

APRIL

Tuesday

Fast Day.

1/14 GREAT TUESDAY.

St. Mary of Egypt (Ak:1594). St. Euthymius the Wonderworker, archimandrite of Suzdal (L:OL 89:2). St. Macarius, abbot of Pelecete (L:OL 88:2). MM Gerontius and Basilides. M Abraamius of Bulgar (on the Volga River). R Achaz. St. Gerontius, canonarch of the Kiev Caves. New-hieroconfessor Schema-bishop Macarius (†1944). NM Michael (Misha), fool-for-Christ (†1931). Martyr-hermit Tewdric of Tintern. St. Barsanuphius, elder of Optina (†1913) (L:OL 89:6).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, the Lord who for our salvation cometh to His voluntary Passion...*

Service from the Triodion (§3B24).

Matins

Gospel: Matt §90-96 (22:15-23:39)

Sixth Hour

Prophecy from the Triodion: Ezek 1:21-2:1

Great Vespers with the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Great Tuesday

Two readings from the Triodion: (1) Ex 2:5-10, (2) Job 1:13-22

Gospel: Matt §102 through the second verse of §107 (24:36-26:2)

Wednesday

Fast Day.

2/15 GREAT WEDNESDAY.

St. Titus the Wonderworker. MM Amphian (Apphian) and Ædesius (Edesius) of Lycia. M Polycarp of Alexandria. St. Gregory, ascetic of the Gulf of Nicomedia. St. Nicetius, bp. of Lyons (Gaul). **GC:** VM Theodora of Tyre.

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, the Lord who for our salvation cometh to His voluntary Passion...*

Service from the Triodion (§3B25).

Matins

Gospel: John §41 from the midpoint through §43 (12:17-50)

Sixth Hour

Prophecy from the Triodion: Ezek 2:3-3:3

Typica

After Our Father...:

In a temple of the Lord or of a saint –

Kontakion from the Triodion

Glory...

Kontakion, *With the saints give rest...*

Now & ever...

Kontakion of the Theotokos, *O intercession of Christians...*

In a temple of the Theotokos –
 Kontakion from the Triodion
Glory...
 Kontakion, *With the saints give rest...*
Now & ever...
 Kontakion of the temple

Instead of the usual dismissal, the rector or superior says the prayer, *O Master plenteous in mercy...* (dismissal of Great Compline), during which each one prostrates himself to the ground.

Then the rector or superior himself bows to the brethren and asks forgiveness saying: *Bless me, holy fathers and brethren, and forgive me, the sinner, wherein I have sinned during my whole life, and during these holy forty days, in word, deed, thought and in all my senses.*

And the brethren respond: *May God forgive thee, honorable father.*

Then the brethren also approach, two by two, and likewise ask forgiveness, saying: *Forgive me, holy father, wherein I have sinned during my whole life, and during these holy forty days, in word, deed, thought and in all my senses.*

The priest responds: *May God forgive thee.*

Great Vespers with the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Great Wednesday

Two readings from the Triodion: (1) Ex 2:11-22, (2) Job 2:1-10

Gospel: Matt §108 (26:6-16)

After the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, prostrations in church are discontinued until Pentecost (except before the Holy Winding Sheet).

Thursday

Fast Day: Wine & Oil allowed.

3/16 GREAT THURSDAY. *Commemoration of the Mystical Supper.*

St. Nicetas the Confessor, abbot of Medikion. St. Illyricus of Mt. Myrsinon in the Peloponnesus. MM Elpidephorus, Dios, Bithonius and Galycus. VM Theodosia of Tyre. St. Nectarius, abbot of Bezhetk. NM Paul the Russian, at Constantinople (L: III 2; OL 83:2). Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos, the "Unfading Bloom".

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who through His surpassing goodness did show the most excellent way of humility when He washed the feet of His disciples, and did condescend even unto the Cross and burial for us...*

Service from the Triodion (§3B26).

Matins

Gospel: Luke §108 from the midpoint through the first verse of §109 (22:1-39)

First Hour

Prophecy from the Triodion: Jer 11:18-12:5, 9-11, 14-15

Great Vespers with the Liturgy of St. Basil the Great on Great Thursday

Three readings from the Triodion: (1) Ex 19:10-19; (2) Job 38:1-23, 42:1-5; (3) Isa 50:4-11

Epistle: I Cor §149 (11:23-32)

Gospel: Matt §107-108 (26:1-20), John §44 (13:3-17), Matt §108 (26:21-39), Luke §109 (22:43-45), Matt §108-110 (26:40-27:2)

Friday**Strict Fast Day.**

4/17 GREAT FRIDAY. *Commemoration of the holy and salvific Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

St. Joseph the Hymnographer. St. George, monk of Mt. Maleon in the Peloponnesus. St. Zosimas of Palestine, who was deemed worthy to meet St. Mary of Egypt (L: VIII 2). VM Pherbutha of Persia, her sister and her sister's handmaid. St. Theonas, met. of Thessalonica. St. Zosimas, abbot of Vorbozom. NHM Nicetas of Albania (Mt. Athos) (L:OL 76:2). St. Joseph the Much-ailing of the Kiev Caves. Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos, the "Life-giving Spring".

Rep. Elder Sabbas of Mt. Athos (1908).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who for us men and for our salvation did deign to suffer the dread Passion, and the life-creating Cross and voluntary burial in the flesh...*

Service from the Triodion (§3B27).

