

Sunday 19 April 2015 + 2nd Sunday of Pascha + Saint Thomas Sunday

MATINS

At the beginning:

Priest: Blessed is our God ...

Reader: Amen.

Priest: Christ is risen from the dead ... (2½ times)

Reader: ... and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

The Reader continues the Trisagion Prayers: “Glory to the Father ...”, “All Holy Trinity ...” etc.

Before the Six Psalms, instead of “Glory to God in the highest ...” and “O Lord, open thou my lips ...” sing “Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death; and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.” (3 times)

“**God is the Lord...**” with its stichoi in Tone 7, then the Troparia:

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Glory ...

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Both now ...

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The **Kathismata** are all for Saint Thomas, from the Pentecostarion.

Polielely (Matins booklet page 33) is sung, followed by the **Magnification**:

Priest: We magnify, we magnify thee, O Christ the Giver of Life, who for our sakes descended into Hades, and hast with thyself raised up all things!

Choir: We magnify ...

Reader: The Lord is King; he is robed in majesty! *We magnify ...*

Reader: The Lord is King; he is girded with strength! *We magnify ...*

Reader: Glory ... Both now ... *We magnify ...*

Benedictions (Evlogetaria) are **OMITTED**

Anabathmoi in Tone 4

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Prokeimenon

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem, * Praise thy God, O Zion.

v. For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates, he hath blessed thy children within thee.

The 1st Eothinon Gospel is read. After the Gospel:

“Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ ...”

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Psalm 50

Troparia following Psalm 50

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The **Intercession**, followed by the **Great Doxology** with the **Troparion for Saint Thomas Sunday**: Green Book page 84.

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DIVINE LITURGY

At the beginning:

Priest: Blessed is the Kingdom ...

Choir: Amen.

Priest: Christ is risen from the dead ... (2½ times)

Choir: ... and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

FESTAL ANTIPHONS as at Pascha

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ENTRANCE HYMN

In the Churches bless God the Lord from the springs of Israel! O Son of God who arose from the dead, save us who sing to thee: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

TROPARION & KONTAKIA

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Glory ...

Tone 8 Kontakion for Saint Thomas Sunday

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Both now ...

Tone 8 Kontakion of Pascha

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The **TRISAGION** is sung as usual

PROKEIMENON Tone 3

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power! * His understanding is beyond measure!

v: Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God!

EPISTLE: Acts 5:12-20 (Begins “In those days ...” instead of “Ye brethren ...”)

ALLELUIA

v: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Saviour!

v: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King over all the earth.

GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

MEGALYNARION

Instead of “It is truly meet ...”: “The Angel cried to the Lady, full of grace ...” Green Book page 78 or 79

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

AFTER COMMUNION

Priest: “O God, save thy people ...”

Choir: “Christ is risen from the dead ...” (once, instead of “We have seen the True Light ...”)

Priest: “Always, now and ever ...”

Choir: “Let our mouths be filled ...” as usual