there is this dragon You formed to play therein. All things wait upon You, that You may give them food in due season. When You give it to them, they shall gather it; when You open Your hand, all things shall be filled with Your goodness. But when You turn Your face

ταραχθήσονται. Ἀντανελεῖς τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτῶν, καὶ ἐκλείψουσι, καὶ εἰς τὸν χοῦν αὐτῶν ἐπιστρέψουσιν. Ἐξαποστελεῖς τὸ πνεῦμα σου, καὶ κτισθήσονται, καὶ ἀνακαινιεῖς τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γῆς. Ἦτω ἡ δόξα Κυρίου εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας, εὐφρανθήσεται Κύριος ἐπὶ τοῖς ἔργοις αὐτοῦ. Ὁ ἐπιβλέπων ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, καὶ ποιῶν αὐτὴν τρέμειν, ὁ ἀπτόμενος τῶν ὀρέων, καὶ καπνίζονται. Ἄσω τῷ Κυρίῳ ἐν τῇ ζωῇ μου, ψαλῶ τῷ Θεῷ μου ἕως ὑπάρχω. Ἦδυνθείη αὐτῷ ἡ διαλογία μου, ἐγὼ δὲ εὐφρανθήσομαι ἐπὶ τῷ Κυρίῳ. Ἐκλείποιεν ἀμαρτωλοὶ ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς, καὶ ἄνομοι, ὥστε μὴ ὑπάρχειν αὐτοῦς. Εὐλόγει, ἡ ψυχὴ μου, τὸν Κύριον.

Ὁ ἥλιος ἔγνω τὴν δύσιν αὐτοῦ. Ἔθου σκότος, καὶ ἐγένετο νύξ. Ὡς ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου, Κύριε· πάντα ἐν σοφίᾳ ἐποίησας.

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἀγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Ἀλληλουῖα. Ἀλληλουῖα. Ἀλληλουῖα. Δόξα σοι ὁ Θεός. (ἐκ γ')

Ἡ ἐλπίς ἡμῶν, Κύριε, δόξα σοι.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Ἐν εἰρήνῃ τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τῆς ἁνωθεν εἰρήνης καὶ τῆς σωτηρίας τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

away, they shall be troubled; when You take away their breath, they shall die and return again to their dust. You shall send forth Your Spirit, and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. Let the glory of the Lord be forever; the Lord shall be glad in His works; He looks upon the earth and makes it tremble; He touches the mountains, and they smoke. I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing to my God as long as I exist; may my words be pleasing to Him, and I shall be glad in the Lord. May sinners cease from the earth, and the lawless, so as to be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul. (SAAS)

The sun knows its setting. You established darkness, and it was night. O Lord, Your works shall be magnified greatly; You made all things in wisdom.

Glory to Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Glory to You, O God. (3)

Our hope, O Lord, glory to You.

DEACON

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For the peace from above and the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Ὑπὲρ τῆς εἰρήνης τοῦ σύμπαντος
κόσμου, εὐσταθείας τῶν ἀγίων τοῦ Θεοῦ
Ἐκκλησιῶν καὶ τῆς τῶν πάντων ἐνώσεως,
τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ ἁγίου οἴκου τούτου, καὶ τῶν
μετὰ πίστεως, εὐλαβείας καὶ φόβου Θεοῦ
εἰσιόντων ἐν αὐτῷ, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ (ἀρχιερατικοῦ βαθμοῦ)
ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος), καὶ καὶ τοῦ τιμίου
πρεσβυτερίου, τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ διακονίας,
παντὸς τοῦ κλήρου καὶ τοῦ λαοῦ, τοῦ
Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ ἔθνους ἡμῶν, καὶ πάσης
ἀρχῆς καὶ ἐξουσίας ἐν αὐτῷ, τοῦ Κυρίου
δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τῆς πόλεως ταύτης, πάσης
πόλεως, χώρας καὶ τῶν πίστει οἰκούντων ἐν
αὐταῖς, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ εὐκρασίας ἀέρων, εὐφορίας τῶν
καρπῶν τῆς γῆς, καὶ καιρῶν εἰρηνικῶν, τοῦ
Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ πλεόντων, ὁδοιπορούντων,
νοσούντων, καμνόντων, αἰχμαλώτων καὶ
τῆς σωτηρίας αὐτῶν, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ὑπὲρ τοῦ ῥυσθῆναι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ πάσης
θλίψεως, ὀργῆς, κινδύνου καὶ ἀνάγκης, τοῦ
Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ἀντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ
διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῇ σῇ χάριτι.

For peace in the whole world, for the
stability of the holy churches of God, and for
the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For this holy house and for those who
enter it with faith, reverence, and the fear of
God, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For our (episcopal rank) (name), the
honorable presbyters, the deacons in the
service of Christ, and all the clergy and laity,
let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For our country, the president, and all
those in public service, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For this parish and city, for every city and
town, and for the faithful who live in them, let
us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For favorable weather, an abundance of
the fruits of the earth, and temperate seasons,
let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For travelers by land, sea and air, for the
sick, the suffering, for captives, and for their
salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

For our deliverance from all affliction,
wrath, danger, and distress, let us pray to the
Lord.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Help us, save us, have mercy upon us and
protect us, O God, by your grace.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Τῆς Παναγίας ἀχράντου,
ὑπερευλογημένης, ἐνδόξου Δεσποίνης
ἡμῶν Θεοτόκου καὶ ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας
μετὰ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων μνημονεύσαντες,
ἐαυτοὺς καὶ ἀλλήλους καὶ πᾶσαν τὴν ζωὴν
ἡμῶν Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ παραθώμεθα.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὅτι πρέπει σοι πᾶσα δόξα, τιμὴ καὶ
προσκύνησις, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ
Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς
αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ἦχος βαρύς.

Κύριε ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, εἰσάκουσόν
μου, εἰσάκουσόν μου, Κύριε. Κύριε,
ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, εἰσάκουσόν μου·
πρόσχες τῇ φωνῇ τῆς δεήσεώς μου, ἐν τῷ
κεκραγέναι με πρὸς σέ. Εἰσάκουσόν μου,
Κύριε.

Κατευθυνθήτω ἡ προσευχή μου, ὡς
θυμίαμα ἐνώπιόν σου, ἔπαρσις τῶν χειρῶν
μου θυσία ἑσπερινή. Εἰσάκουσόν μου,
Κύριε.

Θοῦ, Κύριε, φυλακὴν τῷ στόματί μου, καὶ θύραν
περιοχῆς περὶ τὰ χεῖλη μου.

Μὴ ἐκκλίνης τὴν καρδίαν μου εἰς λόγους
πονηρίας, τοῦ προφασίζεσθαι προφάσεις ἐν
ἀμαρτίαις.

Σὺν ἀνθρώποις ἐργαζομένοις τὴν ἀνομίαν, καὶ
οὐ μὴ συνδυάσω μετὰ τῶν ἐκλεκτῶν αὐτῶν.

Παιδεύσει με δίκαιος ἐν ἐλέει, καὶ ἐλέγξει με,
ἔλαιον δὲ ἀμαρτωλοῦ μὴ λιπανάτω τὴν κεφαλὴν
μου.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Remembering our most holy, pure,
blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos
and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let
us commit ourselves and one another and our
whole life to Christ our God.

