

TROPARIA

Resurrectional Troparion, Tone 1:

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst rise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life: 'Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ; glory to Thy Kingdom; glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou who lovest of mankind.'

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

Troparion of St. Mary of Egypt, Tone 8:

The image of God was truly preserved in thee, O Father, for thou didst take up the Cross and follow Christ. By so doing thou didst teach us to disregard the flesh for it passes away, but to care instead for the soul, since it is immortal. Wherefore thy spirit, O venerable Mother Mary, rejoices with the angels.

SCRIPTURAL LESSONS

Prokeimenon

Presiding Reader: The Prokeimenon in the **First** Tone:

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have set our hope on Thee.

Reader/People: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us,
as we have set our hope on Thee.

Presiding Reader: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous; praise befits the just.

Reader/People: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us,
as we have set our hope on Thee.

Presiding Reader: In the **Fourth** Tone: God is wonderful in His saints,
the God of Israel.

Reader/People: God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel..

Epistle Readings:

§321 (ctr), Heb. 9:11-14 (5th Sunday of Lent)

Presiding Reader: The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the **Hebrews**.

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BRETHREN, Christ came as a high priest of good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation; Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered once into the holies, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh:

How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the Holy Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, cleanse our conscience from dead works to serve the living and true God?

Alleluia

Presiding Reader: The Alleluia in the **First Tone**: God gives vengeance to me, and subdues people under me. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Reader/People: **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Presiding Reader: He magnifies the salvation of His King and deals mercifully with David, His anointed, and his seed forever.

Reader/People: **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Presiding Reader: In the **First Tone**: I waited patiently for the Lord; He inclined to me, and heard my prayer.

Reader/People: **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Gospel Reading:

Mark §47, 10:32-45 (5th Sunday of Lent)

AT THAT TIME, JESUS TOOK THE TWELVE AGAIN, and began to tell them what things should happen unto him,

Saying, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes; and they shall condemn him to death, and shall deliver him to the Gentiles:

And they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him: and the third day he shall rise again.

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, come unto him, saying, Master, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire.

And he said unto them, What would ye that I should do for you?

They said unto him, Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left hand, in thy glory.

But Jesus said unto them, Ye know not what ye ask: can ye drink of the cup that I drink of? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?

And they said unto him, We can. And Jesus said unto them, Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized:

But to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared.

And when the ten heard it, they began to be much displeased with James and John.

But Jesus called them to him, and saith unto them, Ye know that they which are accounted to rule over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise authority upon them.

But so shall it not be among you: but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister:

And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.

For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

KONTAKIA

Resurrectional Kontakion, Tone 1:

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory, raising the world with Thyself. Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished; Adam exults, O Master; Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage, and cries to Thee: 'Thou art the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!'

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion of St. Mary of Egypt, Tone 3:

Once thou wast defiled with every impurity, but today through repentance thou hast become the Bride of Christ. Desiring the life of the angels, thou hast cast down the demons with the weapon of the Cross: Therefore, O glorious Mary, thou wast made a bride of the Kingdom.

Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Supplicatory Kontakion of the Theotokos, Tone 6:

Steadfast Protectress of Christians, constant advocate before the Creator, despise not the cries of us sinners, but in thy goodness come speedily to help us who call on thee in faith; hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for thou dost ever protect those who honor thee.