

VESPERS ON SATURDAY 28th NOVEMBER 2020

✕ “LORD I CALL...”

Tone 8

[Music on website]

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.

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 8

[Music on website]

We offer to Thee, O Christ,
our evening song and reasonable service,
for Thou didst will to have mercy on us//
by Thy Resurrection.

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

Lord, Lord, do not cast us away from Thy face!
For Thou didst will to have mercy on us//
by Thy Resurrection.

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

Rejoice, O holy Zion:
Mother of the churches, the abode of God,
for thou wast the first to receive remission of sins//
by the Resurrection.

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

The Word of God the Father,
begotten before the ages,
in the latter times willed to be incarnate of the Virgin
and endured crucifixion unto death.
He has saved mortal man//
by His Resurrection.

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

We glorify Thee, O Lord
Who voluntarily didst endure the Cross for our sake.
We fall down in worship before Thee, O almighty Saviour.
Do not cast us away from Thy face
but hear us and save us, O Lover of man,//
by Thy Resurrection!

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

Glory to Thee, O Saviour Christ,
Only-begotten Son of God, who wast nailed to the Cross//
and resurrected from the tomb on the third day!

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

We glorify Thy Resurrection from the dead, O Christ,
by which Thou hast freed Adam's race from the tortures of hell,//
and as God hast granted to the world eternal life and great mercy.

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

Tone 4 (For the Holy Martyr Paramon)

[Music on website]

Manifestly illumined by the brightness of the Spirit of God,
most blessed Paramon,
thou didst despise the total darkness of idolatry.
When thy time had come, O most blessed one,
thou didst approach the suffering before thee with courageous mind.
Revealed as victorious, thou didst cast down the prideful enemy
of all mortals, [as thou didst magnify ...

as thou didst magnify Christ.//
Entreat Him to save and enlighten our souls!

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

[Music on website]

Witnessing a great multitude slaughtered for the King and God of all,
thou didst burn with divine zeal, O Paramon, crying out:

“I am ever a true servant of Christ.

Understand, O evil tyrants,

for behold, I was summoned, and now I come

to be slain like an innocent lamb.

Therefore, do not be deceived:

I am forced to become an acceptable sacrifice to Him//

Who for my sake was freely slain in the flesh.”

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

The honoured choir of athletes,

[Music on website]

three hundred and seventy in number,

with faith cast down the falsehood of the evil-doers’ idolatry.

Thou also wast crowned with them,

having struggled with a courageous mind, O Paramon,

and, rejoicing, thou didst join the choirs of the bodiless hosts.

Ever pray with them that we, who honour and bless thee,//

may be delivered from all sorrow and dangers!

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

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

Tone 8 (*Theotokion – Dogmatikon*)

[Music on website]

The King of heaven, because of His love for man,
appeared on earth and dwelt with men.

He took flesh from the pure Virgin;

and after assuming it, He came forth from her.

The Son is one: in two natures, yet one Person.

Proclaiming Him as perfect God and perfect Man,

we confess Christ our God!//

Entreat him, O unwedded Mother, to have mercy on our souls.

✘ **READINGS** – No readings are appointed for today

✘ **APOSTICHA**

Tone 8

[Music on website]

Descending from heaven to ascend the Cross,

the eternal Life has come for death

to raise those who are fallen;

to enlighten those in darkness.//

O Jesus, our Saviour and illuminator, glory to Thee!

v. The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty!

We glorify Christ, who rose from the dead.

He accepted the human body and soul,

and freed both from suffering.

His most pure soul descended to hell, which He spoiled.

His holy body did not see corruption in the tomb.//

He is the Redeemer of our souls.

v. For He has established the world, so that it shall never be moved.

In psalms and songs we glorify Thy Resurrection from the dead, O Christ.

By it, Thou hast freed us from the tortures of hell//

and as God hast granted eternal life and great mercy.

v. Holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord, forevermore!

O Master of all, incomprehensible Creator of heaven and earth,

by Thy suffering on the Cross Thou hast gained passionlessness for me.

Accepting burial and arising in glory,

Thou didst resurrect Adam with Thyself by Thine almighty hand.

Glory to Thy rising on the third day!

By it Thou hast granted us eternal life and cleansing of sins//

as the only compassionate One.

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

both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 8 (*Aposticha Theotokion*)

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

O unwedded Virgin,
who ineffably conceived God in the flesh,
O Mother of God most high,
accept the cries of thy servants, O blameless one!
Grant cleansing of transgressions to all!//
Receive our prayers and pray to save our souls!

✕ **TROPARIA**

Troparion of the Resurrection in Tone 8

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

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One!
Thou didst accept the three day burial to free us from our sufferings!//
O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to Thee!

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

Resurrectional Dismissal Theotokion - Tone 8

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

For our sakes Thou wast born of a virgin,
and didst endure crucifixion, O good one,
and didst destroy Death by death,
and being God didst reveal the Resurrection.
Despise not the works of Thy hands
but show Thy love for man, O merciful one.
Accept the prayers of the one who gave birth to Thee
and save Thy despairing people, O our Saviour.