

DIVINE LITURGY VARIABLES ON SUNDAY, JULY 09, 2017
TONE 4 / EOTHINON 5; FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
& FIFTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

HIEROMARTYR PANKRATIOS, BISHOP OF TAORMINA IN SICILY; MARTYRS ANDREW AND PROBUS;
VENERABLE DIONYSIOS THE ORATOR, FIRST SETTLER OF SMALL ST. ANNE SKETE ON ATHOS, AND
HIS DISCIPLE VENERABLE METROPHANES

NOTE TO CLERGY: Remember to include this special petition in the Great Litany before the one for the head of state, as directed by the Antiochian Archdiocese.

Deacon: For Metropolitan Paul, Archbishop John, and for their quick release from captivity and safe return, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

- *During the Little Entrance, chant the Resurrectional Apolytikion. The Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn) is "O come, let us worship... save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead..." After the Little Entrance, chant the apolytikia in the following order:*

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FOUR

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF THE ARCHANGELS IN TONE FOUR

*(**Thou Who wast raised up**)*

O ye foremost of the heavenly hosts, we who are unworthy, beseech you that by your petitions ye encompass us with the shadow of your immaterial glory, preserving us who kneel and cry ceaselessly: Deliver us from oppressions, since ye art the princes of the ranks of dominions on high.

KONTAKION FOR ORDINARY SUNDAYS IN TONE TWO (CHANT) (CHORAL)

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

PHIMI OF METROPOLITAN JOSEPH

- *Immediately before the reading of the Epistle, we chant the phimi (in Tone Two) in honor of His Eminence, Metropolitan JOSEPH in the following order:*

- 1) The priest intones the phimi from the beautiful gate.*
- 2) The clergy then chant the phimi from the sanctuary.*
- 3) The choir then chants the phimi from where it stands.*

JOSEPH, the most devout, the most reverend, chosen by God as Archbishop of New York and the Metropolitan of all North America, our Father and Chief Shepherd, may God grant him many years!

THE EPISTLE

(For the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost)

*How great are Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom hast Thou made them all.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (10:1-10)

Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that it may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that everyone who has faith may be justified. Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says: Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into Heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) or "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Fifth Sunday of Matthew)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:28-9:1)

At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met Him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have we to do to Thee, O Son of God? Art Thou come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged Him, "If Thou castest us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they begged Him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat He crossed over and came to His own city.

- *The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom continues as usual.*

THE DISMISSAL

Bishop: May He Who rose from the dead, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-immaculate and all-blameless holy Mother; by the might of the Precious and Life-giving Cross; by the protection of the honorable Bodiless Powers of Heaven, especially the archangel Michael, the patron and protector of this holy community; at the supplication of the honorable, glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John; of the holy, glorious and all-laudable apostles; of our father among the saints, John Chrysostom, archbishop of Constantinople, whose Divine Liturgy we have now celebrated; of the holy, glorious and right-victorious Martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing Fathers; of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna; of the Hieromartyr Pankratios, bishop of Taormina in Sicily; Martyrs Andrew and Probus; Venerable Dionysios the Orator, first settler of Small St. Anne skete on Athos, and his disciple Venerable Metrophanes, whose memory we celebrate today, and of all the saints: have mercy on us and save us, forasmuch as He is good and loveth mankind.

POLYCHRONION OF METROPOLITAN JOSEPH IN TONE EIGHT

Choir: The Lord God grant many years, the most reverend Chief and Master and elect of God: Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America: Kyrios, Kyrios, JOSEPH. O Lord, preserve him for many years, for many years, for many years.

Priest: Through the prayers of our Holy Master, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us.

Choir: Amen.

Bishop: Through the prayers of our Holy Fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us.

Choir: Amen.

Pronunciation Guide

Pankratios: pan-KRAH-tee-ohs
Metrophanes: meh-troh-FAH-nees

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