

**The First Hour
Of the day of Great Thursday of the Holy Pascha**

Presbyter:

In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God.
The prophecies of the first hour of Great Thursday of the week of the Holy Pascha may its blessings be with us Amen.

Reader:

A reading from the book of Exodus to Moses the prophet, may his blessing be with us. Amen.

Moses 17:8-15

Then came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim. And Moses said unto Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in mine hand. So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword. And the Lord said unto Moses, Write this for a memorial in a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it Jehovah-nissi: For he said, because the Lord has sworn that the Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Presbyter:

Lord have mercy upon us.

Alleluia, In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, One God Amen.

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

The Doxology of the first hour of Great Thursday of the week of the Holy Pascha may its blessings be with us. Amen. Make us, O Lord, worthy to say with all thanksgiving:

Our Father who are in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Lord have mercy:

To You is the power, the glory,
the blessings, the majesty forever. Amen;
O Emmanuel our God and our King.

To You is the power, the glory,
the blessings, the majesty forever. Amen;
O My Lord Jesus Christ, my good Savior.

To You is the power, the glory,
the blessings, the majesty forever. Amen.

Our Father who are in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Presbyter:

Have mercy upon us O God the Almighty Father.
O Holy Trinity, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, God of hosts, be with us, for we have no helper
in our hardships and afflictions except you.

Congregation:

Our Father who are in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Presbyter:

Pray.

Deacon:

Stand up for prayer.

Presbyter:

Peace be with you all.

Congregation:

And with your spirit.

Presbyter:

Let us give thanks unto the Beneficent and Merciful God, the father of our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ. For he has shielded us, rescued us, kept us, accepted us unto Him, had compassion on us, sported us, and brought us unto this hour.

Let us then ask Him, the Almighty Lord our God, to keep us in all peace, this holy day and all the days of our life.

Deacon:

Pray

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

O Master, Lord, God Almighty, Father of our Lord, our God, our Savior Jesus Christ, we thank You upon every condition, for any condition and in whatever condition. For You have shielded us, rescued us, kept us, accepted us into You, had compassion on us, supported us and brought us unto this hour.

Deacon:

Pray that God have mercy upon us, pity us, hear us, help us, accept the prayers and supplications of His saints for our good at all times and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Therefore we ask and entreat Thy goodness, O Lover-of-mankind, grant us to complete this holy day, and all the days of our life in all peace with Thy fear. All envy, all temptation, all the influence of Satan, the intrigue of wicked people, the rising up of enemies, hidden and manifest, take away from us, and from all Thy people, and from this church. But as for those things which are good and useful provide us with them. For You are the One Who gave us the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions and every power of the enemy. Through the grace, compassion and love of mankind of thine Only Begotten Son, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. This is He through whom, is due unto You the glory, the honor, the majesty and the worship with Him and the Holy Spirit, the Life-giver who is of one essence with You now and ever, and unto the ages of all ages. Amen.

Congregation:

We worship the Father and the Son: and the Holy Spirit: the Holy Trinity: the consubstantial.
Hail to the Church: the house of the angels: Hail to the virgin: who gave birth to our Savior.

Thy Body and Thy Blood: are the forgiveness of our sins: with the New Testament: that You gave to Thy disciples.

Hail to you O Mary: The Fair Dove: who was born unto us: God, the Word.
Hail to you O Mary: A Holy Hail: Hail to you O Mary: The Method of the Holy.
Hail to Michael: The great Archangel: Hail to Gabriel: The chosen announcer.
Hail to the Cherubim: Hail to the Seraphim: Hail to all: the Heavenly hosts.
Hail to John: The Forerunner, the Great: Hail to the priest: The Kinsman of Emmanuel.
Hail to my lords: the fathers and apostles: Hail to the disciples: of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Hail to you O Martyr: Hail to the Evangelist: Hail to Mark the Apostle: The beholder of God.

Through the intercessions: of the Mother of God: Saint Mary: O Lord, grant us: the forgiveness of our sins.

That we may praise you: with your good Father: and the Holy Spirit: for you have been crucified and saved us. Have mercy upon us.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Thy great mercy; and according to the multitude of thy compassions blot out my transgression. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know mine iniquity, and my sin is ever before me. Against You only have I sinned and done this evil before You, that You might be justified in Thy words, and prevail when You are judged. For behold, I was conceived in iniquities, and in sins did my mother bear me.

For behold, You have loved truth; the hidden and secret things of Thy wisdom has You made manifest unto me. You shall sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be made clean; You shall wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow. You shall make me to hear joy and gladness; the bones that be humbled, they shall rejoice. Turn Thy face away from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and with Thy governing Spirit establish me. I shall teach transgressors Thy ways, and the ungodly shall turn back unto You.

Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, You God of my salvation; my tongue shall rejoice in Thy righteousness. O Lord, You shall open my lips, and my mouth shall declare Thy praise. For if You had desired sacrifice, I had given it; with whole-burnt offerings You shall not be pleased. A sacrifice unto God is a broken spirit; a heart that is broken and humbled God will not despise.

Do good, O Lord, in Thy good pleasure unto Zion, and let the walls of Jerusalem be built. Then shall You be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with oblation and whole-burnt offerings. Then shall they offer bullocks upon to Your altar. Alleluia.

Presbyter:

Pray

Deacon:

Stand up to pray

Presbyter:

Peace be with all

Congregation:

And with your spirit

Presbyter:

Again, let us pray God Almighty, the Father of our Lord, our God and our Savior Jesus Christ.
We pray and entreat Thy goodness, O You lover of man.
Remember, O Lord, the sick of thy people.

Deacon:

Pray for our fathers and our brethren who are sick with diverse diseases whether they be in this place or in any other place. That Christ our Lord may grant them and us health and recovery, and forgive us our sins.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Attend them with Thy mercies and compassions, and heal them.
Take away from them, and from us all sickness, all disease, and the spirit of sickness.
Those who have long lain in sickness, do You raise and console.
Those who are afflicted with unclean spirits, do You liberate.
Those who are in prisons or in dungeons, or in exile or captivity, or those who are arrested in bitter bondage, O Lord, release them all, and have mercy upon them.
For You are He who unbinds the chained and lifts up the fallen.

The Hope of the hopeless, The Help of the helpless, The Consolation of the small-hearted, The Harbor of the storm-tossed.

All the souls which are in distress or bound, give them mercy, O Lord, give them repose, give them coolness, give them grace, give them sustenance, give them salvation, and give them the forgiveness of their sins and iniquities.

And as for us, O Lord, the sickness of our souls, do You heal; and those of our bodies, cure.
O You the true Physician of our souls and bodies, the prelate of all flesh, accord us Thy salvation.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Through the grace, compassion and love of mankind of thine Only Begotten Son, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. This is He through whom, is due unto You the glory, the honor, the majesty and the worship with Him and the Holy Spirit, the Life-giver who is of one essence with You now and ever, and unto the ages of all ages. Amen.

Again, let us pray God Almighty, the Father of our Lord, our God and our Savior Jesus Christ. We pray and entreat Thy goodness, O You lover of man. Remember, O Lord, the sacrifices, the oblations and the thanksgivings of all those that have offered, glory and honor to Thy Holy Name.

Deacon:

Pray for them who attend to the sacrifices, the oblations, the first fruits, the oil, the incense, the coverings, the books of the readings and the vessels of the Altar, that Christ our God may reward them in the heavenly Jerusalem; and forgive us our sins.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Accept them upon Thine holy rational, heavenly Altar as a sweet savor of incense; which enters unto Thy grandeur in heaven; by the ministry of Thy angels and Thy holy archangels.

Even as though did accept the offerings of righteous Abel, and the sacrifice of our father Abraham, and the two mites of the widow.

Accept also the vows of thy servants; the rich and the poor, the hidden and the manifest.

Them, that would offer but have not, and that have offered unto You these oblations this day. Grant them the incorruptible in place of the corruptible; the heavenly for the earthly; the eternal instead of the temporal.