(To You, O Lord.)

PRIEST

For to You belong all glory, honor, and
worship, to the Father and the Son and the
Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages
of ages.

(Amen.)

CHOIR

Grave Mode.

Lord, I have cried to You; hear me. Hear
me, O Lord. Lord, I have cried to You; hear
me. Give heed to the voice of my supplication
when I cry to You. Hear me, O Lord. (SAAS)

Let my prayer be set forth before You
as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the
evening sacrifice. Hear me, O Lord. (SAAS)

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, a door of
enclosure about my lips.

Incline not my heart to evil words, to make
excuses in sins.

With men who work lawlessness; and I will not
join with their choice ones.

The righteous man shall correct me With mercy,
and he shall reprove me; But let not the oil of the sinner
anoint my head.

Ὅτι ἔτι καὶ ἡ προσευχή μου ἐν ταῖς εὐδοκίαις αὐτῶν· κατεπόθησαν ἐχόμενα πέτρας οἱ κριταὶ αὐτῶν.

Ἀκούσονται τὰ ῥήματά μου, ὅτι ἡδύνθησαν· ὡσεὶ πάχος γῆς ἐρράγη ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, διεσκορπίσθη τὰ ὅσα αὐτῶν παρὰ τὸν ἄδην.

Ὅτι πρὸς σέ, Κύριε, Κύριε, οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ μου· ἐπὶ σοὶ ἤλπισα, μὴ ἀντανέλης τὴν ψυχὴν μου.

Φύλαξόν με ἀπὸ παγίδος ἧς συνεστήσαντό μοι, καὶ ἀπὸ σκανδάλων τῶν ἐργαζομένων τὴν ἀνομίαν.

Πεσοῦνται ἐν ἀμφιβλήστρῳ αὐτῶν οἱ ἀμαρτωλοί· κατὰ μόνας εἰμὶ ἐγὼ ἕως ἂν παρέλθω.

Φωνῇ μου πρὸς Κύριον ἐκέκραξα, φωνῇ μου πρὸς Κύριον ἐδεήθην.

Ἐκχεῶ ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ τὴν δέησίν μου, τὴν θλίψίν μου ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ ἀπαγγελῶ.

Ἐν τῷ ἐκλείπειν ἐξ ἐμοῦ τὸ πνεῦμά μου, καὶ σὺ ἔγνωσ τὰς τρίβους μου.

Ἐν ὁδῷ ταύτῃ, ἣ ἐπορευόμην, ἔκρυψαν παγίδα μοι.

Κατενόουν εἰς τὰ δεξιὰ, καὶ ἐπέβλεπον, καὶ οὐκ ἦν ὁ ἐπιγινώσκων με.

Ἀπώλετο φυγὴ ἀπ' ἐμοῦ, καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ὁ ἐκζητῶν τὴν ψυχὴν μου.

Ἐκέκραξα πρὸς σέ, Κύριε εἶπα· Σὺ εἶ ἡ ἐλπίς μου, μερίς μου εἶ ἐν γῇ ζώντων.

Πρόσχεες πρὸς τὴν δέησίν μου, ὅτι ἐταπεινώθην σφόδρα.

Ῥῥσαί με ἐκ τῶν καταδιωκόντων με, ὅτι ἐκραταιώθησαν ὑπὲρ ἐμέ.

Ἐξάγαγε ἐκ φυλακῆς τὴν ψυχὴν μου, τοῦ ἐξομολογήσασθαι τῷ ὀνόματί σου.

Ἐμὲ ὑπομενοῦσι δίκαιοι, ἕως οὐ ἀνταποδῶς μοι.

Ἐκ βαθέων ἐκέκραξά σοι, Κύριε. Κύριε, εἰσάκουσον τῆς φωνῆς μου.

Γενηθήτω τὰ ὦτά σου προσέχοντα εἰς τὴν φωνὴν τῆς δεήσεώς μου.

For my prayer shall be intense in the presence of their pleasures. Their judges are swallowed up by the rock.

They shall hear my words, for they are pleasant. As a clod of ground is dashed to pieces on the earth, so [their] bones were scattered beside the grave.

For my eyes, O Lord, O Lord, are toward You; in You I hope; take not my soul away.

Keep me from the snares they set for me, and from the stumbling blocks of those who work lawlessness.

Sinners shall fall into their own net; I am alone, until I escape.

I cried to the Lord with my voice, with my voice I prayed to the Lord.

I shall pour out my supplication before Him; I shall declare my affliction in His presence.

When my spirit fainted within me, then You knew my paths.

For on the way I was going, they hid a trap for me.

I looked on my right, and saw there was no one who knew me.

Refuge failed me, and there was no one who cared for my soul.

I cried to You, O Lord; I said, "You are my hope, my portion in the land of the living."

Attend to my supplication, for I was humbled exceedingly.

Deliver me from my persecutors, for they are stronger than I.

Bring my soul out of prison to give thanks to Your name, O Lord.

The righteous shall wait for me, until You reward me.

Out of the depths I have cried to You, O Lord. O Lord, hear my voice.

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

Τοῦ Μηναίου - - -

Τῶν Μαρτύρων.

Ἰδιόμελον. Ἦχος β'.

Ἐὰν ἀνομίας παρατηρήσης, Κύριε Κύριε,
τίς ὑποστήσεται; Ὅτι παρὰ σοὶ ὁ ἰλασμός
ἐστίν.

Φέροντες τὰ παρόντα γενναίως,
χαίροντες τοῖς ἐλπιζομένοις, πρὸς
ἀλλήλους ἔλεγον οἱ Ἅγιοι Μάρτυρες·
Μὴ γὰρ ἱμάτιον ἀποδυόμεθα; ἀλλὰ τὸν
παλαιὸν ἄνθρωπον ἀποτιθέμεθα. Δριμὺς
ὁ χειμὼν, ἀλλὰ γλυκὺς ὁ Παράδεισος·
ἀλγεινὴ ἡ πῆξις, ἀλλὰ ἡδεῖα ἡ ἀπόλαυσις.
Μὴ οὖν ἐκκλίνωμεν, ὧ συστρατιῶται·
μικρὸν ὑπομείνωμεν, ἵνα τοὺς στεφάνους
τῆς νίκης ἀναδησώμεθα, παρὰ Χριστοῦ τοῦ
Θεοῦ, καὶ Σωτῆρος τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Ἰδιόμελον. Ἦχος β'.

Ἐνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου ὑπέμεινά σε,
Κύριε, ὑπέμεινεν ἡ ψυχὴ μου εἰς τὸν λόγον
σου. Ἠλπισεν ἡ ψυχὴ μου ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον.

Φέροντες τὰ παρόντα γενναίως,
χαίροντες τοῖς ἐλπιζομένοις, πρὸς
ἀλλήλους ἔλεγον οἱ Ἅγιοι Μάρτυρες·
Μὴ γὰρ ἱμάτιον ἀποδυόμεθα; ἀλλὰ τὸν
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Θεοῦ, καὶ Σωτῆρος τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Ἰδιόμελον. Ἦχος β'.

