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τῇ Κυριακῇ, τῆς 8ης Νοεμβρίου

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Μηναῖον - ΤΗ Θ' ΝΟΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

Μνήμη τῶν Ἁγίων Μαρτύρων Ὀνησιφόρου καὶ Πορφυρίου· τῆς Ὁσίας Μητρὸς ἡμῶν Ματρώνης

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The Service of Vespers

on Sunday, November 8

for November 9, 2026

Menaion - November 9

Memory of the Holy Martyrs Onesiphorus and Porphyrios; our Devout Mother Matrona

Horologion - Apolytikia for Weekdays

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Συμπλήρωμα Μηναίου - ΤΗ Θ' ΝΟΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

Μνήμη τοῦ Ἁγίου Νεκταρίου Πενταπόλεως

ΕΣΠΕΡΙΝΟΣ

Ἱερεύς: Εὐλογητὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν πάντοτε, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

Χορός: Ἀμήν.

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Menaion Supplement - November 9

Memory of St. Nektarios of Pentapolis

VESPERS

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

Choir: Amen.

Ὁ λαὸς ἵσταται διὰ τὴν ἀνάγνωσιν τοῦ Προοιμιακοῦ Ψαλμοῦ.

Καθ' ὃν δὲ χρόνον ἀναγινώσκεται ὁ Προοιμιακὸς Ψαλμός, ὁ Ἱερεύς, πρὸ τῆς ἁγίας Τραπέζης ἱστάμενος, ἀναγινώσκει τὰς λεγομένας εὐχὰς τοῦ Λυχνικοῦ.

Ἀναγνώστης: 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.

ΨΑΛΜΟΣ ΡΓ' (103).

Εὐλόγει, ἡ ψυχή μου, τὸν Κύριον. Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου ἐμεγαλύνθης σφόδρα. Ἐξομολόγησιν καὶ μεγαλοπρέπειαν ἐνεδύσω, ἀναβαλλόμενος φῶς ὡς ἱμάτιον. Ἐκτείνων τὸν οὐρανὸν ὡσεὶ δέρριν, ὁ στεγάζων ἐν ὕδασι τὰ ὑπερῷα αὐτοῦ. Ὁ 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. Ἀναβαίνουσιν ὄρη, καὶ καταβαίνουσι πεδία εἰς τὸν τόπον, ὃν ἐθεμελίωσας αὐτά. Ὅριον ἔθου, ὃ οὐ παρελεύσονται, οὐδὲ ἐπιστρέψουσι καλύψαι τὴν γῆν. Ὁ ἐξαποστέλλων πηγὰς ἐν φάραγξιν, ἀναμέσον τῶν ὀρέων διελεύσονται ὕδατα· ποτιοῦσι πάντα τὰ 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 ὑπερῴων 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 ἱλαρῦναι πρόσωπον ἐν ἐλαίῳ, καὶ ἄρτος καρδίαν ἀνθρώπου στηρίζει. Χορτασθήσονται τὰ ξύλα τοῦ πεδίου, αἱ κέδροι τοῦ Λιβάνου, ἃς ἐφύτευσας.

Stand for the reading of the Introductory Psalm.

While the Introductory Psalm is being read, the Priest stands in front of the holy Table and reads the so-called Lamp-lighting Prayers.

Reader: 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.

PSALM 103 (104).

Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty. Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment: who stretchest out the heavens like a curtain: Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: who maketh the clouds his chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind: Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire: Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be removed for ever. Thou coveredst it with the deep as with a garment: the waters stood above the mountains. At thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted away. They go up by the mountains; they go down by the valleys unto the place which thou hast founded for them. Thou hast set a bound that they may not pass over; that they turn not again to cover the earth. He sendeth the springs into the valleys, which run among the hills. They give drink to every beast of the field: the wild asses quench their thirst. By them shall the fowls of the heaven have their habitation, which sing among the branches. He watereth the hills from his chambers: the earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy works. He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth; And wine that maketh glad the heart of man, and oil to make his face to shine, and bread which strengtheneth man's heart. The trees of the Lord are full of sap;

Ἐκεῖ στρουθία ἐννοσσεύσουσι, τοῦ ἐρωδιοῦ ἡ κατοικία ἡγεῖται αὐτῶν. Ὄρη τὰ ὑψηλὰ ταῖς ἐλάφοις, πέτρα καταφυγὴ τοῖς λαγωοῖς. Ἐποίησε σελήνην εἰς καιρούς, ὁ ἥλιος ἔγνω τὴν δύσιν αὐτοῦ. Ἔθου σκότος, καὶ ἐγένετο νύξ, ἐν αὐτῇ διελεύσονται πάντα τὰ θηρία τοῦ δρυμοῦ. Σκύμνοι ὠρυόμενοι τοῦ ἁρπάσαι, καὶ ζητῆσαι παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ βρῶσιν 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 ἑρπετὰ ὧν οὐκ ἔστιν ἀριθμός, ζῷα μικρὰ μετὰ μεγάλων. Ἐκεῖ πλοῖα διαπορεύονται, δράκων οὗτος, ὃν ἔπλασας ἐμπαίζειν αὐτῇ. Πάντα πρὸς σὲ προσδοκῶσι, δοῦναι τὴν τροφὴν αὐτῶν εἰς εὔκαιρον, δόντος σου αὐτοῖς συλλέξουσιν. Ἀνοίξαντός σου τὴν χεῖρα, τὰ σύμπαντα πλησθήσονται χρηστότητος, ἀποστρέψαντος δέ σου τὸ πρόσωπον, 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. Ἔτω ἡ δόξα Κυρίου εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας, εὐφρανθήσεται Κύριος ἐπὶ τοῖς ἔργοις αὐτοῦ. Ὁ ἐπιβλέπων ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, καὶ ποιῶν αὐτὴν τρέμειν, ὁ ἁπτόμενος τῶν ὀρέων, καὶ καπνίζονται. Ἄσω τῷ Κυρίῳ ἐν τῇ ζωῇ μου, ψαλῶ τῷ Θεῷ μου ἕως ὑπάρχω. Ἡδυνθείη αὐτῷ ἡ διαλογή μου, ἐγὼ δὲ εὐφρανθήσομαι ἐπὶ τῷ Κυρίῳ. Ἐκλείποιεν ἁμαρτωλοὶ ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς, καὶ ἄνομοι, ὥστε μὴ ὑπάρχειν αὐτούς. Εὐλόγει, ἡ ψυχή 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 ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι. Καὶ νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

Ἀλληλούϊα. Ἀλληλούϊα. Ἀλληλούϊα. Δόξα σοι ὁ Θεός. *(3)*

Ἡ ἐλπὶς ἡμῶν, Κύριε, δόξα σοι.

the cedars of Lebanon, which he hath planted; Where the birds make their nests: as for the stork, the fir trees are her house. The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats; and the rocks for the conies. He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth his going down. Thou makest darkness, and it is night: wherein all the beasts of the forest do creep forth. The young lions roar after their prey, and seek their meat from God.

The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them down in their dens. Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labour until the evening. O Lord, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches. So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts. There go the ships: there is that leviathan, whom thou hast made to play therein. These wait all upon thee; that thou mayest give them their meat in due season. That thou givest them they gather: thou openest thine hand, they are filled with good. Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust. Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth. The glory of the Lord shall endure for ever: the Lord shall rejoice in his works. He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth: he toucheth the hills, and they smoke. I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. My meditation of him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the Lord. Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless thou the Lord, O my soul.

The sun knoweth his going down. Thou makest darkness, and it is night:

O Lord, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all:

Glory to the 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 Thee.