Matins

Twelve Passion Gospels:

- (1) John §46 through the first verse of §58 (13:31b-18:1)
- (2) John §58 through the first verse of §59 (18:1-28)
- (3) Matthew §109 (26:57-75)
- (4) John §59-60 (18:28-19:16)
- (5) Matthew §111-112 (27:3-32)
- (6) Mark §67-68 (15:16-32a)
- (7) Matthew §113 (27:33-54)
- (8) Luke §111 (23:32-49)
- (9) John §61 (19:25-37)
- (10) Mark §69 (15:43-47)
- (11) John §62 (19:38-42)
- (12) Matthew §114 (27:62-66)

Royal Hours

First Hour: Zech 11:10-13, Gal §215 from the midpoint (6:14-18), Matt §110-113 (27:1-56)

Third Hour: Isa 50:4-11, Rom §88 from the midpoint (5:6-11), Mark §67-68 (15:16-41)

Sixth Hour: Isa 52:13-54:1a, Heb §306 (2:11-18), Luke §111 (23:32-49)

Ninth Hour: Jer 11:18-12:5a, 9b-11a, 14-15; Heb §324 (10:19-31); John §59-61 (18:28-19:37)

Great Vespers on Great Friday

Three readings from the Triodion: (1) Ex 33:11-23, (2) Job 42:12-17, (3) Isa 52:13-54:1a

Epistle: I Cor §125 (1:18-2:2)

Gospel: Matt §110-113 (27:1-38), Luke §111 (23:39-43), Matt §113 (27:39-54), John §61 (19:31-37), Matt §113 (27:55-61)

Saturday**Fast Day: Wine allowed.****5/18 GREAT SATURDAY.**

MM Theodulus the reader, Agathopodes (Agathopous) the deacon and those with them, at Thessalonica. St. Publius, monk of Egypt. SS Theonas, Symeon and Phorbinus of Egypt. St. Theodora, nun of Thessalonica. St. Mark the Anchorite of Athens. St. Plato the Confessor of the Studion (L: VIII 2). NM George of New Ephesus. New Venerable-martyr Maria of Gatchina (†1932). St. Derfel of Llandderfel. St Ethelburga, queen of Northumbria and abbess of Lyminge (Kent). **GC:** MM Claudius, Diodorus, Victor, Victorinus, Papias, Serapion and Nicephorus. Five girl-martyrs of Lesbos. St. Zosimas of Palestine, who was deemed worthy to meet St. Mary of Egypt (L: VIII 2).

Rep. Bl. Theodore of Svir (†1822). Rep. R Symeon Klimych (†1837). Rep. Elder Philemon of Valaam and Jordanville (†1953).

Service from the Triodion (§3B28).

Matins

Prophecy from the Triodion: Ezek 37:1-14

Epistle: I Cor §133 (5:6b-8), Gal §206 (3:13-14)

Gospel: Matt §114 (27:62-66)

Great Vespers with the Liturgy of St. Basil the Great on Great Saturday

Fifteen readings from the Triodion:

- (1) Genesis 1:1-13
- (2) Isaiah 60:1-16
- (3) Exodus 12:1-11
- (4) Book of Jonah
- (5) Joshua 5:10-15
- (6) Exodus 13:20-15:19
- (7) Zephaniah 3:8-15
- (8) I (III) Kings 17:8-24
- (9) Isaiah 61:10-62:5
- (10) Genesis 22:1-18
- (11) Isaiah 61:1-9
- (12) II (IV) Kings 4:8-37
- (13) Isaiah 63:11-64:5
- (14) Jeremiah 31:31-34
- (15) Daniel 3:1-23 and The Song of the Three Holy Children, verses 1-66

Epistle: Rom §91 (6:3-11)

Gospel: Matt §115-116 (28:1-20)

Sunday**Fast-free Period.****6/19 HOLY AND GREAT SUNDAY OF PASCHA. THE BRIGHT RESURRECTION OF CHRIST.**

St. Eutychius, pat. of Constantinople. St. Methodius, equal to the Apostles, enlightener of the Slavs. 120 MM of Persia. St. Platonis (Platonida) of Nisibis. MM Jeremiah and Archilius the presbyter. St. Gregory of the Great Lavra on Mt. Athos, instructor of St. Gregory Palamas. St. Gregory of Sinai (and Mt. Athos).

St. Elstan, bp. of Ramsbury. Rep. Elder Mardarius of Nizhny Novgorod Caves Monastery (1859).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life...*

Service from the Pentecostarion (§4B1).

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §1 (1:1-8)

Gospel: •John §1 (1:1-17)

Great Vespers

Gospel: John §65 (20:19-25)

Monday**Fast-free Period.****7/20 BRIGHT MONDAY.**

St. George the Confessor, bp. of Mytilene. M Calliopus, at Pompeiopolis in Cilicia. MM Rufinus, deacon, Aquilina and 200 soldiers, at Sinope. St. Serapion, monk of Egypt. St. Daniel, abbot of Pereyaslavl-Zalesky. St. Nilus, abbot of Sora. St. Leucius, abbot of the Leucius Hermitage (Volokolamsk). Op rel St. Serapion, abp. of Novgorod. St. Govan of Pembrokeshire (Cornwall).

Rep. Schema-monk Agapitus the Blind of Valaam (1905).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life...*

Service from the Pentecostarion (§4B2).

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §2 (1:12-17, 21-26). **Gospel:** •John §2 (1:18-28).

