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Sunday, September 16, 2018

Sunday after the Elevation of the Holy Cross

*Martyrs Sophia and her daughters Faith, Love and Hope; Martyr Agathokleia;
Hieromartyrs Heracleides and Myron, Bishops of Tamasus in Cyprus; Venerable
Anastasios Peristeron of Cyprus; Euxiphios of Cyprus, the bishop*

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

O God, my God, attend to me; why hast Thou forsaken me? Far from my salvation are the words of my transgressions.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

My God, I will cry by day, and wilt Thou not hearken? And by night, and it shall not be unto folly for me. But as for Thee, Thou dwellest in the sanctuary, O Praise of Israel. (Refrain)

Glory... Both now... (Refrain)

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

O God, why hast Thou cast us off unto the end? Remember Thy congregation which Thou hast purchased from the beginning.

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who wast crucified in the flesh; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

This is Mount Zion wherein Thou hast dwelt. (Refrain)

God is our King before the ages. He hath wrought salvation in the midst of the earth. (Refrain)

Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...

THE THIRD ANTIPHON - *The Lord reigneth, let the people rage; He sitteth upon the cherubim, let the earth be shaken. The Lord is great in Zion; and He is high above all peoples. Let them confess Thy great Name, for it is terrible and holy.*

During the Little Entrance, after the verses of the Third Antiphon, chant the Apolytikion of the Holy Cross. Then, the following:

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY SUNDAYS - *Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.*

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE SEVEN - *Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.*

APOLYTIKION OF THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE ONE - *O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thy commonwealth.*

APOLYTIKION OF ST. EUPHEMIA IN TONE FOUR - *O Lord Jesus, unto Thee Thy lamb doth cry with a great voice: * O my Bridegroom, Thee I love; and seeking Thee, I now contest, * and with Thy baptism am crucified and buried. * I suffer for Thy sake, that I may reign with Thee; * for Thy sake I die, that I may live in Thee: * accept me offered out of longing * to Thee as a spotless sacrifice. * Lord, save our souls through her intercessions, since Thou art great in mercy.*

Now sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.

KONTAKION OF THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE FOUR - *Do Thou, Who of Thine own good will was lifted up upon the Cross, O Christ our God, bestow Thy bounties upon the new Nation which is called by Thy Name; make glad in Thy might those who lawfully govern, that with them we may be led to victory over our adversaries, having in Thine aid a weapon of peace and a trophy invincible.*

THE EPISTLE

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works. In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (2:16-20)

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. Even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the Law died to the Law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ Who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (8:34-9:1)

The Lord said, "If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for My sake and the Gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." And He said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Kingdom of God come with power."

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 22, 2018 - NO VESPERS

Sunday, September 23, 2018 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

Saturday, September 29, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, September 30, 2018 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

Saturday, October 6, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, October 7, 2018 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

***PRAYER LIST - Please contact Pres. Kristina Abernathy via email at Kristina.nicole@me.com or via text or call at 724.493.7213 to add living or departed names to the prayer list.**

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DEPARTED – Bishop Antoun, Archpriest John, Kh. Stephanie, Kh. Joanne, Sylvia Jean, Bern, Gregory, Efthimios, Helen, Daniel, Rodger, Delores, Danny, Andre, Joey, Mary Pat, Helen, Cara, Esther

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