

READER'S SERVICE FOR GREAT & HOLY THURSDAY

Reader: Through the prayers of our Holy Fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us, and save us. Amen.

Glory to Thee, our God, glory to Thee!

O Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth, who art in all places and fillest all things, Treasury of good things and Giver of life: come and abide in us, and cleanse us from every stain, and save our souls, O Good One.

Holy God, Holy Mighty Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (3 times)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy One, look upon and heal our infirmities for Thy Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

Reader: Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us. Amen.

Lord, have mercy. (12 times)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

O come, let us worship God our King.

O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ, our King and our God.

O come, let us worship and fall down before the Very Christ, our King and our God.

PSALM 103

Reader: Bless the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, Thou hast been magnified exceedingly. Confession and majesty hast Thou put on, Who coverest Thyself with light as with a garment, Who stretchest out the heaven as it were a curtain; Who supporteth His chambers in the waters, Who appointeth the clouds for His ascent, Who walketh upon the wings of the winds, Who maketh His angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire, Who establisheth the earth in the sureness thereof; it shall not be turned back for ever and ever. The abyss like a garment is His mantle; upon the mountains shall the waters stand. At Thy rebuke they will flee, at the voice of Thy thunder shall they be afraid. The mountains rise up and the plains sink down, unto the place where Thou hast established them. Thou appointedst a bound that they shall not pass, neither return to cover the earth. He sendeth forth springs in the valleys; between the mountains will the waters run. They shall give drink to all the beasts of the field; the wild asses will wait to quench their thirst. Beside them will the birds of the heaven lodge, from the midst of the rocks will they give voice. He watereth the mountains from His chambers; the earth shall be satisfied with the fruit of Thy works. He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and green herb for the service of men, To bring forth bread out of the earth; and wine maketh glad the heart of man. To make his face cheerful with oil; and bread strengtheneth man's heart. The trees of the plain shall be satisfied, the cedars of Lebanon, which Thou hast planted. There will the sparrows make their nests; the house of the heron is chief among them. The high mountains are a refuge for the harts, and so is the rock for the hares. He hath made the moon for seasons; the sun knoweth his going down. Thou appointedst the darkness, and there was the night, wherein all the beasts of the forest will go abroad. Young lions roaring after their prey, and seeking their food from God. The sun ariseth, and they are gathered together, and they lay them down in their dens. But man shall go

forth unto his work, and to his labour until the evening. How magnified are Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom hast Thou made them all; the earth is filled with Thy creation. So is this great and spacious sea, therein are things creeping innumerable, small living creatures with the great. There go the ships; there this dragon, whom Thou hast made to play therein. All things wait on Thee, to give them their food in due season; when Thou givest it them, they will gather it. When Thou openest Thy hand, all things shall be filled with goodness; when Thou turnest away Thy face, they shall be troubled. Thou wilt take their spirit, and they shall cease; and unto their dust shall they return. Thou wilt send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be created; and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Let the glory of the Lord be unto the ages; the Lord will rejoice in His works. Who looketh on the earth and maketh it tremble, Who toucheth the mountains and they smoke. I will sing unto the Lord throughout my life, I will chant to my God for as long as I have my being. May my words be sweet unto Him, and I will rejoice in the Lord. O that sinners would cease from the earth, and they that work iniquity, that they should be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The sun knoweth his going down, Thou appointedst the darkness, and there was the night. How magnified are Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom hast Thou made them all.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, glory to Thee, O God. (3 times)

Reader: Lord, have mercy. (12 times)

“LORD I CALL ...” Tone 2

Lord, I call upon Thee, hear me!
Hear me, O Lord!
Lord, I call upon Thee, hear me!
Receive the voice of my prayer,
when I call upon Thee!//
Hear me, O Lord!

[Music on website]

Let my prayer arise
in Thy sight as incense,
and let the lifting up of my hands
be an evening sacrifice!//
Hear me, O Lord!

Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Thy name!

