

### The First Sunday Antiphon

Shout to the Lord, all the earth: sing now to His name, give glory to His praise.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Say unto God, "How awesome are your works! Because of the greatness of Your strength Your enemies will flatter You."

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Let all the earth worship You and sing to You, let it sing to Your name, O Most High.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

### The Third Sunday Antiphon

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior. Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms. Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth. Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

\*\*\*\*\*Entrance\*\*\*\*\*

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

### Tropars

When You went down to death, O Life Immortal,\* You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity.\* When You raised the dead from the nether world, all the powers of heaven cried out:\* "O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory be to You!"

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

You arose from the tomb, O almighty Savior,\* and Hades, seeing this in wonder, was stricken with fear; and the dead arose.\* Creation saw and rejoices with You, and Adam exults.\* And the world, my Savior, sings Your praises forever.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

The tomb and death could not hold the Mother of God,\* unceasing in her intercession and an unfailing hope of patronage,\* for as the Mother of Life she was transferred to life by Him\* Who had dwelt in her ever-virgin womb.

### **Apostolos**

**Prokimenon:** My strength and my courage is the Lord,\* and he has been my Savior.

**Stichon:** The Lord has chastised me through his teaching,\* yet he has not delivered me to death.

**Reading** from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians:

Brethren, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus, who is blessed forever, knows that I do not lie. In Damascus, the Governor under King Aretas was guarding the city of the Damascenes in order to arrest me, but I was lowered in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands.

It is not fitting for me to boast: but I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago (whether in the body, I do not know, or out of the body, I do not know: God knows) was caught up into paradise and heard secret sayings that man may not repeat. Of such a man I will boast; but of myself I give glory in nothing except my weaknesses. For if I do wish to boast, I shall not be foolish, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I give up, lest any man have an idea of me beyond what he sees in me or hears from me. And lest the greatness of the revelation puff me up, there was given to me a thorn for the flesh, a messenger of Satan to buffet me. Concerning this, I begged the Lord three times that it may leave me, but he said to me, "My grace is enough for you, for strength is made perfect in weakness." Gladly, then, will I glory in my weaknesses, that the strength of Christ may dwell in me.

**Alleluia:** The Lord shall hear you on the day of distress,\* the name of the God of Jacob shall defend you.

**Stichon:** O lord, save your king\* and listen to us on whatever day we call upon you.

### **Gospel (Luke 7: 11-16)**

And it came about, after a little time, that he went to a town named Nain; and his disciples went with him, and a great number of people. Now when he came near the door of the town, a dead man was being taken out, the only son of his mother, who was a widow: and a great number of people from the town were with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had pity on her and said to her, "Be not sad." And he came near, and put his hand on the stretcher where the dead man was: and those who were moving it came to a stop. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, Get up." And the dead man got up, and words came from his lips. And he gave him to his mother. And fear came on all, and they gave praise to God, saying, "A great prophet is among us: and, God has given thought to his people."

### **Instead of: "It is truly right..."**

No change. We sing "It is truly right..."

### **Kinonikon**

Praise the Lord from the heavens,\* praise Him in the highest.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.