

APRIL

Sunday

Fast Day: Wine & Oil allowed.

1/14 Fourth Sunday of Great Lent. Tone IV. *Commemoration of St. John Climacus, author of The Ladder of Divine Ascent.*

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).

Service from the Triodion (§3B17). The canon and prosomoia of St. Mary of Egypt are transferred to Little Compline on the eve of 2 April.

Little Vespers on Saturday Evening

The service is performed as set forth in the Octoechos.

Matins

Psalm 118

Matins Gospel I: Matt §116 (28:16-20)

Katavasia of the Theotokos

At the **Praises:**

9 stichera –

6 stichera of the resurrection from the Octoechos

Verse, *I will confess Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart, I will tell of all Thy wonders.*

Seventh sticheron of the resurrection from the Octoechos

Verse, *I will be glad and rejoice in Thee, I will chant unto Thy Name, O Most High.*

Eighth sticheron of the resurrection from the Octoechos

Verse, *Arise, O Lord my God, let Thy hand be lifted high; forget not Thy paupers to the end.*

Idiomelon from the Triodion, Tone I, *Come let us work...*

Glory...

Same idiomelon from the Triodion, Tone I, *Come let us work...*

The Order of Divine Services, page 123, erroneously prescribes the idiomelon from the Triodion, *The Kingdom of God...*, which is properly appointed at the Praises of Matins on the Fifth Sunday of Great Lent.

Now & ever...

Theotokion, Tone II, *Most blessed art thou...*

Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

Prokeimenon from the Octoechos and of the Saint, Tone VII, *The saints shall boast in glory, and they shall rejoice upon their beds.*

Epistle: •Heb §314 (6:13-20) & Eph §229 (5:8b-19)

Alleluia from the Octoechos and of the Saint, Tone IV, *They that are planted in the house of the Lord, in the courts of our God they shall blossom forth.*

Gospel: •Mark §40 (9:17-31) & Matt §10 (4:25-5:12a)

Monday**Fast Day.****2/15** Monday of the Fifth Week of Great Lent. Tone IV.

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.

A simple service to **St. Titus the Wonderworker** (§3A1; S:1280).

Little Compline on Sunday Evening

The service is performed as set forth in the Horologion, with bows beginning at the Doxology.

After the Symbol of Faith, *I believe...* (the canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos being omitted because of the vigil the preceding night):

Canon and prosomoia of St. Mary of Egypt (S:1030) (transferred from 1 April)

Canon and prosomoia of Martyr Sabbas Stratelates (S:1283) (transferred from 24 April)

After Ode IX of the canon, *It is truly meet...* is sung.

Reader: Trisagion Prayers

Priest: *For Thine is the kingdom...*

Reader: *Amen.*

In a temple of the Lord or of the Theotokos –

Troparion of the temple

Troparion of the day, *O supreme commanders of the heavenly armies...*

In a temple of archangels –

Troparion of the day, *O supreme commanders of the heavenly armies...*

In a temple of a saint (other than archangels) –

Troparion of the day, *O supreme commanders of the heavenly armies...*

Troparion of the temple

O God of our fathers...

Adorned in the blood...

Glory...

With the saints...

Now & ever...

Through the intercessions...

Lord, have mercy, 40 times

Thou who at all times...

Lord, have mercy, thrice

Glory... Now & ever...

More honorable...

In the name of the Lord...

Priest: *God be gracious unto us...*

Reader: *Amen.*

The Prayer of St. Ephraim is said once with three prostrations. Then, *God be merciful to me, the sinner*, is said twelve times, with a bow each time. Then the Prayer of St. Ephraim is repeated with one prostration.

Reader: *Amen.*

Trisagion Prayers

Priest: *For Thine is the kingdom...*

Reader: *Amen.*

Lord, have mercy, 12 times

O undefiled, untainted...

And grant unto us, O Master...

Most glorious Ever-virgin...

My hope is the Father...

