

30 NOVEMBER
+ Andrew (Andréas) the First-called Apostle

VESPERS

Lord I have cried

Tone 4

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

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

Tone 4

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.

O glorious Andrew, when the *Lord* who is called "The Morning Star, the Splendour of the glory of the eternal Father," in his great mercy made his home on earth, you were the first to meet him. Your heart was enlightened with the perfect brightness of his divinity. We bless you as the herald of the apostles of Christ our God. Plead with him to enlighten and save our souls. 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.

O holy Andrew, when the *Lord* was proclaimed by the voice of the Forerunner, "The Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world to bring life and salvation to the whole earth," you were the first to follow him. You were offered to him as the first-fruits of the human race. You proclaimed to Peter your brother, "We have found the Christ." Plead with him to enlighten and save our souls. 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.

O Andrew, lover of purity, when *the Lord*, who clothed himself in human flesh and took our nature from the fruitful womb of the Virgin, appeared on earth as the Teacher of justice, your heart was made glad. He raised you from earth to the ineffable glory of God. Plead with him to enlighten and save our souls. X2

Glory: Tone 4

O apostle Andrew, when you left behind your fishing nets, you caught men with the net of your preaching. You threw the bait of justice to us and so rescued every nation from the depths of error. O Apostle Andrew, brother of Peter the Foremost, all-glorious and unflinching intercessor, may the celebration of your memory enlighten all those who live in darkness.

Both now:

Rejoice, O Isaiah, and receive the word of God! Prophecy to Mary the maiden. She is the burning bush which is not consumed by the fire of the Divinity. O Bethlehem, adorn yourself! O Eden, open your gates! O Magi, enter and see salvation swaddled in a crib. See the star which shines over the cave; it announces the life-giving Lord who saves the human race.

Entrance

Phos Ilarón

P/D: Wisdom! Stand upright!

O Jesus Christ, joyful light of the holy glory

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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

Reading 1

From the First Letter of Peter (1:1-2, 10-25, 2:1-6)
Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To the exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, ²chosen and destined by God the Father and sanctified by the Spirit for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you. ¹⁰The prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired about this salvation. ¹¹They inquired what person or time was indicated by the Spirit of Christ within them when predicting the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glory. ¹²It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things which have now been announced to you by those who preached the good news to you through the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look. ¹³Therefore clothe your minds, be sober, set your hope fully on the grace that is coming to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ¹⁴As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, ¹⁵but as the one who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct, ¹⁶since it is written, "You must be holy, for I am holy." ¹⁷If you invoke as Father the one who judges everyone impartially according to his deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile. ¹⁸You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your fathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the times for your sake. ²¹Through him you have confidence in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God. ²²Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere love of the brothers, love one another earnestly from the heart. ²³You have been born again, not from perishable seed, but from imperishable, through the living and continuing word of God. ²⁴For "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers and the flower falls, ²⁵but the word of the Lord remains for ever." That word is the good news which was preached to you. ¹So put away all malice, all deviousness, insincerity and envy, and all slander. ²Long for the pure spiritual milk like newly-born babies, so that by it you may grow up to salvation, ³for you have tasted the kindness of the Lord. ⁴Come to him, to that living stone, rejected by men but in God's sight chosen and precious; ⁵and like living stones be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and the one who believes in him will not be put to shame."

Reading 2

From the First Letter of Peter (2:21-3:9)
Brothers, to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for us and left us an example that we should follow in his steps. ²²He committed no sin; no deceit was found on his lips. ²³When he was abused, he did not abuse in return. When he suffered, he did not threaten, but he trusted to the one who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sin and live to justice. You have been healed by his wounds. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls. ¹Wives, similarly be submissive to your husbands, so that some, although they do not obey the word, may be won without a word by the behaviour of their wives, ²when they see your reverent and chaste behaviour. ³Do not adorn yourselves

outwardly with plaiting of hair, decoration of gold and wearing of fine clothing, ⁴but let *adornment* be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable jewel of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in God's sight. ⁵So once the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves and were submissive to their husbands, ⁶as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord. And you are now her children if you do right and let nothing terrify you. ⁷Husbands, similarly live considerately with your wives *and* grant honour on the woman as the weaker sex, since you are joint heirs of the grace of life; in this way your prayers will not be hindered. ⁸Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love of the brothers, a tender heart and a humble mind. ⁹Do not return evil for evil or abuse for abuse; but on the contrary bless, for to this you have been called, so that you may obtain a blessing.