Tuesday**Fast-free Period.****8/21 BRIGHT TUESDAY. Commemoration of New-martyrs Raphael, Nicholas, Irene and Olympias of Mytilene (L: OL 82:5).**

Holy App. of the Seventy: Herodion, Agabus, Asyncritus, Rufus, Phlegon, Hermes and those with them. St. Celestine, pope of Rome. M Pausilypus of Heraclea in Thrace. St. Niphon of the Kiev Caves, subsequently bp. of Novgorod. St. Rufus the Recluse of the Kiev Caves. NM John Naukleros ("the Skipper") on the island of Cos. Spanish Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos.

Rep. R Helena Voronova, disciple of St. Barsanuphius of Optina (1916).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life...*

Service from the Pentecostarion (§4B2).

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §4 (2:14-21). **Gospel:** •Luke §113 (24:12-35).

Wednesday

Fast-free Period.

9/22 BRIGHT WEDNESDAY.

M Euppsychius of Cæsarea in Cappadocia. Venerable-martyr Bademus (Vadim), archimandrite of Persia (L:OL 83:2). MM Desan (Dausas) the bishop, Mariabus the presbyter, Audiesius (Abdiesus) the deacon and 270 other MM in Persia. St. Waltrude (†688, Belgium). **GC:** M Patience (Hypomone).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life...*

Service from the Pentecostarion (§4B2).

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §5 (2:22-36). **Gospel:** •John §4 (1:35-51).

Thursday

Fast-free Period.

10/23 BRIGHT THURSDAY.

MM Terence, Pompey, Africanus, Maximus, Zeno, Alexander, Theodore, Macarius and 32 others beheaded at Carthage (L:OL 88:2). NHM Gregory V, pat. of Constantinople (L: XII 1:21; L:OL 78:2). MM James, presbyter, and Azadanes (Azas) and Abdicius, deacons, of Persia. Prophetess Huldah (Olda; cf. II Kings 22:14). NM Demos, at Smyrna. MM Beocca, Hethor and their companions, at Chertsey (L/S: XXV 2).

HM Hedda and 84 monks with him, at Peterborough.

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life...*

According the Typicon, service from the Pentecostarion (§4B2).

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §6 (2:38-43). **Gospel:** •John §8 (3:1-15).

Or, if the rector so direct, a polyeleos-rank service to **New-hieromartyr Gregory** (S:1276) combined with the paschal service in the Pentecostarion as set forth in Appendix A-I of *The Order of Divine Services*, pages 249-253.

Great Vespers

Three readings: (1) and (2) see Menaion, (3) Isaiah 43:9-14a

Matins

Gospel: John §35 from the midpoint (10:1-9)

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §6 (2:38-43) & Heb §334 (13:7-16)

Gospel: •John §8 (3:1-15) & Luke §67 (12:32-40)

Friday**Fast-free Period.****11/24 BRIGHT FRIDAY.** *Commemoration of the Life-bearing Spring of the Mother of God.*

HM Antipas, bp. of Pergamum, disciple of Ap. John the Theologian (Ak:1622). St. Pharmuthius, anchorite of Egypt. MM Processus and Martinian of Rome. St. John, disciple of St. Gregory of Decapolis. St. James, abbot of Zhelezny Borok, and his disciple, St. James. SS Euthymius and Chariton, abbots of Syanzhema (Vologda). St. Barsanuphius, bp. of Tver. St. Callinicus of Cernica, bp. of Rimnicu Valcea (Romania). St. Guthlac, hieromonk of Crowland. Appearance of the Most Holy Theotokos at Pochaev (the Footprint).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life...*

According to the Typicon, the service from the Pentecostarion (§4B2).

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §7 (3:1-8). **Gospel:** •John §7 (2:12-22).

Or, if the rector so direct, the service in honor of the **Life-bearing Spring** may be performed according to the rubrics set forth in the Pentecostarion.

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §7 (3:1-8) & Phil §240 (2:5-11)

Gospel: •John §7 (2:12-22) & Luke §54 (10:38-42; 11:27-28)

*It is customary on this day to perform the **Lesser Blessing of Water.***

Saturday**Fast-free Period.****12/25 BRIGHT SATURDAY.**

St. Basil the Confessor, bp. of Parium. St. Anthusa the Virgin of Constantinople. St. Athanasia, abbess of Ægina. Venerable-martyrs Menas, David and John of Palestine. St. Isaac the Syrian, abbot of Spoleto. HM Zeno, bp. of Verona. St. Acacius the New, of Kavsokalybia (Mt. Athos) (L:OL 85:5). St. Basil, bp. of Ryazan (L: XI 2:20). **GC:** Translation of the Cincture of the Most Holy Theotokos to Constantinople. MM Demes, Protion and those with them.

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life...*

Service from the Pentecostarion (§4B2).

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §8 (3:11-16). **Gospel:** •John §11 (3:22-33).

After the Prayer Behind the Ambo, the priest reads the Prayer at the Breaking of the Artos from the Pentecostarion, page 53). The bread is distributed after the dismissal. It is customary in some parishes to postpone the Breaking of the Artos until the following day (Thomas Sunday) due to the larger number of people in attendance.

Before the Ninth Hour, the Royal Gates and the north and south doors of the Altar, which have remained opened throughout Bright Week, are shut.

