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SUN MAY 3 - THIRD SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Tone 2.

Commemorating the Holy Myrrh-bearing Women,
Noble Joseph of Arimathea & Righteous Nicodemus.

GREAT VESPERS. Paschaltide beginning. Kathisma. Lord, I call: 10 Verses: Resurrection 7, T-2: "Come, let us worship."; Myrrh-bearers: 3, T-2: "Early at dawn."; Glory, T-6: "The myrrh-bearing women.." N&E: Dogmatik T-2: "The shadow of the Law.." Prokeimenon: "The Lord is King.." Apostikha, T-2: "Thy Resurrection, O Christ.." and the Paschals; Glory, T-5: "When Joseph, together with Nicodemus.." N&E: "This is the day of Resurrection.." Troparion: Sunday, T-4: "Rejoice, O Virgin.." (3 times).

SUNDAY MATINS. Paschaltide beginning. Six Psalms. Great Litany. Troparia: Resurrection, T-2: "When Thou didst descend.." (twice); Glory, T-2: "The Noble Joseph.." N&E, T-2: "The angel came to the myrrh-bearing women.." Kathismata #2 & #3. Sessional Hymns: "Glory to Thee, O Lord.." Polyeleon. Evlogitaria: "Blessed art Thou, O Lord.." Hypakoe, Antiphons & Prokeimenon: of Tone 2. Gospel #3, Mark 16:9-20. "Having beheld the Resurrection.." (3 times); Psalm 50. and the rest. 2 Kanons: Pascha & Theotokos (see Bright Monday Matins) on 6; Myrrhbearers on 8. Eirmosi, Pascha, T-1: "This is the day of Resurrection.." Katavasi: same as Eirmosi. After 3rd Canticle: Kontakion of Pascha, T-8: "Thou didst descent into the tomb.." Eikos: "Before the dawn.." Sedalen: Pascha, T-2: "Everything that has breath.." GNE: Feast, T-2: "Everything that has breath.." After 6th: Kontakion of Myrrh-bearers, T-2: "Thou didst command.." Exapostilarion: "In the flesh Thou didst fall asleep.." GNE: "Women, hear the voice of joy.." Praises: 8 Verses, of Resurrection, T-2: "Everything that has breath.." Glory: Gospel Stikhera #3, T-2: "To the women with Mary.." N&E: "You are most blessed.." Great Doxology. Sunday Tropar #2: "By rising from the tomb.." Litanies. Sunday Dismissal.

HOURS. Troparia: Resurrection & Noble Joseph. Kontakion: Myrrhbearers.

DIVINE LITURGY. Paschaltide beginning. Regular Antiphons. **Troparia:** a) Resurrection; b) Noble Joseph; **Kontakia:** Glory: Myrrh-bearers; N&E: Pascha. **Trisagion.** **Prokeimenon,** T-6: "O Lord, save Thy people.." **Epistle:** Acts 6:1-7. **Alleluia,** T-8: "Lord, Thou wast favorable.." **Gospel:** Mark 15:43-16:8. **Instead of** (It is truly meet..) of Pascha. **Communion Hymns:** a) "Receive the Body of Christ.." b) Praise the Lord from the heavens.." **Sunday Paschaltide Dismissal.**



TUE MAY 6 - HOLY GREAT MARTYR GEORGE, THE VICTORIOUS.

GREAT VESPERS. {Paschaltide Beginning} **Kathisma.** On Lord, I call: 8 Verses: Myrrh-bearing Women) 3; {From Pentecostarian, P. 137-138.} T-2: "The women disciples of Christ God.."; **Martyr 5,** T-4: "O Victorious George.." **Glory,** Mtr. T-6: "O Warrior George, you have.." Now & ever, Pentecostarian, T-6: "The myrrh-bearing women came to Thy tomb.." **Entrance with censer.** **Prokeimenon,** Of the day. **3 Readings:** a) Isaiah 43:9-14. b) Wisdom 3:1-9. c) Wisdom 4:7-15. **Litiya,** T-1: "Bright and excellent George.." **Glory,,** T-4: Come, ye who love the martyrs.." N&E, T-5: "Spring has dawned.." **Apostikha:** Mtr. T-4: "The people, O George.." **Glory,** T-4: "O brethren, let us praise .." N&E, Pentecostarian, T-6: "Joseph asked for the Body of Jesus.." **Troparia: a)** Mtr. T-4: "As a liberator of captives.." **b)** Mtr. T-4: "You fought the good fight of faith.." **c)** Pentecostarian, T-2: "Unto the myrrh-bearing women the Angel.."

