



St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church
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Sunday, November 25, 2018
Leave-Taking (Apodosia) of the Entrance of the Theotokos,
Great-martyr Katherine the all-wise of Alexandria
& Thirteenth Sunday of Luke

Martyr Mercurios of Caesarea in Cappadocia; Martyr Mercurios of Smolensk

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God and in His holy mountain. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.

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

God is known in her palaces for a refuge. As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God. (Refrain)

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

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

The Most High hath sanctified His tabernacle. Holiness and majesty are in His sanctuary.

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

This is the gate of the Lord, the righteous shall enter in thereat. (Refrain)

Holy is Thy temple, and wonderful in righteousness. (Refrain)

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

THE THIRD ANTIPHON - *Even the rich among the people shall entreat thy favor. The King's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold. Virgins shall be brought to the King after her: her companions shall be brought unto Thee.*

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 ONE (Spiral book page 110) - *While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.*

APOLYTIKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR - *Today the Virgin is the foreshadowing of the pleasure of God, and the beginning of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. Thou hast appeared in the Temple of God openly and hast gone before, preaching Christ to all. Let us shout with one thrilling voice, saying, Rejoice, O thou who art the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation.*

APOLYTIKION OF ST. KATHERINE THE GREAT-MARTYR IN TONE FIVE - *Let us praise the all-lauded and noble bride of Christ, * the godly Katherine, the guardian of Sinai and its defense, * who is also our support and succor and our help; * for with the Holy Spirit's sword * she hath silenced brilliantly the clever among the godless; * and being crowned as a Martyr, she now doth ask great mercy for us all.*

APOLYTIKION TO ST. MOSES THE BLACK - *Dweller of the desert and angel in the body, you were shown to be a wonder-worker, our God-bearing Father Moses. You received heavenly gifts through fasting, vigil, and prayer: healing the sick and the souls of those drawn to you by faith. Glory to Him who gave you strength! Glory to Him who granted you a crown! Glory to Him who through you grants healing to all!*

KONTAKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR - *The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, * the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, * the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, * into the House of the Lord * on this day is brought forward * and bringeth with herself the grace * of the Most Divine Spirit; * her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, * for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.*

THE EPISTLE

God is wondrous in His saints. Bless God in the congregations.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (3:23-4:5)

Brethren, before faith came, we were confined under the Law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. So that the Law was our custodian until Christ came, that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian; for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no better than a slave, though he is the owner of all the estate; but he is under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. So with us; when we were children, we were slaves to the elemental spirits of the universe. But when the time had fully come, God sent forth His Son, to redeem those who were under the Law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (18:18-27)

At that time, a man came testing Jesus and asking, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery. Do not kill. Do not steal. Do not bear false witness. Honor your father and mother.'" And the man said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when the man heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus, seeing him sad, said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."

MEGALYNARION OF THE ENTRANCE IN TONE FOUR - *The Angels beholding the entrance of the all-pure one were overtaken by surprise; how hath the Virgin entered into the Holy of Holies? Since thou art a living temple of God, O Theotokos, no impure hand shall touch thee. But the lips of believers, let them ceaselessly laud thee, crying unto thee joyfully with the voice of the angels, Verily, O undefiled Virgin, thou art more exalted than all creatures.*

KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN) FOR THE ENTRANCE IN TONE EIGHT - *I will take the cup of salvation, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord. Alleluia.*

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Monday, November 26, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 28, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Weekly Vespers

Saturday, December 1, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, December 2, 2018 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Diving Liturgy

Sunday, December 2, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Teen/Youth/Child Fellowship

Wednesday, December 5, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Weekly Vespers

Saturday, December 8, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, December 9, 2018 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Diving Liturgy

Wednesday, December 12, 2018 - NO Vespers

***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.**

LIVING— Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Archpriest Jason & Family, Archpriest Anthony & Family, Archpriest Elias, Archpriest John & Family, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Archpriest Patrick, Kh. Vanessa, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Justin, Christopher, Hieromonk Michael, The Sisterhood of St. Nina Monastery, The Brotherhood of St. Moses the Black, The Parishioners of St. George, Deacon Joseph, Shimasee Rebecca, Unborn Child, The Seminarian Paul, John, Sister Janice, Sister Janice, The Painter Family, The Boozer Family, The Wells Family, The Horne Family, The Focus Family, Pearl, Brandon, Isabella, Ashley, Marcella, Tara, Louise, Peter, Julita, Marika, Mary, John, Akxanna, Nicholas, Stephen, David, Jerrel, Nathan, Brooklin, Dylan, Tracy, Joshua, Dustin, Amera, Adam, Moses, Victoria, Tyra, Lamar, Daniel, Blair, Bisrat, James, Ava, Michael, Emma, Deborah, Marianne, James, Haleigh, Cathy, Kathleen, Daniel, Rocco, Diane, Michael, Isiah, Jaquaghn, Jay, Ryan, Sincere, Bleu, Angelo, April, Paul, Dawaan, Jayden, The students of the Pitt/CMU/ Duquesne/Waynesburg OCF, Nadine, Elise, Katherine, Anthony, Steven, Tommy, Joanna, David, Esther, Juliana, Mary, Xenia, Thekla, Alexis, Juliana, Judah, Arbutus, Alexandra, Aaron, Madelyn, Rachel, William, James, Juliana, Isabel, Fidelia, Rhonda, Shawana, Michelle, Josh, Alexander, Jonathan, Jaden, Qradin, William, Joseph, Jacqueline, Diane, Edith, Chris, Caroline, Luke, Samuel, Hosanna, Alexander

DEPARTED – Kh. Stephanie, Kh. Joanne, Bern, Helen, Timothy, Michael, M. Victoria, John, Ed, Lucille

****CONFESSIONS and HOUSE BLESSINGS By Appointment** - Please contact Rev. Paul Abernathy via calling at 412.254.6281 to schedule confession or a meeting.

***DONATIONS

Please make your offerings as follows: **Checks made payable to St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church**. Donations can be given to Pres. Kristina or Parish Treasurer Amera.

Birthdays - Rob (Nov. 27th)

We will be sending care packages to our parishioner **Fidelia Renne** at school in Oxford. If anyone would like to bring something to be included with a care package, please give to Pres. Kristina. We will be sending one large package and would like to mail it early December. Please bring all items by **December 5, 2018**.