Sunday

13/26 Second Sunday after Pascha. Tone I. *Antipascha. Thomas Sunday.*

HM Artemon, presbyter of Laodicea in Syria. M Crescens of Myra in Lycia. M Eleutherius of Persia. M Zoilus the Roman, in Persia. NM Demetrius, at Tripoli in the Peloponnesus. St. Martius, abbot of Clermont (Gaul). NHM Stephen, bp. of Izhevsk (1933). St. Guinoch of Buchan. **GC:** M Theodosius of Persia.

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

Service from the Pentecostarion (§4B5).

Little Vespers is performed as set forth in the Pentecostarion.

Matins**Polyeleos**

Matins Gospel I: Matt §116 (28:16-20)

Katavasia of Pascha

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §14 (5:12-20). **Gospel:** •John §65 (20:19-31).

From Thomas Sunday evening until the Apodosis of Pentecost, three-ode and four-ode canons from the Pentecostarion (pages 377-414) are appointed to be chanted at Little Compline. For the most part, these canons are chanted in conjunction with the appropriate canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos. Whenever an ode from a three-ode or four-ode canon is appointed, the corresponding ode from the canon of the Theotokos is omitted.

Beginning on Thomas Monday, the reading of the Interhours on weekdays is resumed.

Monday

14/27 Monday of the Second Week after Pascha. Tone I.

St. Martin the Confessor, pope of Rome (L: VI 2). MM Anthony, John and Eustathius of Vilnius in Lithuania. M Ardalion the Actor (L: IX 2:40). M Azat (Azades) the Eunuch and 1,000 MM of Persia. Venerable-martyr Christopher the Sabbaiter. M Thomaïs of Alexandria (L:OL 75:4). **GC:** St. Cyriacus, bp. in Jerusalem (†AD133).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

According to the Typicon, a simple service to **St. Martin** (§4A1; S:1282).

Great Vespers

Entrance with the censor

Great Prokeimenon, Tone VII, *What God is as great as our God? Thou art God Who worketh wonders.*

Augmented Litany, *Let us all say...*

Vouchsafe, O Lord...

Supplicatory Litany, *Let us complete our evening prayer...*

The rest of Great Vespers is performed as usual.

Little Compline

The canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos is omitted because of the vigil the preceding night.

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes I, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of Thomas Sunday

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**: 6 troparia from Ode I of the canon of Thomas Sunday

Epistle: •Acts §9 (3:19-26). **Gospel**: •John §6 (2:1-11).

Or, if the rector so direct, a polyeleos-rank service to **MM Anthony, John & Eustathius** (§4A3; S:1287). The canon and prosomoia of St. Martin are transferred to Little Compline.

Great Vespers

Entrance with the censer

Great Prokeimenon, Tone VII, *What God is as great as our God? Thou art God Who worketh wonders.*

Three readings: (1) Isa 43:9-14a, (2) Wis 3:1-9, (3) Wis 4:7-15

Augmented Litany, *Let us all say...*

Vouchsafe, O Lord...

Supplicatory Litany, *Let us complete our evening prayer...*

The rest of Great Vespers is performed as prescribed in §4A3.

Little Compline

The canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos is omitted because of the vigil the preceding night.

Canon and prosomoia of St. Martin

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes I, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Martyrs; *Glory... Now & ever...*, kontakion of Thomas Sunday

Matins

Gospel: Matt §36 (10:16-22)

Katavasia of Pascha

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**, 8 troparia: 4 from Ode I of the canon of Thomas Sunday and 4 from Ode III of the canon of the Martyrs

Epistle: •Acts §9 (3:19-26) & Eph §233 (6:10-17)

Gospel: •John §6 (2:1-11) & Matt §36 (10:16-22)

Tuesday

15/28 Tuesday of the Second Week after Pascha. Tone I. *Day of Rejoicing (Radonitsa). Commemoration of the departed.*

App. Aristarchus, Pudens and Trophimus, of the Seventy. M Sabbas the Goth of Wallachia. MM Basilissa and Anastasia of Rome, disciples of App. Peter and Paul. St. Mstislav (in holy baptism, Theodore), great prince of Kiev. M Suchias and his 16 companions in Armenia (L: XIX 2). St. Paternus (Padarm), bp. of Llandbadarm Fawr (Wales). St. Ruadhan, abbot of Lorrha (Ireland) (†c. 584). **GC**: St. Leonidas, bp. of Athens. MM Theodore the presbyter and Pausilypus (Pausolypius).

Rep. Bl. Daniel of Siberia (1843).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A simple service to **App. Aristarchus, Pudens & Trophimus** (§4A1; S:1452).

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone I)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes II, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of Thomas Sunday

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**: 6 troparia from Ode IV of the canon of Thomas Sunday

Epistle: •Acts §10 (4:1-10). **Gospel**: •John §10 (3:16-21).

On this day, after the Liturgy, it is customary to visit cemeteries and to serve Pannychidas or Litias for the departed, giving alms to the poor. No special hymnody for the departed is appointed by the Typicon at the divine services on Radonitsa. The commemoration of the departed is performed in accordance with pious custom.

Wednesday

Fast Day: Wine & Oil allowed.

16/29 Wednesday of the Second Week after Pascha. Tone I.

VMM Agape, Irene and Chionia, in Illyria. MM Leonidas, Charissa, Nice, Galina, Callida, Nunechia, Basilissa and Theodora, of Corinth. M Irene of Corinth. St. Theodora (Princess Bassa) of Nizhny Novgorod. NM Michael of Bourla, at Smyrna. St. Fructuosus, abp. of Braga (†655). Weeping Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos at the Holy Trinity-St. Elias Monastery in Chernigov. **GC**: MM Felix, Januarius, Fortunatus and Septimus (L: XXXIII 2:27).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A simple service to **VMM Agape, Irene & Chionia** (§4A1; S:1453).