FESTAL MATINS. {Paschaltide Beginning} **Troparia:** Pentecostarian, T-2: "The noble Joseph taking Down Thine.." (*twice*); **Glory, Martyr:** T-4: "As a liberator of captives.." N&E, Pentecostarian, T-2: "Unto the myrrh-bearing women the Angel cried out.." **Sessional Hymns:** "Behold the spring of grace.." **Polyeleon. Magnification:** "We magnify,* we magnify you,* O Great-Martyr and Victorious George,* and we honor the precious sufferings ,*** that you have endured for Christ." **Sedalen of Martyr:** "You have fitly cultivated.." **Antiphon:** "From my youth.." **Prokeimenon,** T-4: "The righteous man shall flourish in the Lord,* and shall hope in Him." **Gospel: Luke 12:2-12.** "Having beheld the Resurrection.." **Glory,,** T-6: "Through the prayers of the Great Martyr George.." N&E: "Through the prayers of the Theotokos.." "Have mercy.." **Stikhera,** T-6: "Today all the inhabited earth.." **3 Kanons:** Pascha on 4; Pentecostarian, on 4; 2 of Mtr. on 6; **Eirmosi: Pascha,** T-1: "This is the day of Resurrection.." **Katavasi:** Pascha, T-1. After 3rd Canticle: **Kontakion Pentecostarian,:** T-2: "When Thou didst cry "Rejoice" to the myrrh-bearers.." **GNE: Sedalen of Martyr:** T-8: "Manfully contending in every manner of piety.." After 6th: **Kontakion of Martyr,** T-4: "Cultivated by God.."; & **Eikos:** "Desiring Christ the King.." **Exapostilarion:** Mtr. T-3: "Springtime has shown forth..": **Glory: (Martyr),** "Like the brilliant sun..": N&E: Pentecostarian, "Harken, ye women, and give ear.." **Praises: 4 Verses,** Martyr, T-2: "Come, all ye who have celebrated.." **Glory: (Martyr) T-2:** "Solomon said to mortal men.." N&E, Pascha T-5: "This is the day of Resurrection.." **Great Doxology. Troparion, Martyr T-4:** "As a liberator of captives.." **GNE: Res. T-4:** "The mystery hidden from all the ages.." **Litanies. Sunday Dismissal.**

HOURS. Troparia: Myrrh-bearers and Martyr. **Kontakia, (1st & 6th)** Myrrh-bearers. **(3rd & 9th)** Martyr

PASCHAL DIVINE LITURGY. On Beatitudes 8 Troparia: Myrrh-bearers, 4, and From Gmtr. George 4,) After Entrance: **Troparia:** a) Myrrh-bearers, T-2: "Unto the myrrh-bearing women the Angel.." b) Martyr T-4: "As a liberator of captives.." **Kontakia, Glory:** Martyr, T-4: "Cultivated by God.." N&E: Myrrh-bearers, T-2: "When Thou didst cry "Rejoice" to the myrrh-bearers.." **Prokeimenon, Mtr.** T-7: "Precious in the Lord,* is the death of His saints." **Epistles:** a) Day: Acts 8:18-25. b) Mtr. Gal. 5:22-6:2. **Alleluia, T-6:** "Blessed is the man who fears the Lord.." **Gospels:** a) Day: John 6:35-39. b) Mtr. Luke 6:17-23. **Instead of (It is truly meet..) of Pascha:** "The Angel cried.." and "Shine, shine.." **Communion Hymns:** a) "Receive the Body of Christ.." b) The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.." **Sunday Paschaltide Dismissal.**



SUN MAY 10 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Tone 3.
The Paralytic Man.

GREAT VESPERS. Paschaltide beginning. Kathisma. Lord, I call: 10 Verses; Resurrection 7, T-3: "By Thy Cross, O Christ.."; Paralytic 3, T-1: "O Thou who didst create men.."; Glory, T-5: "Jesus went up in Jerusalem.." N&E, Dogmatik T-3: "How shall we but marvel.." **Prokeimenon:** "The Lord is King.." **Apostikha, T-3:** "The sun was darkened.." then the **Paschals.** **Glory, T-8:** "Solomon's porch contained.."; N&E: "This is the day of Resurrection.." **Troparion:** Sunday, T-4: "Rejoice, O Virgin.." (3 times).

SUNDAY MATINS. Paschaltide beginning. Six Psalms. Great Litany. **Troparia:** Res. T-3: "Let the heavens rejoice.."; (twice); GNE, Res. T-3: "We sing your praises.." **Kathismata #2.** **Sessional Hymns:** "Christ has risen.." **Polyeleon. Evlogitaria:** "Blessed art Thou, O Lord.." **Hypakoe, Antiphons & Prokeimenon:** of Tone 3. **Gospel #4:** Luke 24:1-12. "Having beheld the Resurrection.." & the rest. **2 Kanons:** Pascha & Theotokos (Bright Mon. Mat.) on 8; Paralytic on 6. **Eirmosi and Katavasi, T-1:** "This is the day of Resurrection.." After 3rd Cantic: **Kontakion of Pascha, T-8:** "Thou didst descent into the tomb.." **Eikos:** "Before the dawn.." After 6th: **Kontakion of Paralytic, T-3:** "By Thy divine intercession.." **Exapostilarion:** "In the flesh Thou didst fall asleep.."; GNE: "The all-compassionate Lord.." **Praises:** 8 Verses, Resurrection, T-3: "Come all ye nations.."; **Glory, T-8:** "O Lord, the pool did not.."; N&E: "You are most blessed.." **Great Doxology.** Sunday Tropar #1: "Today salvation has come.." **Litanies.** Sunday Dismissal. GNE: **Gospel stikhera #4:** "It was very early in the morning.."