Tone 2

The assembly of the Jews gathers together [Music on website]
to deliver to Pilate the Maker and Creator of all.
What lawlessness! What faithlessness!
The Judge of the living and the dead they prepare for judgment.
The Healer of suffering they prepare for sufferings.
How great is Thy mercy!//
O long-suffering Lord, glory to Thee!

The righteous will await me; for Thou wilt deal bountifully with me.

Repeat: “The assembly of the Jews gathers together... “

Out of the depths I cry to Thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!

The transgressor Judas, O Lord, [Music on website]
dipped his hand in the plate with Thee at supper.
But now, he unlawfully stretches forth his hand for silver.
He calculated the price of the woman’s myrrh,
yet he does not shudder in selling Thee, the Priceless One.
He let the Master wash his feet,
yet he deceitfully kisses Him in betrayal to lawless men.
Cast out from the ranks of the Apostles,
he casts away the thirty pieces of silver,
not seeing the Resurrection on the third day.//
By it, have mercy on us!

Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

Repeat: “The transgressor Judas, O Lord... “

If Thou, O Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee.

Judas, the treacherous deceiver, [Music on website]
with a deceitful kiss betrayed the Lord and Saviour.
He sold the Master as a slave to lawless men,
and the Lamb of God, the Son of the Father,
the only greatly merciful One, //
was led as a sheep to the slaughter.

For Thy name's sake have I waited for Thee, O Lord, my soul has waited for Thy word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.

Repeat: "Judas, the treacherous deceiver... "

From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!

Servant and deceiver, [Music on website]
disciple and betrayer, friend and devil,
Judas has been revealed by his deeds.
While following the Master, he plotted His betrayal:
"Have the myrrh sold."
And, by deceit, to have Jesus seized.
He gave the kiss and gave up the Christ.
But like a sheep led to the slaughter, //
so went the only compassionate Lover of mankind.

For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.

Repeat: "Servant and deceiver... "

Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!

The Lamb, Whom Isaiah proclaimed, [Music on website]
goes willingly to the slaughter;
He gives his back to scourging, His cheeks to buffeting.

He does not turn His face from the shame of spitting.
He is condemned to a shameful death.
He, Who is sinless, willingly submits to all //
to grant to all resurrection from the dead.

For His mercy is confirmed on us; and the truth of the Lord endureth forever.

Repeat: "The Lamb, Whom Isaiah proclaimed..."

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 6

Truly Judas is descended from those vipers, [Music on website]
who ate manna in the wilderness,
yet murmured against Him Who nourished them.
For, while the food was still in their mouths,
those ungrateful men reviled God.
So, too, this godless man,
while still bearing in his mouth the Heavenly Bread,
contrived the betrayal of the Saviour.
What greedy purpose!
What inhuman insolence!
He sells Him Who nourished him.
He delivers to death the Master Whom he loved.
Truly this lawless man is their son.
With them he will inherit perdition.
Spare our souls of such inhumanity, //
O only Lord of boundless mercy!

O GLADSOME LIGHT

O Gladsome Light of the holy glory of the Immortal Father, heavenly, holy, blessed, Jesus Christ. Now that we have come to the setting of the sun, and behold the light of evening, we praise God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. For meet it is at all times to worship Thee with voices of praise, O Son of God, thou Giver of Life; therefore all the world doth glorify Thee.

THE EVENING PROKEIMENON

Reader: The Evening Prokeimenon

Reader: Deliver me, O Lord, from violent men.

Choir: Deliver me, O Lord, from violent men.

Reader: Who have schemed unrighteousness in their hearts all the day long!

Choir: Deliver me, O Lord, from violent men.

Reader: Deliver me, O Lord,

Choir: from violent men.