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone I)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes III, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of Thomas Sunday

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**: 6 troparia from Ode V of the canon of Thomas Sunday

Epistle: •Acts §11 (4:13-22). **Gospel**: •John §15 (5:17b-24).

Thursday

17/30 Thursday of the Second Week after Pascha. Tone I.

HM Symeon, bp. in Persia, and with him: MM Abdechalas and Ananias, presbyters; Usthazanes, Phusicus (Pusicus), Ascitrea, Azat (Azades) the eunuch and 1150 others. St. Acacius, bp. of Melitene. M Adrian of Corinth. St. Zosimas, abbot of Solovki. St. Agapitus, pope of Rome. Op rel St. Alexander, abbot of Svir. St. Macarius, abp. of Corinth. HM Donnan and his 52 companions, on the Isle of Eigg (Scotland).

Rep. Bl. Païsius, fool-for-Christ of the Kiev Caves (†1893).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A double service to **HM Symeon** and **St. Acacius** (§4A2; S:1454).

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone I)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes IV, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of Thomas Sunday

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**: 6 troparia from Ode VII of the canon of Thomas Sunday

Epistle: •Acts §12 (4:23-31). **Gospel**: •John §16 (5:24-30).

Friday

Fast Day: Wine & Oil allowed.

18/1 Friday of the Second Week after Pascha. Tone I.

St. John, disciple of St. Gregory of Decapolis. St. Cosmas the Confessor, bp. of Chalcedon, and his fellow struggler, St. Auxentius. MM Victor, Zoticus, Zeno, Acindynus and Severian of Nicomedia. St. Euthymius, enlightener of Karelia and founder of the St. Nicholas Monastery, and SS Anthony and Felix, righteous laymen buried in the Monastery. NM John the Tailor of Ioannina, at Constantinople. NM John Kulikas. **GC**: St. Euthymius the Wonderworker.

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A simple service to **St. John** (§4A1; S:1355).

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone I)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes V, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of Thomas Sunday

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**: 6 troparia from Ode VIII of the canon of Thomas Sunday

Epistle: •Acts §13 (5:1-11). **Gospel**: •John §17 (5:30b-6:2).

Saturday

19/2 Saturday of the Second Week after Pascha. Tone I.

St. John of the Ancient Caves in Palestine (L: VIII 2). St. George the Confessor, bp. of Antioch in Pisidia. St. Tryphon, pat. of Constantinople. MM Christopher, Theonas and Antoninus, at Nicomedia. St. Nicephorus, abbot of Katabad. HM Paphnutius of Jerusalem. St. Symeon the Barefoot of Philotheou Monastery on Mt. Athos (L: VIII 2:12). St. Joachim, abbot of Opochna (Pskov). New Venerable-martyr Agathangelus of Esphigmenou Monastery on Mt. Athos, at Smyrna. HM Alphege, abp. of Canterbury (L: XXI 2). New-hieroconfessor Victor, bp. of Glazov (†1934).

Rep. Asenatha, fool-for-Christ of Goritsa. (†1892). Rep. Schema-hieromonk Alexis of Valaam (†1900).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A simple service to **St. John** (§4A1; S:1356).

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone I)
 Four-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes VI, VII, VIII & IX)
 Canon for the departed from Saturday Matins in the Octoechos (Tone I)
 After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of Thomas Sunday

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**: 6 troparia from Ode IX of the canon of Thomas Sunday
Epistle: •Acts §15 (5:21-33). **Gospel**: •John §19 (6:14-27).

Sunday

20/3 Third Sunday after Pascha. Tone II.

Commemoration of the Myrrh-bearing Women: Mary Magdalen, Mary the wife of Cleopas, Joanna, Salome the mother of the sons of Zebedee, Mary and Martha the sisters of Lazarus, and Susanna. Righteous Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus.

St. Theodore Trichinas (the "Hair-shirt Wearer"), hermit near Constantinople. Child-martyr Gabriel of Bialystok (Ak: 1578; L: XX 2). St. Anastasius, abbot of Sinai (L: IX 2). Bl. Gregory and Bl. Anastasius I, pat. of Antioch. HM Anastasius II, pat. of Antioch. St. Alexander (Osheven), abbot near Kargopol. SS Betrannion and Theotimus, bps. of Tomi in Lesser Scythia. SS Athanasius and Joasaph, abbots of Meteora. Ap. Zacchæus, bp. of Cæsarea in Palestine.

Rep. Schema-monk Ignatius of St. Nicephorus Monastery in Olonets (†1852). St. Cædwalla (Peter), king of Wessex.

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

According to the Typicon, the service is from the Pentecostarion (§4B6). The canon and prosomoia of St. Theodore Trichinas are transferred to Little Compline on the eve of 21 April.

The simple service to St. Anastasius of Sinai (S:1464), should the rector desire to perform it, may be transferred to another convenient day or chanted at Little Compline.

Little Vespers is performed as set forth in the Pentecostarion.

Matins**Psalm 118**

Matins Gospel III: Mark §71 (16:9-20)

Katavasia of Pascha

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §16 (6:1-7). **Gospel**: •Mark §69 (15:43-16:8).

Or, if the rector so direct, a polyeleos-rank service to **Child-martyr Gabriel** (§4B7; S:1577). The canon and prosomoia of St. Theodore Trichinas are transferred to Little Compline on the eve of 21 April.