Priest: *Glory to Thee, O Christ God...*

Choir: *Glory... Now & ever...*

Lord have mercy, thrice

Bless!

The priest gives the little dismissal, *May Christ our true God...*

Choir: *Amen.*

Then follows the usual rite of forgiveness.

The priest then says the final litany, concluding with, *Through the prayers of our holy fathers...*

Choir: *Amen.*

Sixth Hour: Isa 37:33-38:6

Tuesday

Fast Day.

3/16 Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Great Lent. Tone IV.

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

A simple service to **St. Nicetas of Medikion** (§3A1; S:1031).

Vespers on Monday: (1) Gen 13:12-18, (2) Prov 14:27-15:4

Great Compline on Monday Evening

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone IV)

Canon and prosomoia of Hieromartyr Basil of Amasea (S:1361) (transferred from 26 April)

Sixth Hour: Isa 40:18-31

Wednesday**Fast Day: Wine & Oil allowed.****4/17** Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Great Lent. Tone IV.

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).

A double service to **St. Joseph the Hymnographer** and **St. George of Mt. Maleon** (§3A2; S:1281).

Vespers on Tuesday: (1) Gen 15:1-15, (2) Prov 15:7-19

Great Compline on Tuesday Evening

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone IV)

Canon and prosomoia of Martyrs Theodulus and Agathopodes (S:1214) (transferred from 5 April)

Sixth Hour: Isa 41:4-14

Thursday**Fast Day: Wine & Oil allowed.****5/18** Thursday of the Fifth Week of Great Lent. Tone IV. *Service of the Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete.*

MM Theodulus the reader, Agathopodes (Agathopous) the deacon *et al.*, 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 Monastery (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 (§3B18). The canon and prosomoia of Martyrs Theodulus and Agathopodes are transferred to Great Compline on the eve of 4 April.

Vespers on Wednesday: (1) Gen 17:1-9, (2) Prov 15:20-16:9

Little Compline on Wednesday Evening

The service is performed as set forth in the Horologion, with bows.

The canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos is omitted.

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Great Canon from the Triodion

Reader: *Lord, have mercy*, 40 times

Thou who at all times...

Lord, have mercy, thrice

Glory... Now & ever...

More honorable...

In the name of the Lord...

Priest: *God be gracious unto us...*

Reader: *Amen.*

The Prayer of St. Ephraim is said once with three prostrations. Then, *God be merciful to me, the sinner*, is said twelve times, with a bow each time. Then the Prayer of St. Ephraim is repeated with one prostration.

Reader: *Amen*.

Trisagion Prayers

Priest: *For Thine is the kingdom...*

Reader: *Amen*.

Lord, have mercy, 12 times

O undefiled, untainted...

And grant unto us, O Master...

Most glorious Ever-virgin...

My hope is the Father...

Priest: *Glory to Thee, O Christ God...*

Choir: *Glory... Now & ever...*

Lord have mercy, thrice

Bless!

The priest gives the little dismissal, *May Christ our true God...*

Choir: *Amen*.

Then follows the usual rite of forgiveness.

The priest then says the final litany, concluding with, *Through the prayers of our holy fathers...*

Choir: *Amen*.

Sixth Hour: Isa 42:5-16

Friday

Fast Day: Wine allowed.

6/19 Friday of the Fifth Week of Great Lent. Tone IV.

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 the Nizhny Novgorod Caves Monastery (†1859).

A simple service to **St. Eutychius of Constantinople** (§3A1; S:1215).

Vespers on Thursday: (1) Gen 18:20-33, (2) Prov 16:17-17:17

Great Compline on Thursday Evening

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone IV)

Canon and prosomoia of St. George of Mitylene (S:1216) (transferred from 7 April)

Sixth Hour: Isa 45:11-17

Saturday**Fast Day: Wine & Oil allowed.****7/20** Fifth Saturday of Great Lent. Tone IV. *Saturday of the Akathist Hymn. Laudations of the Most Holy Theotokos.*

St. George the Confessor, bp. of Mytilene. M Calliopos, at Pompeiopolis in Cilicia. MM Rufinus the 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).