Their houses and their stores do You fill with all good.

Preserve them, O Lord, by the power of Thy angels and Thy holy Archangels. Even as they have remembered Thy holy Name upon earth, remember them also, in Thy Kingdom; and in this age, leave them not.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Through the grace, compassion and love of mankind of thine Only Begotten Son, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. This is He through whom, is due unto You the glory, the honor, the majesty and the worship with Him and the Holy Spirit, the Life-giver who is of one essence with You now and ever, and unto the ages of all ages. Amen.

Congregation:

Let us sing with the angels saying: "Glory be to God in the highest, on earth peace, goodwill towards men."

We praise You; we bless You; we serve You; we worship You; we confess You; we proclaim Thy glory. We thank You for Thy great glory.

O Lord, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty, O Lord, the Only begotten Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, Who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. O You, who takes away the sins of the world, accept our prayers. O You, Who sits at the right hand of His Father, have mercy on us.

You alone are Holy; You alone are the most High, My Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. Glory be to God the Father, Amen.

Every day I will bless You, and praise Thy Holy Name forever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

From the night, my spirit seeks You early, O my god, for Thy commandments are light on the earth. I meditated on Thy ways, for You have become a help to me. Early, my Lord, You shall hear my voice; in the morning shall I stand before You, and You shall look upon me.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, who was born of the Virgin, have mercy on us.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, who crucified for us, have mercy on us.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, who crucified for us, have mercy on us.

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

O Holy Trinity, have mercy on us. O Holy Trinity, have mercy on us. O Holy Trinity, have mercy on us.

Lord, forgive our sins, Lord, forgive our iniquities. Lord, forgive our trespasses. Lord, visit the sick of Thy people, heal them for the sake of Thy Holy Name. Our fathers and brothers, who have fallen asleep, repose their souls.

O You who alone are without sin, have mercy upon us. O You who alone are without sin, help us and accept our prayers. For Thine is the glory, dominion, and triple holiness; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord send Thy blessings. Amen.

Make us, O Lord, worthy to say with all thanksgiving:

Our Father who are in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Hail you. We ask you, O Saint, full of glory, the ever virgin, the Birth giver of God, the mother of Christ; to lift up our prayers to Thy beloved Son that He may forgive our sins.

Hail her, the Saint, the Virgin, who gave birth to the True Light, Christ Our Lord; ask the Lord to have mercy on us and forgive our sins. O Virgin Mary, Birth giver of God, the faithful intercessor of the human race, intercede for us before Christ to whom you gave birth, that He may grant us forgiveness of our sins.

Hail you, O virgin, the true queen. Hail her who is the pride of our race, who gave birth to Emmanuel. We ask you to remember us, O faithful intercessor, before our Lord, Jesus Christ, that He forgive our sins.

Blessed are you O, Mary: the wise, the pure: the second dome: the spiritual treasure.

The pure dove: who spoke in our land: and brought forth to us: the fruit of the spirit.

The comforter spirit: who descended upon your Son: in the water of Jordan: as a symbol of Noah.

For this dove, is the one: who announced: the peace of God: that was given to the people.

And you too, O our hope: the mindful dove: you brought to us the mercy: and carried Him in your womb.

That is Jesus: the Begotten of the Father: whom you have born unto us: and freed our race.

Let us say that: first from our hearts: and then with our tongues: proclaiming and saying.

O, Lord Jesus Christ: create into us, a temple: for your Holy Spirit: that glorifies you.

Hail to you O Virgin: the true queen: hail to the pride of our race: for you gave birth to Emmanuel.

We ask you, remember us: O faithful intercessor: before our Lord, Jesus Christ: that He may forgive us our sins.

Seventeen Archangels: stand glorifying: the Almighty: and serving the hidden mystery.
Michael is the first: Gabriel the second: Raphael the third; as a symbol of the Trinity.

Surael, Sadakael: Saratael and Ananael: these are the shining, the great and the holy: who ask Him for the creation.

The Cherubim the Seraphim: the Thrones, the Lordships, the powers: the four incorporeal animals: bearing the Chariot of God.

The twenty-four priests: in the Church of the first-born: praise Him without cessation: proclaiming and saying.

Holy God: heal the sick: Holy the Almighty: repose the dormant.

Holy the Immortal: bless your inheritance: may your mercy and your peace: be a stronghold to your people.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord of Hosts: heaven and earth are full of: Your Honor and Your Glory.

When they say Alleluia: The heavenly hosts answer them saying: Holy, Amen, Alleluia: glory be to our God.

Intercede for us: O Angelic guards: and heavenly hosts: that he may forgive us our sins.

The Lord Jesus Christ: has chosen His apostles: whom are Peter and Andrew: John and James. Phillip and Matthew: Bartholomew and Thomas: James son of Alphaeus: and Simon the Canaanite. Thaddaeus and Matthias: Paul, Mark and Luke: and the rest of the disciples: who followed our Savior. Matthias was the one who replaced Judas: and the rest (of the disciples): who followed the Master. Their voices have gone: out through all the earth: and their words to: the ends of the world.

Ask the Lord for us: O my masters and fathers: the apostles and the seventy-two disciples: that he forgive us our sins.

O Mark the apostle: and the evangelist: who has witnessed the passion: of the only God.

You came and enlightened us: with your Gospel: and preached us of the Father, and the Son: and the Holy Spirit.

You got us out of darkness: to the true light: and you nourished us with the Bread of Life: that descended from heaven.

All the tribes of the earth: are blessed by you: and your sayings have gone out: to the end of the world.

Hail to you O martyr, hail to the evangelist: hail to the apostle: Mark the beholder of God.

Ask the Lord for us: O beholder of God the evangelist: Mark the apostle: that he may forgive us our sins.

May you look upon us: from the high places, where you are: our Lady the Mother of God: the time-ever virgin.

Ask whom you have given birth to: our Good Savior: that He may lift up these hardships: and establish for us His peace.

Hail to you O virgin: the true queen: hail to the pride of our race: who gave birth to Emmanuel.

We ask you, remember us: O faithful intercessor: before our Lord, Jesus Christ: that He may forgive us our sins.

We magnify you, O mother of the True Light, and we glorify you, O Virgin Saint Birth giver of God, for you have born unto us the Savior of the world; He came and saved our souls.

Glory be to You, O Christ, our Master and our King, the honor of the apostles, the crown of the martyrs, the rejoicing of the righteous, the confirmation of the churches, the forgiveness of sins. We proclaim the Holy Trinity, one in essence. We worship Him and glorify Him. Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord send Thy blessings. Amen.

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the only begotten, Begotten of the Father before all ages. Light of Light, true God of true God, begotten, not made; of one essence with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became man.

And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. In one Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. We look for the insurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Presbyter:

O God, have mercy upon us, establish Thy mercy unto us, have compassion on us, hear us, bless us, keep us, help us, take away Thy anger from us. Visit us with Thy salvation and forgive us our sins.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

This is He who presented Himself up on the cross, and acceptable sacrifice for the salvation of our race. And His good Father inhaled His sweet aroma on Golgotha in the evening.

For You are indeed blessed with Thy good Father and the Holy Spirit; for He was crucified for us.

Deacon:

A reading from the Praxis of our holy fathers, the apostles, may their blessings be with us. Amen.

Praxis 1:15-20

And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of names together were about a hundred and twenty) men and brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spoke before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus. For he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry. Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood. For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let this habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and his bishopric let another take. The word of the Lord shall grow, shall be multiplied, shall wax mighty and shall be confirmed in the Holy Church of God. Amen.

Congregation:

Judas (six times)
Who has broken the law.

With silver you have sold Christ to the Jews, who have broken the law. But those contrary to the law took Christ. They nailed Him on the cross in a place, kranion.

Judas (six times)
Who has broken the law.

Barabas, the thief, and the condemned, was set free and the master, the judge, they crucified. They pierced a spear in Thy side; and as a thief they nailed You on the cross. And they laid you in a tomb. O Though who raised Lazarus from the tomb.