ΤΑ ΕΙΡΗΝΙΚΑ

Διάκονος: Ἐν εἰρήνῃ τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: Ὑπὲρ τῆς ἄνωθεν εἰρήνης καὶ τῆς σωτηρίας τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: Ὑπὲρ τῆς εἰρήνης τοῦ σύμπαντος κόσμου, εὐσταθείας τῶν ἁγίων τοῦ Θεοῦ Ἐκκλησιῶν καὶ τῆς τῶν πάντων ἑνώσεως τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

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

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: Ὑπὲρ τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

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

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: Ὑπὲρ τοῦ εὐσεβοῦς ἡμῶν γένους, τοῦ Προέδρου, πάσης ἀρχῆς καὶ ἐξουσίας ἐν τῷ κράτει ἡμῶν, καὶ τοῦ κατὰ ξηράν, θάλασσαν, καὶ ἀέρα φιλοχρίστου ἡμῶν στρατοῦ, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: Ὑπὲρ τῆς Ἁγίας τοῦ Χριστοῦ Μεγάλης Ἐκκλησίας Κωνσταντινουπόλεως, τῆς Ἱερᾶς ἡμῶν Ἀρχιεπισκοπῆς, [τῆς Ἁγίας Μητροπόλεως ταύτης,] τῆς πόλεως καὶ κοινότητος ταύτης, πάσης πόλεως, χώρας καὶ τῶν πίστει οἰκούντων ἐν αὐταῖς, τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

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

THE PEACE LITANY

Deacon: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

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

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

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

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

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

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: For all pious and Orthodox Christians, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: For our Archbishop Nathanael, for the honorable presbyterate, for the diaconate in Christ, and for all the clergy and the people, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

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

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: For this city, and for every city and land, and for the faithful who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

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

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

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

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: Ἀντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς, ὁ Θεός, τῇ σῇ χάριτι.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: 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.

Χορός: Σοί, Κύριε.

Ἱερεύς: 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.

Χορός: Ἀμήν.

Ἦχος α'.

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 χείλη μου.

Μὴ ἐκκλίνῃς τὴν καρδίαν μου εἰς λόγους πονηρίας, τοῦ προφασίζεσθαι προφάσεις ἐν ἁμαρτίαις.

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

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: For those who travel by land, sea, and air, for the sick, the suffering, the captives and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

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

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and protect us, O God, by Thy grace.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

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

Choir: To Thee, O Lord.

Priest: For to Thee belong all glory, honor, and worship, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

Mode Pl. 2

Lord, I have cried unto Thee; hearken unto me; hearken unto me, O Lord. Lord, I have cried unto Thee; hearken unto me; attend to the voice of my supplication when I cry unto Thee. Hearken unto me, O Lord.

Let my prayer be set forth as incense before Thee, the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice; hearken unto me, O Lord.

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

Incline not my heart unto words of evil, to make excuse with excuses in sins,

With men that work iniquity; and I will not join with their chosen.

Παιδεύσει με δίκαιος ἐν ἐλέει, καὶ ἐλέγξει με, ἔλαιον δὲ ἁμαρτωλοῦ μὴ λιπανάτω τὴν κεφαλήν μου.

The righteous man will chasten me with mercy and reprove me; as for the oil of the sinner, let it not anoint my head.

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

For yet more is my prayer in the presence of their pleasures; swallowed up near by the rock have their judges been.

Ἀκούσονται τὰ ῥήματά μου, ὅτι ἡδύνθησαν· ὡσεὶ πάχος γῆς ἐῤῥάγη ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, διεσκορπίσθη τὰ ὀστᾶ αὐτῶν παρὰ τὸν ᾅδην.

They shall hear my words, for they be sweetened; as a clod of earth is broken upon the earth, so have their bones been scattered nigh unto Hades.

Ὅτι πρὸς σέ, Κύριε, Κύριε, οἱ ὀφθαλμοί μου· ἐπὶ σοὶ ἤλπισα, μὴ ἀντανέλῃς τὴν ψυχήν μου.

For unto Thee, O Lord, O Lord, are mine eyes; in Thee have I hoped; take not my soul away.

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

Keep me from the snare which they have laid for me, and from the stumbling blocks of them that work iniquity.

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

The sinners shall fall into their own net; I am alone until I pass by.

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

With my voice unto the Lord have I cried, with my voice unto the Lord have I made my supplication.

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

I will pour out before Him my supplication, mine affliction before Him will I declare.

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

When my spirit was fainting within me, then Thou knewest my paths.

Ἐν ὁδῷ ταύτῃ, ᾗ ἐπορευόμην, ἔκρυψαν παγίδα μοι.

In this way wherein I have walked they hid for me a snare.

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

I looked upon my right hand, and beheld, and there was none that did know me.

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

Flight hath failed me, and there is none that watcheth out for my soul.

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

I have cried unto Thee, O Lord; I said: Thou art my hope, my portion art Thou in the land of the living.

Πρόσχες πρὸς τὴν δέησίν μου, ὅτι ἐταπεινώθην σφόδρα.

Attend unto my supplication, for I am brought very low.

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

Deliver me from them that persecute me, for they are stronger than I.

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

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

Ἐμὲ ὑπομενοῦσι δίκαιοι, ἕως οὗ ἀνταποδῷς μοι.

The righteous shall wait for me, until Thou shalt reward me.

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

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

ΣΤΙΧΗΡΑ. ΤΟΥ ΙΕΡΑΡΧΟΥ.

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Mode 1. Marvel at the wondrous paradox.

Ἐὰν ἀνομίας παρατηρήσῃς, Κύριε Κύριε, τίς ὑποστήσεται; ὅτι παρὰ σοὶ ὁ ἱλασμός ἐστιν.

Ὦ τοῦ παραδόξου θαύματος! ἐν ἐσχάτοις καιροῖς, ὥσπερ λύχνος πάμφωτος, Νεκτάριος ὁ σοφός, τῷ κόσμῳ ἔλαμψε, καὶ ηὔγασε τοῖς πιστοῖς, Εὐαγγελίου τὸ φῶς τὸ ὑπέρλαμπρον, ἐν λόγῳ θεοπρεπεῖ, καὶ πολιτείᾳ ἀμέμπτῳ καὶ κρείττονι. Ὅθεν τῇ τοῦ Παρακλήτου, δωρεᾷ δεδόξασται, καὶ παρέχει ἀπαύστως, τοῖς αἰτοῦσι τὰ ἰάματα.

Ἕνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου ὑπέμεινά σε, Κύριε, ὑπέμεινεν ἡ ψυχή μου εἰς τὸν λόγον σου. Ἤλπισεν ἡ ψυχή μου ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον.

Βαβαὶ τῆς σῆς προμηθείας Χριστέ! Σὺ γὰρ ὡς ὑπέσχου, θαυμαστῶς ἐδόξασας, Νεκτάριον τὸν σοφόν, ὡς φίλον γνήσιον, θαυμάτων τῇ δωρεᾷ, τον σὲ δοξάσαντα βίου λαμπρότητι, δεικνύων πᾶσι σαφῶς, τῆς πρὸς σὲ Σῶτερ ἀγάπης τὴν δύναμιν. Ὅθεν ταῖς αὐτοῦ πρεσβείαις, τῶν πταισμάτων ἄφεσιν, καὶ εἰρήνην τελείαν, ἡμῖν δίδου Ὑπεράγαθε.

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

Σήμερον λαμπρῶς εὐφραίνονται, τῇ καινῇ σου μνήμῃ, τῶν πιστῶν οἱ σύλλογοι, Νεκτάριε ἱερέ, ὑμνολογοῦντες σε, χορεύει δὲ μυστικῶς, ἡ τοῦ Χριστοῦ Ἐκκλησία τῇ δόξῃ σου, ἑδραίωμα ἀῤῥαγές, ἐν ταῖς ἐσχάταις ἡμέραις εὑροῦσά σε· ἐξαιρέτως δὲ ἡ νῆσος, τῆς Αἰγίνης γάννυται, ὥσπερ ὄλβον πλουτοῦσα, τὰ μυρίπνοά σου λείψανα.

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

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

STICHERA. FOR THE HIERARCH.

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Mode 1. Marvel at the wondrous paradox.

If Thou shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand? For with Thee there is forgiveness.

O STRANGE Wonder! In these latter times, * blazing bright with splendour, * the all- wise Nectarius * hath shone out upon the world like a most brilliant lamp, * while making the faithful shine * with the divine Gospel's saving and guiding light * by means of his godly words, * his blameless conduct, and God- pleasing way of life. * For this cause, the Holy Spirit * glorified him mightily, * and he freely doth heal all * who invoke him with undoubting faith.

For Thy Name's sake have I patiently waited for Thee, O Lord; my soul hath waited patiently for Thy word, my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

GREAT, O Saviour, is Thy providence! * For as Thou hast promised, * with the gift of miracles * hast Thou glorified Nectarius as Thy true friend, * who glorified Thee on earth * by his illustrious life, clearly showing all * the power of love for Thee, * and how it lifteth a man to the heights by grace. * Wherefore, by his intercessions * grant forgiveness of our sins * and Thy peace, which is perfect, * unto us, Thou Who art more than good.