Little Vespers

At *Lord, I have cried...*:

4 stichera of the resurrection from the Pentecostarion

Glory...

Doxasticon of the Child-martyr, Tone VIII, *O thine awesome struggle...* (doxasticon from *Lord, I have cried...* of Great Vespers)

Now & ever...

Dogmatic theotokion of Little Vespers from the Pentecostarion

At the **Aposticha**:

1 sticheron of the resurrection from the Pentecostarion

3 idiomela of the Child-martyr, Tone III (from the Aposticha of Great Vespers, with their psalm verses)

Glory...

Idiomelon of the Child-martyr, Tone II, *Today a child is lured...* (idiomelon appointed after Psalm 50 in Matins)

Now & ever...

Theotokion, Tone II, *All of my hope do I set on thee, O Mother of God; keep me under thy protection* (from Section II of Appendix II in the Menaion)

After the Trisagion Prayers:

Troparion of the resurrection from the Pentecostarion

Glory...

Troparion of the Child-martyr

Now & ever...

Dismissal theotokion of the resurrection in the tone of the troparion of the Child-martyr

Great Vespers

Three readings: (1) Isa 43:9-14a, (2) Wis 3:1-9, (3) Wis 4:7-15

At the **Aposticha**:

1 sticheron of the resurrection from the Pentecostarion

4 paschal stichera, with their psalm verses

Glory...

Doxasticon of the Child-martyr from the Menaion, Tone VII, *Horrible was it for the parents of Gabriel...*

Now & ever...

Idiomelon of the Myrrh-bearers from the Pentecostarion, Tone VI, *Joseph begged the body of Jesus...*

The Order of Divine Services erroneously prescribes that *Christ is risen from the dead...* be sung after the idiomelon from the Pentecostarion.

Matins

Polyeleos

Matins Gospel III: Mark §71 (16:9-20)

Katavasia of Pascha

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §16 (6:1-7) & I Pet §58 from the midpoint (2:1-10)

Gospel: •Mark §69 (15:43-16:8) & Mark §74 (18:1-11)

Monday

21/4 Monday of the Third Week after Pascha. Tone II.

HM Januarius, bp. of Benevento, and his companions: MM Festus (Faustus), Proculus, and Sosius (Sossus), deacons; Desiderius, reader; Gantiol, Euty chius and Acuti us, laymen; at Puteoli (Pozzuoli) (L: XI 2). HM Theodore of Perge in Pamphylia; his mother, M Philippa; and MM Dioscorus, Socrates and Dionysius. M Alexandra the Empress (same as 23 Apr) (L: XIV 2). MM Isaacius, Apollo and Quadratus (Codratus) of Nicomedia. St. Maximian, pat. of Constantinople. Rep. St. Niphon of the Kiev Caves, subsequently bp. of Novgorod. St. Beuno, abbot of Clynnog Fawr. St. Ethilwald, hermit of Farne. St. Maelrubha, abbot of Applecross.

Rep. Schema-monk Nicetas of Valaam (1907).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A double service to **HM Januarius** and **HM Theodore** (§4A2; S:1358).

Little Compline

The canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos is omitted because of the vigil the preceding night.

Canon and prosomoia of St. Theodore Trichinas (transferred from 20 April)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes I, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Myrrh-bearers

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**, 8 troparia: 4 from Ode I of the canon of the Myrrh-bearers and 4 from Ode III of the canon of the Myrrh-bearers

Epistle: •Acts §17 (6:8-7:5a, 47-60). **Gospel:** •John §13 (4:46b-54).

Tuesday

22/5 Tuesday of the Third Week after Pascha. Tone II.

St. Theodore the Sykeote, bp. of Anastasiopolis. St. Vitalis, monk of the monastery of Abba Seridus in Gaza. App. Nathaniel, Luke and Clement. Tr rel St. Vsevolod (in holy baptism, Gabriel), prince of Pskov. MM Epipodius and Alexander of Lyons. **GC:** M Nearchus.

Rep. Bl. Athanasius Andreevich, fool-for-Christ of Orel (†1967).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A simple service to **St. Theodore** (§4A1; S:1359).

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone II)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes II, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Myrrh-bearers

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes:** 6 troparia from Ode IV of the canon of the Myrrh-bearers

Epistle: •Acts §18 (8:5-17). **Gospel:** •John §20 (6:27-33).

Wednesday**Fast Day: Fish, Wine & Oil allowed.****23/6** Wednesday of the Third Week after Pascha. Tone II.

Holy glorious GM George. MM Anatolius and Protoleon, soldiers converted upon witnessing the martyrdom of GM George. M Alexandra the Empress (L: XIV 2). MM Glycerius and Athanasius the Sorcerer, at Nicomedia. M Valerius. MM Donatus and Therinus. Bl. George, fool-for-Christ of Shenkursk. NM George of Cyprus, at Ptolemais (Acre). NM Lazarus the Bulgarian, who suffered near Pergamum.

St. Ethelbert, king of Wessex. St. Ethelred, king of England.

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A vigil-rank service to **GM George** (§4A3; S:1360). The three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes III, VIII and IX) appointed at Little Compline is transferred to Little Compline on the eve of 24 April.

Little Vespers

The service is performed as set forth in the Menaion.

