

13 NOVEMBER

+ Archbishop John Chrysóstom (Chrysóstomos) of Constantinople C5

VESPERS

Lord I have cried

Tone 4

O Lord, I have cried to you, listen to me;

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Note the voice of my plea when I cry to you.

O Lord, listen to me.

² Let my prayer be directed before you like incense,
the raising of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

O Lord, listen to me.

S6: O Lord, if you mark offences, who will stand?

But there is forgiveness with you.

S5: O Lord, I have waited for you for your name's sake;

my soul has waited for your word,

my soul has hoped in the Lord.

Let us celebrate with our hymns the golden trumpet, the instrument played by the breath of God, the inexhaustible source of teaching, the pillar on which the Church finds support, the spirit which reaches the heavens, the golden chalice which pours streams of doctrine sweeter than honey and allows the entire creation to drink in their flow. X2

S4: Let Israel hope in the Lord

from morning watch until night,

from morning watch.

S3: For there is mercy with the Lord

and abundant redemption with *him*.

He will redeem Israel from all his offences.

Let us rightly venerate holy John of the golden words. *He is* the unfailing star which illuminates every life under the sun with the rays of his bright teaching. *He is* the preacher of repentance, the golden sponge which dries the tears of fearful despair and the dew which refreshes hearts which are parched by sin. X2

S2: Every nation, praise the Lord;
every people, acclaim him!

S1: For his mercy is strengthened over us
and the truth of the Lord remains for ever.

Let us honour the earthly angel and heavenly man with our hymns. *He is* the solitary swallow with the eloquent song, the rich treasury of virtues, the unbreakable rock, the example for every believer, the imitator of the martyrs and the equal of the apostles. *He is* Chrysóstom who imitated the divine apostles by his life. X2

Glory: Tone 6

Thrice-blessed holy *father*, disciple of Christ the High Priest, good shepherd in your own right, you laid down your life for your flock and now you are glorified for ever. O John Chrysóstom, hierarch of great renown, pray to him to grant us great mercy.

Both now:

Most holy Virgin, who will not bless you? Who will not sing about your most pure childbearing? The only begotten Son shone timelessly from the Father, but was ineffably incarnate from you. *He is* God by nature, yet man for our sake. *He is not* two persons, but one *who is* known in two natures. O pure and all blessed Lady, plead with him to have mercy on our souls.

Entrance

Phos Ilarón

P/D: Wisdom! Stand upright!

O Jesus Christ, joyful light of the holy glory
of the immortal, heavenly, holy, blessed Father,
when we come to the setting of the sun
and see the light of evening,
we praise God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

For it is right at all times to worship you
with voices of praise,
O Son of God *and* Giver of life.
Therefore the world glorifies you.

Prokeímenon
Of the Day

Prophecy 1

Blessed is the man who has found wisdom.

From the Book of Proverbs (Composite)

The memory of the just is with eulogies, and the blessing of the Lord is on his head. Blessed is the man who has found wisdom, and the mortal who knows prudence. For it is better to travel for her, than for treasures of gold and silver. She is more valuable than precious stones. (Nothing evil can resist her; she is well known to all who approach her.) All price is not worthy of her. From her mouth proceeds justice, and she carries law and mercy in her mouth. O children, listen to me, and I will speak solemn truths. Blessed is the man who will keep my ways, for my ways are ways of life, and prayer is prepared by the Lord. Therefore, O men, I warn, and utter my voice to human sons. For I, wisdom, have lived with counsel and knowledge, and have called on understanding. I am counsel; I am prudent and strong. I love those who are friendly with me; and those who seek me will find grace. O simple, understand subtlety, and uneducated, take heart. Listen to me, for I will speak solemn truths, and will unfold right words from my lips. For my throat will muse on truth, and false lips are an abomination before me. All the words of my mouth are with justice; there is nothing in them wrong or perverse. They are all evident to those who understand, and right to those who find knowledge. For I will teach you truth, so that your hope may be in the Lord, and you will be filled with spirit.

Prophecy 2

God has visited his chosen ones.

