

## SUNDAY 29 DECEMBER 2019

28<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost ♦ Sunday after the Nativity of Christ ♦ The Holy Innocents ♦ St Joseph the Betrothed ♦ Righteous David the Prophet and King ♦ St James the brother of God

### MATINS

“**God is the Lord...**” with its stichoi in Tone 3 followed by the **Troparia**:

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| <b>Tone 3</b> | Troparion of the Resurrection              | Green Book page 6 |
|               | <b>Glory ...</b>                           |                   |
| <b>Tone 2</b> | Troparion of the Sunday after the Nativity | Sheet             |
|               | <b>Both now ...</b>                        |                   |
| <b>Tone 4</b> | Troparion of the Nativity of Christ        | Sheet             |

The **Kathismata** from the Octoechos, Tone 3. The verses on “Both now” are for the after-feast of the Nativity, as follows:

#### **First Kathisma**

Come, believers, let us see the place where Christ has been born. With the Magi from the East, let us follow where the star is leading. Ceaselessly there the Angels sing praises, and shepherds in the field sing a worthy hymn: “Glory in the highest to Him who was born today in the cave from the Virgin Theotokos, in Bethlehem of Judea!”

#### **Second Kathisma**

O Mary, why art thou amazed and awed by what has been done in thee? And she answering saith, “For in time I have brought forth a timeless Son. But I have no understanding of His conception. I am without a husband; how can I bear a son? Who has ever seen seedless childbirth? But where God wills, the order found in nature is overcome, as it is written.” So Christ was born of a Virgin, in Bethlehem of Judea.

**Polieley** is sung

The **Evlogetaria** are sung

The **Hypakoë**, **Anabathmoi** and the **Prokeimenon** with its accompanying stichos are all from the Octoechos Tone 3.

The 6<sup>th</sup> Eothinon Gospel is read from the Holy Table.

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

“Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ ...”

Psalm 50

Troparia following Psalm 50

The **Intercession**

The **Magnificat / Megalynarion**

**Little Litany**

The **Great Doxology** with the Troparion “Today is salvation come unto the world ...”

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### DIVINE LITURGY

#### FESTAL ANTIPHONS

White Book pages 38ff

#### ENTRANCE HYMN

*The Introit of the Little Entrance shown on page 40 is not used. After “Wisdom! Stand upright!” the Entrance Hymn is sung as usual:*

O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

#### TROPARIA AND KONTAKIA

**Tone 3** Troparion of the Resurrection Green Book page 6

**Tone 4** Troparion of the Nativity of Christ Sheet

**Tone 2** Troparion of the Sunday after the Nativity  
**Glory ...** Sheet

**Tone 3** Kontakion of the Sunday after the Nativity  
**Both now ...** Sheet

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**TRISAGION** (“Holy God ...”) as usual

#### **PROKEIMENON** Tone 3

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. \* Sing praises to our King, sing praises.

v: Clap your hands, all peoples. Shout to God with loud songs of joy.

#### **PROKEIMENON** Tone 4

God is wonderful in His saints \* the God of Israel.

**EPISTLE:** Galatians 1:11-19

#### **ALLELUIA**

v: In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame.

v: Be Thou a God of protection for me, a house of refuge, in order to save me.

v: O Lord, remember David and all his meekness.

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 2:13-23

#### **MEGALYNARION**

“Magnify, O my soul, the most-pure Virgin Theotokos”

White Book page 60

#### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the upright! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.