Ἀπὸ φυλακῆς πρωΐας μέχρι νυκτός· ἀπὸ
φυλακῆς πρωΐας ἐλπισάτω Ἰσραὴλ ἐπὶ τὸν
Κύριον.

Ρίπτοντες περιβόλαια πάντα,
βαίνοντες ἀτρόμως εἰς λίμνην, πρὸς

From Menaion - - -

For the Martyrs.

Idiomelon. Mode 2.

*If You, O Lord, should mark transgression, O
Lord, who would stand? For there is forgiveness
with You. (SAAS)*

Bravely enduring the present, rejoicing
in what they hoped for, the holy Martyrs
said to one another: "Are we not stripping off
our garments? So let us also put off the old
man. Winter is bitter, but Paradise is sweet.
Freezing is painful, but the reward is pleasant.
Let us not waver, O fellow soldiers. Let us
endure for a little while, so that we may wear
the crowns of victory that are given by Christ
God, the Savior of our souls." (SD)

Idiomelon. Mode 2.

*Because of Your law, O Lord, I waited for
You; my soul waited for Your word. My soul
hopes in the Lord. (SAAS)*

Bravely enduring the present, rejoicing
in what they hoped for, the holy Martyrs
said to one another: "Are we not stripping off
our garments? So let us also put off the old
man. Winter is bitter, but Paradise is sweet.
Freezing is painful, but the reward is pleasant.
Let us not waver, O fellow soldiers. Let us
endure for a little while, so that we may wear
the crowns of victory that are given by Christ
God, the Savior of our souls." (SD)

Idiomelon. Mode 2.

*From the morning watch until night; from the
morning watch until night, let Israel hope in the
Lord. (SAAS)*

Throwing off all their garments, entering
the lake without flinching, the holy Martyrs

ἀλλήλους ἔλεγον οἱ Ἅγιοι Μάρτυρες· Διὰ Παράδεισον, ὃν ἀπωλέσαμεν, ἱμάτιον φθαρτὸν σήμερον μὴ ἀντισχώμεθα· δι' ὄφιν ποτὲ φθοροποιὸν ἐνδυσάμενοι, ἐκδυσώμεθα νῦν διὰ τὴν πάντων ἀνάστασιν· καταφρονήσωμεν κρύους λυομένου, καὶ σάρκα μισήσωμεν, ἵνα τοὺς στεφάνους τῆς νίκης ἀναδησώμεθα, παρὰ Χριστοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ Σωτῆρος τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Ἰδιόμελον. Ἦχος β'.

Ὅτι παρὰ τῷ Κυρίῳ τὸ ἔλεος καὶ πολλή παρ' αὐτῷ λύτρωσις. Καὶ αὐτὸς λυτρώσεται τὸν Ἰσραὴλ ἐκ πασῶν τῶν ἀνομιῶν αὐτοῦ.

Ρίπτοντες περιβόλαια πάντα, βαίνοντες ἀτρόμως εἰς λίμνην, πρὸς ἀλλήλους ἔλεγον οἱ Ἅγιοι Μάρτυρες· Διὰ Παράδεισον, ὃν ἀπωλέσαμεν, ἱμάτιον φθαρτὸν σήμερον μὴ ἀντισχώμεθα· δι' ὄφιν ποτὲ φθοροποιὸν ἐνδυσάμενοι, ἐκδυσώμεθα νῦν διὰ τὴν πάντων ἀνάστασιν· καταφρονήσωμεν κρύους λυομένου, καὶ σάρκα μισήσωμεν, ἵνα τοὺς στεφάνους τῆς νίκης ἀναδησώμεθα, παρὰ Χριστοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ Σωτῆρος τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Ἰδιόμελον. Ἦχος β'.

Αἰνεῖτε τὸν Κύριον, πάντα τὰ ἔθνη, ἐπαινέσατε αὐτόν, πάντες οἱ λαοί.

Βλέποντες ὡς τρυφὰς τὰς βασάνους, τρέχοντες πρὸς λίμνην κρυώδη, ὡς πρὸς θάλασιν, ἔλεγον οἱ Ἅγιοι Μάρτυρες· Μὴ ὑποπτῆξωμεν ὥραν χειμέριον, ἵνα τὴν φοβεράν γέενναν τοῦ πυρὸς φύγωμεν· καυθήτω ὁ ποῦς, ἵνα χορεύῃ αἰώνια· ἡ δὲ χεὶρ ῥυεῖτω, ἵνα ὑψοῦται πρὸς Κύριον· καὶ μὴ φεισώμεθα φύσεως θνησκούσης·

said to one another: "For the sake of Paradise, which we forfeited of old, let us not cling to our corruptible garments today. Once because of the snake, we put on a garment of mortality; so let us now take it off for the general resurrection. Let us think nothing of the icy frost that melts, and let us hate the flesh, so that we may wear the crowns of victory that are given by Christ God, the Savior of our souls." (SD)

Idiomelon. Mode 2.

For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is abundant redemption. And He will redeem Israel from all his transgressions. (SAAS)

Throwing off all their garments, entering the lake without flinching, the holy Martyrs said to one another: "For the sake of Paradise, which we forfeited of old, let us not cling to our corruptible garments today. Once because of the snake, we put on a garment of mortality; so let us now take it off for the general resurrection. Let us think nothing of the icy frost that melts, and let us hate the flesh, so that we may wear the crowns of victory that are given by Christ God, the Savior of our souls." (SD)

Idiomelon. Mode 2.

Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles; praise Him, all you peoples. (SAAS)

Viewing the torture as pleasure, running to the freezing lake as to warm comforts, the holy Martyrs said to one another: "Let us not shrink from the winter weather, so that we may escape the fiery Gehenna. Let our feet be burnt so they can dance forever. Let our hands drop off, so we may lift them to the Lord. And let us have no pity for our mortal

ἐλώμεθα θάνατον, ἵνα τοὺς στεφάνους τῆς νίκης ἀναδυσώμεθα, παρὰ Χριστοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ Σωτῆρος τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Ἰδιόμελον. Ἦχος β'.

Ὅτι ἐκραταιώθη τὸ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ ἐφ' ἡμᾶς, καὶ ἡ ἀλήθεια τοῦ Κυρίου μένει εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα.

Βλέποντες ὡς τρυφὰς τὰς βασάνους, τρέχοντες πρὸς λίμνην κρυώδη, ὡς πρὸς θάλασιν, ἔλεγον οἱ Ἅγιοι Μάρτυρες· Μὴ ὑποπτήξωμεν ὥραν χειμέριον, ἵνα τὴν φοβεράν γέενναν τοῦ πυρὸς φύγωμεν· καυθήτω ὁ ποῦς, ἵνα χορεύῃ αἰώνια· ἡ δὲ χεὶρ ῥυεῖται, ἵνα ὑψοῦται πρὸς Κύριον· καὶ μὴ φεισώμεθα φύσεως θνησκούσης· ἐλώμεθα θάνατον, ἵνα τοὺς στεφάνους τῆς νίκης ἀναδυσώμεθα, παρὰ Χριστοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ Σωτῆρος τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Δόξα.

Τοῦ Μηναίου ---

Ἦχος β'.

