

Hymns and Readings for Sunday 30th June 2024

First Sunday after Pentecost ♦ Sunday of All Saints

[The Service for the Synaxis of the Holy, Glorious, and All-Laudable Twelve Apostles is transferred to Monday 1st July]

THE HOURS

At the beginning:

Priest: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

Reader: Amen.

Priest: Glory to Thee, our God, glory to Thee.
O Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth ...

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

And the rest of the Trisagion Prayers, as usual.

TROPARIA AND KONTAKION AT THE THIRD & SIXTH HOURS

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory ... All Saints; Both now ... From the Horologion

Kontakion: All Saints

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 AND KONTAKIA

Troparion of the Resurrection in Tone 8

[Music on website / Green Book page 16]

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!

Troparion of All Saints in Tone 4

[Music on website / Green Book page 116]

As with fine porphyry and royal purple,
Thy Church has been adorned with Thy martyrs' blood shed throughout all the world.
She cries to Thee, O Christ God:
"Send down Thy bounties on Thy people,//
grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls!"

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

Kontakion of All Saints in Tone 8

[Music on website / Green Book page 116]

The universe offers Thee the God-bearing Martyrs
as the first fruits of creation, O Lord and Creator.
By their prayers keep Thy Church, Thy habitation, in abiding peace//
through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One!

PROKEIMENA

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Eighth Tone.

Reader: Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God!

Choir: Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God!

Reader: In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Choir: Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God!

Reader: And in the Fourth Tone.

Reader: God is wonderful in his saints, the God of Israel.

Choir: God is wonderful in his saints, the God of Israel.

EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews.

Ye Brethren: All the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated – of whom the world was not worthy – wandering over deserts and mountains and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. [Hebrews 11:33-12:2]

ALLELUIA

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

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

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: The righteous cried and the Lord heard them, and delivered them out of all their troubles.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reader: Many are the afflictions of the righteous; and the Lord will deliver them out of them all.

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

The Lord said to his disciples, "Everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you also will sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses, or brothers, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my Name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last, first." [Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30]

THE ZADOSTOYNIK

[Music in Folder]

"It is truly meet ..." / "Meet it is in truth ..."

COMMUNION HYMNS

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

AFTER COMMUNION

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