From the Wisdom of Solomon (4:7-15)

Although the just may be overtaken with death, yet he will be at rest. ⁸ For honourable age is not in length of time, nor what is measured by the number of years. ⁹ But wisdom is the gray hair to people, and an unspotted life is old age. ¹⁰ He pleased God, and was loved by him, so that living among sinners he was taken up. ¹¹ He was snatched, in case evil should alter his understanding, or deceit charm his soul. ¹² For the bewitching of

waywardness obscures things that are honest, and the wandering of desire undermines the simple mind. ¹³ Since he was made perfect in a short time, he completed long years, ¹⁴ for his soul pleased the Lord, therefore he hurried to take him away from among the wicked. ¹⁵ The people saw, and did not understand, neither did they perceive that grace and mercy is with his saints, and that he has visited his chosen ones.

Prophecy 3

Give me wisdom that sits beside your throne.

From the Wisdom of Solomon (Composite)

The mouth of the just distils wisdom; the lips of just men exude grace. The mouth of the wise muses on wisdom, and justice rescues from death. At the death of a just man his hope does not perish; he will eat the fruit of justice with good things. Light is always for the just and they will pour out grace and glory. The tongue of the wise knows what is good, and wisdom rests in their heart. The Lord loves holy hearts, and all those blameless in the way are acceptable with him. The wisdom of the Lord shines on the face of the intelligent, for she goes before those who desire her, in making herself first known to them, and is contemplated easily by those who love her. Whoever seeks her early will have no great toil, and whoever watches for her will quickly be without care. For she goes around seeking those who are worthy of her, and reveals herself favourably to those on the ways. Vice will not prevail against wisdom. Therefore I became a lover of her beauty. I loved her, and sought her from my youth; I desired to make her my bride. The Lord of all things loved her, for she is privy to the mysteries of the knowledge of God, and a chooser of his works. Her labours are virtues, for she teaches temperance and prudence, justice and fortitude, which are such that men can have nothing more profitable in their life. If a man desires much experience, she knows events in the past and infers what is to come. She knows the subtlety of words and can expound enigmas. She foresees signs and wonders, and the events of seasons and times. She is a counsellor for all in goodness. For there is immortality in her, and good repute in the communion of her words. Therefore I prayed to the Lord, implored him, and said with all my heart. O God of *my* fathers, and Lord of mercy, you have made all things by your word, and put together man in your wisdom, that he should have dominion over the creatures which you have made, and order the world according to equity and justice. Give me wisdom that sits beside your throne; and do

not reject me from among your children, for I am your servant, and son of your handmaid. Send her from your holy dwelling, and from the throne of your glory, that being present with me, she may teach me, so that I may know what is pleasing to you. Guide me with knowledge and guard me with her glory. For all the thoughts of mortals are miserable, and their thinking unstable.

Ektení

Prayer

O Lord, allow us this night to be guarded from sin. Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers! Praised and glorified be your name for ever. Amen. O Lord, let your mercy be on us, for we have hoped in you. Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes. Blessed are you, O Master; make me understand your statutes. Blessed are you, O Holy *One*; enlighten me with your statutes. O Lord, your mercy lasts for ever; do not overlook the work of your hands. To you belongs worship, to you belongs praise, to you belongs glory, to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and to ages of ages. Amen.

Plirotiká

Prayer

P: Peace be with you all. R: And with your spirit

D: Bow down your heads to the Lord. R: To you, O Lord.

P: For blessed and glorified is the power of your Kingdom, of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages.

Amen.

Lití

Tone 4

The glory and pride of possessing the hierarch John as a royal ornament belongs to the Queen of Cities. He is a golden trumpet which sounds throughout the world to announce the teaching about salvation. She invites everyone to assemble as a choir for divine hymns. Therefore let us say in response, “O Chrysóstom, pray to Christ God to save our souls!”

Apósticha

Tone 5

Hail, O delight of the Church, golden trumpet, instrument of the breath of God, tongue which preaches repentance to us in its many forms through *its* love for the human race, radiant spirit, golden-tongued swallow, dove whose wings, according to the psalm, are tipped with gold in the splendour of the virtues, river which sparkles with flashes of light in its water and holy mouth which announces the love that God has for the human race! Implore Christ to grant our souls great mercy.