HOURS. Troparion: Resurrection. **Kontakion:** Paralytic.

DIVINE LITURGY. Paschaltide beginning. Regular Antiphons. **Troparion:** Resurrection. **Kontakia, Glory:** Paralytic; N&E: Pascha. Trisagion. **Prokeimenon,** T-1: "Let Thy mercy, O Lord.." **Epistle:** Acts 9:32-42. Alleluia, T-5: "I will sing of Thy mercies.." **Gospel:** John 5:1-15. **Instead of** (It is truly meet..) of Pascha. **Communion Hymns:** a) "Receive the Body of Christ.." b) "Praise the Lord.." **Sunday Paschaltide Dismissal.**



WED MAY 13 - FEAST OF MID-PENTECOST.

GREAT VESPERS. Eastertide beginning. Kathisma. **Lord, I call:** 6 Verses, all from Pentecostarion, T-4: "The middle of those days.." GNE, T-6: "We have assembled, O Christ.." **Entrance. Prokeimenon** of day, T-1: "Thy mercy, O Lord, shall follow me.." **3 Readings:** a) Micah 4:2,3,5; 5:2-5,8. b) Isaiah 55:1 3,6-13. c) Proverbs 9:1-11. **Augmented Litany.** "Vouchsafe, O Lord." **Supplication Litany. Apostikha,** T-1: "The middle of the fifty days.." GNE, T-8: "While Thou wast teaching.." **Troparion,** T-8: "In the middle of the Feast, O Savior.." (once). **Sunday Paschaltide Dismissal.**

HOURS. Troparion, and Kontakion: of Feast.

DIVINE LITURGY. Eastertide beginning. Regular Antiphons. **Troparion,** T-8: "In the middle of the Feast.."; **Kontakion,** GNE T-4: "Christ God, the Creator and Master of all." Trisagion. **Prokeimenon,** T-3: "Great is our Lord.." **Epistle:** Acts 14:6-18. Alleluia, T-1: "Remember Thy congregation.." **Gospel:** John 7:14-30. **Instead of** (It is truly meet.) T-2: "Virginity is foreign to mothers.." **Communion Hymn:** "He who eats My flesh.." **Sunday Paschaltide Dismissal.**

NOTE: After Divine Liturgy, there is a "Lesser Blessing of Waters" in the church, or at a nearby spring, stream, or pond.



SUN MAY 17 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Tone 4.

Afterfeast of Mid-Pentecost. The Samaritan Woman.

GREAT VESPERS. Paschaltide beginning. Kathisma. **Lord, I call:** 10 Verses; Resurrection 4, T-4: "We always honor.."; Mid-Feast 3, T-4: "The middle of those days.." Samaritan 3, T-1: "The Fountain of wonders.."; **Glory,** T-6: "Jesus met the Samaritan.."; N&E, Dogmatik T-4: "The Prophet David.." **Prokeimenon:** "The Lord is King.." **Apostikha,** Resurrection T-4: "By ascending the Cross.." then the **Paschals:** **Glory,** "When Thou didst come.." N&E, "This is the day of Resurrection.." **Troparia:** a) T-4: "Rejoice, O Virgin.." (twice); b) Mid-Feast T-8: "In the middle of the Feast.." (once).

SUNDAY MATINS. Paschaltide beginning. Six Psalms. Great Litany. **Troparia:** Resurrection T-4: "When the women disciples.." (twice); GNE: Mid-Feast T-8: "In the middle of the Feast.." Kathismata #2 & #3. **Sessional Hymns:** "The women who carried myrrh.." **Polyeleon. Evlogitaria:** "Blessed art Thou, O

Lord." Hypakoe, Antiphons & Prokeimenon: of Tone. **Gospel #7: John 20:1-10.** "Having beheld the Resurrection.." (3 times); Psalm 50. and the rest. **3 Kanons:** Pascha & Theotokos (See Bright Mon. Matins) on 6; Mid-Feast on 4; Samaritan on 4. **Eirmosi & Katavasi**, T-1: "This is the day of Resurrection.." After **3rd Canticle:** Kontakion of Mid-Feast: "Christ God the Creator.." **Sedalen:** Samaritan, T-3: "Let heaven rejoice.." **GNE:** "O Sovereign Master.." After **6th:** Kontakion, Samaritan, T-8: "The Samaritan Woman came to the well.." and Eikos. "Let us hear of the mystery of the august.." **No Magnificat. Exapostilarion:** Pascha: In the flesh Thou didst fall asleep.." **Glory:** "Thou didst come to the land of Samaria.." **N&E** "In the midst of the Feast.." **Praises:** 8 Verses, Resurrection 6, T-4: "We glorify Thy Resurrection.."; Samaritan 2, T-3: "Let heaven and earth rejoice today.." **Glory**, T-6: "Jesus our Savior, the Fountain of Life.." **N&E:** "You are most blessed.." **Great Doxology.** Sunday Tropar #2: "By rising from the tomb.." **Litanies.** Sunday Dismissal. **GNE:** Gospel Stikhera #7: "Behold, it is dark.."