Judas (six times)
Who has broken the law.

Because as Jonah stayed three days in the belly of the whale; likewise, our Savior stayed three days. And after he died, they sealed the tomb.

Judas (six times)
Who has broken the law.

Truly He rose, but the soldiers were not aware; that truly, the Savior of the world has risen, He who suffered and died for our sake. O Lord, glory be to You. Amen.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, who was born of the Virgin, have mercy on us.
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, who crucified for us, have mercy on us.
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, who crucified for us, have mercy on us.

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

Presbyter:

Pray

Deacon:

Stand up to pray

Presbyter:

Peace be with all

Congregation:

And with your spirit

Presbyter:

O Master, the Lord Jesus Christ our Lord, Who said unto His saintly and honored apostles: many prophets and righteous men have desired to see the things which ye see, and have not seen, and to hear the things which ye hear, and have not heard. But blessed are your eyes for they see, and your ears for they hear.

May we be made worthy to hear and act by Thine holy Gospels, through the prayers of Thy saints.

Deacon:

Pray concerning the Holy Gospel.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Remember also, O Lord, all those who have asked us to remember them in our prayers and supplications which we lift up unto You, O Lord our God.

Those who have preceded and slept, repose their souls; the sick heal.

For You are the life of us all, our salvation, our hope, our healing and the resurrection of us all.

And unto You do we send up to the highest the glory, honor and worship, with Thy good Father, and the Holy Spirit, Life-giving and Consubstantial with You now and forever and to the ages of all ages. Amen.

Reader:**Psalm of David 54:21&12**

His words are smoother than oil, yet are they darts. For if an enemy had reproached me, I would have endured it; and if one who hated me had spoken vaunting against me, I would have hid myself from him. Alleluia.

Reader

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

St. Luke 22:7-13

Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the Passover must be killed. And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the Passover that we may eat. And they said unto him, where will you that we prepare? And he said unto them, Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he enters in. And ye shall say unto the Goodman of the house, The Master says unto you. Where is the guest chamber, where I shall eat the Passover with my disciples. And he shall show you a large upper room furnished: there make ready. And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the Passover.

Bow down before the Holy Gospel.

Congregation: Glory be to God for ever.

Presbyter: In the name of the Trinity;
Congregation: one in essence;
Presbyter: the Father and the Son;
Congregation: and the Holy Spirit;

Presbyter: Hail you O Mary;
Congregation: the Pure dove;
Presbyter: who was born for us;
Congregation: God the Logos.

Presbyter:

The exposition of the first hour of Great Thursday of the Holy Pascha week, may its blessings be with us.
Amen.

Reader:

Passover is drawing near O Lord. We have found the place to celebrate it in. You are our Passover. He sent two of his disciples – Safa and John – and he told them; go to this town and you will find a man carrying a jar of water. Follow his footsteps to the place where he goes in. Go see the owner of the house and tell him, the Lord says, “where is the place where I celebrate Passover.” He will show you an upper room which is vacant but furnished. Make preparation for Passover there. They did as the Lord said. Come along all ye nations and rejoice, God the Word is our Passover. The First Passover lamb delivered the people from the servitude of Pharaoh. The new Passover is the Son of God who saves the World from corruption. In so many forms he prepared the world – from the east to the west – for eternal salvation. He lifted us to the heights of his mercy and compassion. He manifested the greatness of His grace that He bestowed on all the creation. He carried our load and granted us His righteousness.

Presbyter: Christ our Savior;
Congregation: has come and has borne suffering;
Presbyter: that through His Passion;
Congregation: He may save us.

Presbyter: Let us glorify Him;
Congregation: and exalt His name;
Presbyter: for He has done us mercy;
Congregation: according to His great mercy.

The Third Hour
Of the day of Great Thursday of the Holy Pascha

Presbyter:

In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God.
The prophecies of the third hour of Great Thursday of the week of the Holy Pascha may its blessings be with us Amen.

Reader:

A reading from the book of Exodus to Moses the prophet, may his blessing be with us. Amen.

Moses 32:30-33:5

And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people, Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto the Lord; peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin. And Moses returned unto the Lord, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold. Yet now, if you will forgive their sin; and if not, blot me, I pray you, out of thy book, which you have written. And the Lord said unto Moses, Whosoever has sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book. Therefore now go, lead the people unto the place of which I have spoken unto you: behold, mine Angel shall go before you: nevertheless in the day when I visit I will visit their sin upon them. And the Lord plagued the people, because they made the calf, which Aaron made. And the Lord said unto Moses, Depart, and go up hence, you and the people which you have brought up out of the land of Egypt, unto the land which I swear unto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, Unto thy seed will I give it: And I will send an angel before you; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite: Unto a land flowing with milk and honey: for I will not go up in the midst of you; for you are a stiff-necked people: lest I consume you in the way. And when the people heard these evil tidings, they mourned: and no man did put on him his ornaments. For the Lord had said unto Moses, Say unto the children of Israel, Ye are a stiff-necked people: I will come up into the midst of you in a moment, and consume you: therefore now put off thy ornaments from you, that I may know what to do unto you.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Reader:

A reading from the Wisdom of the Son of Sirach the prophet, may his blessing be with us. Amen.

Sirach 24:1-15

Wisdom shall praise herself, and shall glory in the midst of her people. In the congregation of the most High shall she open her mouth, and triumph before his power. I covered the earth as a cloud. I dwelt in high places, and my throne is in a cloudy pillar. I alone compassed the circuit of heaven, and walked in the bottom of the deep. In the waves of the sea, and in all the earth, and in every people and nation, I got a possession. With all these I sought rest; and in whose inheritance shall I abide? So the Creator of all things gave me a commandment, and he that made me caused my tabernacle to rest, and said, Let thy dwelling be in Jacob, and thine inheritance in Israel. He created me from the beginning before the world, and I shall never fail. In the holy tabernacle I served before him; and so was I established in Sion. Likewise in the beloved city he gave me rest, and in Jerusalem was my power.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Presbyter:

Lord have mercy upon us.

Alleluia, In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, One God Amen.

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

The Doxology of the third hour of Great Thursday of the week of the Holy Pascha may its blessings be with us. Amen. Make us, O Lord, worthy to say with all thanksgiving:

Our Father who are in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Lord have mercy:

To You is the power, the glory,
the blessings, the majesty forever. Amen;
O Emmanuel our God and our King.

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Reader:

Psalm of David 93:21&23

They will hunt for the soul of the righteous, and condemn innocent blood. And he will recompense to them their iniquity and their wickedness:" the Lord our God shall utterly destroy them. Alleluia.

Presbyter:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

St. Matthew 26:17-19

Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where will you that we prepare for you to eat the Passover? And he said, Go into the city of such a man, and say unto him, The Master says, My time is at hand; I will keep the Passover at thy house with my disciples. And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the Passover.

Bow down before the Holy Gospel.

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Congregation: that cometh into the world.

Presbyter:

The exposition of the third hour of Great Thursday of the Holy Pascha week, may its blessings be with us. Amen.

Reader:

And in the day after tomorrow, Moses addressed the whole group of the sons of Israel: You have sinned in front of the Lord and made an ox (to worship instead of the Lord). Now I will have to go and mediate on your behalf so that he may grant you his mercy and forgive your sins. The prophet went back to God and prostrated himself in front of him saying: O Merciful and patient Lord forgive your people's sin. If you

elect not to forgive them please wipe my name from the Book of Life. The Lord said to him: Those who sinned are those whom I would remove their names from the Book of Life. The people knew how severe this is and they wept in great lamentations. And the Lord said; You – my people – are ruthless, stiff-necked and evildoers. I will surely strike you with severe inflictions and decimate you.

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Presbyter: that through His Passion;

Congregation: He may save us.

Presbyter: Let us glorify Him;

Congregation: and exalt His name;

Presbyter: for He has done us mercy;

Congregation: according to His great mercy.