From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch let Israel hope in the Lord.

ALL the faithful form a choir today, * filled with joy and gladness * on thy shining festival, * O sacred Nectarius, extolling thee with hymns. * In solemn and mystic dance, * the Church of Christ doth exult in her champion, * who rose up in these last times * an indestructible pillar and ground of truth. * And we cry to Christ our Saviour: * Wondrous is Thy love for man, * for Thou givest Thy servant * as a comforter in all our griefs.

ΕΤΕΡΑ ΣΤΙΧΗΡΑ.

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Ἦχος β'. Ποίοις εὐφημιῶν στέμμασιν.

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

Ποίοις εὐφημιῶν στέμμασιν, ἀναδήσωμεν τὸν Ἱεράρχην; τὸν ἀρτιφανῶς ἀναλάμψαντα, καὶ τὴν Ἐκκλησίαν φαιδρύναντα, ταῖς τῆς εὐσεβείας λαμπηδόσι· τὸ νέον, τῶν Ὀρθοδόξων ἐγκαλλώπισμα, τῶν πάλαι, Ἀρχιερέων τὸν ὁμόζηλον· τῇ γὰρ αὐτῶν πολιτείᾳ, νουνεχῶς στοιχήσας, ἐδοξάσθη παρὰ Χριστοῦ, τοῦ πᾶσι παρέχοντος, δι' αὐτοῦ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

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

Ποίοις μελωδικοῖς ᾄσμασιν, ἐπαινέσωμεν τὸν Ἱεράρχην; τοῦ Θεοῦ τὸν θεῖον θεράποντα, καὶ τῶν ἀρετῶν τὸ κειμήλιον, τῆς θεολογίας τὴν κιθάραν, τὸν ἄρτι τῇ Ἐκκλησίᾳ ἀναβλύσαντα, τὸ νέκταρ, τῆς εὐσεβείας τὸ οὐράνιον, λόγῳ τῆς χάριτος θείῳ, ἐκ σοφῶν χειλέων, καὶ θαυμάτων τὴν δωρεάν, θεόθεν δεξάμενον, τὸν θεόληπτον Νεκτάριον.

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

Ποίοις πνευματικοῖς ῥήμασι, μακαρίσωμέν σε Ἱεράρχα; τον ἐν μέσῳ κόσμου βιώσαντα, βίον ἀληθῶς ἐνθεώτατον, πράξεσιν ὁσίαις καὶ ἀμέμπτοις, ἐντεῦθεν, Μονὴν ἁγίαν Θεῷ ἱδρυσας, ὡς ἄλλον, ψυχῶν λιμένα ἀκλυδώνιστον, ἐν τῇ Αἰγίνῃ τῇ νήσῳ, ἣν ἀπαύστως σκέπε, σὺν τῷ ταύτης καθηγητῇ, Νεκτάριε Ὅσιε, Διονυσίῳ τῷ θεόφρονι.

ADDITIONAL STICHERA.

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Mode 2. How shall we honor.

For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption; and He shall redeem Israel out of all his iniquities.

WITH what fair crowns of praise shall we crown * the divinely bestowed wonderworker, * who hath newly shone forth with dazzling beams, * who with the shinings of piety * hath set the whole Church ablaze with splendour? * That new and most fair adornment of the Orthodox, * the equal in ways and zeal with all the ancient Saints; * who, having followed their footsteps, * hath been glorified by Christ * and now intercedeth with Him * to grant His abundant grace * and mercy to all that honour him.

O praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise Him, all ye peoples.

WITH what divine and sweet melodies * shall we offer praise unto the hierarch? * For he is a treasure of godliness, * a sacred harp of theology, * a faithful disciple of the Master; * a fountain of grace refreshing the whole Church of Christ; * a vessel filled with the nectar of true piety; * the Spirit's far-sounding trumpet; * the firm bastion of the Faith; * the unceasing spring of wonders; * the dwelling of light and grace, * the wondrous and wise Nectarius.

For He hath made His mercy to prevail over us, and the truth of the Lord abideth forever.

WITH what words shall we unworthy folk * call thee blessed, O ven'rable hierarch? * who didst live a godly and righteous life * of Christ-like poverty and charity; * and who by thy great angelic patience * and meekness wast shown in trials as another Job, * and therefore, the grace of God came down to dwell in thee. * Since thou hast God- given boldness * with the Lord and Saviour, * keep thy flock now in remembrance, * and as we all honour thee, * obtain peace and mercy for our souls.

Δόξα.

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Ἦχος πλ. Α'.

Σήμερον φαιδρῶς ἐξέλαμψεν, ὡς ἀστὴρ νεοφανής, ἡ νέα πανήγυρις τοῦ Ἱεράρχου Νεκταρίου, τὴν Ἐκκλησίαν καταλαμπρύνουσα. Δεῦτε οὖν, τῶν Ὀρθοδόξων τὰ πλήθη, ἐν φωνῇ ἀγαλλιάσεως, τούτῳ ἐκβοήσωμεν· χαίροις ὁ τῶν πάλαι Ὁσίων, χαρακτηρίσας τὴν ζωήν, ἐν ἡμέραις πονηραῖς, ἐν αἷς ἡ τῶν πολλῶν ἀγάπη ἐψύγη, ὡς ἔφη ὁ Σωτήρ, χαίροις ὁ τῇ παιδείᾳ τὴν ἀρετὴν συνάψας, καὶ τῷ λόγῳ τῆς σοφίας σου, τῶν πιστῶν τὰς ψυχὰς φαιδρύνας, χαίροις Ἀρχιερέων καλλονή, τῆς Αἰγίνης προστάτης, καὶ τῆς οἰκείας Μονῆς, ἀντιλήπτωρ θερμότατος. Διὸ παμμάκαρ Νεκτάριε, τῷ τῆς θείας μεγαλωσύνης θρόνῳ παριστάμενος, ἀπαύστως ἱκέτευε, ὑπὲρ τῶν πίστει τελούντων, τὴν ἀεισέβαστον μνήμην σου.

Καὶ νῦν. ΘΕΟΤΟΚΙΟΝ. *Ἦχος πλ. β'.*

Τίς μὴ μακαρίσει σε, παναγία Παρθένε; τίς μὴ ἀνυμνήσει σου, τὸν ἀλόχευτον τόκον; ὁ γὰρ ἀχρόνως ἐκ Πατρός, ἐκλάμψας Υἱὸς μονογενής, 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 ἱκέτευε, σεμνὴ Παμμακάριστε, ἐλεηθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Ὁ λαὸς ἵσταται διὰ τὴν Εἴσοδον.

Διάκονος (χαμηλοφώνως): Τοῦ Κυρίου δεηθῶμεν.

Glory.

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Mode pl. 2.

TODAY, like a newly appeared star, the feast of the hierarch Nectarius hath gloriously shone forth, illuminating the Church of Christ. Come, therefore, ye multitudes of Orthodox, let us cry unto him with a voice of exceeding gladness: Rejoice, thou who didst emulate the life of the ancient fathers in these evil days wherein the love of the many is waxed cold, as the Saviour said. Rejoice, thou who didst join virtue to instruction, making the souls of the faithful bright with the word of thy wisdom. Rejoice, thou adornment of high priests, protector of Aegina, and ardent helper of thy flock. Wherefore, O all-blessed Nectarius, as thou standest before the throne of the Divine Majesty, do thou intercede unceasingly for those who with faith celebrate thine ever-venerable memorial. NOVEMBER 9 begotten Son, Who shone forth from the Father timelessly, hath come forth from thee, the pure one, having become ineffably incarnate, being God by nature and becoming man by nature for our sake; not that He was divided into two persons, but that He is known in two unmingled natures. Him do thou beseech, O august and all-blessed one, to have mercy on our souls. Then the Entrance, O Joyous Light, the Prokeimenon of the day, and the following Readings:

Both now. THEOTOKION. *Mode pl. 2.*

Who would not call thee blest, O all holy Virgin? Who would not praise thine untravailing giving of birth? For the only begotten Son, Who shone forth from the Father timelessly, hath come forth from thee, pure one, having become ineffably incarnate, being God by nature and becoming man by nature for our sake; not that He was divided into two persons, but that He is known in two unmingled natures. Him do thou beseech, O august and all blessed one, to have mercy on our souls.