S2: My mouth will speak about wisdom;

the thought of my heart will be about understanding. Ps 48

Hail, true father to orphans, ready help of the distressed, assistance to the poor, feeder of the hungry, support for those who fall, marvellous physician of souls and their skilled healer, strict interpreter of the highest theology, clear expounder of the inspired Scriptures, straight rule and norm for action, double summit of wisdom at whose peak deeds and contemplation meet. Implore Christ to grant our souls great mercy.

S1: The mouth of the just will muse on wisdom

and his tongue speak about judgement. Ps 36

You have become the sacred home of the virtues. They have taken up their residence in you as though in a pure and holy temple. This was because you mastered the senses of your body and guarded the purity of your spirit from the entry of passions as though it were a secure treasure room. Therefore, O blessed father, after you had restored the likeness of God in yourself, you presided as a hierarch in the Church of God. You implored him to grant the world great mercy.

Glory: Tone 6

O Chrysóstom, you were truly the golden-mouthed trumpet and poured out the treasure of the pure and joyful notes of your teaching over the hearts of the faithful. O venerable father, “their message has gone out to the ends of the inhabited earth” and made it radiant with light, as the prophet David spoke.

Both now:

O blameless Woman, Christ the Lord, my Maker and Saviour, came from your pure womb in my likeness and rescued Adam from the ancient curse. Therefore, all-pure Woman, since you are the Theotokos and a true virgin,

we never tire to address you with the salutation of the angel, “Hail, O Lady, our intercessor, shield and redeemer of our souls!”

Song of Simeon

B/P: O Master, now let your servant depart in peace
 according to your word,
² for my eyes have seen your salvation,
 which you have prepared before all peoples,
³ a light of revelation for *the* nations
 and *the* glory of your people Israel.

Triságon Prayers

Apolytikia

Tone 8

The grace which shines from your lips has enlightened the inhabited earth like a torch. It has revealed the riches of poverty to the world and revealed to us the heights of humility. O father John Chrysóstom, as you teach us by your words, intercede before the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls.

Tone 8

O good *Master*, you were born from a virgin for our sake. You suffered crucifixion, despoiled death through death and revealed the resurrection as God. O merciful *Lord*, do not despise those whom you have created with your own hand, but, reveal your love for the human race. O Saviour, receive the Theotokos, who gave birth to you, as an intercessor and save your despairing people.

Dismissal

ORTHROS

God is the Lord Ps 117

R: God is the Lord and has appeared to us.

Blessed is the one who comes in the Lord's name. *Ps 117*

S1: Thank the Lord, for he is good,
 for his mercy lasts for ever.

S2: All the nations surrounded me,

but I opposed them in the Lord's name.

S3: This *is* the Lord's doing
and it is wonderful in our eyes.

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Small Litany

P: For yours is the might, and yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory of the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages. *Amen*

Kathísma 1

Tone 8

When you had learnt about the wisdom which comes from above and had received from God the gift of speaking well, you glowed before everyone like gold in the furnace. You preached the unity of the Holy Trinity and the arrows of your words pierced the sin of avarice. In a similar manner you zealously rebuked the Empress for this fault and were most unjustly banished from your flock. O blessed John Chrysóstom, implore Christ our God to grant forgiveness of sins to those who sincerely celebrate your sacred memory.

Glory: Both now:

All-pure Virgin, see my wretched *and* wrecked soul, which has no rudder in the storm of life and tempest of temptations, as it openly drowns under

the burden of its sins and is in danger of sinking to the depths of Hades. O Theotokos, you furnish a peaceful harbour, so hurry to save *my soul* through your fervent prayers, so that I may cry out in good faith, “Plead with Christ our God to grant me forgiveness of sins, for you are the hope of your unworthy servant.”

Kathísma 2

Tone 5

O faithful, let us rightly honour Chrysóstom. He is a meadow of words about the divinely inspired Scriptures and guides us to repentance. He endured many trials so that we might be taught by him. He continually prays to the Lord to save our souls.

Glory: Both now:

O pure and ever-virgin *Lady*, an astounding miracle of conception and an ineffable model of motherhood were revealed in you. My mind is filled with awe and my thoughts with wonder. O Theotokos, your glory has been extended to all for the salvation of our souls.

