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Sunday, August 12, 2017
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost & Eleventh Sunday of Matthew
After-feast of the Transfiguration of Christ
Martyrs Photios and Anikyotos of Nicomedia

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, in the city of our God, in His holy mountain. Who settest fast the mountains by Thy strength, Who art girded about with power.

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

Who coverest Thyself with light as with a garment. The mountains shall rejoice at the presence of the Lord, for He cometh; yea, He is come to judge the earth. (Refrain)

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

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

His foundations are in the holy mountains. The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God. (Refrain)

A man will say: Mother Sion; and: That man was born in her; and: The Most High Himself hath founded her. (Refrain)

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

THE THIRD ANTIPHON - *Of Thy mercies, O Lord, will I sing forever. The heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord, and Thy truth in the congregation of saints. Blessed is the people that knoweth jubilation. O Lord, in the light of Thy countenance shall they walk, and in Thy Name shall they rejoice all the day long.*

During the Little Entrance, after the verses of the Third Antiphon, chant the Apolytikion of the Transfiguration.

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.*

Now sing these apolytikia in the following order.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO - *When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.*

APOLYTIKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE SEVEN - *When, O Christ our God, Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy Disciples in proportion as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners, through the intercessions of the Theotokos. O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.*

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

KONTAKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE SEVEN - *Thou wast transfigured on the mount, and Thy Disciples, in so far as they were able, beheld Thy glory, O Christ our God; so that, when they should see Thee crucified, they would remember that all Thy suffering was voluntary, and could declare to all the world that Thou art truly the effulgent Splendor of the Father.*

THE EPISTLE

The Lord is my strength and my song. The Lord has chastened me severely.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (9:2-12)

Brethren, you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. This is my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a wife, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk? Do I say this on human authority? Does not the law say the same? For it is written in the Law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain." Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Does he not speak entirely for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits? If others share this rightful claim upon you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the Gospel of Christ.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (18:23-35)

The Lord spoke this parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also My heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Monday, August 13, 2018 - 5:00 PM - Paraklesis

Tuesday, August 14, 2018 - 5:00 PM - Great Vespers

Wednesday, August 15, 2018 - 9:00 AM - Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Dormition

Saturday, August 18, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, August 19, 2018 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

Friday, August 24, 2018 - 6:30 PM - Cookout with Bishop THOMAS

Saturday, August 25, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers with Bishop THOMAS - Dinner and Conversation

Sunday, August 26, 2018 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy with Bishop THOMAS - Pot Luck Coffee Hour

Tuesday, August 28, 2018 - 9:00 AM - Divine Liturgy for our Patronal Feast to St. Moses

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

Sunday, September 2, 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, Danny, Delores, Danny, Victoria, Andre, Joey, Stephen, Al, Arline, Ms. Brown, Mary Pat

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