Stand for the Entrance.

Deacon (in a low voice): No Entrance

Ἱερεύς (χαμηλοφώνως):

ΕΥΧΗ ΤΗΣ ΕΙΣΟΔΟΥ

Ἑσπέρας καὶ πρωῒ καὶ μεσημβρίας αἰνοῦμεν, εὐλογοῦμεν, εὐχαριστοῦμεν καὶ δεόμεθά σου, Δέσποτα τῶν ἁπάντων, 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 καταισχύνῃς ἡμᾶς, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν.

Διάκονος (χαμηλοφώνως):

ΕΥΛΟΓΗΣΟΝ, ΔΕΣΠΟΤΑ, ΤΗΝ ΑΓΙΑΝ ΕΙΣΟΔΟΝ.

Ἱερεύς: Εὐλογημένη ἡ εἴσοδος τῶν ἁγίων σου πάντοτε, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

Διάκονος: Σοφία. Ὀρθοί.

Κληρος Και Λαός:

Ἦχος β'.

Φῶς ἱλαρὸν ἁγίας δόξης ἀθανάτου Πατρός, οὐρανίου, ἁγίου, μάκαρος, Ἰησοῦ Χριστέ, ἐλθόντες ἐπὶ τὴν ἡλίου δύσιν, ἰδόντες φῶς ἑσπερινόν, ὑμνοῦμεν Πατέρα, Υἱόν καὶ ἅγιον Πνεῦμα, Θεόν. Ἄξιόν σε ἐν πᾶσι καιροῖς ὑμνεῖσθαι φωναῖς αἰσίαις, Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ζωὴν ὁ διδούς· * διὸ ὁ κόσμος σὲ δοξάζει.

Διάκονος: Ἑσπέρας προκείμενον.

Χορός:

ΠΡΟΚΕΙΜΕΝΟΝ.

Ἦχος πλ. δ'.

Ἰδοὺ δὴ εὐλογεῖτε τὸν Κύριον, πάντες οἱ δοῦλοι Κυρίου.

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Στίχ. *Οἱ ἑστῶτες ἐν οἴκῳ Κυρίου, ἐν αὐλαῖς οἴκου Θεοῦ ἡμῶν.*

Ἰδοὺ δὴ εὐλογεῖτε τὸν Κύριον, πάντες οἱ δοῦλοι Κυρίου.

Τὰ Ἀναγνώσματα

Ἀναγνώστης: Παροιμιῶν τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

ENTRANCE PRAYER

At evening, at morning and at midday we praise, bless and give thanks, and we pray to you, Master of all things, Lord who love humankind: Direct our prayer before you like incense, and do not incline our hearts to words or thoughts of evil, but deliver us from all that hunt down our souls. For our eyes look to you, O Lord, our Lord, and we have hoped in you.

Deacon (in a low voice): Bless, Master, the Holy Entrance.

Priest: Blessed be the entrance of Thine holy ones, always, now and ever, and to the ages of ages.

Deacon: Wisdom. Arise.

Clergy and people:

Mode 2.

O Joyous Light of the holy glory of the immortal, heavenly, holy, blessed Father, O Jesus Christ: We that come to the setting of the sun, when we behold the evening light, praise Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God. Meet it is for Thee at all times to be praised with gladsome voices, O Son of God, Giver of life. Wherefore, the world doth glorify Thee.

Deacon: The evening Prokeimenon!

Choir:

PROKEIMENON.

Mode pl. 4.

Behold now, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord.

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Verse: *Who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God.*

Behold now, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord.

The Readings

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Reader: The reading is from the Proverbs of Solomon.

Διάκονος: Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

Ἀναγνώστης: Παρ. ι' 7

Μνήμη δικαίου μετ' ἐγκωμίων, καὶ εὐλογία Κυρίου ἐπὶ κεφαλὴν αὐτοῦ. Μακάριος ἄνθρωπος, ὃς εὗρε σοφίαν, καὶ θνητὸς ὃς εἶδε φρόνησιν. Κρεῖττον γὰρ αὐτὴν ἐμπορεύεσθαι, ἢ χρυσίου καὶ ἀργυρίου θησαυρούς. Τιμιωτέρα δέ ἐστι λίθων πολυτελῶν· (οὐκ ἀντιτάσσεται αὐτῇ οὐδὲν πονηρόν, εὔγνωστός ἐστι πᾶσι τοῖς ἐγγίζουσιν αὐτήν). Πᾶν δὲ τίμιον, οὐκ ἄξιον αὐτῆς ἐστιν. Ἐκ γὰρ τοῦ στόματος αὐτῆς ἐκπορεύεται δικαιοσύνη. Νόμον δὲ καὶ ἔλεον ἐπὶ γλώσσης φορεῖ. Τοιγαροῦν, ἀκούσατέ μου, ὦ τέκνα· σεμνὰ γὰρ ἐρῶ καὶ μακάριος ἄνθρωπος, ὃς τὰς ἐμὰς ὁδοὺς φυλάξει. Αἱ γὰρ ἔξοδοί μου, ἔξοδοι ζωῆς, καὶ ἑτοιμάζεται θέλησις παρὰ Κυρίου. Διὰ τοῦτο παρακαλῶ ὑμᾶς, καὶ προΐεμαι ἐμὴν φωνὴν υἱοῖς ἀνθρώπων. Ὅτι ἐγὼ ἡ Σοφία κατεσκεύασα βουλὴν καὶ γνῶσιν καὶ ἔννοιαν ἐγὼ ἐπεκαλεσάμην. Ἐμὴ βουλὴ καὶ ἀσφάλεια, ἐμὴ φρόνησις, ἐμὴ δὲ ἰσχύς. Ἐγὼ τοὺς ἐμὲ φιλοῦντας ἀγαπῶ, οἱ δὲ ἐμὲ ζητοῦντες εὑρήσουσι χάριν. Νοήσατε τοίνυν ἄκακοι πανουργίαν, οἱ δὲ ἀπαίδευτοι ἔνθεσθε καρδίαν. Εἰσακούσατέ μου καὶ πάλιν· σεμνὰ γὰρ ἐρῶ, καὶ ἀνοίγω ἀπὸ χειλέων ὀρθά. Ὅτι ἀλήθειαν μελετήσει ὁ λάρυγξ μου, ἐβδελυγμένα δὲ ἐναντίον ἐμοῦ χείλη ψευδῆ. Μετὰ δικαιοσύνης πάντα τὰ ῥήματα τοῦ στόματός μου, οὐδὲν ἐν αὐτοῖς σκολιόν, οὐδὲ στραγγαλιῶδες. Πάντα εὐθέα ἐστὶ τοῖς νοοῦσι, καὶ ὀρθὰ τοῖς εὑρίσκουσι γνῶσιν. Διδάσκω γὰρ ὑμῖν ἀληθῆ, ἵνα γένηται ἐν Κυρίῳ ἡ ἐλπὶς ὑμῶν, καὶ πλησθήσεσθε Πνεύματος.

Ἀναγνώστης: Σοφίας Σολομῶντος τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

Διάκονος: Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

Deacon: Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

Reader: Pr 10:8a, 7a; 3:13 – 16, 18; 8:32, 34, 4, 12, 14, 17, 5 – 9; 22:24, 22; 15:4b

The remembrance of the righteous is with eulogies; the blessing of the Lord is upon the head of a righteous man. Blessed is a man who finds wisdom, and a mortal who sees discernment; for the profits gained from wisdom are better than the treasures of gold and silver. Wisdom is more valuable than precious stones, and nothing evil will withstand her. She is well known to all who come near her, and no honor is worthy of her. Righteousness proceeds from her mouth, and she carries law and mercy upon her tongue. Now therefore, my son, hear me: Blessed is the man who shall hearken to me and the man who shall guard my ways; for my issues are the issues of life, and grace is prepared from the Lord. You, O men, I exhort, and I utter my voice to the sons of men. I, wisdom, dwell with counsel, and I call upon knowledge and understanding. Counsel and safety are mine; discernment is mine, and strength is mine. I love those who love me, and those who seek me shall find me. Understand astuteness, O simple ones, and put it in your heart, O uninstructed ones. Obey me, for I speak sacred things, and from my lips I will bring forth things that are true. For my mouth shall speak the truth, but false lips are an abomination before me. All the words of my mouth are with righteousness; there is nothing in them crooked or twisted. All things are evident to those who understand and true to those who find knowledge. Therefore, I teach you a true word and good knowledge to be obeyed, that you might answer words of truth to those who question you, that your hope might be in the Lord, and the one who guards it will be filled with the Spirit.