Service from the Triodion (§3B19). The canon and prosomoia of St. George of Mytilene are transferred to Great Compline on the eve of 6 April.

Great Vespers with the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Friday

The service is performed without bows.

Kathisma XVIII from the Psalter in 3 stases, with a Little Litany after each stasis.

At Lord, I have cried...:

10 stichera –

3 stichera from the Triodion, Tone VI:

Idiomelon, *Departing from Thy divine commandments...*, twice

Martyricon, *Thy martyrs, O Lord...*

7 prosomoia from the Triodion, Tone VI, each prosomoion being repeated as indicated:

First prosomoion, *Revealing the pre-eternal counsel...*, thrice

Second prosomoion, *Thou dost appear to me...*, twice

Third prosomoion, *When God so wisheth...*, twice

Glory... Now & ever...

Idiomelon of the Akathist from the Triodion, Tone II, *Today is revealed...*

Entrance with the censer

O gladsome Light... is sung.

First prokeimenon from the Triodion

First reading from the Triodion: Gen 22:1-18

Second prokeimenon from the Triodion

Second reading from the Triodion: Prov 17:17-18:5

Then, *Let my prayer be set forth...* is chanted, followed by the Prayer of St. Ephraim with 3 prostrations.

The rest of the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is performed according to the usual order.

Little Compline on Friday Evening

The service is performed as set forth in the Horologion, without bows.

After the Symbol of Faith, *I believe...:*

The canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos is omitted.

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

After Ode IX of the canon, *It is truly meet...* is sung.

After the Trisagion Prayers: kontakion of the Akathist from the Triodion

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Epistle: •Heb §322 (9:24-28) & Heb §320 (9:1-7)

Gospel: •Mark §35 (8:27-31) & Luke §54 (10:38-42, 11:27-28)

Sunday**Fast Day: Wine & Oil allowed.**

8/21 Fifth Sunday of Great Lent. Tone V. *Commemoration of St. Mary of Egypt.*

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).

Service from the Triodion (§3B20). The canon and prosomoia of Apostles Herodion, Agabus, Asyncritus, Rufus, Phlegon, and Hermes are transferred to Little Compline on the eve of 9 April.

Little Vespers on Saturday Evening

The service is performed as set forth in the Octoechos.

Matins**Psalm 118**

Matins Gospel II: Mark §70 (16:1-8)

Katavasia of the Theotokos

At the **Praises:**

9 stichera –

6 stichera of the resurrection from the Octoechos

Verse, *I will confess Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart, I will tell of all Thy wonders.*

Seventh sticheron of the resurrection from the Octoechos

Verse, *I will be glad and rejoice in Thee, I will chant unto Thy Name, O Most High.*

Eighth sticheron of the resurrection from the Octoechos

Verse, *Arise, O Lord my God, let Thy hand be lifted high; forget not Thy paupers to the end.*

Idiomelon from the Triodion, Tone I, *The Kingdom of God....*

Glory...

Same idiomelon from the Triodion, Tone I, *The Kingdom of God...*

Now & ever...

Theotokion, Tone II, *Most blessed art thou...*

Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

Prokeimenon from the Octoechos, and of the Saint, Tone IV, *Wondrous is God in his saints, the God of Israel.*

Epistle: •Heb §321 from the midpoint (9:11-14) & Gal §208 (3:23-29)

Alleluia from the Octoechos, and of the Saint, Tone I, *With patience I waited patiently for the Lord, and He was attentive unto me, and He hearkened to my supplication.*

Gospel: •Mark §47 (10:32b-45) & Luke §33 (7:36-50)

Monday**Fast Day.****9/22** Monday of the Sixth Week of Great Lent. Tone V.

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).

A simple service to **M Euppsychius of Cæsarea** (§3A1; S:1447).

Little Compline on Sunday Evening

The service is performed as set forth in the Horologion, with bows beginning at the Doxology.