HOURS. Troparia: Resurrection and Mid-Feast; **Kontakia:** (1st & 6th) Mid-Feast; (3rd & 9th) Samaritan.

DIVINE LITURGY. Paschaltide beginning. Regular Antiphons. **Troparia:** a) Resurrection T-4; b) Mid-Feast; **Kontakia:** **Glory:** Samaritan; **N&E:** Mid-Feast. **Prokeimena**, T-3: "Sing praises to our God.." **Epistle:** Acts 11:9-26, 29-30. **Alleluia**, T-4: "Go forth and prosper.." **Gospel:** a) John 4:5-42. **Instead of** (*It is truly meet.*) of Pascha. **Communion Hymns:** a) "Receive the Body of Christ.." b) "Praise the Lord from the heavens.." Sunday Paschaltide Dismissal.



THU MAY 22 - HIERARCH NICHOLAS, TRANSLATION OF RELICS.
5th Sun. Samaritan Woman. Afterfeast Mid-Pentecost.

GREAT VESPERS. Kathisma. **Lord, I call:** 8 Verses Samaritan. 4, T-4: "At the well, Christ met the woman of Samaria.." **Saint 4**, T-8: "Having attained to the heavens.." **Glory**, St. T-6: "O ye who love the feasts.." **N&E**, Samaritan. T-6: "At the sixth hour, the Well-spring of miracles.." **Prokeimenon:** of the day. **3 Readings:** a) Proverbs:10:7a,6a;3:16-16;8:32,34-35,4,12,14,17,5-9;1:23. b) Proverbs 10:31-11:12. c) Wisdom 4:7,16,17,19-5:1. **Litiya**, T-2: "Though the land of Myra is silent.." **Glory**, T-6: "O good servant of the faithful.." **N&E**, Res. T-4: "Look down upon the supplications.." **Apostikha**, T-4: "Let us bless Nicholas.." **Glory**, T-6: "O man of God and faithful servant.." **N&E:** Samaritan. T-2: "When the compassionate Lord came to the.." **Troparia:** a) St. T-4: "The day of splendid solemnity is come.." (*twice*); b) T-4: "Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos.." (*once*).

FESTAL MATINS. Six Psalms. Great Litany. **Troparia:** Res. T-4: "When the women disciples.." (*twice*); **Glory:** Hierarch, T-4: "The day of splendid solemnity is come.." **N&E**, MidFeast, T-8: "In the middle of the Feast.." **Kathismata** of the day. **Sessional Hymns:** "Thou didst make Thy Hierarch.." **Polyeleon. Magnification:** "We magnify,* we magnify you,* O Hierarch Father Nicholas,* and we honor your holy memory,* for you do pray for us,*** unto Christ our God." **Sedalen:** "Having sanctified yourself.." **Antiphon:** "From my

youth.." **Prokeimenon**: T-4: "Precious in the sight of the Lord.." **Gospel**: John 10:1-8. Psalm 50. **Glory**, T-6: "Through the prayers of Hierarch Nicholas.." N&E: "Through the prayers of the Theotokos.." "Have mercy.." **Stikhera**, T-6: "O holy Nicholas, the inheritor of God.." **Kanon**: of Hierarch. **Eirmosi**, T-8: "To our wondrous God who delivered.." **Katavasi**, Pascha T-1: "This is the day of Resurrection.." After 3rd Canticle: **Kontakion**, Samaritan T-8: "Having come to the well in faith.." & **Eikos**: "Let us hear of the august.." **Sedalen**, T-1: "The translation of your precious relics.." **Glory**: A word alone made the earth.." N&E: "Awed by the beauty of your virginity.." After 6th: **Kontakion**, Hierarch, T-3: "There arose a star moving.." and **Eikos**: Let us now praise with hymns.." **Magnificat**. **Exapostilarion**: Hierarch, "Great are your wonders.." **GNE**: Pascha, "In the flesh Thou didst fall asleep as a man.." **Praises**: 4 Verses, Hierarch, T-1: "Having gazed steadfastly upon the heights.." **Glory**, T-5: "Let us sound the trumpet.." N&E: (Sunday) T-2: "You are most blessed.." **Great Doxology**. **Troparion**, Hierarch, T-4: "The day of splendid solemnity.." **GNE**, Theotokion, Res. T-4: "The mystery hidden from all..." **Litanies**. **Eastertide Dismissal**.

HOURS. **Troparia**: Mid-Pentecost: and Hierarch. **Kontakia**: (1st & 6th) Samaritan Woman. (3rd & 9th) Hierarch.

