Hymns and Readings for Sunday 4th February 2024

35th Sunday after Pentecost • Afterfeast of the Meeting of Our Lord in the Temple Our Venerable Father Isidore of Pelusium

THE HOURS

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE THIRD HOUR

Resurrection; Glory ... Venerable Isidore; Both now ... From the Horologion Troparia:

Kontakion: Resurrection

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE SIXTH HOUR

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory ... Meeting of Our Lord; Both now ... From the Horologion

Kontakion: Venerable Isidore

THE DIVINE LITURGY

TYPICAL PSALMS AND BEATITUDES

ENTRANCE HYMN

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, alleluia, alleluia!

TROPARIA & KONTAKIA

Troparion of the Resurrection in Tone 2

[Music on website / Green Book page 4]

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendour of Thy Godhead. And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out:// "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!"

Troparion of the Meeting of Our Lord in Tone 1

[Music on website / Sheet]

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Full of Grace!

From thee shone the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God,

enlightening those who sat in darkness.

Rejoice and be glad, O righteous Elder,

thou didst accept in thine arms the Redeemer of our souls,//

Who grants us the Resurrection!

Troparion of Saint Chad in Tone 2

[Music in Folder]

As a Bishop thou gavest thyself

to preaching the truth and the purity of the Church.

Thou didst shine forth as an example of humility and holiness:

studying the Scriptures, thou tookest care to follow the Word.

Pray for thy children, O Holy Father Chad,

that we too may follow Christ,//

and be found worthy to partake of the nature of God.

Troparion of Venerable Isidore in Tone 8

[Music on website / Sheet]

The image of God was truly preserved in thee, O Father,

for thou didst take up the Cross and followed Christ.

By so doing, thou taughtest us to disregard the flesh for it passes away:

but to care instead for the soul, for it is immortal.//

Therefore thy spirit, venerable Isidore, rejoices with the angels.

Kontakion of the Resurrection in Tone 2

[Music on website / Green Book page 5]

Hell became afraid, O almighty Saviour,

seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb!

The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee,//

and the world, O my Saviour, praises Thee forever.

Kontakion of Saint Chad in Tone 2

When thou wast praying to Christ, O venerable Chad the choir of the angels came to call thee to thy reward.

Then thou wast summoned to share

in the Thrice Holy song with the seraphim.

Pray thou that we may live

as icons of the cherubim//

rejoicing before the Trinity, the Giver of life.

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

Kontakion of Venerable Isidore in Tone 4

[Music on website / Sheet]

[Music in Folder]

Finding thee to be another morning star, O glorious one, the Church is illumined by the brilliance of thy words.//

She cries out to thee: "Rejoice, all-blessed and divinely-wise Isidore!"

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

Kontakion of the Meeting of the Lord in Tone 1

[Music on website / White Book page 97]

By Thy Nativity Thou didst sanctify the Virgin's womb and didst bless Simeon's hands, O Christ God. Now Thou hast come and saved us through love.//

Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, O only Lover of Man!

THE TRISAGION

PROKEIMENA

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Second Tone.

Reader: The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation. **Choir:** The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation. **Reader:** The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.

Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

Reader: And in the Third Tone.

Reader: My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. **Choir:** My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

EPISTLE

The Reading from the Second Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians.

Ye Brethren: It is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believed, and so we speak, knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

[2 Corinthians 4:6-15]

ALLELUIA

Priest: Peace be to thee that readest, and to all the people.

Reader: And to thy spirit. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with David, His anointed, and

his seed forever.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word, for mine eyes

have seen Thy salvation!

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

At that time, a lawyer asked him a question, to test him. "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, saying, "What do you think of Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David, inspired by the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, "The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, till I put your enemies under your feet'? If David thus calls him Lord, how is he his son?" And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

[Matthew 22:35-46]

ZADOSTOYNIK

O Virgin Theotokos, hope of all Christians!

[Music on website / White Book page 101]

Protect, preserve, and save those who hope in thee!

We faithful saw the figure in the shadow of the Law and the scriptures:

every male child that opens the womb was holy to God.

Therefore we also magnify the first begotten Son of the unoriginate Father,//

the firstborn Son of the unwedded Mother!

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the Name of the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

AFTER COMMUNION

"We have seen the True Light ..." etc., as usual.