Φέροντες τὰ παρόντα γενναίως, χαίροντες τοῖς ἐλπιζομένοις, πρὸς ἀλλήλους ἔλεγον οἱ Ἅγιοι Μάρτυρες· Μὴ γὰρ ἱμάτιον ἀποδύομεθα; ἀλλὰ τὸν παλαιὸν ἄνθρωπον ἀποτιθέμεθα. Δριμύς ὁ χειμὼν, ἀλλὰ γλυκὺς ὁ Παράδεισος· ἀλγεινὴ ἡ πῆξις, ἀλλὰ ἡδεῖα ἡ ἀπόλαυσις. Μὴ οὖν ἐκκλίνωμεν, ὧ συστρατιῶται· μικρὸν ὑπομείνωμεν, ἵνα τοὺς στεφάνους τῆς νίκης ἀναδυσώμεθα, παρὰ Χριστοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ Σωτῆρος τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Τῆς Οὐκτωήχου ---

Καὶ νῦν. **Θεοτοκίον.**

Ἦχος πλ. β'.

Τίς μὴ μακαρίσει σε, Παναγία Παρθένε; τίς μὴ ἀνυμνήσει σου τὸν ἀλόχευτον τόκον; ὁ γὰρ ἀχρόνως ἐκ Πατρὸς ἐκλάμψας Υἱὸς

nature. Let us choose death, so that we may wear the crowns of victory that are given by Christ God, the Savior of our souls." (SD)

Idiomelon. Mode 2.

For His mercy rules over us; and the truth of the Lord endures forever. (SAAS)

Viewing the torture as pleasure, running to the freezing lake as to warm comforts, the holy Martyrs said to one another: "Let us not shrink from the winter weather, so that we may escape the fiery Gehenna. Let our feet be burnt so they can dance forever. Let our hands drop off, so we may lift them to the Lord. And let us have no pity for our mortal nature. Let us choose death, so that we may wear the crowns of victory that are given by Christ God, the Savior of our souls." (SD)

Glory.

From Menaion ---

Mode 2.

Bravely enduring the present, rejoicing in what they hoped for, the holy Martyrs said to one another: "Are we not stripping off our garments? So let us also put off the old man. Winter is bitter, but Paradise is sweet. Freezing is painful, but the reward is pleasant. Let us not waver, O fellow soldiers. Let us endure for a little while, so that we may wear the crowns of victory that are given by Christ God, the Savior of our souls." (SD)

From Octoechos ---

Both now. **Theotokion.**

Mode pl. 2.

Who will not call you blessed, most holy Virgin? Who will not sing praises of your wondrous birth giving? For the only

μονογενῆς, ὁ αὐτὸς ἐκ σοῦ τῆς Ἀγνῆς
προῆλθεν, ἀφράστως σαρκωθείς, φύσει
Θεὸς ὑπάρχων, καὶ φύσει γενόμενος
ἄνθρωπος δι' ἡμᾶς, οὐκ εἰς δυάδα
προσώπων τεμνόμενος, ἀλλ' ἐν δυάδι
φύσεων, ἀσυγχύτως γνωριζόμενος. Αὐτὸν
ικέτευε, σεμνὴ Παμμακάριστε, ἐλεηθῆναι
τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ (χαμηλοφώνως)

Τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ (χαμηλοφώνως)

ΕΥΧΗ ΤΗΣ ΕΙΣΟΔΟΥ

Ἑσπέρας καὶ πρωῒ καὶ μεσημβρίας, αἰνοῦμεν,
εὐλογοῦμεν, εὐχαριστοῦμεν καὶ δεόμεθα σου,
Δέσποτα τῶν ἀπάντων, Φιλάνθρωπε, Κύριε.
Κατεύθυνον τὴν προσευχὴν ἡμῶν, ὡς θυμίαμα
ἐνώπιόν σου καὶ μὴ ἐκκλίνῃς τὰς καρδίας ἡμῶν εἰς
λόγους, ἢ εἰς λογισμοὺς πονηρίας, ἀλλὰ ῥῦσαι ἡμᾶς
ἐκ πάντων τῶν θηρευόντων τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν· ὅτι
πρὸς σέ, Κύριε, Κύριε, οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ ἡμῶν, καὶ ἐπὶ σοὶ
ἠλπίσαμεν· μὴ κατασχύνῃς ἡμᾶς, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία! Ὁρθοί!

ΚΛΗΡΟΣ ΚΑΙ ΛΑΟΣ

Ἦχος β'.

Φῶς ἱλαρὸν ἀγίας δόξης, ἀθανάτου
Πατρός, οὐρανίου, ἀγίου, μάκαρος, Ἰησοῦ
Χριστέ, ἐλθόντες ἐπὶ τὴν ἡλίου δύσιν,
ιδόντες φῶς ἑσπερινόν, ὑμνοῦμεν Πατέρα,
Υἱόν, καὶ ἅγιον Πνεῦμα Θεόν. Ἄξιόν σε ἐν
πᾶσι καιροῖς, ὑμνεῖσθαι φωναῖς αἰσίοις,
Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ζῶν ὁ διδούς· Διὸ ὁ κόσμος σέ
δοξάζει.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Ἑσπέρας Προκείμενον.

begotten Son, timelessly having shone forth
from the Father, came forth from you who
are pure. And having been ineffably made
flesh, he, who by nature is God, for our
sake became also by nature man: not in two
divided persons, but in two natures without
confusion. O honored and all blessed one,
beseech him to have mercy on our souls. (HC)

DEACON (in a low voice)

Let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST (in a low voice)

Prayer of the Entrance

In the evening and in the morning and at noonday
we praise You, we bless You, we give thanks to You,
and we pray to You, O Master of all, Lord who love
mankind: Direct our prayer as incense before You, and
incline not our hearts to words or thoughts of evil, but
deliver us from all who seek after our souls. For to
You, O Lord, O Lord, are our eyes, and in You have we
hoped. Put us not to shame, O our God.

DEACON

Wisdom! Arise!

CLERGY AND PEOPLE

Mode 2.

Gladsome light of holy glory of the holy,
blessed, heavenly, immortal Father, O Jesus
Christ: arriving at the hour of sunset and
having seen the evening light, we praise the
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God. It is worthy
for You to be praised at all times with happy
voices, O Son of God and Giver of life; and
therefore the world glorifies You. (SD)

DEACON

The evening Prokeimenon.

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Προκείμενον. Ἦχος α'.

Τὸ ἔλεός σου, Κύριε, καταδιώξει με
πάσας τὰς ἡμέρας τῆς ζωῆς μου. (δίς)

Στίχ. Κύριος ποιμαίνει με καὶ οὐδέν
με ὑστερήσει. Εἰς τόπον χλόης, ἐκεῖ με
κατεσκήνωσεν, ἐπὶ ὕδατος ἀναπαύσεως
ἐξέθρεψέ με,

Τὸ ἔλεός σου, Κύριε, καταδιώξει με
πάσας τὰς ἡμέρας τῆς ζωῆς μου.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Εἴπωμεν πάντες ἐξ ὅλης τῆς ψυχῆς καὶ
ἐξ ὅλης τῆς διανοίας ἡμῶν εἴπωμεν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Κύριε παντοκράτορ ὁ Θεὸς τῶν
πατέρων ἡμῶν, δεόμεθά Σου, ἐπάκουσον
καὶ ἐλέησον.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς κατὰ τὸ μέγα
ἔλεός Σου, δεόμεθά Σου, ἐπάκουσον καὶ
ἐλέησον.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.)

Ἦτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ
ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.)

Ἦτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τοῦ (ἀρχιερατικοῦ
βαθμοῦ) ἡμῶν (τοῦ δεῖνος). καὶ καὶ

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.)

Ἦτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν ἀδελφῶν ἡμῶν,
τῶν ἱερέων, ἱερομονάχων, ἱεροδιακόνων καὶ
μοναχῶν, καὶ πάσης τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ ἡμῶν
ἀδελφότητος.

CHOIR

Prokeimenon. Mode 1.

Surely Your goodness and mercy, O Lord,
shall follow me all the days of my life. (2) (SAAS)

Verse: *The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not
want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters.*

Surely Your goodness and mercy, O Lord,
shall follow me all the days of my life.

DEACON

Let us all say with our whole soul, and
with our whole mind, let us say.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Lord Almighty, God of our fathers, we
pray you, hear us and have mercy.

(Lord, have mercy.)

Have mercy on us, O God, according to
your great mercy; we pray you, hear us and
have mercy.

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

Let us pray for pious and Orthodox
Christians.

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

Let us pray for (episcopal rank) (name).

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

Let us pray for our brethren, priests,
hieromonks, deacons, and monastics, and all
our brotherhood in Christ.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ἦτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ ἐλέους, ζωῆς, εἰρήνης, υἰγείας, σωτηρίας, ἐπισκέψεως, συγχωρήσεως καὶ ἀφέσεως τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν τῶν δούλων τοῦ Θεοῦ, πάντων τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν, τῶν κατοικούντων καὶ παρεπιδημούντων ἐν τῇ (πόλει, κώμῃ), ταύτῃ, τῶν ἐνοριτῶν, ἐπιτρόπων, συνδρομητῶν καὶ ἀφιερωτῶν τοῦ ἁγίου ναοῦ τούτου.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ἦτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν μακαρίων καὶ ἀοιδίμων κτιτόρων τῆς ἁγίας Ἐκκλησίας ταύτης, καὶ ὑπὲρ πάντων τῶν προαναπαυσασμένων πατέρων καὶ ἀδελφῶν ἡμῶν, τῶν ἐνθάδε εὐσεβῶς, κειμένων, καὶ ἀπανταχοῦ ὀρθοδόξων.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

Ἦτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν καρποφορούντων καὶ καλλιεργούντων ἐν τῷ ἁγίῳ καὶ πανσέπτῳ ναῷ τούτῳ, κοπιώντων, ψαλλόντων καὶ ὑπὲρ τοῦ περιεστῶτος λαοῦ, τοῦ ἀπεκδεχομένου τὸ παρὰ Σοῦ μέγα καὶ πλούσιον ἔλεος.

(Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὅτι ἐλεήμων καὶ φιλόανθρωπος Θεὸς ὑπάρχεις, καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Καταξίωσον, Κύριε, ἐν τῇ ἑσπέρᾳ ταύτῃ, ἁναμαρτήτους φυλαχθῆναι ἡμᾶς. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς τῶν Πατέρων

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

Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, visitation, forgiveness and remission of the sins of all pious and Orthodox Christians living and visiting in this city, the parishioners, the members of the Parish Council and every Ministry of this Parish, and the donors and benefactors of this holy church.

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

Let us again pray for the blessed and ever-memorable founders of this holy church, and for all our fathers, mothers, brothers, and sisters who are asleep here in the Lord and for the Orthodox everywhere.

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

Let us again pray for those who do charitable work, for those who serve in this holy house, for those who labor, teach, and sing, and for all the people here present who await your great and rich mercy.

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

PRIEST

For you are a merciful and loving God, 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.

(Amen.)

READER

O Lord, keep us this evening without sin. Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is your

ἡμῶν, καὶ αἰνετὸν καὶ δεδοξασμένον τὸ ὄνομά σου εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας. Ἀμήν. Γένοιτο, Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου ἐφ' ἡμᾶς, καθάπερ ἠλπίσαμεν ἐπὶ σέ. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, δίδαξόν με τὰ δικαιώματά σου. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Δέσποτα, συνέτισον μὲ τὰ δικαιώματά σου. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Ἄγιε, φώτισόν με τοῖς δικαιώμασί σου. Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα· τὰ ἔργα τῶν χειρῶν σου μὴ παρίδῃς. Σοὶ πρόπει αἶνος, σοὶ πρόπει ὕμνος, σοὶ δόξα πρόπει, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(*Ἀμήν.*)

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Πληρώσωμεν τὴν ἑσπερινὴν δέησιν ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ.

(*Κύριε, ἐλέησον.*)

Ἀντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς ὁ Θεὸς τῇ σῇ χάριτι.

(*Κύριε, ἐλέησον.*)

Τὴν ἐσπέραν πᾶσαν τελείαν, ἁγίαν, εἰρηνικὴν καὶ ἀναμάρτητον, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(*Παράσχον, Κύριε.*)

Ἄγγελον εἰρήνης, πιστὸν ὁδηγόν, φύλακα τῶν ψυχῶν καὶ τῶν σωμάτων ἡμῶν, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(*Παράσχον, Κύριε.*)

Συγγνώμην καὶ ἄφεσιν τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν καὶ τῶν πλημμελημάτων ἡμῶν, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(*Παράσχον, Κύριε.*)

Τὰ καλὰ καὶ συμφέροντα ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν καὶ εἰρήνην τῷ κόσμῳ, παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

name to the ages. Amen. O Lord, let your mercy be upon us for we have set our hope in you. Blessed are you, O Lord, teach me your commandments. Blessed are you, Master, grant me understanding of your commandments. Blessed are you, Holy One, enlighten me with your commandments. Lord, your mercy is forever. Do not despise the works of your hands. To you is due praise, to you is due song, to you is due glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. (HC)

(*Amen.*)

DEACON

Let us complete our evening prayer to the Lord.

(*Lord, have mercy.*)

Help us, save us, have mercy upon us and protect us, O God, by your grace.

(*Lord, have mercy.*)

For a perfect, holy, peaceful, and sinless evening, let us ask the Lord.

(*Grant this, O Lord.*)

For an angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask the Lord.

(*Grant this, O Lord.*)

For forgiveness and remission of our sins and transgressions, let us ask the Lord.

(*Grant this, O Lord.*)

For all that is good and beneficial to our souls, and for peace in the world, let us ask the Lord.

(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)

Τὸν ὑπόλοιπον χρόνον τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν
ἐν εἰρήνῃ καὶ μετάνοιᾳ ἐκτελέσαι, παρὰ τοῦ
Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)

Χριστιανὰ τὰ τέλη τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν,
ἀνώδυνα, ἀνεπαίσχυντα, εἰρηνικά, καὶ
καλὴν ἀπολογίαν τὴν ἐπὶ τοῦ φοβεροῦ
βήματος τοῦ Χριστοῦ αἰτησώμεθα.

(Παράσχον, Κύριε.)