The Sixth Hour
Of the day of Great Thursday of the Holy Pascha

Presbyter:

In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God.
The prophecies of the sixth hour of Thursday of the week of the Holy Pascha may its blessings be with us
Amen.

Reader:

A reading from the book of Jeremiah the prophet, may his blessing be with us. Amen.

Jeremiah 7:2-15

Stand in the gate of the Lord's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the Lord, all ye of Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship the Lord. Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place. Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the Lord, The temple of the Lord, The temple of the Lord, are these. For if ye thoroughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye thoroughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbor; If ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to your hurt: Then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers, for ever and ever. Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit. Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know not; And come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, We are delivered to do all these abominations? Is this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, even I have seen it, says the Lord. But go ye now unto my place which was in Shiloh, where I set my name at the first, and see what I did to it for the wickedness of my people Israel. And now, because ye have done all these works, says the Lord, and I spoke unto you, rising up early and speaking, but ye heard not; and I called you, but ye answered not; Therefore will I do unto this house, which is called by my name, wherein ye trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, as I have done to Shiloh. And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, even the whole seed of Ephraim.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Reader:

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel the prophet, may his blessing be with us. Amen.

Ezekiel 20:39-44

As for you, O house of Israel, thus said the Lord God; Go ye, serve ye every one his idols, and hereafter also, if ye will not hearken unto me: but pollute ye my holy name no more with your gifts, and with your idols. For in mine holy mountain, in the mountain of the height of Israel, said the Lord God, there shall all the house of Israel, all of them in the land, serve me: there will I accept them, and there will I require your offerings, and the first fruits of your oblations, with all your holy things. I will accept you with your sweet savor, when I bring you out from the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered; and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen. And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country for which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers. And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and ye shall loath yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed. And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I have wrought with you for my name's sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, said the Lord God.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Reader:

A reading from the Wisdom of the Son of Sirach the prophet, may his blessing be with us. Amen.

Sirach 12:13-13:1

Who will pity a charmer that is bitten with a serpent, or any such as come nigh wild beasts? So one that goes to a sinner, and is defiled with him in his sins, who will pity? For awhile he will abide with you, but if you begin to fall, he will not tarry. An enemy speaks sweetly with his lips, but in his heart he imagines

how to throw you into a pit: he will weep with his eyes, but if he find opportunity, he will not be satisfied with blood. If adversity come upon you, you shall find him there first; and though he pretend to help you, ye shall he undermine you. He will shake his head, and clap his hands, and whisper much, and change his countenance. He that touches pitch shall be defiled therewith; and he that has fellowship with a proud man shall be like unto him.

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Presbyter:

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Reader:

Psalm of David 30:10&13

Let the deceitful lips become dumb, which speak iniquity against that righteous. For I heard the slander of many that dwelt round about: when they were gathered together against me, they took counsel to take my life. Alleluia.

Presbyter:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.

St. Mark 14:12-16

And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the Passover, his disciples said unto him, where will you that we go and prepare that you may eat the Passover? And he sends forth two of his disciples, and said unto them, Go ye into the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water: follow him. And wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the goodman of the house, The Master said, Where is the guest chamber, where I shall eat the Passover with my disciples? And he will show you a large upper room furnished and prepared: there make ready for us. And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the Passover.

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Presbyter:

The exposition of the sixth hour of Great Thursday of the Holy Pascha week, may its blessing be with us; Amen.

Reader:

Listen O Israel to the voice of Adonai the Lord Almighty; let everyone purge himself of his sins and iniquities for you have maculated my Holy Name with your idol and perfidy deeds. Then I will accept you on my holy mountain and you shall worship me in that place. I will be sanctified in you and will raise you above all nations. And you will know that I am the Lord God and that there is no other gods in heaven and earth. The seas and everything that lives therein worship me. All are under my dominion and seek mercy from me.

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The Ninth Hour
Of the day of Great Thursday of the Holy Pascha

Presbyter:

In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God.
The prophecies of the ninth hour of Great Thursday of the week of the Holy Pascha may its blessings be with us Amen.

Reader:

A reading from the book of Genesis to Moses the prophet, may his blessing be with us. Amen.

Genesis 22:1-19

And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom you love, and get you into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell you of. And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you, And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together. And Isaac spoke unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together. And they came to the place, which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. And the angel of the Lord called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do you any thing unto him: for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld thy son, thine only son from me. And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son. And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen. And the angel of the Lord called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time, And said, By myself have I sworn, said the Lord, for because you have done this thing, and has not withheld thy son, thine only son: That in blessing I will bless you, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because you have obeyed my voice. So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beer-sheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beer-sheba.

Glory to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen

Reader:

A reading from the Book of Isaiah the prophet, may his blessing be with us. Amen.

Isaiah 61:1-6

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified. And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations. And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers. But ye shall be named the Priests of the Lord: men shall call you the Ministers of our God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.

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Reader:

A reading from the Book of Job the prophet, may his blessing be with us. Amen.

Job 27:1-23, 28:1-13

And Job further continued and said in his parable, As God lives, who has thus judged me; and the Almighty, who has embittered my soul; verily, while my breath is yet in me, and the breath of God which remains to me is in my nostrils, my lips shall not speak evil words, neither shall my soul meditate unrighteous thoughts. Far be it from me that I should justify you till I die; for I will not let go my innocence, but keeping fast to my righteousness I will by no means let it go; for I am not conscious to myself of having done anything amiss. Nay rather, but let mine enemies be as the overthrow of the ungodly, and they that rise up against me, as the destruction of transgressors. For what is the hope of the ungodly, that he holds to it? Will God hear his prayer? Or, when distress has come upon him, has he any confidence before him? Or will God hear him as he calls upon him? Yet now I will tell you what is in the hand of the Lord: I will not lie concerning the things, which are with the Almighty. Behold, ye all know that ye are adding vanity to vanity. This is the portion of an ungodly man from the Lord, and the possession of oppressors shall come upon them from the Almighty. And if their children be many, they shall be for slaughter; and if they grow up, they shall beg. And they that survive of him shall utterly perish, and no one shall pity their widows. Even if he should gather silver as earth, and prepare gold as clay; all these things shall the righteous gain, and the truehearted shall possess his wealth. And his house is gone like moths, and like a spider's web. The rich man shall lie down, and shall not continue; he has opened his eyes, and he is not. Pains have carried him away by night. And a burning wind shall catch him, and he shall depart, and it shall utterly drive him out of his place. And God shall cast trouble upon him, and not spare: he would fain flee out of his hand. He shall cause men to clap their hands against them, and shall hiss him out of his place. For there is a place for the silver, whence it comes, and a place for the gold, whence it is refined. For iron comes out of the earth, and brass is hewn out like stone. He has set ye bound to darkness, and he searches out every limit: a stone is darkness, and the shadow of death. There is a cutting off of the torrent by reason of dust: so they that forget the right way are weakened; they are removed from among men. As for the earth, out of it shall come bread: under it has been turned up as it were fire. Her stones are the place of the sapphire: and her dust supplies man with gold. There is a path, the fowl has not known it, neither has the eye of the vulture seen it: neither have the sons of the proud trodden it, a lion has not passed upon it. He has stretched forth his hand on the sharp rock, and turned up mountains by the roots: and he has interrupted the whirlpools of river, and he has laid bare the depths of rivers, and has brought his power to light. But whence has wisdom been discovered? And what is the place of knowledge? A mortal has not known its way, neither indeed has it been discovered among men.

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Presbyter:

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Reader:

Psalm of David 21:1

The Lord tends me as a shepherd, and I shall want nothing. In a place of green grass, there he has made me dwell: he has nourished me by the water of rest.

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Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the Passover? And he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master said, My time is at hand; I will keep the Passover at thy house with my disciples. And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the Passover.

