

## SUNDAY 25 MARCH 2018

### The Annunciation to Our Most Holy Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary

#### MATINS

“God is the Lord...” with its stichoi in Tone 1 followed by the **Troparia:**

**Tone 1** Troparion of the Resurrection Green Book page 2

**Glory ...**

**Tone 4** Troparion of the Annunciation Sheet

**Both now ...**

**Tone 4** Troparion of the Annunciation Sheet

The **First Kathisma** and **Second Kathisma** from the Octoechos, Tone 1. The verses on “Both now” are replaced by those of the Feast:

#### **First Kathisma**

The great commander of the bodiless powers hath come to the city of Nazareth announcing to thee, O immaculate one, the Lord, the King of the Ages, and saying unto thee: “Rejoice, O all-blessed Mary, thou incomprehensible and inexplicable wonder, the restoration of mankind.”

#### **Second Kathisma**

Today the whole creation rejoiceth; for the archangel hath cried unto thee, “Rejoice, O blessed one, spotless, pure and all-blameless.” Today, the insolence of the serpent vanisheth; the fetters of the curse laid on our first father are undone. Wherefore, with all things we cry unto thee, saying: “Rejoice, O Maiden full of grace!”

#### **Third Kathisma**

Verily, Gabriel lifteth his voice to thee in greeting, O pure one, since thou carriest in thy womb God before the ages, by Whose Word He did establish the ends of the earth. And Mary replied, saying, “I have not known man. How then shall I give birth to a son? For who hath ever seen a birth without seed?” The angel explained to the virgin Theotokos, saying, “The Holy Spirit shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee.”

**Glory ... Both now ...**

Verily, Gabriel was sent unto the spotless Virgin, announcing to her the ineffable joy, that she should conceive without seed, and that no corruption should touch her, crying, “Behold, thou shalt give birth to a Son Who is before the ages, Who shall deliver His people from their sins; and He Who sent me to hail thee testifieth, saying, ‘Rejoice, thou who art blessed; for thou shalt give birth, being yet a Virgin, and after birth thou shalt remain a Virgin.’”

**Polieley** is sung.

#### **MAGNIFICATION**

Priest (intoned): With the voice of the Archangel we cry aloud to thee, O pure One: Rejoice, thou who art full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

**Choir: With the voice of the Archangel we cry aloud to thee, O pure One: Rejoice, thou who art full of grace, the Lord, the Lord is with thee.**

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v: Give the King Thy judgements, O God, and Thy righteousness unto the King's Son. **With the voice ...**

v: He shall come down as rain upon a fleece. **With the voice ...**

v: Glory ... Both now ... **With the voice ...**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, glory to Thee, O God (x 3) **With the voice ...**

The Patriarchal Typikon indicates that the Evlogetaria are **omitted**.

The **Hypakoë** and **Anabathmoi** from the Octoechos, Tone 1.

**PROKEIMENON** (for the Annunciation, in Tone 4)

Proclaim from day to day \* the good tidings of the salvation of our God.

v: Sing unto the Lord a new song; sing unto the Lord, all the earth.

“Let everything that hath breath ...” (as usual)

The Festal Orthros Gospel (Luke 1:39-49, 56) is read *from the Royal Doors*.

#### **After the Gospel:**

“Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ ...”

Psalm 50 (NB: No veneration of the Gospel Book)

#### **Following Psalm 50**

Annunciation – Hymns after Psalm 50

Sheet

#### **The Intercession**

**The Great Doxology** followed by the **Troparion of the Feast**: “Today is the beginning of our salvation ...”

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**DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

**FESTAL ANTIPHONS**

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**ENTRANCE HYMN**

*The priest intones:* Sing unto the Lord, bless His name; proclaim from day to day the good tidings of His salvation.

O Son of God, **who arose from the dead**, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

**TROPARIA & KONTAKIA**

**Tone 1** Troparion of the Resurrection

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**Tone 4** Troparion of the Annunciation

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**Glory ... Both now ...**

**Tone 8** "To thee the champion leader ..."

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**TRISAGION**

**PROKEIMENON** Tone 4

From day to day \* proclaim the salvation of our God!

v: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!

**EPISTLE:** Hebrews 2:11-18

**ALLELUIA**

v: He descendeth like the rain upon the grass, like showers that water the earth!

v: May His name be blessed forever; His name continue as long as the sun!

**GOSPEL:** Luke 1: 24-38

**MEGALYNARION**

"O earth, announce the glad tidings of great joy...."

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**COMMUNION HYMNS**

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! The Lord hath chosen Zion; He hath desired it for His habitation. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**HYMN AFTER COMMUNION**

"We have seen the true light ..."