Reader: The reading is from the Wisdom of Solomon.

Deacon: Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

Ἀναγνώστης:

Σολ. 4:7 – 15

Δίκαιος ἐὰν φθάσῃ τελευτῆσαι, ἐν ἀναπαύσει ἔσται· γῆρας γὰρ τίμιον, οὐ τὸ πολυχρόνιον, οὐδὲ ἀριθμῷ ἐτῶν μεμέτρηται. Πολιὰ δέ ἐστι φρόνησις ἀνθρώποις, καὶ ἡλικία γήρως, βίος ἀκηλίδωτος. Εὐάρεστος Θεῷ γενόμενος, ἠγαπήθη, καὶ ζῶν μεταξὺ ἁμαρτωλῶν, μετετέθη. Ἡρπάγη, μὴ κακία ἀλλάξῃ σύνεσιν αὐτοῦ, ἢ δόλος ἀπατήσῃ ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ. Βασκανία γὰρ φαυλότητος ἀμαυροῖ τὰ καλά, καὶ ῥεμβασμὸς ἐπιθυμίας μεταλλεύει νοῦν ἄκακον. Τελειωθεὶς ἐν ὀλίγῳ, ἐπλήρωσε χρόνους μακρούς· ἀρεστὴ γὰρ ἦν Κυρίῳ ἡ ψυχὴ αὐτοῦ· διὰ τοῦτο ἔσπευσεν ἐκ μέσου πονηρίας. Οἱ δὲ λαοὶ ἰδόντες καὶ μὴ νοήσαντες, μηδὲ θέντες ἐπὶ διανοίᾳ τὸ τοιοῦτον, ὅτι χάρις καὶ ἔλεος ἐν τοῖς ὁσίοις αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐπισκοπὴ ἐν τοῖς ἐκλεκτοῖς αὐτοῦ.

Ἀναγνώστης: Σοφίας Σολομῶντος τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα.

Διάκονος: Σοφία. Πρόσχωμεν.

Ἀναγνώστης: Σολ. Παρ. ι′ 32, καὶ ἐκλογή.

Στόμα δικαίου ἀποστάζει σοφίαν, χείλη δὲ ἀνδρῶν ἐπίστανται χάριτας. Στόμα σοφῶν μελετᾷ σοφίαν, δικαιοσύνη δὲ ῥύεται αὐτοὺς ἐκ θανάτου. Τελευτήσαντος ἀνδρὸς δικαίου, οὐκ ὄλλυται ἐλπίς· υἱὸς γὰρ δίκαιος γεννᾶται εἰς ζωήν, καὶ ἐν ἀγαθοῖς αὐτοῦ καρπὸν δικαιοσύνης τρυγήσει. Φῶς δικαίοις διὰ παντός, καὶ παρὰ Κυρίου εὑρήσουσι χάριν καὶ δόξαν. Γλῶσσα σοφῶν καλὰ ἐπίσταται, καὶ ἐν καρδίᾳ αὐτῶν ἀναπαύσεται σοφία. Ἀγαπᾷ Κύριος ὁσίας καρδίας, δεκτοὶ δὲ αὐτῷ πάντες ἄμωμοι ἐν ὁδῷ. Σοφία Κυρίου φωτιεῖ πρόσωπον συνετοῦ·

WSol 4:7 – 15

Though a righteous man may die before his time, he shall be at rest. For old age is not honored for its length of existence, nor measured by its number of years; but discernment is gray hair for mankind, and a spotless life is the maturity of old age. There was once a man pleasing to God and loved by Him, and while living among sinners he was taken up. He was caught up lest evil change his understanding or deceit deceive his soul. For envy arising from lack of judgment obscures what is good, and a whirling of desire undermines an innocent heart. He was made perfect, for in a short time he fulfilled long years, for his soul was pleasing to the Lord; therefore, He took him early from the midst of evil. Yet peoples saw this but did not understand, nor take such a thing to heart, that the Lord's grace and mercy are with His elect and that He watches over His holy ones.

Reader: The reading is from the Wisdom of Solomon.

Deacon: Wisdom. Let us be attentive.

Reader: WSol Proverbs 10:32a, 33a; 11:2b, 5a, 6a, 18a; 13:2a, 9a; 15:2a; 14:34a; 22:12. Wisdom of Solomon 6:12a, 13, 12b, 14a, 15b, 16a; 7:30b; 8:2c, 2a-b, 3b-4, 7b-d, 8, 17c, 18d, 21e; 9:1 – 3a, 4 – 5a, 10 – 11, 14

The mouth of a righteous man distills wisdom; the lips of righteous men distill grace, but the mouth of the humble meditates on wisdom. The righteousness of upright men delivers them. When a righteous man dies, his hope does not perish. A righteous son is begotten unto life; a good man eats from the fruits of righteousness. Light is with the righteous continually, and they will find grace and glory from the Lord. The tongue of the wise understands good things. There is wisdom in the good heart of a man. The Lord loves holy hearts, and all the blameless are acceptable to Him.

φθάνει γὰρ τοὺς ἐπιθυμοῦντας αὐτήν, πρὸ τοῦ γνωσθῆναι, καὶ εὐχερῶς θεωρεῖται ὑπὸ τῶν ἀγαπώντων αὐτήν. Ὁ ὀρθρίσας πρὸς αὐτήν, οὐ κοπιάσει, καὶ ὁ ἀγρυπνήσας δι' αὐτήν, ταχέως ἀμέριμνος ἔσται. Ὅτι τοὺς ἀξίους αὐτῆς αὐτὴ περιέρχεται ζητοῦσα, καὶ ἐν ταῖς τρίβοις φαντάζεται αὐτοῖς εὐμενῶς. Σοφίας οὐ κατισχύσει ποτὲ κακία. Διὰ ταῦτα καὶ ἐραστὴς ἐγενόμην τοῦ κάλλους αὐτῆς, καὶ ἐφίλησα ταύτην, καὶ ἐξεζήτησα ἐκ νεότητός μου, καὶ ἐζήτησα νύμφην ἀγαγέσθαι ἐμαυτῷ. Ὅτι ὁ πάντων Δεσπότης ἠγάπησεν αὐτήν· μύστις γάρ ἐστι τῆς του Θεοῦ ἐπιστήμης, καὶ αἱρετὶς τῶν ἔργων αὐτοῦ, οἱ πόνοι αὐτῆς εἰσὶν ἀρεταί, σωφροσύνην δὲ καὶ φρόνησιν αὕτη διδάσκει, δικαιοσύνην καὶ ἀνδρείαν, ὧν χρησιμώτερον οὐδέν ἐστιν ἐν βίῳ ἀνθρώποις. Εἰ δὲ καὶ πολυπειρίαν ποθεῖ τις, οἶδε τὰ ἀρχαῖα καὶ τὰ μέλλοντα εἰκάζειν, ἐπίσταται στροφὰς λόγων καὶ λύσεις αἰνιγμάτων, σημεῖα καὶ τέρατα προγινώσκει, καὶ ἐκβάσεις καιρῶν καὶ χρόνων, καὶ πᾶσι σύμβουλός ἐστιν ἀγαθή.

