

## 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.

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!"

This day is the prelude of God's good pleasure and the herald of humanity's salvation.\* The virgin appears openly in the temple of God and foretells to all the coming of Christ.\* Therefore with all our hearts let us loudly acclaim her:\* Hail, fulfillment of the Creator's plan.

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.

Behold! The Savior's temple most pure,\* his bridal chamber most precious-the virgin,\* the sacred vessel of God's glory is led into the house of the Lord,\* bearing within her the grace of the Holy Spirit.\* Therefore the angels of God sing of her:\* She is indeed the heavenly Tabernacle.

### **Apostolos (Ephesians 6: 10-17)**

**Prokimenon:** My strength and 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 Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians:

Brethren, be strengthened in the Lord and in the might of his power. Put on God's armor that you may be able to stand against the devil's wiles. For our fight is not against flesh and blood, but against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness on high. Therefore take up God's armor that you may be able to resist on the evil day and stand perfect in all things. Stand, therefore, wearing the belt of truth, and the breastplate of holiness, and with your feet shod in the readiness of the Good News of peace, and in all things take up the shield of faith with which you will be able to put out all the flaming darts of the most wicked one. And take for yourselves the helmet of salvation and the sword of the spirit, that is, God's word.

**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 13: 10-17)**

And he was teaching in one of the Synagogues on the Sabbath. And there was a woman who had had a disease for eighteen years; she was bent, and was not able to make herself straight. And when Jesus saw her, he said to her, Woman, you are made free from your disease. And he put his hands on her, and she was made straight, and gave praise to God. And the ruler of the Synagogue was angry because Jesus had made her well on the Sabbath, and he said to the people, there are six days in which men may do work: so come on those days to be made well, and not on the Sabbath. But the Lord gave him an answer and said, O you false men! Do you not, every one of you, on the Sabbath, let loose his ox and his ass and take it to the water? And is it not right for this daughter of Abraham, who has been in the power of Satan for eighteen years, to be made free on the Sabbath? And when he said these things, those who were against him were shamed, and all the people were full of joy because of the great things which were done by him.

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

Seeing the entry\* of the Most Pure One,\* the angels marveled at the manner in which the virgin entered the Holy of Holies.

Let no profane hand\* touch the living tabernacle of God,\* but rather let the lips of the faithful\* unceasingly sing out with joy\* to the Mother of God\* the salutation of the angel:\* O pure virgin,\* you are truly exalted above all creatures.

## **Kinonikon**

Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise him in the highest.  
I will take the cup of salvation\* and call upon the name of the Lord.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.