Polyeleos

Kathísma 3

Tone 4

O blessed hierarch, the Church is watered by the golden stream of your discourses, revives every believer with the riches of your waters and heals the illnesses of those who sing to you.

Glory:

O holy father, neither the unjust hatred of the synod, nor the foolish loathing of the Empress could extinguish the flame of your virtues. Since you were purified like gold in the furnace of your trials, you now continually plead before the Holy Trinity for whom you fought with the zeal of your spirit.

Both now:

O holy Virgin, hurry to bring us help and protection. Reveal your mercy to your servants *and* pacify the storm of our deluded thoughts. O Theotokos, raise my fallen soul. O Virgin, I know that you can do whatever you desire.

Small Litany

P: For blessed is your name, and glorified is your kingdom, of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and to the ages of ages. *Amen*

Anaváthmi Ps 128 Tone 4

- ¹ Many passions have fought against me from my youth,
but help me and save me, O my Saviour. *X2*
- ² Those who hate Zion will be shamed by the Lord;
they will be withered like grass by the fire. *X2*
Glory:
- ³ Every soul lives through the Holy Spirit, is exalted in purity
and illuminated by the Triune Unity in a sacred mystery.
Both now:
- ⁴ The streams of grace pour out through the Holy Spirit;
they water all creation and produce life.

Prokeímenon Tone 4

R: My mouth will speak about wisdom;
the meditation of my heart will be about understanding. *Ps 48*

S: All you nations, listen to these words;
all who live in the world, be attentive,

Gospel Dialogue

P/D: Let us pray to the Lord. *Lord have mercy*

P: For you, O God, are holy *and* rest in the Holy Place. We send up glory to you, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages. *Amen.*

R: Let everything with breath praise the Lord. *X3*
Praise God in his saints;
praise him in the firmament of his power. *Ps 50*

P/D: And that we may be counted worthy to listen to the Holy Gospel, let us pray to the Lord our God. *Lord have mercy X3*

P/D: Wisdom. Stand up. Let us listen to the Holy Gospel.

P: Peace be with you all. *And with your spirit*

P: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

P/D: Let us attend

R: Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you.

Gospel

From the Holy Gospel according to John (10:1-9)

The Lord said to those who followed him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the one who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber; ² but the one who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³ To him the gatekeeper opens; the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵ A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶ This figure Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁷ So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸ All who came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not heed them. ⁹ I am the door; if anyone enters by me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture."

R: Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you.

Psalm 50

O God, have mercy on me in your abundant mercy
and wipe out my offence through your great compassion.
⁴ Wash me thoroughly from my lawless act
and cleanse me from my sin.
⁵ For I know my lawlessness
and my sin is always before me.
⁶ I have sinned against you alone
and done this evil before you
^{6b} so that you might be justified in your words
and overcome when you are judged.
⁷ For see, I was conceived in lawlessness
and my mother gave birth to me in sin.
⁸ For see, you have loved truth
and revealed to me the hidden and secret *things* of your wisdom.
⁹ You will sprinkle me with hyssop and I will be clean;
you will wash me and I will become whiter than snow.
¹⁰ You will make me hear about joy and gladness;
the humbled bones will rejoice.
¹¹ Turn your face from my sins

and wipe out all my lawlessness.

¹² O God, create a pure heart within me
and renew an upright spirit within me.

¹³ Do not banish me from your presence
or remove your Holy Spirit from me.

¹⁴ Restore the joy of your salvation to me
and make me firm with your directing Spirit.

¹⁵ I will teach the lawless your ways
and the ungodly will return to you.

¹⁶ O God, set me free from the guilt of blood;
O God of my salvation,
my tongue will rejoice in your justice.

¹⁷ O Lord, you will open my lips
and my mouth will proclaim your praise.

¹⁸ For if you had wanted sacrifice, I would have given it;
you will not be pleased with burnt offerings.

¹⁹ Sacrifice for God is a broken spirit;
God will not despise a broken and humbled heart.

²⁰ O Lord, be good to Zion in your pleasure
and let the walls of Jerusalem be built.

²¹ Then you will be pleased with a sacrifice of justice,
with an offering and burnt sacrifices;
then they will offer calves on your altar.