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Reader:

And when Abraham became elevated in God's eyes above all other people, the Lord appeared to him and said: Abraham, Abraham whom I love, obey my words and do my will. Take your dear son Isaac and offer him to me a sacrifice on a mountain. Abraham did as the Lord said. He took his beloved son, two of his servants, a donkey, and went on. When he saw the mountain afar, he left the two servants and the donkey with them and said; I shall go there with my son to pray and come back. He loaded the kindling on his only son and carried the knife and the fire. They went up the mountain to the place that the Lord Almighty designated. Isaac said to his father Abraham: Here is the fire where is the lamb? Abraham said to him: My son, the Lord will arrange for a sacrificial lamb that pleases him. Then he gathered stones, and built an alter, and stacked the firewood on the alter. Before he lit it, he tied the boy's hands and feet and put him on the wood. The boy (Isaac) said: Here I am your sacrifice that you offer, father. When Abraham held the knife and started to proceed to fulfill the offering, the Lord shouted and said: Abraham, hold your hand and do not touch (your son) for I have verified your love towards me. Isaac your beloved son shall grow and multiply. And as you did not hesitate to offer your first born, I shall bless you and your descendents; your son shall be like the stars and will be as numerous as the sand. Abraham looked behind him and saw a sheep tied with its horns to a tree of Safak. He untied Isaac and slew the sheep instead of him. And the Lord Almighty blessed Abraham because he found him acceptable in all his deeds. And the Abraham returned and went back with the two servants and his son.

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DAY TIME LITANIES

Presbyter:

Let us bend our knees

Congregation:

Have mercy on us
O God the Father, O Pantokrator.

Presbyter:

Let us stand up then bend our knees

Congregation:

Have mercy on us
O God the Savior

Presbyter:

Let us stand up again then bend our knees

Congregation:

Have mercy on us
O God, and have mercy on us.

Presbyter:

Let us beseech God to have mercy and compassion on us, to hear us and support us, and to accept the supplications of His saints for us at all times and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us beseech God for the peace of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, and God's salvation and comfort in all places, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us beseech God for our fathers and brothers who are sick with diverse diseases in his place and all places, that God may grant them and us the healing and good health, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for our fathers and brothers who are traveling and those who intend to travel in all places, may God aid their ways; those who are traveling by seas, rivers, lakes, byways or other means, may the Lord our God guide them, bring them back in safety, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for the winds of heaven, the fruits of the earth, all the trees and vineyards and all fruit bearing trees in the universe that Christ our God may bless them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask that God may grant us mercy before the sovereign rulers, incline their hearts with goodness towards us at all times, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for our fathers and brothers who have slept and reposed in the faith of Christ from the beginning, our holy fathers, the Patriarchs, the Metropolitans, the Bishops, our fathers the Protopriests, and priests, our brothers the deacons, our fathers the monks, and our brothers the laymen, and for the repose of all departed Christians; that Christ our God may repose their souls, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for those who attend to the offerings and oblations, the wine, the oil, the incense, the coverings of the alter, the books of prayers, and the vessels of the alter, that Christ our God may reward them in heavenly Jerusalem, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for the catechumens, that the Lord our God may bless them, enlighten their hearts, confirm them in the Orthodox faith until the end, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for this Holy Church, and all Orthodox Churches, the desert monasteries, the elders dwelling therein, and for the peace of the whole world, that the Lord may protect us and them from all evil, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for the life of our venerable father, Patriarch (Abba Shenouda III) that the Lord God may keep him and confirm him in his see for many years and peaceful times, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for our Orthodox fathers: Metropolitans, Bishops in every place, the protopriests, the priests, the deacons and all the orders of the Church: that Christ our Lord may keep them, strengthen them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for this gathering and all Orthodox gathering; that the Lord our God may bless and fulfill them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for all the hierarchs of the Holy Church, and all the orders of the kleros; that the Lord our God may bless and support them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for those who labor and toil in the Holy Church and with the Orthodox people; that the Lord our God may have mercy on them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for all Christ-loving rulers who asked us to remember them in our prayers; that the Lord God may bless and remember them in His mercy and grant them favor before powerful rulers, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for the poor, the weak, the farmers and all those who are in adversities of any kind; that our Lord be merciful with us and them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for those who are in the distress of prisons, dungeons, captivity, or exile and those who are afflicted by devils, that the Lord our God may loosen them from their burdens and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for all the souls assembled with us this day, in this place, seeking forgiveness for their souls; that the Lord's kindness may encompass us and them and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for those who asked us to remember them in our prayers; that the Lord our God may remember them according to His goodness at all times, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for the rising of the waters of the rivers this year; that Christ our Lord may bless and raise them according to their measures, make glad the face of the earth, sustain us, deliver man and beasts and lift from us death, the rise of prices, plagues, capture by the Berber, the sword of the enemies,

and the rising of heretics; and grant peace and tranquility for our Holy Orthodox Church, and raise the state of his Orthodox Christians in the whole world now, and forever and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for this Holy Week of Pascha of our Savior; that He may complete it for us in peace and bring us the joy of His Holy Resurrection in safety, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Have mercy on us O God, make firm Your mercy towards us; In Your kingdom show mercy on us.

Congregation:

(North Side)

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

(South Side)

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

(North Side)

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

(South Side)

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

(North Side)

O King of peace:

bestow Your peace upon us:

and forgive us our sins

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

(South Side)

Disperse the enemies of the Church

Fortify her stronghold

That she May not be shaken forever

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy
Love have mercy
Lord have mercy

(North Side)

Emmanuel our God is now in our midst
With the glory of His father
And the Holy Spirit

Lord have mercy
Love have mercy
Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy
Love have mercy
Lord have mercy

(South Side)

May He bless us
And purify our hearths
And heal the sickness of our souls and bodies

Lord have mercy
Love have mercy
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(North Side)

We worship You,
O Christ together with Your Good Father
And the Holy Spirit
For You were crucified and saved us.

Congregation:

Amen Alleluia glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen

We cry out saying, our Lord Jesus Christ who was crucified on the cross, trample down the Satan under our feet, save us and have mercy.

Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy
Lord bless us. Amen

Give the blessing, give the blessings, we prostrate, absolve us and give the blessing

Presbyter:

May Jesus Christ, our true God who through His own goodwill accepted sufferings and was crucified on the cross for our sake, bless us with all spiritual blessings, and support us, and complete for us the Holy week of Pascha and bring forth upon us the joy of His Holy Resurrection for many years and peaceful times. Through the never ending intercessions of the immaculate, holy and Lady Theotokos Mary, and all the choirs of angels and archangels, through the prayers of the Patriarchs, the Prophets, the Apostles, the martyrs, the righteous and holy-ones, the stavrophorai, the ascetics, the confessors and anachorites; and the blessings of the holy week of Pascha of our Good Savior; their holy blessing, their benediction, their power, their gift their love, and their help rest upon us all forever. Amen.

Congregation:

Amen.

Presbyter:

O King of peace: bestow Your peace upon us: make firm Your peace upon us, and forgive us our sins. For Thine is the power, the glory, the blessings and the majesty forever. Amen. Make us, O Lord worthy to say with all thanksgiving:

Congregation:

Our Father who art in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

The Liturgy of the Blessing of the Water Of the Great Thursday

Presbyter:

Have mercy on us O God the Father, O Pantocrator. O all Holy Trinity, have mercy upon us. O Lord God of hosts be Thou with us for we have no other help in our tribulations and necessities but Thee.

Congregation:

Our Father who art in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Presbyter:

Pray

Deacon:

Stand up for prayer

Presbyter:

Peace be with you all

Congregation:

And with your spirit

Presbyter:

Let us give thanks unto the Beneficent and Merciful God, the Father of our Lord, and God and Savior, Jesus Christ For He has covered us, succored us, preserved us, accepted us unto Him, had compassion on us, sustained us, and brought us unto this hour. Let us then ask Him, the Almighty Lord our God, that He may keep us in all peace this holy day and all the days of our life.

Deacon:

Pray

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter::

O Master, Lord, God the Pantocrator, the Father of our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ, we thank you for every condition, concerning every condition, and in every condition. For you have covered us, helped us, guarded us, accepted us to You, spared us, supported us, and have brought us to this hour.