Τῆς Παναγίας ἀχράντου,
ὑπερευλογημένης, ἐνδόξου Δεσποίνης
ἡμῶν Θεοτόκου καὶ ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας
μετὰ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων μνημονεύσαντες,
ἑαυτοὺς καὶ ἀλλήλους καὶ πᾶσαν τὴν ζωὴν
ἡμῶν Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ παραθώμεθα.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὅτι ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλόανθρωπος Θεὸς
ὑπάρχεις καὶ σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν,
τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι,
νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εἰρήνη πᾶσι.

(Καὶ τῷ πνεύματί σου.)

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Τὰς κεφαλὰς ὑμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ κλίνομεν.

(Σοί, Κύριε.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ (χαμηλοφώνως)

Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ κλῖνας οὐρανοὺς καὶ
καταβάς ἐπὶ σωτηρίᾳ τοῦ γένους τῶν ἀνθρώπων,
ἔπιδε ἐπὶ τοὺς δούλους σου καὶ ἐπὶ τὴν κληρονομίαν
σου· σοὶ γὰρ τῷ φοβερῷ καὶ φιλοανθρώπῳ κριτῇ
οἱ σοὶ δοῦλοι ὑπέκλιναν τὰς κεφαλὰς, τοὺς δὲ
αὐτῶν ὑπέταξαν αὐχένας, οὐ τὴν ἐξ ἀνθρώπων
ἀναμένοντες βοήθειαν, ἀλλὰ τὸ σὸν περιμένοντες
ἔλεος καὶ τὴν σὴν ἀπεκδεχόμενοι σωτηρίαν·

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For the completion of our life in peace and
repentance, let us ask the Lord.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

For a Christian end to our life, peaceful,
without shame and suffering, and for a good
account before the awesome judgment seat of
Christ, let us ask.

(Grant this, O Lord.)

Remembering our most holy, pure,
blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos
and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let
us commit ourselves and one another and our
whole life to Christ our God.

(To You, O Lord.)

PRIEST

For you are a good and loving God, 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.

(Amen.)

PRIEST

Peace be with all.

(And with your spirit.)

DEACON

Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

(To You, O Lord.)

PRIEST (in a low voice)

O Lord our God, who bowed the heavens and
came down for the salvation of mankind: Look upon
Your servants and Your inheritance; for to You, the
fearful Judge who yet love mankind, have Your
servants bowed their heads and submissively inclined
their necks, awaiting not help from men but entreating
Your mercy and looking confidently for Your salvation.
Guard them at all times, both during this present

οὓς διαφύλαξον ἐν παντὶ καιρῷ καὶ κατὰ τὴν
παροῦσαν ἐσπέραν καὶ τὴν προσιοῦσαν νύκτα,
ἀπὸ παντὸς ἐχθροῦ, ἀπὸ πάσης ἀντικειμένης
ἐνεργίας διαβολικῆς, καὶ διαλογισμῶν ματαίων καὶ
ἐνθυμήσεων πονηρῶν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Εἴη τὸ κράτος τῆς βασιλείας σου
εὐλογημένον καὶ δεδοξασμένον, τοῦ
Πατρὸς, καὶ τοῦ Υἱοῦ, καὶ τοῦ ἁγίου
Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας
τῶν αἰώνων.

(Ἀμήν.)

Τοῦ Τριωδίου ---

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ἀπόστιχα. Τοῦ Τριωδίου.

Ἰδιόμελον. Ἦχος α'.

Περιχαρῶς δεξώμεθα πιστοί, τὸ
θεόπνευστον διάγγελμα τῆς Νηστείας, ὡς
πρῶην οἱ Νινευῖται, καὶ αὐθις πόρνοι καὶ
τελώναι, τὸ τῆς μετανοίας κήρυγμα, παρὰ
τοῦ Ἰωάννου, δι' ἐγκρατείας ἐτοιμασθῶμεν
πρὸς μετουσίαν, τῆς ἐν τῇ Σιών δεσποτικῆς
ιερουργίας, διὰ δακρύων προκαθαρθῶμεν
τοῦ ἐν αὐτῇ θείου Νιπτῆρος, προσευξώμεθα
ἰδεῖν τὴν τοῦ τυπικοῦ ἐνταῦθα, Πάσχα
τελείωσιν, καὶ τοῦ ἀληθινοῦ ἀνάδειξιν,
παρασκευασθῶμεν εἰς προσκύνησιν
τοῦ Σταυροῦ, καὶ τῆς Ἐγέρσεως Χριστοῦ
τοῦ Θεοῦ, βοῶντες πρὸς αὐτόν· Μὴ
καταισχύνῃς ἡμᾶς, ἀπὸ τῆς προσδοκίας
ἡμῶν φιλάνθρωπε!

Στίχ. Πρὸς σὲ ἦρα τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς μου
τὸν κατοικοῦντα ἐν τῷ οὐρανῷ. Ἴδου ὡς
ὀφθαλμοὶ δούλων εἰς χεῖρας τῶν κυρίων
αὐτῶν, ὡς ὀφθαλμοὶ παιδίσκης εἰς χεῖρας

evening and in the approaching night, from every foe,
from all adverse powers of the devil and from vain
thoughts and from evil imaginations.

PRIEST

May the might of your kingdom be
blessed and glorified, of the Father and the
Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and
to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

From Triodion ---

CHOIR

Aposticha. From the Triodion.

Idiomelon. Mode 1.

With great joy, believers, let us welcome
the inspired proclamation of the Fast, as the
Ninevites did of old and as prostitutes and
tax collectors the preaching of repentance by
John. Through self-mastery let us prepare for
communion of the Master's sacred mystery in
Sion. Through tears let us be cleansed before
the divine Washing of the feet there. Let us
pray to see there the fulfillment of the Pascha
that was a type and revelation of the true.
Let us be made ready for the worship of the
Cross and the Rising of Christ our God, as
we cry out to him, 'Do not put us to shame
and deprive us of our expectation, O Lover of
mankind!' (EL)

Verse: *I lift my eyes to You, who dwell
in heaven. Behold, as the eyes of servants look
to the hands of their masters, as the eyes of the
maidservant look to the hands of her mistress, so*

τῆς κυρίας αὐτῆς, οὕτως οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ
ἡμῶν πρὸς Κύριον τὸν Θεὸν ἡμῶν, ἕως οὗ
οἰκτειρῆσαι ἡμᾶς.

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τοῦ Σταυροῦ, καὶ τῆς Ἐγέρσεως Χριστοῦ
τοῦ Θεοῦ, βοῶντες πρὸς αὐτόν· Μὴ
καταισχύνῃς ἡμᾶς, ἀπὸ τῆς προσδοκίας
ἡμῶν φιλάνθρωπε!

Μαρτυρικόν.

Ἦχος α'.

Στίχ. Ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς, Κύριε, ἐλέησον
ἡμᾶς, ὅτι ἐπὶ πολὺ ἐπλήσθημεν
ἐξουδενώσεως, Ἐπὶ πλεῖον ἐπλήσθη ἡ ψυχὴ
ἡμῶν. Τὸ ὄνειδος τοῖς εὐθηνούσι, καὶ ἡ
ἐξουδένωσις τοῖς ὑπερηφάνοις.