After the Symbol of Faith, *I believe...* (the canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos being omitted because of the vigil the preceding night):

Canon and prosomoia of Apostles Herodion, Agabus, Asyncritus, Rufus, Phlegon, and Hermes (S:1217) (transferred from 8 April)

Canon and prosomoia of Hieromartyr Symeon (S:1284) (transferred from 27 April)

After Ode IX of the canon, *It is truly meet...* is sung.

Reader: Trisagion Prayers

Priest: *For Thine is the kingdom...*

Reader: *Amen.*

In a temple of the Lord or of the Theotokos –

Troparion of the temple

Troparion of the day, *O supreme commanders of the heavenly armies...*

In a temple of archangels –

Troparion of the day, *O supreme commanders of the heavenly armies...*

In a temple of a saint (other than archangels) –

Troparion of the day, *O supreme commanders of the heavenly armies...*

Troparion of the temple

O God of our fathers...

Adorned in the blood...

Glory...

With the saints...

Now & ever...

Through the intercessions...

Lord, have mercy, 40 times

Thou who at all times...

Lord, have mercy, thrice

Glory... Now & ever...

More honorable...

In the name of the Lord...

Priest: *God be gracious unto us...*

Reader: *Amen.*

The Prayer of St. Ephraim is said once with three prostrations. Then, *God be merciful to me, the sinner*, is said twelve times, with a bow each time. Then the Prayer of St. Ephraim is repeated with one prostration.

Reader: *Amen.*

Trisagion Prayers

Priest: *For Thine is the kingdom...*

Reader: *Amen.*

Lord, have mercy, 12 times

O undefiled, untainted...

And grant unto us, O Master...

Most glorious Ever-virgin...

My hope is the Father...

Priest: *Glory to Thee, O Christ God...*

Choir: *Glory... Now & ever...*

Lord have mercy, thrice

Bless!

The priest gives the little dismissal, *May Christ our true God...*

Choir: *Amen.*

Then follows the usual rite of forgiveness.

The priest then says the final litany, concluding with, *Through the prayers of our holy fathers...*

Choir: *Amen.*

Sixth Hour: Isa 48:17-49:4

Tuesday

Fast Day.

10/23 Tuesday of the Sixth Week of Great Lent. Tone V.

MM Terence, Pompey, Africanus, Maximus, Zeno, Alexander, Theodore, Macarius and 32 others beheaded at Carthage (L:OL 88:2). New-hieromartyr Gregory V, pat. of Constantinople (L: XII 1:21; L:OL 78:2). MM James the presbyter, Azadanus (Azas) the deacon and Abdicius the deacon, 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.

According to the Typicon, a simple service to **M Terrence et al.** (§3A1; S:1448).

Vespers on Monday: (1) Gen 27:1-41, (2) Prov 19:16-25

Great Compline on Monday Evening

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone V)

Canon of Apostles Jason and Sosipater (S:1362) (transferred from 28 April)

After *It is truly meet...*:

3 prosomoia of Apostles Jason and Sosipater, Tone VIII

Glory... Now & ever...

Theotokion prosomoion, Tone VIII, *My thoughts are impure...* (from *Lord, I have cried...* at Vespers in the service to Martyr Euphychius of Cæsarea on 9 April in the Menaion)

Sixth Hour: Isa 49:6-10

Or, if the rector so direct, a polyeleos-rank service to **New-hieromartyr Gregory of Constantinople** (S:1286). The canon and prosomoia of Martyr Terence *et al.* are transferred to Great Compline. *Wine and oil allowed.*

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

Great Vespers on Monday

Two readings from the Triodion: (1) Gen 27:1-41, (2) Prov 19:16-25

Three readings for the New-hieromartyr from the Menaion: (1) and (2) composite readings – see the Menaion, (3) Isaiah 43:9-14a

Great Compline on Monday Evening

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone V)

Canon and prosomoia of Apostles Jason and Sosipater (S:1362) (transferred from 28 April)

Canon and prosomoia of Martyr Terence *et al.* (S:1448)

Matins

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

Sixth Hour

Prophecy from the Triodion: Isa 49:6-10

Great Vespers and the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Tuesday

Two readings from the Triodion: (1) Gen 31:3-16, (2) Prov 21:3-21

Epistle: Heb §334 (13:7-16). **Gospel:** Luke §67 (12:32-40).

