

Order for Lenten Daily Vespers

on Fridays of Great Lent when the Presanctified Liturgy is not served

Sections marked ✕ change from week to week. Wherever possible, a separate sheet containing these sections will be provided.

Priest: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.
Glory to Thee, our God. Glory to Thee.
O heavenly King ...

Reader: Holy God, Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (x 3)
Glory ... Both now ...
All-holy Trinity ...
Lord, have mercy (x 3)
Glory ... Both now ...
Our Father ...

Priest: For Thine is the Kingdom ...

Reader: Amen.
Lord, have mercy (x 12)
Glory ... Both now ...
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

The Reader reads the Evening Psalm

THE LITANY OF PEACE

✕ "LORD I CALL ..."

O GLADSOME LIGHT

✕ THE PROKEIMENA AND READINGS

Priest: Let us attend! Peace be to all!

Choir: And to thy spirit.

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the — Tone.

*The Reader and Choir sing the **First Prokeimenon** in the usual way.*

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Book of Genesis.

Priest: Let us attend!

The Reader reads the appointed section from Genesis.

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the — Tone.

*The Reader and Choir sing the **Second Prokeimenon** in the usual way.*

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Proverbs of Solomon.

Priest: Let us attend!

The Reader reads the appointed section from Proverbs.

VOUCHSAFE, O LORD

THE LITANY OF SUPPLICATION

THE PRAYER AT THE BOWING OF THE HEADS

Priest: Peace be to all!

Choir: And to thy spirit.

Priest: Bow your heads unto the Lord.

Choir: To Thee, O Lord.

The Priest reads the Prayer at the Bowing of the Heads:

✠ APOSTICHA

THE PRAYER OF SAINT SIMEON, THE GOD-RECEIVER

Priest: Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace ...

TRISAGION PRAYERS

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

Glory ... Both now ...

All-holy Trinity ...

Lord, have mercy (x 3)

Glory ... Both now ...

Our Father ...

Priest: For Thine is the Kingdom ...

Reader: Amen.

✠ THE TROPARIA (APOLYTIKIA)

THE AUGMENTED LITANY

THE PRAYER OF SAINT EPHRAIM THE SYRIAN

Priest: O Lord and Master of my life ... *(and the rest of the Prayer of Saint Ephraim, with three prostrations)*

Reader: O all-holy Trinity, consubstantial Might, Kingdom undivided, Source of all good: be gracious to me, a sinner; establish and give understanding to my heart; and take away from me every defilement. Enlighten my mind, that I may continually glorify, hymn and worship Thee and say: One is holy, One is Lord, Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord, from this time forth and for evermore. (x 3, each followed by a metania)

Glory ... Both now ...

PSALM 33

The Reader reads the Psalm

Reader: Glory ... Both now ...

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: It is truly meet to bless thee, O Theotokos, ever blessed and most pure, and the Mother of our God.

Priest: Most holy Theotokos, save us.

Reader: More honourable than the Cherubim ...

THE LITTLE DISMISSAL

Priest: Glory to Thee, O Christ our God and our Hope, glory to Thee!

Reader: Glory ... Both now ...

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

Father, give the blessing.

The Priest gives the blessing.

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