DIVINE LITURGY. Regular Antiphons. **Entrance**: "Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ, O Son of God who rose from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia." **Troparia**: **Mid-Pent**. MidFeast, T-8: "In the middle of the Feast.." **b**). Hierarch. **Kontakia**, **Glory**: Hierarch; N&E: Samaritan T-8: "Having come to the well in faith.." **Prokeimena**, St., T-7: "The saints shall boast in glory;* they shall rejoice on their beds." **Epistles**: **a**) Acts 14:20-27. **b**) Heb. 13:17-25. **Alleluia**, Hierarch T-2: "Thy priests shall be clothed with righteousness.." **Gospels**: **a**) John 9:39-10:9. **b**) Luke 6:17-23. **Instead of** (*It is truly meet*): Pascha, T-1: "The angels cried.." (**Eirmos**): "Shine, shine.." **Communion Hymns**: **a**) "Receive the Body of Christ.." **b**) Hierarch, "The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.." **Sunday Dismissal**.



SUN MAY 24 – SIXTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Tone 5.
The Blind Man.

GREAT VESPERS. Paschaltide beginning. **Kathisma**. **Lord, I call**: 10 Verses: Resurrection 7, T-5: "By Thy precious Cross, O Christ.."; **Blind Man** 3, T-2: "The blind man was born.."; **Glory**, T-5: "O Lord, passing by the way.."; N&E, **Dogmatik**, T-5: "In the Red Sea of old.." **Prokeimenon**: "The Lord is King.." **Apostikha**, Resurrection, T-5: "We magnify Thee in songs.." then the **Paschals**: **Glory**, T-8: O Christ God, Sun of.." N&E; "This is the day of Resurrection.." **Troparion**: Sunday T-4: "Rejoice, O Virgin.." (3 times)

SUNDAY MATINS. Paschaltide beginning. Six Psalms. **Great Litany**. **Troparion**: Resurrection, T-5: "Let us the faithful.." (twice); **GNE**, Theotokion, T-5: "Rejoice, O impassable gate.." **Kathismata** #2 & #3. **Sessional Hymns**: "We praise the Cross.." **Polyeleon**. **Evlogitaria**: "Blessed art Thou, O Lord.." **Hypakoe**,

Antiphons & Prokeimenon: Tone 5. **Gospel #8:** John 20:11-18. "Having beheld the Resurrection.." (3 times); Psalm 50. and the rest. **2 Kanons:** Paschal & Theotokos (Bright Mon. Matins) on 8; Blind Man on 6. **Eirmosi & Katavasi,** T-1: "This is the day of Resurrection.." After 3rd Canticle: **Kontakion of Pascha,** T-8: "Thou didst descent into the tomb.." **Eikos:** "Before the dawn.." **GNE:** Sedalen, T-8: "As the Master and Fashioner.." After 6th: **Kontakion of Blind Man,** T-4: "I came to Thee, O Christ.." & **Eikos:** "Grant me a stress of ineffable.." **Exapostilarion:** T-3: "In the flesh.."; **Glory:** Blind man, "Enlighten my eyes.."; **N&E:** Blind man, "Our Savior passing by.." **Praises: 8 Verses;** Res. 7, T-5: "After the tomb was sealed.."; **Blind Man 1,** T-8: "In Thy compassion, O Christ God.." **Glory,** T-8: "Who can speak.."; **N&E:** "You are most blessed.." **Great Doxology.** Sunday **Tropar #1:** "Today salvation has come.." **Litanies.** Sunday **Dismissal.** **GNE:** **Gospel Stikhera #8:** "The tears of Mary.."

HOURS. **Troparion:** Resurrection. **Kontakion:** Blind Man.

DIVINE LITURGY. Paschaltide beginning. Regular Antiphons. **Troparion:** Resurrection; **Kontakion:** Glory, Blind Man; **N&E,** Pascha. **Prokeimenon,** Res. T-8: "Pray and make your vows.." **Epistle: a)** Acts 16:16-34. **Alleluia,** Res. T-8: "Look upon me.." **Gospel: John 9:1-38.** Instead of (It is truly meet): of **Pascha.** **Communion Hymns: a)** Receive the Body of Christ.. **b)** Praise the Lord.. **Sunday Dismissal.**



WED MAY 27 - THE LEAVE-TAKING OF PASCHA. OTDANIYE.

Our tradition for Leave-Taking, is that it is served as on Bright Week.

VESPERS. Same beginning as Bright Monday. Open Royal Doors. Priest with Cross and 3-candles in left hand, and censer in right hand, exclaims: "Blessed is our God.." Clergy sings "Christ is risen.." 3 times, and the choir also sings the same. Half censuring of church, on Verses: "Let God arise.." etc. (see Bright Monday). After censuring and verses, Great Litany is said before the Altar. **No kathisma.** **Lord, I call: 6 Verses,** all to Blind Man (Sun Vespers and Praises), T-2; a) "The Blind Man was born.."; b) "Jesus on His way.."; c) "The Blind Man counting.."; d) "Our Lord passing by.."; e) "O Christ God, Sun of righteousness.."; f) "In Thy compassion, O Christ God.." **GNE,** T-8. "Who can speak of Thy powers.." **Entrance with censer.** **Great Prokeimenon,** T-7: "Who is so great a God as our God.." with 3 verses. **Augmented Litany:** "Let us all say.." "Vouchsafe, O Lord.." (is sung) **Supplication Litany:** "Let us complete our evening prayer.." is said before the Altar. **Apostikha,** T-5: "We magnify Thee in songs.." (only this one stikhera); then we at once begin singing the **Paschals:** "Let God arise.." and its stikheri, etc. "Today a sacred Pascha is revealed to us.." **Great Dismissal: Wisdom!** etc. **Paschal Dismissal** with Cross, and same ending as Easter Sunday. At conclusion, we sing: "And unto us He has given eternal life.."