Deacon:

Pray that God have mercy and compassion upon us, hear us, help us and accept the supplications and prayers of his saints for that which is good on our behalf at all times, and make us worthy to partake of the communion of his holy and blessed mysteries, for the remission of our sins.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Therefore we ask and entreat Your goodness, O Philanthropic one, grant us to complete this holy day, and all the days of our life, in all peace with your fear. All envy, all temptation, all the work of satan the counsel of wicked men and the rising up of enemies, hidden and manifest, take them away from us, and from all your people, and from this table, and from this holy place that is yours. But those things which are good and profitable do provide for us, for it is you who have given us the authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and upon all the power of the enemy. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, by the grace, compassion and philanthropy of your Only-Begotten Son, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. Through whom the glory, the honor, the dominion, and the adoration are

due unto you, with him and the Holy Spirit, the Life-Giver who is of one essence with you, now and at all times and unto the age of all ages. Amen

Congregation:

We worship the Father and the Son: and the Holy Spirit: the Holy Trinity: the consubstantial

Hail to the Church: the house of the angels: Hail to the virgin: who gave birth to our Savior

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today and forever. In one hypostasis, we worship and glorify Him

Hail to my lords, the fathers and the apostles. Hail to the disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ

(North Side)

O King of peace:
bestow Your peace upon us:
and forgive us our sins

(South Side)

Disperse the enemies of the Church
Fortify her stronghold
That she May not be shaken forever

(North Side)

Emmanuel our God is now in our midst
With the glory of His father
And the Holy Spirit

(South Side)

May He bless us
And purify our hearths
And heal the sickness of our souls and bodies

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We worship You,
O Christ together with Your Good Father
And the Holy Spirit
For You were crucified and saved us.

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

Congregation:

Our Father who art in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Congregation:

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou might be justified when thou speak, and be clear when thou judged. Behold, I was shaped in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me. Behold, thou desired truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shall make me to know wisdom. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones, which thou hast broken, may rejoice. Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit. Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be

converted unto thee. Deliver me from blood guiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness. O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise. For thou desiredst not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. Do well in thy good pleasure unto Zion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem. Then shall thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering: then shall they offer bullocks upon thine altar. Alleluia

Alleluia: Glory be to Thee O Lord.

Reader:

A reading from the book of Genesis of Moses the prophet, may his blessings be with us. Amen

Genesis 18:1-23

And the Lord appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day; And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground, And said, My Lord, if now I have found favor in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant: Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree: And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come to your servant. And they said, so do, as thou hast said. And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes upon the hearth. And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetched a calf tender and good, and gave it unto a young man; and he hastened to dress it. And he took butter, and milk, and the calf, which he had dressed, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat. And they said unto him, Where is Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent. And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard it in the tent door, which was behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, after I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also? And the Lord said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old? Is any thing too hard for the Lord? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son. Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh. And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way. And the Lord said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do; seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment; that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him. And the Lord said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous; I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know. And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before the Lord. And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen

Reader:

A reading from the book of Proverbs of Solomon, may his blessings be with us. Amen

Proverbs 9:1-11

Wisdom hath built her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars: She hath killed her beasts; she hath mingled her wine; she hath also furnished her table. She hath sent forth her maidens: she cried upon the highest places of the city, Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: as for him that wanted understanding, she said to him, Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine which I have mingled. Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding. He that reproveth a scorner getteth to himself shame: and he that rebuketh a wicked man getteth himself a blot. Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee. Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding. For I shall multiply thy days, and the years of thy life shall be increased.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen

Reader:

A reading from the book of Exodus of Moses, may his blessings be with us. Amen

Exodus 1:14-15

When Israel crossed the Red Sea, they walked through dry land in the midst of the sea, and their enemies went into the sea and the Lord brought upon them the water of the sea. Israel and all the house of Jacob were saved. They danced and sang this song: Let us sing to the Lord, for He is very greatly glorified.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen

Reader:

A reading from the book of Joshua the son of Naue, may his blessings be with us. Amen

Joshua 1, 3

Joshua and all the people went over the Jordan, they treaded on stones that were immersed in the water. Their feet strengthened and they defeated their enemies.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen

Reader:

A reading from the book of Isaiah the son prophet, may his blessings be with us. Amen

Isaiah 4:2-4

In that day shall the branch of the Lord be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that escaped of Israel. And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remained in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, even every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem: When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen

Reader:

A reading from the book of Isaiah the son prophet, may his blessings be with us. Amen

Isaiah 55:1-13 56:1

Ho, every one that thirsty, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? And your labor for that which satisfied not? Hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness. Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David. Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the people. Behold, thou shall call a nation that thou knew not, and nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the Lord thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for he hath glorified thee. Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, said the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returned not thither, but watered the earth, and made it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that went forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the Lord for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off. Thus said the Lord, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for my salvation is near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen

Reader:

A reading from the book of Ezekiel the son prophet, may his blessings be with us. Amen

Ezekiel 36:25-29

Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God. I will also save you from all your uncleanness: and I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen

Reader:

A reading from the book of Ezekiel the son prophet, may his blessings be with us. Amen

Ezekiel 47:1-9

Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar. Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way without unto the utter gate by the way that looked eastward; and, behold, there ran out waters on the right side. And when the man that had the line in his hand went forth eastward, he measured a thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the waters were to the ankles. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; the waters were to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through; the waters were to the loins. Afterward he measured a thousand; and it was a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over. And he said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen this? Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river. Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river were very many trees on the one side and on the other. Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea: which being brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed. And it shall come to pass, that every thing that lived, which moved, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.

Glory be to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen

Reader:

A homily of our holy father abba Shenouti the archimandrite may his blessings be with us. Amen

Brethren, we ought to be humbled in front of He who suffered on our behalf. We ought to fear Him who poured the water in a bowl and washed the feet of His disciples with his impeccable hands. Let us present Him with good deeds that deserve this great modesty that He demonstrated for our sake. Let us repent our sins that we committed. Because if we do not repent, we will be condemned in hell as sin loving. What then can we hope for often we have been cast out of heaven, face the judgment and being rejected for our sins. We will be judged twice; not because we have sinned without knowledge but because what we consciously did was worse of what we did without knowledge. Not only because we have sinned, but also because we did not repent. Why can't the sheep know the voice of the real shepherd, the given life and resort to Him? He who paid a dear price His blood and surrendered Himself for their salvation. He who gave us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink; Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, the God, Son of God, who dwells in the highest forever.

In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, one God. Amen

Congregation:

We worship Thee O Christ with Thy good Father and the Holy Spirit for Thou was crucified and saved us

Reader:

A reading from the first Epistle from Pauline to his disciple Timothy, may his blessings be with us. Amen

Epistle of Timothy 4:9-16, 5:1-10

This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For therefore we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those that believe. These things command and teach. Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery. Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all. Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee. Rebuke not an elder, but entreat him as a father; and the younger men as brethren; the elder women as mothers; the younger as sisters, with all purity. Honor widows that are widows indeed. But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shown piety at home, and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God. Now she that is a widow indeed, and desolate, trusted in God, and continued in supplications and prayers night and day. But she that lived in pleasure is dead while she lived. And these things give in charge, that they may be blameless. But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel. Let not a widow be taken into the number under threescore years old, having been the wife of one man, Well reported of for good works; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have diligently followed every good work.

Grace of God, the Father, be with all of you

Congregation:

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, who was born of the Virgin, have mercy on us.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, who crucified for us, have mercy on us.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, who crucified for us, have mercy on us.

Litany of the Gospel

Presbyter:

Pray

Deacon:

Stand up for prayer

Presbyter:

Peace be with you all

Congregation:

And with your spirit

Presbyter:

O Master, Lord Jesus Christ our God, who said to his saintly, honored disciples and holy apostles, many prophets and righteous men have desired to see the things, which you see, and have not seen them, and to hear the things which you hear and have not heard them. But blessed are your eyes for they see and your ears for they hear. May we be worthy to hear and to act according to your holy gospels through the prayers of your saints.