Ὅτι ἀθανασία ἐστὶν ἐν αὐτῇ, καὶ εὔκλεια ἐν κοινωνίᾳ λόγων αὐτῆς. Διὰ τοῦτο ἐνέτυχον τῷ Κυρίῳ, καὶ ἐδεήθην αὐτοῦ, καὶ εἶπον ἐξ ὅλης μου τῆς καρδίας· Θεὲ Πατέρων, καὶ Κύριε τοῦ ἐλέους, ὁ ποιήσας τὰ πάντα ἐν λόγῳ σου, καὶ τῇ σοφίᾳ σου κατασκευάσας τὸν ἄνθρωπον, ἵνα δεσπόζῃ τῶν ὑπὸ σοῦ γενομένων κτισμάτων, καὶ διέπῃ τὸν κόσμον ἐν ὁσιότητι καὶ δικαιοσύνῃ, δός μοι τὴν τῶν σῶν θρόνων πάρεδρον σοφίαν, καὶ μή με ἀποδοκιμάσῃς ἐκ παίδων σου·

ὅτι ἐγὼ δοῦλος σός, καὶ υἱὸς τῆς παιδίσκης σου. Ἐξαπόστειλον αὐτὴν ἐξ ἁγίου κατοικητηρίου σου, καὶ ἀπὸ θρόνου δόξης σου, ἵνα συμπαροῦσά μοι διδάξῃ με, τί εὐάρεστόν ἐστι παρὰ σοί· καὶ ὁδηγήσει με ἐν γνώσει, καὶ φυλάξει με ἐν τῇ δόξῃ αὐτῆς. Λογισμοὶ γὰρ θνητῶν πάντες δειλοί, καὶ ἐπισφαλεῖς αἱ ἐπίνοιαι αὐτῶν.

Wisdom is radiant and unfading; she comes upon those who long to know her beforehand, and is easily perceived by those who love her. He who rises early in the morning to seek her will not grow weary, and he who keeps watch for her will soon be free from worry; because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she appears to them favorably in their paths. Evil cannot overcome wisdom. I became a lover of her beauty, I loved her and sought her from my youth, and desired to take her as a bride for myself. The Master of all loves her. For she is the initiate of the knowledge of God and one who chooses His works. The products of righteousness are the virtues. For wisdom teaches self-control, discernment, righteousness and courage, concerning which things there is nothing more valuable in the life of man. But also, if anyone longs for great experience, she knows the things of old and portrays the things to come;

she understands subtlety of words and the solution of riddles; she has foreknowledge of signs and wonders and the outcomes of times and seasons. And to all she is a good counselor. In kinship with wisdom there is immortality, and in the fellowship of her words there is good repute. So I entreated the Lord and besought Him, and with all my heart, I said: "O God of our fathers and the Lord of mercy, who made all things by Your word and in Your wisdom built a man, that by You He might be the master of what is created, and manage the world in holiness and righteousness, give me the wisdom that sits by Your throne, and do not reject me from among Your servants;

because I am Your servant and the son of Your maidservant. Send her forth from Your holy heavens, and send her from Your glorious throne, that she might be present with me and labor and that I might know what is well-pleasing to You. For she knows and understands all things, and she will guide me wisely in my actions and guard me with her glory. For the reasoning of mortals is cowardly, and our intents are unsafe.

Η ΕΚΤΕΝΗΣ

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

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: Κύριε παντοκράτορ, ὁ Θεὸς τῶν πατέρων ἡμῶν, δεόμεθά σου, ἐπάκουσον καὶ ἐλέησον.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: Ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς, ὁ Θεός, κατὰ τὸ μέγα ἔλεός σου, δεόμεθά σου, ἐπάκουσον καὶ ἐλέησον.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον. *(3)*

Διάκονος: Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον. *(3)*

Διάκονος: Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τοῦ Ἀρχιεπισκόπου ἡμῶν (δεῖνος).

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον. *(3)*

Διάκονος: Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν ἀδελφῶν ἡμῶν τῶν ἱερέων, ἱερομονάχων, διακόνων καὶ μοναχῶν καὶ πάσης τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ ἡμῶν ἀδελφότητος.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον. *(3)*

Διάκονος: Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ ἐλέους, ζωῆς, εἰρήνης, ὑγείας, σωτηρίας, ἐπισκέψεως, συγχωρήσεως καὶ ἀφέσεως τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν τῶν δούλων τοῦ Θεοῦ, πάντων τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν τῶν κατοικούντων καὶ παρεπιδημούντων ἐν τῇ πόλει ταύτῃ, τῶν ἐνοριτῶν, ἐπιτρόπων, συνδρομητῶν καὶ ἀφιερωτῶν τῆς ἁγίας Ἐκκλησίας ταύτης.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον. *(3)*

Διάκονος: Ἔτι δεόμεθα ὑπὲρ τῶν μακαρίων καὶ ἀειμνήστων κτιτόρων τῆς ἁγίας Ἐκκλησίας (ἢ τῆς ἁγίας μονῆς) ταύτης καὶ ὑπὲρ πάντων τῶν προαναπαυσαμένων πατέρων καὶ ἀδελφῶν ἡμῶν, τῶν ἐνθάδε εὐσεβῶς κειμένων καὶ ἁπανταχοῦ ὀρθοδόξων.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον. *(3)*

LITANY OF FERVENT SUPPLICATION

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

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: Lord, Ruler of all, God of our fathers, we pray You, hear us and have mercy.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we pray Thee, hear us and have mercy.

Choir: Lord, have mercy. (3)

Deacon: Again we pray for pious and Orthodox Christians.

Choir: Lord, have mercy. (3)

Deacon: Again we pray for our Archbishop Nathanael.

Choir: Lord, have mercy. (3)

Deacon: Again we pray for our brethren: the priests, the hieromonks, the deacons, the monastics, and all our brotherhood in Christ.

Choir: Lord, have mercy. (3)

Deacon: Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, protection, forgiveness, and remission of the sins of the servants of God, all pious Orthodox Christians residing and visiting in this city: the parishioners, the members of the parish council, the stewards, and benefactors of this holy church.

Choir: Lord, have mercy. (3)

Deacon: Again we pray for the blessed and ever-memorable founders of this holy church, and for all our fathers and brethren who have fallen asleep before us, who here have been piously laid to their rest, as well as the Orthodox everywhere.

Choir: Lord, have mercy. (3)

Διάκονος: Ἔτι 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.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον. *(3)*

Ἱερεύς: Ὅτι ἐλεήμων καὶ φιλάνθρωπος 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.

Χορός: Ἀμήν.

Ὁ λαὸς ἵσταται διὰ τὴν ἀνάγνωσιν τῆς εὐχῆς.

Ἀναγνώστης: Καταξίωσον, Κύριε, ἐν τῇ ἑσπέρᾳ ταύτῃ, ἀναμαρτήτους φυλαχθῆναι ἡμᾶς. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς τῶν Πατέρων 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, συνέτισόν με τὰ δικαιώματά σου. Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, ἅγιε, φώτισόν με τοῖς δικαιώμασί σου. Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα· τὰ ἔργα τῶν χειρῶν σου μὴ παρίδῃς. Σοὶ πρέπει αἶνος, σοὶ πρέπει ὕμνος, σοὶ δόξα πρέπει, τῷ Πατρὶ καὶ τῷ Υἱῷ καὶ τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

Χορός: Ἀμήν.

ΤΑ ΠΛΗΡΩΤΙΚΑ

Διάκονος: Πληρώσωμεν τὴν ἑσπερινὴν δέησιν ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: Ἀντιλαβοῦ, σῶσον, ἐλέησον καὶ διαφύλαξον ἡμᾶς, ὁ Θεός, τῇ σῇ χάριτι.

Χορός: Κύριε, ἐλέησον.

Διάκονος: Τὴν ἑσπέραν πᾶσαν τελείαν, ἁγίαν, εἰρηνικὴν καὶ ἀναμάρτητον παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

Χορός: Παράσχου, Κύριε.

Deacon: Again we pray for those who bear fruit and do good works in this holy and all-venerable church, for those who labor and those who sing, and for the people here present who await Your great and rich mercy.

Choir: Lord, have mercy. *(3)*

Priest: For Thou art a merciful and loving God, and to Thee we offer glory, to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

Stand for the reading of prayer.

Reader: Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this evening without sin. Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Thy Name forever. Amen. Let Thy mercy be upon us, O Lord, even as we have set our hope on Thee. Blessed art Thou, O Lord; teach me Thy statutes. Blessed art Thou, O Master; make me to understand Thy statutes. Blessed art Thou, O Holy One; enlighten me with Thy statutes. Thy mercy, O Lord, endureth forever. O despise not the works of Thy hands. To Thee belongeth worship, to Thee belongeth praise, to Thee belongeth glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

LITANY OF COMPLETION

Deacon: Let us complete our evening prayer to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and protect us, O God, by Thy grace.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That the whole evening may be perfect, holy, peaceful, and sinless, let us ask the Lord.

Choir: Grant this, O Lord.

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

Χορός: Παράσχου, Κύριε.