PASCHAL MATINS. Same beginning as Vespers, except we say the Exclamation: "Glory to the Holy Consubstantial.." rest the same – Clergy sings **Troparion** "Christ is risen.." thrice, and the choir the same; Verses "Let God arise.." etc; Half censuring of church. **Great Litany** before Altar. **Pascha Canon,**

T-1: "This is the day of Resurrection.." is sung by only the choir. There is Little Litany only after Canticle 9. Rest of Kanon is same. Exapostilarion is sung thrice. Praises, on 1 Verse & 1 Stikhera, Blind Man, T-8: "In Thy compassion, O Christ.." At once we sing the Paschals. Augmented and Supplication Litany. Then we sing the First Hour.

HOURS. Troparion: "Let us the faithful.." Kontakion: Blind Man.

DIVINE LITURGY. Same beginning as Bright Monday. Exclamation: "Blessed is the Kingdom.." Clergy sings Troparion three times, and the choir also sings the same three times. The Verses "Let God arise.." etc. are chanted by the Priest, and after each the choir sings the Troparion in a selected melody. (see beginning of Matins). The Priest makes a half censuring of the church during this time. Great Litany. Festal Antiphons, T-2: "Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!" etc. Introit: "Bless God in the churches, the Lord, O you who are of Israel's fountain." Troparion: "Christ is risen.."; Hypakoe: "Before dawn, Mary and the women.."; Kontakion: Glory, (Blind Man) T-4: "I come to Thee, O Christ.."; N&E: "Thou didst descend into the tomb.." Instead of Trisagion, we sing: "As many as have been baptized.." Prokeimenon, T-8: "This is the day which the Lord has made.." Epistle: Acts 18:22-28. Alleluia, T-4: "Thou didst arise and have mercy on Zion.." Gospel: John 12:36-47. Instead of (*It is truly meet*): of Pascha, "The Angel cried to the Lady full of Grace." & 9th Eirmos: "Shine, shine! O New Jerusalem.." Communion Hymn: "Receive the Body of Christ.." Dismissal: and blessing with Cross as **Pascha Sunday**.

After Liturgy, The Plaschanitsa is removed from the Altar and stored.



THU MAY 28 – ASCENSION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR.

GREAT VESPERS. No kathisma. Lord, I call: 10 Verses, All to Ascension, T-6: "The Lord ascended to heaven.." GNE, T-6: "Without leaving the Father's bosom.." Prokeimenon: T-5: "Save me, O God, by Thy Name.." 3 Readings: a) Isaiah 2:2-3. b) Isaiah 62:10-12; 63:1-3,7-9. c) Zechariah 14:1,4, 8-12. Litiya, T-1: "Having ascended to heaven.." GNE, T-4: "Having accomplished.." Apostikha, T-2: "Thou wast born.." and its verses; GNE, T-6: "God has gone up with a shout.." Troparion, T-4: "Thou hast ascended in glory.." (3 times).

FESTAL MATINS. Six Psalms. Great Litany. "God is the Lord.." Troparion, T-4; "Thou hast ascended in glory.." (twice); GNE: Troparion. Kathismata #13 & #14. Sessional Hymns: "As the angels, O Savior.." Polyeleon. Magnification: "We magnify Thee,* O Christ the Giver of Life,* and we venerate Thy divine Ascension,*** with Thy most pure flesh into heaven." [Selected Verse]: "Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy." Sedalen, T-5: "Thou, O Christ, who came down.." Antiphon: "From my youth.." Prokeimenon, T-4: "God has gone up with a shout.." Gospel: Mark 16:9-20. "Having beheld the Resurrection.." (once); Psalm 50. Glory, T-6: "Through the prayers of the Apostles.."; N&E: "Through the prayers of the Theotokos.." "Have mercy on me.." Stikhera, T-6:

"Today the powers on high.." **2 Kanons:** of Ascension. **1st Kanon** on 8; **2nd**, on 6. **Eirmosi**, T-5: "Unto God the Savior.."; **Katavasi**, Pentecost, T-4: "The one slow of speech.." After **3rd Canticle:** Sedalen, Seated on the clouds.."; After **6th:** **Kontakion**, T-6: "When Thou didst fulfill.." & **Eikos:** "Come, O ye who have.." No **Magnificat**, but usual full censing on 9th. **Exapostilarion:** "Before the eyes of Thy disciples.." (3 times). **Praises**, on 4 Verses, T-1: "Let us who are in the world.." **GNE**, T-2: "Thou wast born as Thou Thyself desired.." **Great Doxology.** **Troparion**, T-4: "Thou hast ascended in glory.." **Augmented and Supplication Litanies.** **Festal Dismissal:** "May He who in glory ascended from us into Heaven and sat at the right hand of God and Father, Christ our true God.."