Reading 3

From the First Letter of Peter (4:1-11)

Brothers, since Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same thought, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, ²in order to live for the rest of the time in the flesh no longer by human passions, but by the will of God. ³Let the time that is past suffice for doing what the Gentiles like to do, living in depravity, passions, drunkenness, revels, riotous behaviour, and lawless idolatry. ⁴They are surprised that you do not now join them in the same wild decadence and they abuse you. ⁶For this is why the gospel was preached even to the dead, so that, though judged in the flesh like men, they might live in the spirit like God. ⁷The end of all things is at hand, therefore keep sane and sober for your prayers. ⁸Above all hold unflinching love for one another, since love covers a mass of sins. ⁹Practise hospitality to one another without complaint. ¹⁰As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace. ¹¹Whoever speaks, *let it be* as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever gives service, as one who gives it by the strength which God supplies, in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

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.*

Liti

Tone 8

Let us praise Andrew, the messenger of the faith and servant of the Word, who fishes men from the depths of error. He holds the rod of the cross in his hands and throws out divine power as a net to drag men from the chasm of evil and present them as an acceptable offering to our God. O faithful, continually implore him in song, together with the choirs of the disciples, to plead before Christ to show us favour on the day of judgement.

Apósticha

Tone 5

Rejoice, O heaven! Proclaim everywhere the glory of God. Today the first-called apostle stands in our midst; he was the first to obey the Lord with zeal. He was united to him and kindled by his love. He is the reflection of the Saviour's love for the human race, for his rays enlighten those who live in darkness and the shadow of death. We rejoice in his holy memory, for health and blessing are given to us through his prayers.

S1: His sound has gone out into all the earth
and his words to the ends of the world. ps 18

O Andrew, when you had found the principal object of your desires, the *Lord* who clothed himself in our nature in the compassion of his heart, you joined yourself to him with the warmth of your love. You cried out to your brother, "We have found Christ, the one whom the prophets had announced in the Spirit. Let us go so that his beauty may please our souls and spirits. *Let us go* so that, when we have been illuminated with his splendour, we may banish the darkness of ignorance and the night of error. *Let us go* so that we may praise and bless the Lord who grants the world great mercy."

S2: The heavens declare God's glory
and the firmament speaks about his handiwork. ps 18

With the net of your words you fished from the depths of ignorance the nations who had lived without the knowledge of the true God. With a secure foot you trod on the waves which were stirred by the sea, as though you were an excellent horse of the *Lord* who ruled the waves. Then you assailed the sickness of the ungodly and applied your precious wisdom as its medicine. This is a wisdom which startles the impudent followers of the *Devil* who turns them to foolishness by not confessing Christ who gives the world great mercy.

Glory: Tone 3

O apostle Andrew, brother of Peter and disciple of Christ, fisherman and fisher of men, we honour you in songs. You shaped every teaching with the wisdom of Christ. As fish are lured into a net, so you caught sinners with the bait of truth. O Christ, grant us peace and great mercy through his prayers.

Both now:

O Joseph, tell us how you led the childless Virgin into the cave at Bethlehem. After he had searched the prophets and heard the angel, he said, "I am certain that Mary will amazingly give birth to God, whom the Magi from the east will worship as they offer precious gifts." O Lord, *you were* incarnate for our sake; glory to you!

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.

Triságion Prayers

Apolytikia

Tone 4

O Andrew, first-called of the apostles and brother of the foremost disciple, implore the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.

Tone 4

O Theotokos, the mystery hidden from eternity and unknown to the angels, is revealed to those on earth through you. God was incarnate from you in a union without confusion and freely endured the cross for us by his own will. He raised the first-formed man and has saved our souls from death.

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*

Kathisma 1

Tone 1

O apostle Andrew, we praise you with love, for you are a godly disciple and the first-called of all the disciples of Christ. We cry out to you in faith, "Save the flock, which was assigned to you by God, from every sorrow, anguish, temptation and affliction."

Glory: Both now:

O Virgin, stretch out your hands in your compassion and send us help from your sanctuary. Grant us a life free from danger so that we may glorify your all-holy motherhood, and place our hope and boast in you.

Kathisma 2

Tone 3

O blessed Andrew, Christ discovered you as his first-called disciple, the special initiate of his mysteries. You diligently exalted his precepts for the whole world. As though you were on wings, you enlightened the nations of the Gentiles. Implore him as God to grant us great mercy.

Glory: Both now:

All-pure Virgin, you became the divine tabernacle of the Word and exceed the angels in holiness. I am covered with mud and stained by fleshly passions more than all the others. You obtain great mercy for us through your prayers, so purify me in the divine streams.

Polyeleos

Kathisma 3

Tone 5

Let us praise the apostle who saw the Word with his own eyes. He preached about him exquisitely and caught the nations in his spiritual net. Andrew guides us to the knowledge of Christ and is our powerful protector who continually pleads for the salvation of our souls.