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

Χορός: Παράσχου, Κύριε.

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

Χορός: Παράσχου, Κύριε.

Διάκονος: Τὸν ὑπόλοιπον χρόνον τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν ἐν εἰρήνῃ καὶ μετανοίᾳ ἐκτελέσαι παρὰ τοῦ Κυρίου αἰτησώμεθα.

Χορός: Παράσχου, Κύριε.

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

Χορός: Παράσχου, Κύριε.

Διάκονος: 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.

Χορός: Σοί, Κύριε.

Ἱερεύς: Ὅτι ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθρωπος 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.

Χορός: Ἀμήν.

Ἱερεύς: Εἰρήνη πᾶσι.

Χορός: Καὶ τῷ πνεύματί σου.

Διάκονος: Τὰς κεφαλὰς ἡμῶν τῷ Κυρίῳ κλίνωμεν.

Χορός: Σοί, Κύριε.

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

Choir: Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon: For pardon and remission of our sins and transgressions, let us ask the Lord.

Choir: Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon: For that which is good and beneficial for our souls, and for peace for the world, let us ask the Lord.

Choir: Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon: That we may complete the remaining time of our life in peace and repentance, let us ask the Lord.

Choir: Grant this, O Lord.

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

Choir: Grant this, O Lord.

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

Choir: To Thee, O Lord.

Priest: For Thou, O God, are good and love humankind, and to Thee we give glory, to the Father, the Son and the holy Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Choir: Amen.

Priest: Peace be with all.

Choir: And with your spirit.

Deacon: Let us bow our heads to the Lord.

Choir: To Thee, O Lord.

Ἱερεύς (χαμηλοφώνως): Κύριε ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ κλίνας οὐρανοὺς καὶ καταβὰς ἐπὶ σωτηρίᾳ τοῦ γένους τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ἔπιδε ἐπί τοὺς δούλους σου καὶ ἐπὶ τὴν κληρονομίαν σου· σοὶ γὰρ τῷ φοβερῷ καὶ φιλανθρώπῳ κριτῇ οἱ σοὶ δοῦλοι ὑπέκλιναν τὰς κεφαλάς, τοὺς δὲ αὐτῶν ὑπέταξαν αὐχένας, οὐ τὴν ἐξ ἀνθρώπων ἀναμένοντες βοήθειαν, ἀλλὰ τὸ σὸν περιμένοντες ἔλεος καὶ τὴν σὴν ἀπεκδεχόμενοι σωτηρίαν· οὓς διαφύλαξον ἐν παντὶ καιρῷ καὶ κατὰ τὴν παροῦσαν ἑσπέραν καὶ τὴν προσιοῦσαν νύκτα ἀπὸ παντὸς ἐχθροῦ, ἀπὸ πάσης ἀντικειμένης ἐνεργείας διαβολικῆς καὶ διαλογισμῶν ματαίων καὶ ἐνθυμήσεων πονηρῶν.

Priest (in a low voice): Lord our God, who bowed the heavens and came down for the salvation of the human race, look upon Your servants and upon Your inheritance, for to You, the fearful Judge who loves mankind, Your servants have bowed their heads and inclined their necks, not waiting for any human help, but awaiting Your mercy and looking for Your salvation. Guard them at every moment, during both the present evening and the approaching night, from every foe, from every hostile operation of the devil and from vain thoughts and evil desires.

Ἱερεύς (ἐκφώνως): 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.

Priest (aloud): Blessed and glorified be the majesty of Thy kingdom, of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages.

Χορός: Ἀμήν.

Choir: Amen.

ΑΠΟΣΤΙΧΑ.

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Ἦχος πλ. α'. Χαίροις ἀσκητικῶν.

Χαίροις ὁ ἐν ἐσχάτοις καιροῖς, ἐξανατείλας ὡς ἀστὴρ οὐρανόφωτος, καὶ αἴγλῃ τῶν σῶν θαυμάτων, φωταγωγῶν νοητῶς, τους ἐσκοτισμένους ἐν τοῖς πάθεσιν· ὁ νοῦς ὁ θεόληπτος, ὁ φωτὸς θείου ἔμπλεως, ὁ ἐν τῷ νόμῳ, μελετήσας ὡς γέγραπται, τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν, ἐν συνέσει Νεκτάριε· λύχνος ὁ παμφαέστατος, ὁ ἤδη τῷ βίῳ σου, τῆς εὐσεβείας τὸ φέγγος, αὐγάζων Πάτερ τοῖς πέρασι. Χριστὸν ἐκδυσώπει, ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν δοθῆναι, τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

APOSTICHA.

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Mode pl. 1. Rejoice.

REJOICE, thou who didst rise in the east * like a most brilliant and far-shining and radiant star * to guide those that sat in darkness and in the shadow of death, * and to lead the lost flock to the paths of light. * Thy mind, given wings by grace, * soared above all the things of earth * and the Divine Law * was thy study both day and night, * for thy soul was full of the grace of the Comforter. *Wherefore thou shonest on the world with rays of thy wondrous deeds, * and unto all wast thou shown forth to be a worker of miracles. * Entreat Christ our Saviour * to grant pardon of transgressions and mercy to our souls.

Στίχ. *Τὸ στόμα μου λαλήσει σοφίαν, καὶ ἡ μελέτη τῆς καρδίας μου σύνεσιν.*

Βίον πνευματικόν διελθών, ἐν οὐρανίῳ Ἱεράρχα φρονήματι, τοῦ Πνεύματος τοῦ Ἁγίου, δοχεῖον ὤφθης σεπτόν, ταπεινοφροσύνῃ σεμνυνόμενος, καὶ τρόποις χρηστότητος, καὶ ἁπλάστοις σου ἤθεσι, τὴν τῆς ψυχῆς σου, ὑποφαίνων λαμπρότητα, δι' ἧς γέγονεν, ἐν ἁγίοις ὁ κλῆρός σου. Ὅθεν τὴν τῶν λειψάνων σου σορὸν τὴν μυρίπνοον, περικυκλοῦντες βοῶμεν, ἐν κατανύξει Νεκτάριε· ἡμῖν σωτηρίαν, καὶ ψυχῶν τε καὶ σωμάτων, δίδου ἑκάστοτε.

Στίχ. *Οἱ ἱερεῖς σου, Κύριε, ἐνδύσονται δικαιοσύνην, καὶ οἱ ὅσιοί σου ἀγαλλιάσει ἀγαλλιάσονται.*

Χαίρει ἡ Ἐκκλησία Χριστοῦ, δεδοξασμένον σε ὁρῶσα Νεκτάριε, ἐν δόξῃ τῇ οὐρανίῳ, καὶ μεγαλύνει Χριστόν, τὸν θαυματουργόν σε ἀναδείξαντα· ἡ νῆσος Αἰγίνης δέ, ἐξαιρέτως φαιδρύνεται, ὡς κεκτημένη τὴν σορὸν τῶν λειψάνων σου, ὡς ἀκένωτον, θησαυρὸν ἁγιάσματος. Πλέον δὲ τούτων γάννυται, Μονή σου ἡ ἔνθεος, πρὸς σὲ ἀεὶ ἀφορῶσα, καὶ ἐκβοῶσα σὺν δάκρυσι· Σὺ δόξα μου πέλεις, καὶ ἀντίληψις καὶ σκέπη, Πάτερ καὶ ἔφορος.

Δόξα.

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Ἦχος πλ. δ'.

Ἔχει μὲν ἡ οὐράνιος Ἰερουσαλήμ, τὴν ἡγιασμένην ψυχήν σου, σὺν τοῖς τῶν Ἁγίων πνεύμασιν, ἀοίδιμε Νεκτάριε. Ἔχει δὲ καὶ ἡ νῆσος Αἰγίνης, τὰ χαριτόβρυτά σου λείψανα, πλοῦτον θεόσδοτον, καὶ ἰατρεῖον ἄμισθον, παντοίων ἀῤῥωστημάτων, καὶ πάσης θλίψεως· ἐν αὐτοῖς γὰρ προστρέχοντες, πανταχόθεν οἱ πάσχοντες, τὰς ἰάσεις κομίζονται, καὶ τα πρὸς σωτηρίαν αἰτήματα, καὶ εὐχαρίστῳ φωνῇ δοξάζουσι, τον σὲ δοξάσαντα Κύριον· ᾧ πρέσβευε δεόμεθα, ὑπὲρ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Verse: *My mouth shall speak wisdom, and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.*

LIVING a holy life hid in Christ, * by godly piety, compunction, and ceaseless prayer, * by patience and supplication, by fervent sighs from the depths, * thou wast made a chosen dwelling- place of God. * The grace that adorned thy soul, and thy Christ-like humility *and thine endurance in afflictions, O man of God, * was a cause of awe even unto the hosts on high. * Wherefore, O Saint Nectarius, do thou intercede for us, * who with compunction and longing honour thy sacred, memorial. * Beseech Christ, O Father, * to grant pardon of transgressions and mercy to our souls.