HOURS. **Troparion and Kontakion:** of Feast. *From Ascension to Pentecost, after "Blessed is our God.." the Reader says: "Amen." then at once begins reading the Trisagion, "Holy God.." etc.*

Before Beginning Divine Liturgy: From Ascension to Leave-Taking: In place of "O Heavenly King.." the Priest says the **Troparion** of Ascension; (once), then "**Glory to God.**" (twice); and "**O Lord open Thou my lips..**" (once), in the usual manner.

DIVINE LITURGY. **Festal Antiphons**, T-2: "Clap your hands, all peoples.." **Introit:** "God has gone up with a shout.." **Troparion**, T-4: "Thou hast ascended in glory.."; **Kontakion**, **GNE**, T-6: "When Thou didst fulfill.." **Trisagion.** **Prokeimenon**, T-7: "Be Thou exalted, O God, above the heavens.." **Epistle:** Acts 1:1-12. **Alleluia**, T-2: "God is gone up with a shout.." **Gospel:** Luke 24:36-53. **Instead of (It is truly meet):** **Festal**, T-5: "Magnify, O my soul.." (**Eirmos**): "We magnify you.." **Communion Hymn:** "God is gone up with a shout.." **In place of:** "We have seen the True Light.." **we sing:** **Troparion** of Feast, "Thou hast ascended in glory.." **Festal Dismissal:** "May He who in glory ascended.." (see **Matins' end**).
Leave-taking Friday June 5.



SAT MAY 30 - HOLY ARCHPRIEST ALEXIS (Toth) Canonization 1994
Defender of Orthodoxy in America. Afterfeast.

GREAT VESPERS. **Kathisma.** **Lord, I call**, T-4: 6 Verses; **Saint** T-6: "Today the Church celebrates.."; **Glory, Saint**, T-6: "Come, O Orthodox faithful.."; **N&E, Theotokion**, Pentec. T-6: "By Jacob's well, Jesus found.." **Prokeimenon:** of day. **3 Readings:** a) Proverbs: 10:7a,6a; 3:16-16; 8:32,34-35,4,12,14,17,5-9; 1:23. b) Proverbs 10:31-11:12. c) Wisdom 4:7-15. **Litiya**, T-6: "Come, all who love the Feasts.." **Glory**, T-6: "O glorious wonder.." **N&E, Res**, T-4: "Look down upon the supplications.." **Apostikha**, T-2: "Come, all you zealots of piety.." with its verses. **Glory**, T-6: "Fleeing the harm that comes.."; **N&E, Sun. Res**, T-4: "Look down upon the supplications.." **Troparia:** a) **Saint**, T-4: "O righteous Father Alexis.." (twice); b) T-4: "Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos.." (once);

FESTAL MATINS. Six Psalms. **Great Litany.** **Troparia:** **Ascension.** T-4: "Thou hast ascended in glory.." (twice); **Glory:** **Saint**, T-4: "O righteous Father Alexis.." **N&E, Res. Theotokion**, T-4: "The mystery hidden.." **Kathismata** of the

day. **Sessional Hymns:** "O our holy Father Alexis.." **Polyeleon.** **Magnification:** "We magnify,* we magnify you,* O holy Father Alexis,* and we honor your holy memory,* for you led your people back to the Orthodox faith,** and you pray for us unto Christ our God." **Sedalen:** "Like a diligent bee, you wisely.." **Antiphon:** T-4: "From my youth.." **Prokeimenon:** T-4: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." **Gospel:** John 10:9-16. Psalm 50. **Glory,** T-6: "Through the prayers of Archpriest Alexis.." **N&E:** "Through the prayers of the Theotokos.." "Have mercy.." **Stikhera,** T-6: "O holy Father Alexis.." **2 Kanons:** and Saint on 8, Ascension. on 4. **Eirmosi,** Saint T-6: "When Israel passed on foot.."; **Katavasi,** Pentecost, T-4: "The one slow of speech.." After 3rd Canticle: Ascension, **Kontakion,** T-6: "When Thou didst fulfill.." & **Eikos:** "Come, O ye who have.." **Sedalen,** Seated on the clouds..; and **Eikos:** "Let us hear of the august.." **GNE:** **Sedalen** of Saint, T-4: "The glorious Sun placed you.." After 6th: **Kontakion** of Saint, T-5: "Let us the faithful praise.." and **Eikos:** "What praise, what worthy thanks.." **Magnificat.** **Exapostilarion:** Saint, "With illumined hearts, let us.." **GNE:** Ascension, "Before the eyes of Thy disciples.." **Praises:** 4 Verses, Saint, T-6: "Today the memory of Saint Alexis.." **GNE,** Pentecostarion p.344, T-4: "Thou wast taken up in glory.." **Great Doxology.** **Troparion,** Saint, T-4: "O righteous Father Alexis.." **GNE,** Res. T-4: "The mystery hidden from all the ages.." **Litanies.** **Festal Dismissal:** "May He who in glory ascended.."

HOURS. **Troparia:** Resurrection, T-4; and Saint. **Kontakia:** (1st & 6th) Resurrection, T-4. (3rd & 9th) Saint.