Glory: Both now:

O pure Virgin, you are the secure refuge for those who hope in you. Rescue us from deadly perils, trials and every type of danger, as you plead before your Son, together with his divine apostles. Save the faithful who sing to you.

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.

Prokéimenon Ps 18 Tone 4

R: His sound has gone out into all the earth
and his words to the ends of the world.

S1: The heavens declare God's glory.

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 Mark (4:18-23)

At that time as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zeb'edee and John his brother, in the boat with Zeb'edee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. ²² Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. ²³ And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

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 6

O merciful *Lord*, wipe out the abundance of our sins through the intercessions of the apostles.

Both now:

O merciful *Lord*, wipe out the abundance of our sins through the intercessions of the Theotokos.

Have mercy: Tone 8

Let us praise Andrew, the messenger of faith and servant of the Word, who fishes men from the depths of error. He holds the rod of the cross in his hands and throws out divine power as a net to drag men from the chasm of evil and present them as an acceptable offering to our God. O faithful, continually implore him in song, together with the choirs of the disciples, to plead before Christ to show us favour on the day of judgement.

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 the First-called apostle Andrew, 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 2

Let us praise the divinely inspired Andrew for his courage. *He is* the first apostle of the Saviour and brother of Peter, for just as he drew his brother to Christ, he is crying out to us, "Come, for we have found the one whom the world desires."

Íkos

In days of old, David, a sinner like myself, was compelled to declare the maxims of God with honour. And again he teaches and proclaims with many tears, "Today, if you will hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as Israel was once embittered." He leads all in psalmody, "All you lands, sing hymns to the Lord." Come, for we have found the one whom the world desires.

Synaxáron

Today we remember the holy renowned and glorious apostle Andrew, the First-called. He was a disciple of the Forerunner (John 1:36) who became the first disciple. He brought his brother Peter to Christ (John 1:41), found the boy with the five loaves (John 6:8) and, with Philip, introduced some Greeks to Christ. (John 12:20) On the Thirtieth the apostle reached his Master with his head underneath.

Together with him we remember:

Archbishop Phrouméntios of Ethiopia C4

Bishop Tudwal of Wales and Brittany C6

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

Katavasías

1: Christ is born, glorify him! Christ is from heaven, receive him! Christ is on earth, be raised! All the earth, sing to the Lord! All you people, praise him with joy, for he has been glorified!

3: Let us cry out to Christ our God, to the Son begotten of the Father before all ages and incarnate from the Virgin without seed in these latter days, "O Lord, you have raised our horn and are holy."

4: O Rod of the stem of Jesse and Flower which bloomed from a virgin, O all-praised Christ, you have come from the mountain covered with darkness. You have been made flesh from the one who did not know marriage. O God not formed from matter, O Lord, glory to your might!

5: God of peace and Father of mercies, you have sent us the Angel of great council who grants us peace. So we are guided to the light of the knowledge of God. O Lover of the human race, we wake early from the night and praise you.

6: The sea-monster spewed Jonah unharmed as it had received him, like a baby from the womb. When the Word came to live in the Virgin and was made flesh, he came out, yet preserved her incorrupt, for he himself was not subject to decay and kept his mother free from harm.

7: The children brought up together in godliness, despised the unjust command, and were not afraid of the threat of fire, but as they stood in the midst of the flames, they sang, "Blessed are you, O God of our fathers!"

8: Let us praise, bless and worship the Lord. The furnace which was moist with dew, was the image of a wonder beyond nature, for it did not burn the children whom it had received, just as the Fire of Divinity did not consume the Virgin's womb when it entered. So let us raise the song, "Let the entire creation 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: I see a strange and most glorious mystery. Heaven is the cave and the cherubic throne is the Virgin. The manger is the place where Christ lay. *He* is the God who cannot be contained and whom we glorify in song.

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

Most blessed and ever-memorable Andrew, the Word without beginning discovered you; he revealed you to be the first-called of the apostles. Because you followed in his steps, you revealed yourself as guide for the wandering and lead them to the heavenly path of God.

Let us glorify and praise the apostle Andrew. *He was* the brother of Peter, the first of the disciples, and the eye-witness and servant of the Word. When he had enlightened the nations, he ended his life on a cross as a true servant of his Master, Jesus.

All-pure Virgin, together with the first-called Andrew, pray to the God whom you bore for all those who honour you with reverence. May we receive the splendour of your Son, and a place to stand with the elect and all the saints, for you can do whatever you desire.

Praises

Tone 1

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.

Tone 1

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

Rejoice, Bethsaida! The most fragrant lilies, Peter and Andrew, have blossomed in you from the valley of their mother; they perfume the whole world with the preaching of faith. Through the grace of Christ they also shared in the cup of his sufferings.

