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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost & Ninth Sunday of Matthew
After-feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos
Martyr Agathonikos of Nicomedia and those with him

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

Shout with jubilation unto the Lord, all the earth. O give thanks unto the Lord and call upon His Name.

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

In the city of our God, in His holy mountain, and His place hath been made in peace, and His dwelling in Zion. (Refrain)
Glory... Both now... (Refrain)

THE SEONCD ANTIPHON

The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwelling of Jacob. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.

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

God hath laid her foundations unto eternity. We have thought, O God, of Thy mercy in the midst of Thy people. (Refrain)
The Most-high hath hallowed His tabernacle. (Refrain)
Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...

THE THIRD ANTIPHON - *Ready is my heart, O God, ready is my heart; I will sing and chant in my glory. What shall I render to the Lord for all that He hath given me? I will receive the cup of salvation, and call upon the Name of the Lord.*

APOLYTIKION OF THE DORMITION IN TONE ONE - *In thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling-asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.*

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 EIGHT (Page 126 in the Spiral Bound Book) - *From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the threeday burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.*

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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 THE DORMITION IN TONE TWO - *Verily, the Theotokos, who is ever watchful in intercessions, and whose prayers are never rejected, neither tomb nor death could control. But since she is the Mother of Life, He Who dwelt in her ever-virgin womb did translate her to life.*

THE EPISTLE

Make your vows and pay them to the Lord our God. God is known in Judaea; His Name is great in Israel.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (3:9-17)

Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's husbandry, God's building. According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise architect I laid a foundation, and another builds upon it. Let each one take heed how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; everyone's work will become manifest; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire itself will test each one's work of what sort it is. If anyone's work which was built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, but he himself will be saved, yet so as by fire. Do you not know that you are a temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone corrupts the temple of God, God will corrupt him. For the temple of God is holy, whose temple you are.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (14:22-34)

At that time, Jesus made the Disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowds. And after He had dismissed the crowds, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. When evening came, He was there alone, but the Disciples' boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea. But when the Disciples saw Jesus walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately He spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered Him, "Lord, if it is Thee, bid me come to Thee on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out His hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped Him, saying, "Truly, Thou art the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 24, 2021 - 7:30 AM - Weekly Liturgy

Wednesday, August 25, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Weekly Vespers

Saturday, August 28, 2021 - 9:30 AM - Liturgy for the Patronal Feast of our Church

Saturday, August 28, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, August 29, 2021 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, August 31, 2021 - 7:30 AM - Weekly Liturgy

Wednesday, September 1, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Weekly Vespers

Saturday, September 4, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, September 5, 2021 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

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

LIVING— Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Archpriest Jason & Family, Archpriest Anthony & Family, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Kh. Vanessa, Archpriest Moses, Matuska Magdalena, Priest Martin, Kh. Melinda, Majesta, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Justin, Cristopher, Priest Dimitri, Pres. Beth, Hieromonk Alexi, Deacon John, Shimashee Brenda, Deacon Abraham, Shimashee Laurie, The Sisterhood of the Transfiguration Monastery, The Seminarian Paul, The Seminarian Igiri, The Seminarian Alexandros, Rachel, Caroline, Melania, Sister Janice, Sister Janice, Andrea, Brandon, Isabella, Marcella, Peter, Julitta, David, Jerrel, Moses, Xenia, Thekla, Tracy, Joshua, Dustin, Amera, Adam, Moses, Hanni, The Khalil Family, Michael, Maria, Ana, Mary, Macrina, Tobiah Basil, Ron, Arbutus, Elizabeth, Chelsea and Ryan, Pani Kathy, Donna, Tina, Tracey, Diane, Carletta, Tyra, Gabriel, Staci & Kyle, Antoine, Rhonda, Daniel, Emma, Deborah, Gus, Marianne, James, Cathy, Daniel, James, Taili, Angela, Ted, John, The students of the Pitt/CMU/Duquesne/Waynesburg OCF, Alexandra, Nadine, Elise, Katherine, Anthony, Steven, Tommy, Joanna, Alexis, Juliana, Judah, Nikola, Katherine, Mark, Sophie, Abbie, Katie, Wayne, Samuel, Karen & Family, Vicky, Gabby, Ashley & Family, Nicole, Jason, Kyle, Noah, Jim and Robin, John, Oxanna, Vasily, Lorraine, Willie Jean, Yeshe, Abel, Abeba and Family, Isaias, Samuel, Sharon and Family, Nashwa Family, Thomas, Maher, Marion, Nezla, Maria, Jennifer, Michael and Family, Laray, Carmen, Andy, Courtney & Family, Peggy and Justin, Mary and John, Charles and Diane, Michael, Najet, Tom and Judy, Ethan Family

DEPARTED — Newly Departed Mary, Newly Departed Barbara, Newly Departed George, Ana and John, Newly Departed Kathy, Newly Departed Tarra

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