

### **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**

Angelic powers were upon Your tomb and the guards became like dead men;\* Mary stood before Your tomb seeking Your most pure body.\* You captured Hades without being overcome by it.\* You met the Virgin and granted life.\* O Lord, risen from the dead,\* glory be to You!

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

With His life-giving hand Christ our God, the Giver of life,\* raised all the dead from the murky abyss and bestowed resurrection upon humanity.\* He is for all the Savior, the resurrection and the life,\* and the God of all.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Undaunted patroness of Christians,\* O steadfast intermediary with the Creator,\* turn not away from the suppliant voices of sinners,\* but in your kindness come to help us who cry out to you in faith.\* Be quick to intercede, make haste to plead,\* for you are ever the patroness of those who honor you, O Mother of God.

### **Apostolos (Ephesians 2: 4-10)**

**Prokimenon:** O Lord, save your people\* and bless your inheritance!

**Stichon:** To you, O Lord, I Have called:\* O my Rock, be not deaf to me!

**Reading** from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians:

Brethren, God, who is rich in mercy, by reason of his very great love with which he has loved us even when we were dead by reason of our sins, brought us to life together with Christ, and you have been saved by grace. [God] raised us up together, and enthroned us together in heaven in Christ Jesus, so that he might show in future ages the overflowing riches of his grace, through his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith: and that, not on your own, for it is God's gift, and not the result of work which might have been a pretext for anyone to boast. For we are his workmanship, we who are created in Christ Jesus through good works which God has pre-planned so that we could walk in them.

**Alleluia:** He who dwells in the shelter of the Most high\* abides in the shadow of the God of heaven.

**Stichon:** He will say to the Lord,\* "My wall, my refuge, my God in whom I will trust!"

### **Gospel (Luke 8: 26-39)**

And they came to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. And when he had come to the land, there came to him a certain man from the town who had evil spirits; and for a long time he had had no clothing on, and was not living in a house but in the place of the dead. And when he saw Jesus, he gave a loud cry and went down on the earth before him and in a loud voice said, What have I to do with you, Jesus, Son of the Most

High God? Do not be cruel to me. For he gave an order to the evil spirit to come out of the man. For frequently it would take a grip of him: and he was kept under control, and prisoned with chains; but parting the chains in two, he would be sent by the driving of the evil spirit into waste places. And Jesus said to him, What is your name? And he said, Legion; for a number of spirits had gone into him. And they made a request to him that he would not give them an order to go away into the deep. Now there was a great herd of pigs in that place, getting food on the mountain: and the evil spirits made a request to him that he would let them go into the pigs, and he let them. And the evil spirits came out of the man and went into the pigs: and the herd went rushing down a sharp slope into the water and came to destruction. And when the men who took care of them saw what had come about, they went quickly and gave news of it in the town and the country. And they went out to see what had taken place, and they came to Jesus and saw the man out of whom the evil spirits had gone, seated, clothed and with full use of his senses, at the feet of Jesus; and fear came on them. And those who had seen it gave them an account of how the man who had the evil spirits was made well. And all the people of the country of the Gerasenes made a request to him to go away from them; for they were in great fear: and he got into a boat and went back. But the man from whom the evil spirits had gone out had a great desire to be with him, but he sent him away, saying, Go back to your house and let them have news of all the great things which God has done for you. And he went away, giving word through all the town of the great things.

**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.