Great Vespers

Three readings: (1) Is 43:9-14a, (2) Wis 3:1-9, (3) Wis 4:7-15

Matins

Gospel: Luke §63 (12:2-12)

Katavasia of Pascha

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**, 8 troparia: 4 from Ode V of the canon of the Myrrh-bearers and 4 from Ode III of Canon I of the Great-martyr

Epistle: •Acts §19 (8:18-25) & Acts §29 (12:1-11)

Gospel: •John §21 (6:35-39) & John §52 (15:17-16:2)

Thursday**24/7** Thursday of the Third Week after Pascha. Tone II.

M Sabbas Stratelates ("the General") of Rome and 70 soldiers with him. MM Eusebius, Neon, Leontius, Longinus and others, at Nicomedia. MM Pasicrates and Valention (Valentine) of Durostorum in Mœsia (Silistra, Bulgaria). St. Thomas the Fool of Syria. St. Elizabeth the Wonderworker of Constantinople. SS Sabbas and Alexis the Recluse, of the Kiev Caves. NM Doukas of Mytilene, at Constantinople. NM Nicholas of Magnesia. SS Iorest and Sabbas (Brancovich), met. of Ardeal and confessors against the Calvinists. St. Mellitus, abp. of Canterbury. Tr rel St. Wilfrid, bp. of York. St. Egbert, bp. of Iona. Uncovering rel St. Ivo (Yvo) of Ramsey, bp.

Rep. Schema-monk Nicholas of Valaam (†1947).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A simple service to **M Sabbas** (§4A1; S:1283).

Vespers

The reading of the kathisma from the Psalter is omitted because of the vigil the preceding night.

Little Compline

The canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos is omitted because of the vigil the preceding night.

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes III, VIII and IX) (transferred from 23 April)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes IV, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Myrrh-bearers

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**: 6 troparia from Ode VII of the canon of the Myrrh-bearers

Epistle: •Acts §20 (8:26-39). **Gospel**: •John §22 (6:40-44).

Friday

Fast Day: Wine & Oil allowed.

25/8 Friday of the Third Week after Pascha. Tone II.

Ap. and Evangelist Mark. St. Macedonius II, pat. of Constantinople. St. Sylvester, abbot of Obnora (L: XX 2). **GC**: M Nice. Eight anchorites who were martyred.

Rep. Bassian the Blind of the Kiev Caves (1827). Schema-hieromonk Basil (Vasile) of Poiana Marului (1767) (L:OL 91:6).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A polyeleos-rank service to **Ap. Mark** (§4A3; S:1225).

Great Vespers

Three readings: (1) Jas 1:1-12, (2) Jas 1:13-27, (3) Jas 2:1-13

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone II)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes V, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Apostle; *Glory... Now & ever...*, kontakion of the Myrrh-bearers

Matins

Gospel: Luke §50 (10:1-15)

Katavasia of Pascha

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**, 8 troparia: 4 from Ode VIII of the canon of the Myrrh-bearers and 4 from Ode III of the canon of the Apostle

Epistle: •Acts §21 (8:40-9:19a) & I Pet §63 (5:6-14)

Gospel: •John §23 (6:48-54) & Mark §23 (6:7-13)

Saturday

26/9 Saturday of the Third Week after Pascha. Tone II.

HM Basil, bp. of Amasea. St. Stephen, bp. of Great Perm. RV Glaphyra. St. Joannicius of Devich in Serbia. St. Justa. **GC**: St. Nestor the Silent. SS Andrew and Anatolius, disciples of St. Euthymius the Great.

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

According to the Typicon, a simple service to **HM Basil** (§4A1; S:1361).

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone II)

Four-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes VI, VII, VIII & IX)

Canon for the departed from Saturday Matins in the Octoechos (Tone II)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Myrrh-bearers

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**: 6 troparia from Ode IX of the canon of the Myrrh-bearers

Epistle: •Acts §22 (9:19b-31). **Gospel**: •John §52 (15:17-16:2).

Or, if the rector so direct, a polyeleos-rank service to **St. Stephen** (§4A3; S:1455). The canon and prosomoia of Hieromartyr Basil are transferred to Little Compline.

Great Vespers

Three readings: (1) see Menaion, (2) Prov 10:31-11:12, (3) see Menaion

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone II)

Four-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes VI, VII, VIII & IX)

Canon for the departed from Saturday Matins in the Octoechos (Tone II)

Canon and prosomoia of Hieromartyr Basil

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Hierarchy; *Glory... Now & ever...*, kontakion of the Myrrh-bearers

Matins

Gospel: John §35 from the midpoint (10:1-9)

Katavasia of Pascha

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**, 8 troparia: 4 from Ode IX of the canon of the Myrrh-bearers and 4 from Ode III of the canon of the Hierarchy

Epistle: •Acts §22 (9:19b-31) & Heb §318 (7:26-8:2)

Gospel: •John §52 (15:17-16:2) & Matt §24 (7:24-8:4)

Sunday

27/10 Fourth Sunday after Pascha. Tone III. *Sunday of the Paralytic*.

HM Symeon, kinsman of the Lord, bp. of Jerusalem (L:OL 88:2). St. Stephen, abbot of the Kiev Caves, subsequently bp. of Vladimir in Volhynia. St. John the Confessor, abbot of the Cathara Monastery in Bithynia. St. Machalus, bp. of the Isle of Man. **GC**: M Pollio (Poplion), reader of Cybalæ (Pannonia). St. Eulogius the Hospitable of Constantinople. M Lollion the New.