Ὡ τῆς καλῆς ὑμῶν πραγματείας
Ἅγιοι! ὅτι αἵματα ἐδώκατε καὶ οὐρανοὺς
ἐκληρονομήσατε, καὶ πρὸς καιρὸν
πειρασθέντες, αἰωνίως ἀγάλλεσθε, ὄντως
καλὸν ὑμῶν τὸ ἐμπόρευμα! Φθαρτὰ γὰρ
καταλιπόντες, τὰ ἄφθαρτα ἀπελάβετε,
καὶ σὺν Ἀγγέλοις χορεύοντες, ὑμνεῖτε
ἀπαύστως Τριάδα ὁμοούσιον.

*our eyes look to the Lord our God until He shall
have compassion on us. (SAAS)*

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Cross and the Rising of Christ our God, as
we cry out to him, 'Do not put us to shame
and deprive us of our expectation, O Lover of
mankind!' (EL)

For the Martyrs.

Mode 1.

Verse: *Have mercy on us, O Lord, have
mercy on us, for we are greatly filled with
contempt. Our soul is greatly filled with it. We are
a disgrace to those who prosper, and a contempt to
the arrogant. (SAAS)*

Oh, what an excellent transaction you
made, O Saints! For you invested blood and
inherited the heavens. Temporarily tested,
you rejoice eternally. Good indeed was
your enterprise! For by relinquishing things
corruptible, you received in return things that
perish not. And now exulting with the Angels
you endlessly extol the consubstantial Trinity.

(SD)

Δόξα. **Τῶν Μαρτύρων.**

Τοῦ Μηναιίου ---

Ἦχος πλ. β'.

Ἐν ᾧδαῖς ἁσμάτων εὐφημήσωμεν
πιστοί, τοὺς ἀθλοφόρους τεσσαράκοντα
Μάρτυρας, καὶ πρὸς αὐτοὺς μελωδικῶς
ἐκβοήσωμεν λέγοντες· Χαίρετε ἀθλοφόροι
τοῦ Χριστοῦ, Ἡσύχιε, Μελίτων, Ἡράκλειε,
Σμάραγδε καὶ Δόμνε, Εὐνοϊκὲ Οὐάλῃ
καὶ Βιβιανέ, Κλαύδιε καὶ Πρίσκε, Χαίρετε
Θεόδουλε Εὐτύχιε καὶ Ἰωάννη, Ξανθία
Ἥλιανὲ Σισίνιε, Κυρίων Ἀγγία, Ἀέτιε
καὶ Φλάβιε, Χαίρετε Ἀκάκιε, Ἐκδίκιε,
Λυσίμαχε, Ἀλέξανδρε, Ἡλία καὶ Καύδιδε,
Θεόφιλε Δομετιανέ καὶ Θεῖε Γάϊε Γοργόνιε,
Χαίρετε Εὐτυχές καὶ Ἀθανάσιε, Κύριλλε
καὶ Σαρκεδών, Νικόλαε καὶ Οὐαλέριε,
Φιλοκτήμον, Σεβηριανέ, Χουδίων καὶ
Ἀγλάϊε. Ὡς ἔχοντες παρρησίαν πρὸς
Χριστὸν τὸν Θεὸν ἡμῶν, Μάρτυρες
παναοίδιμοι, αὐτὸν ἐκτενῶς πρεσβεύσατε,
τοῦ σωθῆναι τοὺς ἐν πίστει ἐκτελοῦντας,
τὴν πανσέβαστον μνήμην ὑμῶν.

Τῆς Ὀκτωήχου ---

Καὶ νῦν. **Θεοτοκίον.**

Ἦχος πλ. β'.

Θεοτόκε, σὺ εἶ ἡ ἄμπελος ἡ ἀληθινή,
ἡ βλαστήσασα τὸν καρπὸν τῆς ζωῆς, σὲ
ἱκετεύομεν, πρέσβευε Δέσποινα, μετὰ
τῶν Ἀθλοφόρων καὶ πάντων τῶν ἁγίων,
ἐλεηθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὡδὴν τοῦ Θεοδόχου Συμεών.

Νῦν ἀπολύεις τὸν δοῦλόν σου, Δέσποτα,
κατὰ τὸ ῥῆμά σου, ἐν εἰρήνῃ· ὅτι εἶδον
οἱ ὀφθαλμοί μου τὸ σωτήριόν σου, ὃ
ἠτοίμασας κατὰ πρόσωπον πάντων τῶν
λαῶν· φῶς εἰς ἀποκάλυψιν ἐθνῶν, καὶ
δόξαν λαοῦ σου Ἰσραὴλ.

Glory. **For the Martyrs.**

From Menaion ---

Mode pl. 2.

Faithful, let us praise the forty passion-
bearing martyrs in hymns! * Singing in
harmony let us cry out to them saying: *
Rejoice, athletes of Christ: * Hesychius,
Meliton, Heraclius, Smaragdus and Domnus;
* Euonicus, Valens and Vivianus; * Claudius
and Priscus! * Rejoice, Theodulus, Euthychius
and John, * Xantheas, Hilianus, Sisinius,
Cyrion, Angius, Aetius and Flavius! * Rejoice,
Acacius, Ecditius, Lysimachus, Alexander, *
Elias and Candidus, * Theophilus, Dometian
and Gaius * with the Godly Gorgonius! *
Rejoice, Leontius and Athanasius, * Cyril
and Sacerdon, * Nicholas and Valerius, *
Philoctichion, Severian, Chudion and Aglaius!
* You have boldness before Christ our God,
most honored martyrs! * Beseech Him
earnestly ** that those who keep your most
precious memory with faith may be saved.

(OCA)

From Octoechos ---

Both now. **Theotokion.**

Mode pl. 2.

Theotokos, you are the true vine that
produced the fruit of life. Lady, we fervently
entreat you to intercede along with the
Martyrs and all the saints, that our souls be
treated mercifully. (SD)

PRIEST

Song of Simeon.

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart
in peace, according to thy word; for mine
eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast
prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light
for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to
thy people Israel. (RSV)

ΛΑΟΣ

Τρισάγιον.

Ἅγιος ὁ Θεός, ἅγιος Ἰσχυρός, ἅγιος
Ἀθάνατος, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. (ἐκ γ')

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι.
Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν
αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Παναγία Τριάς, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. Κύριε,
ἱλάσθητι ταῖς ἁμαρτίαις ἡμῶν. Δέσποτα,
συγχώρησον τὰς ἀνομίας ἡμῖν. Ἅγιε,
ἐπίσκεψαι καὶ ἰάσαι τὰς ἀσθενείας ἡμῶν,
ἐνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου.

Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε, ἐλέησον. Κύριε,
ἐλέησον.

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι.
Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν
αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Πάτερ ἡμῶν ὁ ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς,
ἁγιασθήτω τὸ ὄνομά σου. Ἐλθέτω ἡ
βασιλεία σου. Γενηθήτω τὸ θέλημά σου,
ὡς ἐν οὐρανῷ καὶ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς. Τὸν ἄρτον
ἡμῶν τὸν ἐπιούσιον δὸς ἡμῖν σήμερον. Καὶ
ἄφες ἡμῖν τὰ ὀφειλήματα ἡμῶν, ὡς καὶ
ἡμεῖς ἀφίεμεν τοῖς ὀφειλέταις ἡμῶν. Καὶ μὴ
εἰσενέγκῃς ἡμᾶς εἰς πειρασμόν, ἀλλὰ ρῦσαι
ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ τοῦ πονηροῦ.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὅτι σοῦ ἐστὶν ἡ βασιλεία καὶ ἡ δύναμις
καὶ ἡ δόξα τοῦ Πατρὸς καὶ τοῦ Υἱοῦ καὶ τοῦ
Ἁγίου Πνεύματος, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς
αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. (Ἀμήν.)