Deacon:

Pray for the Holy Gospel

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Remember also, O our Master, all those who have bidden us to remember them in our supplications and prayers, which we offer, up unto you, O Lord our God. Those who have already fallen asleep, repose them. Those who are sick, heal them. For you are the life of us all, the salvation of us all, the hope of us all, the healing of us all, and the resurrection of us all.

And to you we send up the glory, and the honor and the adoration, together with your good Father and the Holy Spirit, the Life-Giver, who is of one essence with you. Now and at all times and unto the age of all ages Amen.

Deacon:

Stand with the fear of God. Let us hear the holy gospel. A chapter fro the holy Gospel according to St. John may his blessings be with us all.

Psalm 51:7,10

From the Psalms of David, the prophet, may his blessings be with us, Amen

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

St. John 13:1-17

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, our Lord, our God, and our Savior, Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, unto Him be the glory forever. Amen

Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end. And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him; Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God; He rise from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. After that he poured water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded. Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter said unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet? Jesus answered and said unto him, what I do thou knew not now; but thou shall know hereafter. Peter said unto him, Thou should never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, if I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me. Simon Peter said unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head. Jesus said to him, He that is washed needed not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all. For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, you are not all clean. So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you? Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example that ye should do as I have done to you. Verily, verily, I say unto you, the servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

Congregation:

Glory be unto God forever

Lord have mercy (10x)

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today and forever. In one hypostasis, we worship and glorify Him.

Presbyter:

Pray

Deacon:

Stand up for prayer

Presbyter:

Peace be with you all

Congregation:

And with your spirit

Presbyter:

Again, let us ask God the Almighty Father of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. We ask and entreat Your goodness, O lover of man. Remember, O Lord the sick of Your people.

Deacon:

Pray for our fathers and our brothers who are sick with diverse diseases whether they be in this place or in any other place. That Christ our Lord may grant them and us health and recovery, and forgive us our sins.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Attend them with your mercies and compassion, and heal them. Take away from them, and from us all sickness, all disease and the spirit of the sickness. Those who have long lain in sickness, do Thou raise and console. Those who are afflicted with unclean spirits, do Thou liberate. Those who are in prisons or in dungeons, or in exile of captivity, or those who are arrested in bitter bondage, O Lord, release them all, and have mercy upon them. For Thou art He who unbinds the chained and lifts up the fallen. The Hope of the hopeless, the Help of the helpless, the Consolation of the small-hearted, the Harbor of the storm-tossed. All the souls which are in distress or bound, give them mercy, O Lord, give them repose, give them coolness, give them grace, give them sustenance, give them salvation, and give them the forgiveness of their sins and iniquities. And as for us, O Lord, the sickness of our souls, do Thou heal; and those of our bodies; cure. O Thou the true Physician of our souls and bodies, the prelate of the flesh, accord us Thy salvation.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter: (inaudibly)

Through the grace, compassion and love of mankind of Your only Begotten Son, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. This is He through whom, is due unto Thee the glory, the honor, the majesty and the worship with Him and the Holy Spirit, the Life-Giver who is of one essence with Thee now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen

Presbyter:

Again, let us ask the Almighty God, the Father of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. Let us pray and beseech Thy goodness, O lover of man. Remember, O Lord, our fathers and our brothers who are on travel.

Deacon:

Pray for our fathers and brothers who are on travel and bring them anywhere where they intended to travel. That he may facilitate the ways of all of them, whether by sea or river, lake or on the beaten track, or those traveling by other means. That Christ our Lord may bring them back to their homes in safety; and forgive us our sins.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Those intending to travel in any place, facilitate the ways for them all, whether by sea, river, lake, or on the beaten tracks, or by any other means, all persons in all places. Bring them back safely to a haven of peace, a haven of salvation. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to accompany them in their embarkation and accompany

them throughout their travel. Bring them back to their homes, rejoicing with joy and robust with wholeness. Share the work of your servants in every good affair. Even we, O Lord, our expatriation in this age, preserve without hurt, storm or worry unto the end.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:(inaudibly)

Through the grace, compassion and love of mankind of Your Only Begotten Son, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. This is he through whom, is due unto Thee the glory, the honor, the majesty and the worship with Him and the Holy Spirit, the Life-Giver who is of one essence with Thee now and ever, and unto the age of all ages. Amen

Presbyter:

Vouchsafe, O Lord, the winds of the heaven and the fruits of the earth, do Thou bless them this year.

Deacon:

Pray for the air of heaven, the fruits of the earth, the rising of the waters of the rivers, the seeds, the herbs and the plants of the field, that Christ our God may bless them, bring them to perfection in peace without harm, and forgive us our sins.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Raise them to their measure according to your grace. Give joy to the face of the earth. May its furrows be abundantly watered and its fruits be plentiful. Prepare it for sowing and harvesting. Manage our life as deemed fit. Bless the crown of the year with your goodness for the sake of the poor of your people, the widow, the orphan, the traveler, the stranger, and for the sake of us all who entreat you and seek your holy name. For the eyes of every one wait upon you, for you give them their food in due season. Deal with us according to your goodness, O you who give food to all flesh. Fill our hearts with joy and gladness that we too, having sufficiency in every thing always, may abound in every good deed.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Remember O Lord, our ruler. Pray that Christ our God, grant us mercy and compassion before mighty rulers and incline their hearts, with goodness towards us at all time and may have mercy on us.

Presbyter:

Keep him in peace, justice and might. Bring under subjection to him all Berber, and all nations who war against us. Soften his heart towards the peace of our Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. Let him have thoughts of peace towards us and Thy Holy Name, so that we might live in peace, piety and chastity.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter: (inaudibly)

Through the grace, compassion and love of mankind of Your Only Begotten Son, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. This is He through whom, is due unto Thee the glory, the honor, the majesty and the worship with Him and the Holy Spirit, the Life-Giver who is of one essence with Thee now and ever, and unto the ages of all ages. Amen

Presbyter:

Again, let us ask God almighty, the Father of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. We ask and entreat Thy goodness, O Lover of man. Remember, O Lord, the souls of Thy servants who have slept; our father and our brothers.

Deacon:

Pray for our fathers and brethren who have fallen asleep and reposed in the faith of Christ since the beginning, our holy fathers the archbishops, our fathers the bishops, our fathers the hegomens, our fathers the priest, our brethren the deacons, our fathers the monks and our fathers the laymen, and for the full repose of the Christians, that Christ our God may repose all their souls in the paradise of joy, and we too accord mercy unto us and forgive us our sins.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Graciously, O Lord, repose all their souls in the bosom of our holy fathers Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, sustain them in a green pasture, by the water of rest in the paradise of joy, the place our of which grief, sorrow and groaning have fled away in the light of your saints. Raise Thou their bodies on the day, which You have appointed, according to Thy truthful promises. Grant them the beneficence of Thy promises: what eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, nor has it occurred to the heart of man – what Thou has prepared, O God, for those who love Thy Holy Name. For there is no death unto Thy servants, but a departure. If any neglect or slackness has overtaken them as mortals they have worn the body and lived in this world. As good God and lover of man. Vouchsafe O Lord that Your servants, the Orthodox Christians, who are in the world, from the East to the West and from the North to the South each one by his name and each one by her name, do Thou repose. For no one is immaculate even though his life is byt one day on earth. All those, whose souls You have taken, do repose them, O Lord, and may they deserve the kingdom of heaven. As for us, do Thou grant us our Christian perfection which is pleasing before Thee. Give them and us a portion and an inheritance with the rest of Your saints.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Again, let us beseech God almighty, the Father of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. We ask and entreat Thy goodness, O Lover of man. Remember, O Lord the sacrifices, the oblations and the thanksgiving of all those that have offered, glory and honor to Your Holy Name.