Glory: Tone 2

O holy father Chrysóstom, torch of the Church, today all the hierarchs in their choirs rejoice in spirit as they celebrate your holy memory together with us.

Both now:

O merciful *Lord*, blot out the abundance of our offences through the prayers of the Theotokos.

Have mercy: Tone 6

O Chrysóstom, you were truly the golden-mouthed trumpet who poured out over the hearts of the faithful the treasure of your pure *and* joyful sounds *which are* your teaching. O renowned father, as the prophet David said, “Their sound has gone out to the ends of the inhabited earth and make it radiant with light.”

Intercession

P/D: O God, save your people and bless your inheritance.

Visit your world with mercy and compassion; exalt the horn of Orthodox Christians and send down on them your rich mercy, through the prayers of our all-pure Lady, Theotokos and Ever-virgin Mary, by the power of the honourable and life-giving cross, through the protection of the honourable bodiless powers of heaven, through the prayers of the honourable, glorious, prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John, of the holy, glorious, all-praised apostles, of the holy, all-praised and victorious martyrs, of our holy and God-bearing fathers, of the holy and just forebears of God, Ioachim and Anna, of our father among the saints, the Ecumenical Teacher John Chrysóstom, and of all the saints. We ask you, only merciful Lord, “Listen to us sinners as we pray to you, and have mercy on us.”

Lord have mercy. X12

Through the mercy, compassion and love for the human race of your uniquely-fathered Son, with whom you are blessed, together with the all-holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages.
Amen.

Kontákion

Tone 6

You have received divine grace from heaven and teach all men to adore the one God in three persons. All-blessed John Chrysóstom, we rightly praise you, for you are our teacher and reveal divine things.

Íkos

I bend my knee before the Creator of all and stretch out my hand to the pre-eternal Word. I seek the gift of preaching so that I may sing a hymn about the saint whom he himself has glorified. For through his prophet, the One who lives forever says, “I glorify those who glorify me with faith.” The *Lord* who in past times raised up Samuel, has now glorified a bishop who ably invested the talent which was entrusted to him *and* brought it to the King. Therefore the transcendent *God* has exalted him. I plead with the Word to give me his grace, although I am unworthy, so that I may be able to sing a hymn about him with devotion, because he is the teacher for the ends of the inhabited earth and reveals divine things.

Synaxárium

Today we remember our father among the saints John Chrysóstom, Archbishop of Constantinople, who lived in the Fifth Century. He was from Antioch where he was baptized at the age of eighteen. After two years as a hermit he returned to the city and served as deacon for six years before becoming a priest. His sermons began to draw crowds. He was transferred to Constantinople to become the Patriarch in 397. He was twice exiled and on the last occasion died in the Caucasus. He was the author of many works. On the Thirteenth we sing about the treasure which you passed on to us.

Together with him we remember:

New Martyr Damaskinós of Athos and Constantinople C17

O God, have mercy on us through their holy prayers. Amen.

Katavasías

1: I will open my mouth and be filled with the spirit. I will sing a song to the Queen and Mother. I will come, rejoice in the feast and praise her entrance.

3: O Theotokos, living and inexhaustible fountain, strengthen those who are united in spiritual fellowship and who sing your praises. Make them worthy *to receive* crowns of glory at the time of your solemn entrance.

4: The counsel of God cannot be scrutinised. The Most High was incarnate from a Virgin. The prophet Habakkuk foresaw this and cried, “Glory to your power, O God!”

5: O Virgin, all creation was fearful at the sight of your solemn entrance, for although you knew no man, you entered the temple of God, as a most pure temple yourself. You order salvation for all who praise you.

6: O devout people, come and clap hands while we observe this divine and most precious feast of the Mother of God. Let us glorify God who was born from her.

7: The devout youths worshipped the Creator rather than created things. They courageously trampled on the threatening fire and joyfully sang, “Blessed are you, most praised Lord, the God of our fathers.”

8: Let us praise, bless and worship the Lord.

The *Lord* who was born from the Theotokos saved the holy children in the furnace. The one who was then prefigured has now been born on earth and gathers the whole inhabited earth to sing, “All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord and exalt him above all for ever.