PEOPLE

Trisagion Prayers.

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

Glory to Father and the Son and the Holy
Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages of
ages. Amen.

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us.
Lord, forgive our sins. Master, pardon our
transgressions. Holy One, visit and heal our
infirmities for your name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Glory to Father and the Son and the Holy
Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages of
ages. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed
be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will
be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us
this day our daily bread; and forgive us our
trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass
against us. And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. (GOA)

PRIEST

For thine is the Kingdom and the power
and the glory of the Father, and the Son and
the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the
ages of ages. (Amen.)

ΧΟΡΟΣ

Ἀπολυτίκιον.

Τοῦ Μηναιίου - - -

Ἦχος α'.

Τὰς ἀλγυδόνας τῶν Ἀγίων, ἃς ὑπὲρ
σοῦ ἔπαθον, δυσωπήθητι Κύριε, καὶ πάσας
ἡμῶν τὰς ὀδύνας, ἴασαι φιλάνθρωπε
δεόμεθα.

Τῆς Ὀκτωήχου - - -

Δόξα· καὶ νῦν. **Θεοτοκίον.**

Ἦχος α'. Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος.

Τοῦ Γαβριὴλ φθεγξαμένου σοι Παρθένε
τὸ Χαῖρε, σὺν τῇ φωνῇ ἐσαρκοῦτο ὁ τῶν
ὅλων Δεσπότης, ἐν σοὶ τῇ ἀγίᾳ κιβωτῷ, ὡς
ἔφη ὁ δίκαιος Δαυΐδ. Ἐδείχθης πλατυτέρα
τῶν οὐρανῶν, βαστάσασα τὸν Κτίστην
σου. Δόξα τῷ ἐνοικήσαντι ἐν σοί· δόξα τῷ
προελθόντι ἐκ σοῦ· δόξα τῷ ἐλευθερώσαντι
ἡμᾶς, διὰ τοῦ τόκου σου.

ΔΙΑΚΟΝΟΣ

Σοφία!

(Εὐλόγησον.)

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Ὁ ὢν εὐλογητός, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν,
πάντοτε, νῦν, καὶ αἰεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας
τῶν αἰώνων. (Ἀμήν.)

Στερεώσαι, Κύριος ὁ Θεός, τὴν ἀγίαν
καὶ ἀμώμητον πίστιν τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ
ὀρθοδόξων Χριστιανῶν, σὺν τῇ ἀγίᾳ αὐτοῦ
Ἐκκλησίᾳ καὶ τῇ πόλει ταύτῃ εἰς αἰῶνας
αἰώνων.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΤΗΣ

Ἀμήν.

Τὴν τιμιωτέραν τῶν Χερουβίμ, καὶ
ἐνδοξοτέραν, ἀσυγκρίτως τῶν Σεραφίμ, τὴν

CHOIR

Apolytikon.

From Menaion - - -

Mode 1.

The holy martyrs suffered painful tortures
for Your sake, O Lord; be compelled by
what they endured, and heal our every pain,
we entreat You, as the only One who loves
humanity. (SD)

From Octoechos - - -

Glory. Both now. **Theotokion.**

Mode 1. The stone had been secured.

When Gabriel had uttered rejoice to you,
O Virgin, * then with the voice was the Lord
of all becoming incarnate * in you whom the
holy Ark of old * prefigured, as righteous
David said. * You carried your Creator and
proved to be more spacious than the heavens.
* Glory to Him who dwelt inside of you; *
glory to Him who came forth from You; *
glory be to Him who through your childbirth
has set us free. (SD)

DEACON

Wisdom!

(Father, bless!)

PRIEST

Blessed are You, Christ our God, always
now and forever and to the ages of ages.
(Amen.)

Make firm, Lord our God, the holy and
pure faith of the pious Orthodox Christians,
together with the Holy Church and this city
forever.

READER

Amen.

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and
in glory greater beyond compare than the
Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth

ἀδιαφθόρως, Θεὸν Λόγον τεκοῦσαν, τὴν
ὄντως Θεοτόκον, σὲ μεγαλύνομεν.

Δόξα Πατρὶ καὶ Υἱῷ καὶ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι.
Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ, καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν
αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Κύριε, ἐλέησον. (ἐκ γ') Εὐλόγησον.

ΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Χριστὸς ὁ ἀληθινὸς Θεὸς ἡμῶν,
ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς παναχράντου καὶ
παναμώμου ἁγίας αὐτοῦ Μητρός,
δυνάμει τοῦ τιμίου καὶ ζωοποιοῦ Σταυροῦ,
προστασίαις τῶν τιμίων ἐπουρανίων
Δυνάμεων Ἀσωμάτων, ἱκεσίαις τοῦ τιμίου,
ἐνδόξου, προφήτου, Προδρόμου καὶ
βαπτιστοῦ Ἰωάννου, τῶν ἁγίων ἐνδόξων
καὶ πανευφήμων Ἀποστόλων, τῶν ἁγίων
ἐνδόξων καὶ καλλινίκων μαρτύρων· τῶν
οσίων καὶ θεοφόρων Πατέρων ἡμῶν·
(τοῦ Ἁγίου τοῦ Ναοῦ)· τῶν ἁγίων καὶ
δικαίων Θεοπατόρων Ἰωακεὶμ καὶ Ἄννης,
καὶ τῶν Ἁγίων μεγάλων Τεσσαράκοντα
Μαρτύρων, τῶν ἐν τῇ λίμνῃ Σεβαστείας
μαρτυρησάντων, ὧν καὶ τὴν μνήμην
ἐπιτελοῦμεν· καὶ πάντων τῶν Ἁγίων,
ἐλεῆσαι καὶ σῶσαι ἡμᾶς, ὡς ἀγαθὸς καὶ
φιλόανθρωπος καὶ ἐλεήμων Θεός.

Δι' εὐχῶν τῶν ἁγίων πατέρων ἡμῶν,
Κύριε Ἰησοῦ Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, ἐλέησον καὶ
σῶσον ἡμᾶς.

(Ἀμήν.)

to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos.
You do we magnify.

Glory to Father and the Son and the Holy
Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages of
ages. Amen.

Lord, have mercy. (3) Father, bless!

PRIEST

May Christ our true God, through the
intercessions of his most pure and 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, the
holy, glorious, and praiseworthy Apostles, the
holy, glorious, and triumphant Martyrs, our
holy and God-bearing Fathers, (local patron
saint); the holy and righteous ancestors of
God Joachim and Anna, the holy and glorious
Great Forty Martyrs of Sebastia, whose
memory we celebrate; and all the saints, have
mercy on us and save us, as a good, loving
and merciful God.

Through the prayers of our holy fathers,
Lord Jesus Christ, our God, have mercy on us
and save us.

(Amen.)