Wednesday**Fast Day.**

11/24 Wednesday of the Sixth Week of Great Lent. Tone V.

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. Callinic of Cernica, bp. of Rimnicu Valcea (Romania). St. Guthlac, hieromonk of Crowland. Appearance of the Most Holy Theotokos at Pochaev (the Footprint).

A simple service to **HM Antipas of Pergamum** (§3A1; S:1449).

Vespers on Tuesday: (1) Gen 31:3-16, (2) Prov 21:3-21

Great Compline on Tuesday Evening

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone V)

Canon and prosomoia of Martyrs Dada, Maximus and Quintilian (S:1362) (transferred from 28 April)

Matins

If a polyeleos-rank service was performed to New-hieromartyr Gregory of Constantinople on 10 March:

At the **Praises** –

4 prosomoia of Hieromartyr Antipas of Pergamum, Tone IV, repeating the first of three (from *Lord, I have cried...* at Vespers in the Menaion)

Glory... Now & ever...

Stavrotheotokion prosomoion, Tone IV, *Beholding Christ...*

To Thee glory is due... is not said.

Reader: *Glory to Thee, who hast shown us the light.*

Doxology

Sixth Hour: Isa 58:1-11

Thursday**Fast Day.**

12/25 Thursday of the Sixth Week of Great Lent. Tone V.

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.

According to the Typicon, a simple service to **St. Basil of Parium** (§3A1; S:1450).

Vespers on Wednesday: (1) Gen 43:26-31, 45:1-16, (2) Prov 21:23-22:4

Great Compline on Wednesday Evening

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone V)

Canon and prosomoia of the Nine Martyrs at Cyzicus (S:1363) (transferred from 29 April)

Sixth Hour: Isa 65:8-16

Or a polyeleos-rank service to **MM Anthony, John & Eustathius of Vilnius** (S:1287) (transferred from 14 April). The canon and prosomoia of St. Basil of Parium are transferred to Great Compline. *Wine and oil allowed.*

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Great Vespers on Wednesday

Two readings from the Triodion: (1) Gen 43:26-31, 45:1-16, (2) Prov 21:23-22:4

Three readings for the Martyrs from the Menaion: (1) Isa 43:9-14a, (2) Wis 3:1-9, (3) Wis 4:7-15

Great Compline on Wednesday Evening

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone V)

Canon and prosomoia of St. Basil of Parium (S:1450)

Canon and prosomoia of the Nine Martyrs at Cyzicus (S:1363) (transferred from 29 April)

Matins**Gospel:** Matt §36 (10:16-22)**Sixth Hour**

Prophecy from the Triodion: Isa 65:8-16

Great Vespers and the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Thursday

Two readings from the Triodion: Gen 46:1-7, (2) Prov 23:15-24:5

Epistle: Eph §233 (6:10-17). **Gospel:** Matt §36 (10:16-22).**Friday****Fast Day.****13/26** Friday of the Sixth Week of Great Lent. Tone V.

HM Artemon, presbyter of Laodicea in Syria. M Crescens of Myra in Lycia. M Eleutherius of Persia. M Zoïlus 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.