Ode 9

My soul glorifies the Lord
and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Saviour. R:

R: *You are* more honourable than the Cherubim
and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim.
You gave birth to God the Word without defilement;
O true Theotokos, we glorify you.

² For he has regarded his servant’s humility;
see, from now all generations will call me blessed. R:

³ For the Almighty has accomplished great *things* for me
and his name is holy.

His mercy is from generation to generation
on those who fear him. R:

⁴ He has accomplished strength with his arm
and scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. R:

⁵ He has put down the mighty from *their* thrones
and exalted the humble.

He has satisfied the hungry with good *things*
and dismissed the rich with nothing. R:

⁶ He has helped his servant Israel
in remembering his mercy,
as he spoke to our fathers,
to Abraham and his seed for ever. R:

9: Let every earthborn mortal spiritually rejoice and carry lamps. be radiant and spiritually leap for joy. Let the ranks of angelic powers

celebrate as they honour the holy entrance of the Theotokos and cry, “Hail, O pure and blessed Ever-virgin who gave birth to God!”

Small Litany

P: For all the powers of heaven praise you, and to you we send up glory, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages. *Amen.*

Exaposteilária

Tone 3

O father Chrysóstom, the Church of Christ is plainly splendid with your golden teaching. The souls of the faithful rejoice and honour your most holy memory, for you have been revealed to all as a teacher of repentance and a guide to salvation.

Glory:

Let us all praise the most wise John Chrysóstom as we receive strength from him. He is the clarion voice of repentance, the treasury of the poor, the golden, true and eloquent mouth of the Church and the teacher of Scripture.

Both now:

O Lady, Virgin and pure Queen, pray to your Son, together with the glorious Chrysóstom, that those who sing to you may be saved from every danger and receive the good things of eternity, for you can do everything that you desire.

Praises

Tone 4

Let everything with breath
praise the Lord.
Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise him in the heights.
To you, O God, is due a song.

Praise him, all his angels;
praise him, all his powers.
To you, O God, is due a song.

S4: Praise him with cymbal and dance;
praise him with strings and flute.

The streams of your sacred teaching are more brilliant than gold; they make needy hearts wealthy, and banish the shadows of the passions and the cruel winter of greed. Therefore, O John Chrysóstom, we rightly honour your relics as a source of sanctification.

S3: Praise him with tuneful cymbals;
praise him with joyful cymbals.

Let everything with breath praise the Lord.

Today let us sing to blessed Chrysóstom. *He is* the pillar of fire, the river which flows with divine teaching, the heavenly spirit, the golden mouth which speaks to us about God, the preacher of repentance, the refuge for sinners, the brilliant flaming torch and the man of heaven.

S2: My mouth will speak about wisdom;

the thought of my heart will be about understanding. Ps 48

O golden-worded Chrysóstom, intercessor for our souls, you were a sun of great brilliance which enlightened the whole world with your teaching and a most radiant star which shines with rays of light. You always guide those *who are* storm tossed on the seas of life to the tranquil harbour of salvation.

S1: I will clothe her priests with salvation

and her holy ones will rejoice with gladness. Ps 131

O venerable *father*, you were driven unjustly from your flock. You suffered tribulation and bitter imprisonment where you were counted worthy of a blessed end. You conquered the most crafty *Devil* like a valiant athlete. O John Chrysóstom, you were crowned with the wreath of victory by Christ the Saviour of our souls.

Glory: Tone 8

After you had adorned the Church of God with golden words and divinely eloquent teaching, you laid up spiritual riches for us, *that is* your God-given sermons. Therefore, O divinely-wise John of golden soul and tongue, the Church weaves a wreath with hymns for you and offers unfading flowers in your holy memory. O venerable *father*, since you have boldness before God, intercede for our souls.

Both now:

O Lady, accept the pleas of your servants and save us from every anguish and sorrow.

Great Doxology

Glory to you who have shown us the light!

glory to God in the highest!

Peace on earth and goodwill to men!

² We praise you, we bless you, we worship you,
we glorify you, we thank you for your great glory,

³ O Lord King, heavenly God, almighty Father,
O Lord, only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ,
and you, O Holy Spirit!