S3: Praise him with tuneful cymbals;
praise him with joyful cymbals.
Let everything with breath praise the Lord.

O Andrew, rejoice and make merry, for clearly in the radiance of the Word you received Christ, the Sun of glory and Giver of life. You preached him as you clung to him with faith. Continually pray to him for us as we sing hymns to you in faith.

S2: His sound has gone out into all the earth
and his words to the ends of the world. Ps 18

Andrew, the prophet of God and teacher of the mysteries of Christ's divine dispensation, was chosen as the first of the disciples of the Word. When he saw Peter, his brother, he cried aloud and said, "We have found the Messiah whom the Scriptures and the Prophets foretold."

S1: The heavens declare God's glory
and the firmament speaks about his handiwork.

O Andrew, the city of Patras has you as a shepherd and divine protector, for you guard and preserve it from every danger; it thanks you and venerates you. Continually pray for it to be kept from every evil.

Glory: Tone 8

Let us praise Andrew, the preacher of faith and servant of the Word, for he has drawn men out of the abyss. He has fished with the cross instead of a rod; he lowers a powerful line in order to lead souls up from the deception of the enemy and he continually offers them to God as an acceptable gift. O faithful, let us praise him among the choirs of the disciples of Christ. May he pray, together with them, for Christ to have mercy on us at the Day of Judgement.

Both now:

O Bethlehem, receive the Mother of God, for the unapproachable Light comes to be born in you! O Angels, marvel in heaven! O mortals, give glory on earth! O Magi from Persia, bring your three most glorious gifts! O shepherds who remain in the fields, sing the thrice-holy hymn! Let all those who have breath sing praise to the Maker of all.

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

Triságion

Apolytikion

Tone 4

O Andrew, first-called of the apostles and brother of the foremost disciple, implore the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.

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

Antiphon 3 Ps 94 Tone 4

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

R: O Andrew, first-called of the apostles and brother of the foremost
disciple, implore the Master of all to grant peace to the world and
great mercy to 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!"

Apolytikia

Tone 4

O Andrew, first-called of the apostles and brother of the foremost
disciple, implore the Master of all to grant peace to the world and
great mercy to our souls.

Of the Church

Kontáktion

Tone 3

Today the Virgin comes to the cave where she will ineffably give
birth to the pre-eternal Word. O inhabited earth, rejoice when you
hear the news! Glorify with the angels and shepherds the one who
chose to be revealed as a new born Child, *yet was* God before the
ages.

Triságion

Prokeimenon Ps 18 Tone 8

R: His sound has gone out into all the earth.

S: The heavens declare the God's glory.

Apóstolos

The hardships of an apostle

From the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (4:9-16)
Brothers, God has displayed us, the apostles, last of all, like men
sentenced to death. For we are made a spectacle to the world, both to
angels and men. ¹⁰ We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in
Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You have honour, but we
have dishonour. ¹¹ Even to this present hour we hunger, thirst, are
naked, are beaten, and have no certain home. ¹² We toil, working
with our own hands. When people curse us, we bless. Being
persecuted, we endure. ¹³ Being defamed, we entreat. We are made
as the filth of the world, the dirt wiped off by all, even until now. ¹⁴ I
do not write these things to shame you, but to admonish you as my
dear children. ¹⁵ For though you have ten thousand tutors in Christ,
yet not many fathers. For in Christ Jesus, I became your father
through the gospel. ¹⁶ I beg you therefore, be imitators of me.

Alleluia Ps 88 Tone 1

S1: O Lord, the heavens will acknowledge your wonders.

S2: God is glorified in a council of saints.

Gospel

Apostle Andrew, the First-Called

From the Holy Gospel according to John (1:36-52)

At that time John looked at Jesus as he walked, and said, "Behold,
the Lamb of God!" ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they
followed Jesus. ³⁸ Jesus turned, and saw them following, and said to
them, "What do you seek?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which
means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹ He said to them,
"Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying; and
they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰ One
of the two who heard John speak, and followed him, was Andrew,
Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon, and said
to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). ⁴² He
brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him, and said, "So you are
Simon the son of John? You shall be called Cephas" (which means
Peter). ⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And he found
Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from
Bethsáida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathánael,
and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the law and
also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." ⁴⁶
Nathánael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?"
Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷ Jesus saw Nathánael coming
to him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no
guile!" ⁴⁸ Nathánael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus
answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the
fig tree, I saw you." ⁴⁹ Nathánael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the
Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰ Jesus answered him,
"Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe?
You shall see greater things than these." ⁵¹ And he said to him,
"Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the
angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."

Communion Ps 18

Their sound has gone out into all the earth
and their words to the ends of the world. Alleluia!