A simple service to **HM Artemon of Laodicea** (§3A1; S:1451).**Vespers on Thursday:** (1) Gen 46:1-7, (2) Prov 23:15-24:5**Great Compline on Thursday Evening**

Canon of the Theotokos from the Octoechos (Tone V)

Canon and prosomoia of St. Memnon (S:1363) (transferred from 29 April)

Matins

If a polyeleos-rank service was performed to Martyrs Anthony, John and Eustathius of Vilnius on 12 April:

At the **Praises** –

4 prosomoia of Hieromartyr Artemon, Tone I, repeating the first of three (from *Lord, I have cried...* at Vespers in the Menaion)

*Glory... Now & ever...*Stavrotheotokion prosomoion, Tone I, *Standing before the Cross...**To Thee glory is due...* is not said.Reader: *Glory to Thee, who hast shown us the light.*

Doxology

Sixth Hour: Isa 66:10-24**Saturday****Fast Day: Caviar, Wine & Oil allowed.****14/27** Sixth Saturday of Great Lent. Tone V. **Lazarus Saturday.**

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 Thomais of Alexandria (L:OL 75:4). **GC:** St. Cyriacus, bp. in Jerusalem (†133AD).

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

Service from the Triodion (§3B21).

The polyeleos-rank service to Martyrs Anthony, John and Eustathius of Vilnius, should the rector desire to perform it, is transferred to 12 April.

Vespers on Friday: (1) Gen 49:33-50:26, (2) Prov 31:8-31

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Epistle: •Heb §333 from the midpoint (12:28-13:8). **Gospel:** •John §39 (11:1-45).

Sunday

Fast Day: Fish, Wine & Oil allowed.

15/28 Sixth Sunday of Great Lent. Tone VI. **THE ENTRY OF THE LORD INTO JERUSALEM. PALM SUNDAY.**

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 (Padarn), 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 for our salvation deigned to ride the colt of an ass...*

Service from the Triodion (§3B22).

Little Vespers on Saturday Evening

The service is performed as set forth in the Triodion (see *The Lenten Triodion Supplement*, pages 308-309).

Great Vespers on Saturday Evening

Three readings for the feast from the Triodion: (1) Gen 49:1-2, 8-12; (2) Zeph 3:14-19; (3) Zach 9:9-15

Matins

Gospel: Matt §83 (21:1-11, 15-17)

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Epistle: •Phil §247 (4:4-9). **Gospel:** •John §41 (12:1-18).

From Great Monday until 22 September, at the Midnight Office on weekdays (Monday through Friday), the two prayers of St. Basil the Great — O Lord Almighty, God of hosts... and We bless Thee, O Most High God... — are not read.

Monday

Fast Day.

16/29 GREAT MONDAY.

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, the Lord who for our salvation cometh to His voluntary Passion...*

Service from the Triodion (§3B23).

Matins

Gospel: Matt §84 through the first verse of §88 (21:18-43)

Third Hour**Gospel:** Matt §1-66 (1:1-16:12)**Sixth Hour**

Prophecy from the Triodion: Ezek 1:1-20

Gospel: Matt §67-116 (16:13-28:20)**Ninth Hour****Gospel:** Mark §1-39 (1:1-9:16)**Great Vespers with the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Great Monday**

Two readings from the Triodion: (1) Ex 1:1-20, (2) Job 1:1-12

Gospel: Matt §98-101 (24:3-35)**Tuesday****Fast Day.****17/30 GREAT TUESDAY.**

HM Symeon, bp. in Persia, and with him: MM Abdechalas and Ananias, the 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. Paisius, fool-for-Christ of the Kiev Caves (†1893).

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)**Third Hour****Gospel:** Mark §40-71 (9:17-16:20)**Sixth Hour**

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

Gospel: Luke §1-38 (1:1-8:39)**Ninth Hour****Gospel:** Luke §39-82 (8:40-16:18)**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.****18/1 GREAT WEDNESDAY.**

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, 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)

Third Hour

Gospel: Luke §83-114 (16:19-24:53)

Sixth Hour

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

Gospel: John §1-26 (1:1-7:36)

Ninth Hour

Gospel: John §27-46 (7:37-13:32)

Typica

After Our Father:

In a temple of the Lord or of a saint –

Kontakion from the Triodion, *I have transgressed...*

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, *I have transgressed...*

Glory...