PROPHECIES (Old Testament Readings)

Reader: The Reading from the Book of the Exodus [19:10-19]

The Lord said to Moses, "Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their garments, and be ready by the third day; for on the third day the LORD will come down upon Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people. And you shall set bounds for the people round about, saying, 'Take heed that you do not go up into the mountain or touch the border of it; whoever touches the mountain shall be put to death; no hand shall touch him, but he shall be stoned, or shot with arrows; whether beast or man, he shall not live.' When the trumpet sounds a long blast, they shall come up to the mountain." So Moses went down from the mountain to the people, and consecrated the people; and they washed their garments. And he said to the people, "Be ready by the third day; do not go near a woman." On the morning of the third day there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mountain, and a very loud trumpet blast, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled. Then Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God; and they took their stand at the foot of the mountain. And Mount Sinai was wrapped in smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire; and the smoke of it went up like the smoke of a kiln, and the whole mountain quaked greatly. And as the sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him in thunder.

PROKEIMENON

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Seventh Tone

Reader: Deliver me from mine enemies, O God! Save me from those who rise up against me!

Choir: Deliver me from mine enemies, O God! Save me from those who rise up against me!

Reader: Deliver me from those who work evil!

Choir: Deliver me from mine enemies, O God! Save me from those who rise up against me!

Reader: Deliver me from mine enemies, O God!

Choir: Save me from those who rise up against me!

Reader: The Reading from the Book of Job [38:1-23; 42:1-5]

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind and said: "Who is this who hides counsel from me and confines words in his heart and thinks to conceal them from me? Gird thy waist like a man; I will question thee, and thou wilt answer me. Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell me, if thou hast understanding. Who determined its measurements? Surely thou knowest! Or who stretched the line upon it? To what were its foundations fastened? Or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars were made, and all my angels praised me in a loud voice. I shut up the sea with doors when it burst forth and issued from the womb; I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band; I fixed my limit for it and set bars and doors; and I said, 'This far thou mayest come, but no farther, and here thy proud waves must stop!' Hast thou commanded the morning since thy days began and caused the dawn to know its place that it might take hold of the ends of the earth and the wicked be shaken out of it? Or didst thou take clay of the ground and form a living creature and set it with the power of speech upon the earth? From the wicked hast thou removed light and crushed the arm of the proud? Hast thou entered the springs of the sea? Or hast thou walked in search of the depths? Have the gates of death been revealed to thee? Or hast thou seen the doors of the shadow of death? Hast thou comprehended the breadth of the earth? Tell me, what is the extent of it? Where is the way to the dwelling of light? And darkness, where is its place, that you may take it to its territory and know the paths to its home? Dost thou know it because thou wast born then or because the number of thy days is great?" Then Job answered the Lord and said: "I know that thou canst do everything, and that no purpose of thine can be withheld from thee. Thou didst ask, 'Who is this who hides counsel from thee? Or who keeps back his words, and thinks to hide them from thee?' Or who can tell me what I did not know?' But hear me, O Lord, and let me speak; thou didst say, 'I will question thee, and you will answer me.' I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees thee."

Reader: The Reading from the Prophecy of Isaiah [50:4-11]
The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him that is weary. Morning by morning he wakens, he wakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I turned not backward. I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been confounded; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up. Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the voice of his servant, who walks in darkness and has no light, yet trusts in the name of the LORD and relies upon his God? Behold, all you who kindle a fire, who set brands alight! Walk by the light of your fire, and by the brands which you have kindled! This shall you have from my hand: you shall lie down in sorrow.

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THE TRISAGION

Choir: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (x 3)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

PROKEIMENON

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Seventh Tone

Reader: The rulers of the people have assembled against the Lord and His Christ.

Choir: The rulers of the people have assembled against the Lord and His Christ.

Reader: Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things?

Choir: The rulers of the people have assembled against the Lord and His Christ.

Reader: The rulers of the people have assembled

Choir: against the Lord and His Christ.

EPISTLE

Reader: The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians [1 Corinthians 11:23-32]

Ye Brethren: I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment upon himself. That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some are asleep. But if we judged ourselves truly, we should not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are chastened so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

ALLELUIA

Reader: Blessed is he who considers the poor and needy. The Lord will deliver him on the day of trouble

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: Mine enemies say to me in malice: "When will he die and his name perish?"

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Reader: The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Choir: Glory be to Thee, O Lord, glory be to Thee.