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

Service from the Pentecostarion (§4B6). The canon and prosomoia of Hieromartyr Symeon are transferred to Little Compline on the eve of 28 April.

Little Vespers is performed as set forth in the Pentecostarion.

Matins

Psalm 118

Matins Gospel IV: Luke §112 (24:1-12)

Katavasia of Pascha

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §23 (9:32-42). **Gospel:** •John §14 (5:1-15).

Monday

28/11 Monday of the Fourth Week after Pascha. Tone III.

App. Jason and Sosipater, of the Seventy, and their companions: MM Saturninus, Jakischolus (Inischolus), Faustian, Januarius, Marsalius, Euphrasius, Mammus, V Cercyra and Christodulus the Ethiopian, at Corfu; MM Zeno, Eusebius, Neon and Vitalis, who were converted by App. Jason and Sosipater. MM Dada, Maximus and Quinctilian, at Durostorum in Moesia (Silistra, Bulgaria). St. Cyril, bp. of Turov (L: XI 2). St. Auxibius, bp. of Soli on Cyprus. St. Cyriacus, abbot of Kargopol (Vologda). **GC:** Miracle at Carthage (L: IX 2).

Rep. Bl. Elder Basil (Kishkin) of Ploshchansk Hermitage (†1831).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A double service to **App. Jason & Sosipater** and **MM Dada, Maximus & Quinctilian** (§4A2; S:1362).

Little Compline

The canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos is omitted because of the vigil the preceding night.

Canon and prosomoia of Hieromartyr Symeon (transferred from 27 April)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes I, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Paralytic

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes:** 6 troparia from Ode I of the canon of the Paralytic

Epistle: •Acts §24 (10:1-16). **Gospel:** •John §24 (6:56-69).

Tuesday

29/12 Tuesday of the Fourth Week after Pascha. Tone III.

Nine MM at Cyzicus: Theognis, Rufus, Antipater, Theostichus, Artemas, Magnus, Theodotus, Thaumasius and Philemon. St. Memnon the Wonderworker. St. Basil, met. of Zachlunia (Herzegovina), wonderworker of Ostrog (Montenegro). MM Diodorus and Rhodian the deacon, at Aphrodisia in Anatolia. St. Nectarius, confessor of Optina (1928) (L:OL 86:2&3). St. Endelienta (Endellion), nun-recluse of Cornwall. St. Secundellus the Deacon (†c. 560)(Gaul).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

According to the Typicon, a double service to the **Nine MM at Cyzicus** and **St. Memnon** (§4A2; S:1363).

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone III)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes II, VIII and IX)

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Paralytic

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes:** 6 troparia from Ode IX of the canon of the Paralytic

Epistle: •Acts §25 (10:21-33). **Gospel:** •John §25 (7:1-13).

Or, if the rector so direct, a polyeleos-rank service to **St. Basil of Ostrog** (§4A3; S:1632). The canons and prosomoia of the Nine Martyrs at Cyzicus and St. Memnon are transferred to Little Compline.

Great Vespers

Three readings: (1) see Menaion, (2) Prov 10:31-11:12, (3) see Menaion

Little Compline

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone III)

Three-ode canon from the Pentecostarion (Odes II, VIII and IX)

Canon and prosomoia of the Martyrs at Cyzicus

Canon and prosomoia of St. Memnon

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Hierarch; *Glory... Now & ever...*, kontakion of the Paralytic

Matins

Gospel: John §36 (10:9-16)

Katavasia of Pascha

Liturgy

At the **Beatitudes**, 8 troparia: 4 from Ode IX of the canon of the Paralytic and 4 from Ode III of the canon of the Hierarch

Epistle: •Acts §25 (10:21-33) & Heb §335 (13:17-25)

Gospel: •John §25 (7:1-13) & Lk §24 (6:17-23a)

Wednesday

Fast Day: Fish, Wine & Oil allowed.

30/13 Wednesday of the Fourth Week after Pascha. Tone III. **Mid-Pentecost.**

Apostle James, the brother of Ap. John the Theologian. St. Donatus, bp. of Euroœa in Epirus. M Maximus of Ephesus. Op rel St. Nicetas, bp. of Novgorod. Tr rel St. Sabbas, abbot of Zvenigorod Monastery. St. Clement the Hymnographer, abbot of the Studion. NM Argyra of Prussa, at Constantinople. St. Erkonwald, bp. of London (L/S XXXIII 2:18; XIV 2). St. Ignatius (Brianchaninov), bp. of the Caucasus and the Black Sea (†1867). Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos "Of the Passion".

Rep. Schema-abbess Martha (Protasieva), disciple of St. Païsius Velichkovsky (1813).

Dismissal: *May Christ our true God, who rose from the dead...*

A polyeleos-rank service to **Ap. James** (S:1033) combined with the service for **Mid-Pentecost** in the Pentecostarion.

Detailed instructions for the service may be requested by e-mail addressed to: danielolson@cox.net

Great Vespers

Six readings –

Three for Mid-Pentecost: (1) and (2) see the Pentecostarion, (3) Prov 9:1-11

Three for Apostle James: (1) Jas 1:1-12, (2) Jas 1:13-27, (3) Jas 2:1-13

Matins

Gospel: John §67 (21:15-25)

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §34 (14:6b-18) & Acts §29 (12:1-11)

Gospel: •John §26 (7:14-30) & Luke §17 (5:1b-11)

*It is customary on this day to perform the **Lesser Blessing of Water** and the **Blessing of Fields**.*