⁴ O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sin of the world;

have mercy on us,

for you take away the sin of the world.

⁵ Receive our prayer,
for you sit on the right of the Father,
and have mercy on us.

⁶ For only you are holy, only you are Lord,
O Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

⁷ I will bless you every day
and always praise your name for ever and ever. Ps 144

⁸ O Lord, allow us this day
to be guarded from sin.

⁹ Blessed are you, O Lord God of our fathers!
Praised and glorified be your name for ever. Amen. Daniel 3

¹⁰ O Lord, let your mercy *be* on us,
for we have hoped in you. Ps 32.

¹⁶ Blessed are you, O Lord!
Teach me your statutes. X3 Ps 118

¹² O Lord, you have been our refuge
from generation to generation. Ps 89

I said, "O Lord, have mercy on me;
heal my soul, for I have sinned against you." Ps 40

¹⁴ O Lord, I have fled to you;
teach me to do your will, for you are my God. Ps 142

¹⁵ For with you is the source of life

and in your light we will see light. Ps 35
 16 Stretch out your mercy
 to those who know you. Ps 35

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Apolytíkion

Tone 8

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LITURGY

Antiphon 1 Ps 91 Tone 5

S1: It is good to thank the Lord
 and make melody to your name, O Most High.

R: At the prayers of the Theotokos, Saviour, save us!

S2: To announce your mercy in the morning
 and your truth by night,

S3: For the Lord our God is upright
 and there is no injustice in him.

S4: Glory: Both now:

Antiphon 2 Ps 92 Tone 2

S1: The Lord reigns *and* is clothed with majesty;
 the Lord has put on power and clothed himself.

R: Save us, O Son of God. You are wonderful in your saints.
 We sing to you, "Alleluia!"

S2: For he founded the world which will not be moved.

S3: O Lord, holiness is right for your house
 to length of days.

S4: Glory: Both now:

*Monogenes***Antíphon 3 Ps 94 Tone 8**

S1: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord,
and shout with joy to God our Saviour.

R: The grace which shines from your lips has enlightened the inhabited earth like a torch. It has revealed the riches of poverty to the world and revealed to us the heights of humility. O father John Chrysóstom, as you teach us by your words, intercede before the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls.

S2: Let us enter his presence with thanksgiving
and gladly cry to him with psalms,
For the Lord is a great God
and a high king over all the earth.

Entrance Ps 94

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ.
Save us, O Son of God.
You are wonderful in your saints.
We sing to you, "Alleluia!"

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*Of the Church***Kontákion**

Tone 4

The most pure temple of the Saviour, the precious chamber and Virgin, the sacred treasure of the glory of God, is presented today in the house of the Lord. She brings with her the grace of the divine Spirit. Therefore the angels of God sing praises, "Truly this *woman* is the heavenly tabernacle."

Triságion

Prokeimenon Ps 48 Tone 1

R: My mouth will speak about wisdom;
 the meditation of my heart will be about understanding.
 S: All you nations, listen to these words;
 all who live in the world, be attentive.

Apostolos

From the Letter of Paul to the Hebrews (7:26-8:2)
 Brothers, such a high priest was fitting for us: holy, guiltless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and made higher than the heavens;²⁷ who does not need, like those high priests, to daily offer up sacrifices, first for his own sins, and then for the sins of the people. For this he did once for all, when he offered up himself. ²⁸For the law appoints men as high priests who have weakness, but the word of the oath which came after the law appoints a Son forever who has been perfected. ¹Now in the things which we are saying, the main point is this. We have such a high priest, who sat down on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, ²a minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, not man.

Alleluia Ps 36 Tone 2

S1: The mouth of the just will meditate on wisdom
 and his tongue speak about judgement
 S2: The law of his God is in his heart
 and his footsteps will not falter.

Gospel

From the Holy Gospel according to John (10:9-17)
 The Lord said to his disciples: I am the door; if anyone enters by me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. ¹¹ I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² He who is a hireling and not a shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³ He flees because he is a hireling and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴ I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵ as the Father knows me and I

know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ And I have other sheep, that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will heed my voice. So there shall be one flock, one shepherd.

Communion Ps 111

The just will be in everlasting remembrance. Alleluia!