Reader: The Lord said to his disciples, "You know that after two days the Passover is coming and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified." Then the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas, and took counsel together in order to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him. But they said, "Not during the feast, lest there be a tumult among the people." Now when Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, a woman came up to him with an alabaster flask of very expensive ointment; and she poured it on his head as he sat at table. But when the disciples saw it, they were indignant saying, "Why this waste? For this ointment might have been sold for a large sum, and given to the poor." But Jesus, aware of this, said to them, "Why do you trouble the woman? For she has done a beautiful thing to me. For you always have the poor with you, but you will not always have me. In pouring this ointment on my body, she has done it to prepare me for burial. Truly I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her." Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, "What will you give me if I deliver Jesus to you?" And they paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he sought an opportunity to betray Jesus. Now on the first day of the Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus saying, "Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?" Jesus said, "Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, "my time is at hand; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'" "And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover. When it was evening, Jesus sat at table with his twelve disciples.

[John 13:3-17] And knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands and that he had come from God and was going to God, Jesus rose from supper, laid aside his garments, and girded himself with a towel. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which he was girded. He came to Simon Peter. And Peter said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not realize now, but afterward you will understand." Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part in me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my

feet only, but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "He who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but he is clean all over; and you are clean, but not every one of you." For he knew who was to betray him; that is why he said, "You are not all clean." When he had washed their feet and taken his garments and resumed his place, he said to them: "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. If you know these things, blessed art thou if you do them."

[Matthew 26:21-39] And as they were eating, Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another, "Is it I, Lord?" He answered and said, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me, will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Is it I, Master?" Jesus said to him, "You have said so." Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you. For this is my blood of the covenant which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I shall not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it anew with you in my Father's kingdom." And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them, "You will fall away because of me this night, for it is written: 'I will strike the Shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." Peter declared to him, "Though they all fall away because of you, I will never fall away." Jesus said to him, "Truly, I say to you this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you!" And so said all the disciples. Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to the disciples, "Sit here while I go yonder and pray." And taking with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then Jesus

said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch with me." And going a little farther, he fell on his face and prayed saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt."

[Luke 22:43-45] And there appeared to Jesus an angel from heaven, strengthening him. And being in agony, he prayed more earnestly. And his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

[Matthew 26:40-27:2] And, getting up from prayer, Jesus came to his disciples, and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, Could you not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit is indeed willing, but the flesh is weak." Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed, "My Father, if this cup cannot pass unless I drink it, thy will be done." And again he came and found them asleep, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, Jesus went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Sleep on now and take your rest. Behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand." While he was still speaking, behold, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a great crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign saying, "The one I shall kiss is the man, seize him." And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Hail Master!" And Judas kissed him. Jesus said to him, "Friend, why are you here?" Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him. And behold, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear. Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place, for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot now appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But How then would the Scriptures be fulfilled that it must be so?" At that hour Jesus said to the crowd, "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. But all this has taken place that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples forsook him and fled. Then those who had seized Jesus led him to Caiaphas the high priest where the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter followed him at a distance as far as the

courtyard of the high priest. And going inside, he sat with the guards to see the end. Now the chief priests and the elders and the whole council sought false testimony against Jesus that they might put him to death; but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'" And the high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?" But Jesus was silent. And the high priest said to him, "I adjure you by the living God: Tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God!" Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power and coming on the clouds of heaven." Then the high priest tore his robes and said, "He has uttered blasphemy! Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard now his blasphemy! What is your judgment?" They answered, "He deserves death." Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him saying, "Prophecy to us, Christ! Who is it that struck you?" Now Peter sat outside in the courtyard. And a maid came up to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean." But Peter denied it before them all saying, "I do not know what you mean." And when he went out to the porch, another maid saw him and said to the bystanders, "This man also was with Jesus of Nazareth." And again Peter denied with an oath, "I do not know the Man!" After a little while, the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly, you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you." Then Peter began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know the Man!" And Immediately the cock crowed. And Peter remembered the saying of Jesus: "Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly. When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took council against Jesus to put him to death. And they bound him, and led him away and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor.