DIVINE LITURGY. Ascension beginning. Regular Antiphons. **Entrance:** "Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ, O Son of God, who ascended in glory, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia." **Troparia:** a) Ascension. Tone 4; b) Saint. **Kontakia,** **Glory:** Saint; **N&E:** Ascension T-6: "When Thou didst fulfill.." **Trisagion.** **Prokeimenon,** T-7: "The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord,* and shall trust in Him." [verse] "Hear my voice, O God, in my meditation." **Epistles:** a) Acts 20:7-12. b) Gal. 1:11-19. **Alleluia Verses,** T-6: a) Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who delights greatly in His commandments. b) His descendants will be mighty on the earth. **Gospels:** a) John 14:10-21. b) John 10:1-9. **Instead of** (It is truly meet): Ascension, T-5: "Magnify, O my soul.." (**Eirmos**): "We magnify you.." **Communion Hymns;** "The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.." **In place of:** "We have seen the True Light.." we sing the Ascension **Troparion:** "Thou hast ascended in glory.." **Festal Dismissal:** "May He who in glory ascended.."



SUN MAY 31 - SEVENTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Afterfeast. Tone 6.
Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council.

GREAT VESPERS. Regular beginning. **Kathisma.** **Lord, I call:** 10 Verses: Resurrection 3, T-6: "Winning the victory.."; Feast: of Ascension 3, T-6: "The Lord ascended.." **Fathers** 4, T-6: "Before the morning star.." **Glory,** T-6: "Today, let us praise.." **N&E,** **Dogmatik** T-6: "Who will not bless you.." **Prokeimenon:** "The Lord

is King.." **3 Readings:** a) Gen. 14:14-20. b) Deut. 1: 8-11,15-17. c) Deut. 10:14-21. **Apostikha**, Resurrection T-6: "Thy Resurrection.." **Glory**, T-4: "We celebrate today.."; N&E, T-4: "Having accomplished.. **Troparia:** Fathers, T-8: "Most glorious art Thou.." (twice); **Feast:** T-4: "Thou hast ascended.." (once).

SUNDAY MATINS. Six Psalms. Great Litany. **Troparia:** Resurrection T-6. "The angelic powers.." (twice); **Glory**, T-8: "Most glorious art Thou.."; N&E, T-4: **Feast:** "Thou hast ascended.." **Kathismata** #2 & #3. **Sessional Hymns:** Tone 6: "The tomb opened.." **Polyeleon Evlogitaria:** "Blessed art Thou, O Lord.." **Hypakoe:** T-6. **Sedalen**, Frs. By Thy voluntary.. **Antiphons & Prokeimenon:** Tone 6. **Gospel #10:** John 21:1-14. "Having beheld the Resurrection.." and rest. **3 Kanons:** Resurrection, on 4; **Feast**, on 4; **Fathers**, on 6. **Eirmosi**, T-6: "When Israel crossed the sea.." **Katavasi**, (2nd Canon of Pentecost,) T-4: "The one slow of speech.." After 3rd Canticle: **Kontakion of Feast:** T-6: "When Thou didst fulfill.." & **Eikos:** "Come, O ye who have.." **Sedalen Frs:** "As the brightest lamps.." **Glory**, "Today the brilliant city.." N&E: "Thou who didst rise.." After 6th: **Kontakion of Fathers:** T-8: "The Apostles' preaching.." & **Eikos:** "Let us listen.." **Magnificat.** **Exapostilarion:** #10 "In the Sea of Tiberias.."; **Glory:** Frs. "By celebrating today.."; N&E: "Before the eyes of Thy disciples.." **Praises**, on 8 Verses: Res. 4, T-6: "Thy Cross, O Lord.."; **Fathers** 4, T-6: "Having indited.."; **Glory**, T-8: "When the ranks.."; N&E: "You are most blessed.." **Great Doxology.** Sunday **Tropar** #2: "By rising from the tomb.." **Litanies.** Sunday **Dismissal.** GNE: **Gospel Stikhera** #10: "After the descent into.."

HOURS. (1st & 6th) **Troparia:** Resurrection and Ascension. **Kontakion:** Ascension. (3rd & 9th) **Troparia:** Res. and Fathers. **Kontakion:** Fathers.

DIVINE LITURGY. Same beginning as on Ascension. Regular Antiphons. **Troparia:** a) Resurrection; b) Ascension; c) Fathers. **Kontakia:** **Glory:** Fathers; N&E: Ascension. **Trisagion.** **Prokeimenon**, T-4: "Blessed art Thou, O Lord God.." **Epistle:** Acts 20:16-18, 28-36. **Alleluia**, T-1: "The Lord, the God of gods.." **Gospel:** John 17:1-13. Instead of (It is truly meet): of **Feast**, T-5: "Magnify, O my soul.." (**Eirmos**): "We magnify you.." **Communion Hymns:** a) "Praise the Lord from the heavens.." b) "Rejoice in the Lord.." **In place of:** "We have seen the True Light.." we sing the **Ascension Troparion:** "Thou hast ascended in glory.." Sunday **Dismissal.**