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

Now & ever...

Kontakion of the temple

Instead of the usual dismissal of the Typica, 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 on Great Wednesday, prostrations in church are discontinued until Pentecost (except before the Holy Winding Sheet).

The usual Litia for the Dead appointed after Vespers and after the First Hour is omitted until Monday of Thomas Week.

Thursday

Fast Day: Wine & Oil allowed.

19/2 GREAT THURSDAY. *Commemoration of the Mystical Supper.*

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 through His surpassing goodness showed the most excellent way of humility when He washed the feet of His disciples, and condescended 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.****20/3 GREAT FRIDAY.** *Commemoration of the holy and salvific Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

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 for us men and for our salvation deigned to suffer the dread Passion, and the life-creating Cross and voluntary burial in the flesh...*

Service from the Triodion (§3B27).

The polyeleos-rank service to Child-martyr Gabriel of Bialystok, should the rector desire to perform it, is transferred to Bright Tuesday, 24 April.

The simple service to St. Anastasis of Sinai, should the rector desire to perform it, is transferred after Bright Week to the nearest convenient day or to Little Compline.

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.****21/4 GREAT SATURDAY.**

HM Januarius, bp. of Benevento, and his companions: MM Festus (Faustus), Proculus, and Sosius (Sossus), deacons; Desiderius, reader; Gantiol, Euty chius and Acutius, laymen; at Puteoli (Pozzuoli) (also 19 Sep) (L: XI 2). HM Theodore of Perge in Pamphylia; his mother, M Philippa; and MM Dioscorus, Socrates and Dionysius. M Alexandra the Empress (also 23 Apr) (L: XIV 2). MM Isaacius, Apollo and Quadratus (Codratus) of Nicomedia. St. Maximian, pat. of Constantinople (also 17 Nov). Rep. St. Niphon of the Kiev Caves, subsequently bp. of Novgorod. St. Beuno, abbot of Clynnog Fawr. St. Ethilwold, hermit of Farne. St. Maelrubha, abbot of Applecross.

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

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 1:1-4:11
- (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 61:1-10
- (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.****22/5 HOLY AND GREAT SUNDAY OF PASCHA. THE BRIGHT RESURRECTION OF CHRIST.**

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 Saiko, fool-for-Christ of Orel (†1967).

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 on Sunday Evening

Three readings for Great-martyr George from the Menaion: (1) Is 43:9-14a, (2) Wis 3:1-9, (3) Wis 4:7-15

Gospel: John §65 (20:19-25)

Monday**Fast-free Period.****23/6 BRIGHT MONDAY.**

Holy glorious GM George the Trophy-bearer. MM Anatolius and Protleon, soldiers converted upon witnessing the martyrdom of GM George. M Alexandra the Empress (also 21 Apr) (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, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life...*

A vigil-rank service to **GM George the Trophy-bearer** (S:1360) combined with the paschal service in the Pentecostarion as set forth in Appendix A-I of *The Order of Divine Services*, pages 249-253.

Matins

Gospel: Luke §63 (12:2-12)

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §2 (1:12-17, 21-26) & Acts §29 (12:1-11)

Gospel: •John §2 (1:18-28) & John §52 (15:17-16:2)

Tuesday**Fast-free Period.****24/7 BRIGHT TUESDAY.** *Commemoration of New-martyrs Raphael, Nicholas, Irene & Olympias of Mytilene (L: OL 82:5).*

M Sabbas Stratelates ("the General") of Rome and 70 soldiers with him. MM Eusebius, Neon, Leontius, Longinus and others, at Nicomedia. MM Pasocrates 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, 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 §4 (2:14-21). **Gospel:** •Luke §113 (24:12-35).