Choir: Glory be to Thee, O Lord, glory be to Thee.

Instead of the AUGMENTED LITANY, the Choir sings:
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

PRAYER TO THE LORD OF HOSTS

Reader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Remember us, O Lord, when Thou comest into Thy Kingdom. *(All make a deep reverence)*

Remember us, O Master, when Thou comest into Thy Kingdom. *(Reverence)*

Remember us, O Holy One, when Thou comest into Thy Kingdom. *(Reverence)*

The heavenly choir sings to Thee, and cries: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts; heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

Come unto Him and be enlightened, and your faces shall not be ashamed.

The heavenly choir sings to Thee, and cries: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts; heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

The choir of holy Angels and Archangels, with all the Powers of heaven, sing Thy praises and do cry: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts; heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

Both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

THE CREED (SYMBOL OF FAITH)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made; of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made.

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Ghost and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate, He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father. And He

shall come again with glory to judge the quick and the dead, Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father;

Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.

In One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.

And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

Reader: O God, remit, pardon and forgive our sins, whether voluntary or involuntary, whether by words or deeds, whether in knowledge or ignorance, whether by day or night, whether in mind or thought; forgive us all these, for Thou art good and lovest mankind.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come.

Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from the evil one.

Reader: Through the prayers of our Holy Fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us, and save us. Amen.

HYMN OF HOLY THURSDAY

Of Thy Mystical Supper, O Son of God,

[\[Music on website\]](#)

accept me today as a communicant;

for I will not speak of Thy Mystery to Thine enemies,

neither, like Judas, will I give Thee a kiss;

but like the thief I will confess Thee:

“Remember me, O Lord, in Thy Kingdom!”

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Lord, have mercy. (12 times)

Reader: All-holy Trinity, Mighty one in essence, Kingdom undivided, origin of all good things, be graciously inclined also to me, a sinner. Establish me; give understanding to my heart, and purge away all my vileness. Enlighten my mind, that I may glorify, sing praises, and adore Thee, and say:

Choir: One is Holy,/ One is the Lord, Jesus Christ,/ to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Choir: Blessed be the Name of the Lord, from this time forth and for evermore.
Blessed be the Name of the Lord, from this time forth and for evermore.
Blessed be the Name of the Lord, from this time forth and for evermore.

Reader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

PSALM 33

Reader: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together. I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. Look to Him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed. This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him, and delivers them. O taste and see that the Lord is good! Happy is the man who takes refuge in Him! O fear the Lord, you His saints, for those who fear Him have no want. The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing. Come, O sons, listen to me, I will teach you the fear of the Lord. What man is there who desires life, and covets many days, that he may enjoy good? Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it. The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous, and his ears toward their cry. The face of the Lord is against evildoers, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth. When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles. The Lord is near to the broken-hearted, and saves the crushed in spirit. Many are the afflictions of the righteous; but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

He kept all his bones; not one of them is broken. Evil shall slay the wicked; and those who hate the righteous will be condemned. The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.

THE ZADOSTOYNIK

Come, O faithful,
let us enjoy the Master's hospitality,
the Banquet of Immortality!
In the upper chamber with uplifted minds,
let us receive the exalted words of the Word,
Whom we magnify!

[Music on website]

THE DISMISSAL

Choir: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Bless, O Lord.

Reader: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, who showed us the most excellent way of humility by washing the feet of Thy disciples, and condescended even unto the Cross and burial because of Thine exceeding goodness, through the prayers of Thy most pure mother; by the power of the honourable and life-giving Cross; by the protection of the honourable bodiless powers of heaven; at the supplications of our Holy, Venerable and God-bearing Fathers; of our Father among the Saints, Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, Patron and Protector of this Community; and of all Thy saints, have mercy upon us and save us.

Choir: Amen.

All kiss the Gospel Book (or New Testament, or Bible) and the Cross placed on the table. When all have done so, the reader or choir sings slowly:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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