Verse: *Thy priests, O Lord, shall be clothed with righteousness, and Thy righteous shall rejoice.*

REJOICE, heavenly boast of the Church * who art exalted by the Lord, O Nectarius; * in preaching and exhortation thou wast a father in truth * who didst lead thy children in the ways of life. * Thy healings and wondrous deeds * have proclaimed thee to all to be* a true disciple of the Healer and Saviour Christ, * and to Him thy flock in thanksgiving doth chant this hymn: * Wondrous art Thou, O Son of God and marvellous in Thy Saints; * hearken and grant the entreaty of those who honour his memory, * that we find forgiveness * and remission of transgressions and mercy for our souls.

Glory.

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Mode pl. 4.

WHILE the heavenly Jerusalem possesseth thy sanctified soul with the spirits of the Saints, O celebrated Nectarius, the Isle of Aegina possesseth thy grace-gushing relics as God- given riches, and a place of free healing of all manner of sickness and every affliction; for when the suffering have recourse thereto from all parts of the earth, they receive healing and the fulfilment of their petitions that are unto salvation. And with a grateful heart they glorify the Lord Who hath glorified thee. Intercede with Him, we beseech thee, that our souls be saved.

Καὶ νῦν. ΘΕΟΤΟΚΙΟΝ. *Ἦχος πλ. δ'.*

Ἀνύμφευτε Παρθένε, ἡ τὸν Θεὸν ἀφράστως συλλαβοῦσα σαρκί, Μήτηρ Θεοῦ τοῦ ὑψίστου, σῶν οἰκετῶν παρακλήσεις δέχου Πανάμωμε· ἡ πᾶσι χορηγοῦσα, καθαρισμὸν τῶν πταισμάτων, νῦν τὰς ἡμῶν ἱκεσίας προσδεχομένη, δυσώπει σωθῆναι πάντας ἡμᾶς.

Ὁ λαὸς ἵσταται διὰ τὴν ἀνάγνωσιν τῶν εὐχῶν.

Ἱερεύς:

Ὠδὴν τοῦ Θεοδόχου Συμεών

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

Ἀναγνώστης:

ΤΡΙΣΑΓΙΟΝ.

Ἅγιος ὁ Θεός, ἅγιος Ἰσχυρός, ἅγιος Ἀθάνατος, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. *(3)*

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 ἴασαι τὰς ἀσθενείας ἡμῶν, ἕνεκεν 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 ῥῦσαι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ τοῦ πονηροῦ.

Both now. THEOTOKION. *Mode pl. 4.*

O Unwedded Virgin, who didst inexpressibly conceive God in the flesh, O Mother of the Most High God: Receive the petitions of thy servants, O all-blameless one. O thou who grantest unto all purification from offences, do thou now receive our entreaties, and beseech that we all be saved.

Stand for the reading of prayers

Song of Simeon

Lord, now let Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word; for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation which Thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples, a light to enlighten nations, and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Reader: Trisagion Prayers.

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

Glory to the 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 the 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.

Ἱερεύς: Ὅτι σοῦ ἐστιν 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.

Χορός: Ἀμήν.

ΑΠΟΛΥΤΙΚΙΟΝ.

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Ἦχος α'. Τῆς ἐρήμου πολίτης.

Σηλυβρίας τὸν γόνον καὶ Αἰγίνης τὸν ἔφορον, τὸν ἐσχάτοις χρόνοις φανέντα, ἀρετῆς φίλον γνήσιον, Νεκτάριον τιμήσωμεν πιστοί, ὡς ἔνθεον θεράποντα Χριστοῦ· ἀναβλύζει γὰρ ἰάσεις παντοδαπάς, τοῖς εὐλαβῶς κραυγάζουσι· δόξα τῷ σὲ δοξάσαντι Χριστῷ, δόξα τῷ σὲ θαυμαστώσαντι, δόξα τῷ ἐνεργοῦντι διὰ σοῦ, πᾶσιν ἰάματα.

Δόξα· ΚΑΙ ΝΥΝ. ΘΕΟΤΟΚΙΟΝ. *Ἦχος α'. Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος.*

Τοῦ Γαβριὴλ φθεγξαμένου σοι Παρθένε τὸ Χαῖρε, σὺν τῇ φωνῇ ἐσαρκοῦτο ὁ τῶν ὅλων Δεσπότης, ἐν σοὶ τῇ ἁγίᾳ 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.

Διάκονος: Σοφία.

Ἀναγνώστης: Εὐλόγησον, δέσποτα.

Ἱερεύς: Ὁ ὢν εὐλογητὸς Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν πάντοτε, νῦν καὶ ἀεὶ καὶ εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων.

Χορός: Ἀμήν.

Ἀναγνώστης: Στερεώσαι Κύριος ὁ Θεός τὴν ἁγίαν καὶ ἀμώμητον πίστιν τῶν εὐσεβῶν καὶ ὀρθοδόξων χριστιανῶν τῇ ἁγίᾳ Μητροπόλει ταύτῃ, καὶ τῇ πόλει ταύτῃ εἰς αἰῶνας αἰώνων.

Χορός: Ἀμήν.

Ἱερεύς: Δόξα σοι ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, δόξα σοι.

Priest: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and to ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

APOLYTIKION.

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Mode 1. As a citizen of the desert.

THE offspring of Selyvria and the guardian of Aegina, the true friend of virtue who didst appear in the last years, O Nectarius, we faithful honour thee as a godly servant of Christ, for thou pourest forth healings of every kind for those who piously cry out: Glory to Christ Who hath glorified thee. Glory to Him Who hath made thee wondrous. Glory to Him Who worketh healings for all through thee.

Glory. Both now. THEOTOKION. *Mode 1. The stone having been sealed/While Gabriel was saying.*

While Gabriel was saying Rejoice to thee, O Virgin, at his voice the Master of all things took flesh within thy pure womb. He dwelt in thee as His holy ark as spake the righteous David in the psalms. Thou wast seen to be more spacious than all the Heavens since thou didst bear thy Creator. Glory to Him that willed to dwell in thee. Glory to Him that came forth from thee. Glory to Him that, through thy giving birth, hath delivered us.

Deacon: Wisdom.

Reader: Master bless.

Priest: Blessed is Christ our God, the One who is, always, now and ever and to the ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

Reader: The Lord God make firm the holy and pure faith of the pious Orthodox Christians, this Holy Metropolis, and this city, to the ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

Priest: Glory to You, our God, glory to You.

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 ὁσίων καὶ θεοφόρων πατέρων ἡμῶν· (τοῦ ἁγίου τοῦ ναοῦ)· τῶν ἁγίων καὶ δικαίων θεοπατόρων Ἰωακεὶμ καὶ Ἄννης, τοῦ ἐν ἁγίοις Πατρὸς ἡμῶν Νεκταρίου, Μητροπολίτου Πενταπόλεως, τοῦ Θαυματουργοῦ, οὗ καὶ τὴν μνήμην ἐπιτελοῦμεν· καὶ πάντων τῶν ἁγίων, ἐλεήσαι καὶ σώσαι ἡμᾶς, ὡς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθρωπος καὶ ἐλεήμων Θεός.

Δι' εὐχῶν τῶν ἁγίων πατέρων ἡμῶν, Κύριε Ἰησοῦ Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς.

Χορός: Ἀμήν.

May Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-pure and all-immaculate 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, of the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy apostles, of the holy, glorious, and triumphant martyrs, of our righteous and God-bearing fathers, (local patron saint); of the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, of our father among the saints Nektarios, Metropolitan of Pentapolis, the Wonderworker, whose memory we celebrate; and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, as He is good, benevolent, and merciful God.

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

Choir: Amen.