Or, if the rector so direct, a polyeleos-rank service to **Child-martyr Gabriel of Bialystok** (S:1577) (transferred from 20 April) 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 on Bright Monday Evening

Three readings for the Child-martyr from the Menaion: (1) Isa 43:9-14a, (2) Wis 3:1-9, (3) Wis 4:7-15

Matins

Gospel: Luke §63 (12:2-12)

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §4 (2:14-21) & I Pet §58 from the midpoint (2:1-10)

Gospel: •Luke §113 (24:12-35) & Mark §74 (18:1-11)

Wednesday

Fast-free Period.

25/8 BRIGHT WEDNESDAY.

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, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life...*

A polyeleos-rank service to **Ap. Mark the Evangelist** (S:1225) 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 on Bright Tuesday Evening

Three readings for the Evangelist from the Menaion: (1) Jas 1:1-12, (2) Jas 1:13-27, (3) Jas 2:1-13

Matins

Gospel: Luke §50 (10:1-15)

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §5 (2:22-36) & I Pet §63 (5:6-14)

Gospel: •John §4 (1:35-51) & Mark §23 (6:7-13)

Thursday**Fast-free Period.****26/9 BRIGHT THURSDAY.**

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

Or, if the rector so direct, a polyeleos-rank service to **St. Stephen of Perm** (S:1455) 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 on Bright Wednesday Evening

Three readings for the Hierarchy from the Menaion: (1) composite reading – see the Menaion, (2) Prov 10:31-11:12, (3) composite reading – see the Menaion

Matins

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

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §6 (2:38-43) & Heb §318 (7:26-8:2)

Gospel: •John §8 (3:1-15) & Matt §24 (7:24-8:4)

Friday**Fast-free Period.****27/10 BRIGHT FRIDAY.** *Commemoration of the Life-bearing Spring of the Mother of God.*

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, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life...*

According to the Typicon, the service is 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**.*

An electronic copy of the Lesser Blessing of Water when performed on Bright Friday may be requested by e-mail addressed to: danielolson@cox.net

Saturday

Fast-free Period.

28/11 BRIGHT SATURDAY.

App. Jason and Sosipater, of the Seventy, and their companions: MM Saturninus, Jakischolus (Inischolus), Faustian, Januarius, Marsalius, Euphrasius, Mammius, 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 Mœsia (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, 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 distribution 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

29/12 Second Sunday after Pascha. Tone I. Antipascha. Thomas Sunday.

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, the service is from the Pentecostarion (§4B5).

Little Vespers on Saturday Evening

The service 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).

Or, if the rector so direct, the polyeleos-rank service to **St. Basil of Ostrog** (S:1632) may be combined with the service for Thomas Sunday in the Pentecostarion.

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

Great Vespers on Saturday Evening

Three readings for the Hierarchy from the Menaion: (1) composite reading – see the Menaion, (2) Prov 10:31-11:12, (3) composite reading – see the Menaion

Matins

Polyeleos

Matins Gospel I: Matt §116 (28:16-20)

Katavasia of Pascha

Liturgy

Epistle: •Acts §14 (5:12-20 & Heb §335 (13:17-25)

Gospel: •John §65 (20:19-31) & Luke §24 (6:17-23a)

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 (Monday through Friday) is resumed.

The usual Litia for the Dead appointed after Vespers and after the First Hour is resumed on Monday through Saturday for simple, double and six-stichera commemorations.

Monday

30/13 Monday of the Second Week after Pascha. Tone I.

Ap. James, the brother of Ap. John the Theologian. St. Donatus, bp. of Eurœa 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 Monastery. 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** (§4A3; S:1285).

Great Vespers on Sunday Evening

Entrance with the censer

O gladsome Light... is sung.

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

Three readings for the Apostle from the Menaion: (1) Jas 1:1-12, (2) Jas 1:13-27, (3) Jas 2:1-13

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 on Sunday Evening

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 the Apostle

Glory... Now & ever...

Kontakion of Thomas Sunday

Matins

Gospel: John §67 (21:15-25)

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 Apostle

Epistle: •Acts §9 (3:19-26) & Acts §29 (12:1-11)

Gospel: •John §6 (2:1-11) & Luke §17 (5:1b-11)