Deacon:

Pray for them who attend to the sacrifices, the oblations, the first fruits, the oil, the incense, the coverings, the books of the reading and the vessels of the Altar, that Christ our God may reward them in the heavenly Jerusalem; and forgive us our sins.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Accept them upon Thine holy rational, heavenly Altar as a sweet savor of incense; which enters unto Thy grandeur in heaven; by the ministry of Thy angels and Thy holy archangels. Even as Thou did accept the offerings of the righteous Abel and the sacrifice of our father Abraham and the two mites of the widow. Accept also the vows of thy servants; the rich and the poor, the hidden and the manifest. Them, that would offer but have not, and them that have offered unto Thee these oblations this day. Grant them the incorruptible in place of the corruptible; the heavenly for the earthly; the eternal instead of the temporal. Their houses and their stores do Thou fill with all good. Preserve them, O Lord, by the power of Thy Angels and Thy Holy Archangels. Even as they have remembered Thy holy Name upon earth, remember them also, in Thy Kingdom and in this age, leave them not.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter: (inaudibly)

Through the grace, compassion and love of mankind of thine Only Begotten Son, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. This is He through whom, is due unto Thee the glory, the honor, the majesty and the worship with Him and the Holy Spirit, the Life giver who is of one essence with Thee now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen

Presbyter:

Remember O Lord the Catechumen of Thy people, have mercy on them, confirm their faith in Thee.

Deacon:

Pray for the Catechumen of Our people.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Uproot from their hearts all remains of idolatry. Thy law, fear, commandments and Holy statutes confirm in their hearts. Grant them to be established in the Holy Writings which was ministered unto them; and in the appointed season they may be worthy of the laver of regeneration unto the forgiveness of their sins; as Thou prepares them to be temples for Thy Holy Spirit.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter: (inaudibly)

Through the grace, compassion and love of mankind of thine Only Begotten Son, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. This is He through whom, is due unto Thee the glory, the honor, the majesty and the worship with Him and the Holy Spirit, the Life giver who is of one essence with Thee now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen

Presbyter:

O Thou who girded Himself with a towel and covered up Adam's nakedness. Thou who gave us the garment of Divine son ship, we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

O Thou who for the love of mankind became man; Thou girded Thyself with a towel to cleanse us from the stains of our sins; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

O Thou who prepared for us the way of life through the washing of the chosen holy disciple's feet; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

O Christ our God who walked on the waters and through Thy love for man washed the disciples' feet; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

O Thou who clothed Himself in light like a garment, girded Himself and washed the disciples' feet and wiped them; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

O Christ our God, the Pantocrator, bestower of divine gifts to those who serve Thy Holy Name, who sustains all. Thou who feeds them with His Love; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

O Thou who gathers together the waters above the heavens and sets the boundaries thereof; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

O Thou who measured the waters and the heavens with His Hands and held all the earth with the palm of His Hand; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

O Thou who through His will made the springs into rivers and through Thy ineffable love to man has prepared all things and created everything out of nothing for our service; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Again, O Thou the Giver of Truth and infinite richness, love of man, O Lord of mercy, visit the earth and water her by the rising of the river to bring forth fruits; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

May its furrows be watered and its fruits made plentiful through Thy Goodness; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Make glad the face of the earth and renew her. Raise the waters of the river according to its measure; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Bless the crown of the year with Thy Goodness. Fill the land of Egypt with fatness to increase its furrows and bless its fruits; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

make glad the land of Egypt, and its hills rejoice with gladness. Through Thy Goodness; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

O Lord, save Thy people, bless Thine inheritance and visit the whole world with Thy loving kindness and mercy. Exalt the horn of the Christians with the power of Thy Life-giving Cross; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Grant security, confirmation, and peace to the provinces through Thy Goodness. Grant Thy mercy and abundance to all the poor of Thy people and make glad our heart, through the intercession of Thy Holy Mother, the Virgin Mary, and St. John the Baptist, and all our fathers the Apostles; we ask Thee, O Christ God, hearken and have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Congregation:

Lord have mercy (100x)

Presbyter:

Again, let us ask the Almighty God, the Father of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. Let us pray and beseech Thy Goodness, O lover of man, remember, O Lord, the peace of Thy One Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.

Deacon:

Pray for the peace of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God.

Congregation:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

This which exists throughout the ends of the world. All people, all nations do Thou bless. The peace which is from heaven do Thou send down upon our hearts. Even the peace of this life, do Thou graciously grant unto us. The king, the army, the rulers the ministers, our neighbors, our incomings and outgoings adorn with peace. O King of peace, give us Thy peace; for Thou has rendered to us all things. Take possession of us O God, our Savior, for we know no other besides Thee, and we call on Thy name. Let our souls live by Thy Holy Spirit and let not the death of sin reign over us, nor over all Thy people.

Congregations:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Again, let us beseech God, Father of our God, Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We pray and beseech Thy goodness O Lover of man. Remember O Lord our patriarch the venerable father and archpriest Abba Shenouda.

Deacon:

Pray for our archpriest papa Abba Shenouda. Pope and Patriarch Archbishop of the great city of Alexandria and for our orthodox episcopate.

Congregations:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

In safety do Thou keep him many years and tranquil times, that he may complete the Holy episcopate with which Thou entrusted him according to Thy Holy and blessed will. That he may rightly divide the word of truth, and may shepherd Thy people in holiness and righteousness. Together with all the orthodox bishops, hegomenos, presbyters and deacons and all the fullness of Thy One, Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. To them and to us grant peace and safety in every place. Their prayers which they offer for us and for all Thy people, and all our prayers which they offer for us and for all Thy people, and also our prayers for them, do Thou receive on Thy holy, heavenly and noetic altar as a sweet-smelling savior. All their enemies visible and invisible crush and abase speedily under their feet. But as for them, keep them in peace and righteousness in Thy Holy Church.

Congregations:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Again, let us beseech God almighty, the Father of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. We ask and entreat Thy goodness, O lover of man. Remember, O Lord our assemblies. Bless them.

Deacon:

Pray for this holy church and our gatherings.

Congregations:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Grant that we may hold them without hindrance and without obstacle according to Thy Holy and blessed will. Houses of prayers; houses of purity, houses of blessing do Thou grant unto us, O Lord, and unto Thy servants after us forever. Idolatry do Thou fully remove from the world. Satan and all his evil power, do Thou speedily bring low and crush under our feet. Scandals and doers of them do Thou bring to naught. May the strife of destroying heresies come to an end. The enemies of Thine Holy Church, O Lord, now, as at all times, do Thou bring low. Their vanity do thou cast off, and show them their feebleness speedily. Bring to naught the work of their envy, their intrigue, their madness, their malice and their slander which they bring against us. O Lord render them all of no avail, and confound their counsel, Thou, O God, who did confound the counsel of Ahithophel.

Congregations:

Lord have mercy

Presbyter:

Arise, O Lord God, and let all Thine enemies be scattered, and let them that hate Thine Holy Name flee before Thy face. But through blessing, may the people be a thousand thousand fold and ten thousand ten thousand fold performing Thy will.

Presbyter: (inaudibly)

Through the grace, compassion and love of mankind of thine Only Begotten Son, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. This is He through whom, is due unto Thee the glory, the honor, the majesty and the worship with Him and the Holy Spirit, the Life-giver who is of one essence with Thee now and ever, and unto the ages of all ages. Amen

Congregations:

We magnify thee, O Mother of the True Light, and we glorify thee, O Virgin Saint Birth giver of God, for thou has born unto us the Savior of the world. He came and saved our souls. Glory be to Thee, O Christ, our Master and our King, the honor of the apostles, the crown of the martyrs, the rejoicing of the righteous, the confirmation of the churches, the forgiveness of sins. We proclaim the Holy Trinity, one in essence. We worship Him and glorify Him. Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord send Thy blessings. Amen

Congregations:

We believe in one God, God the Father, the Pantocrator, who created heaven and earth, and all things seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-Begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages; Light of light, true God of true God, begotten not created, of one essence with the Father, by whom all things were made; Who for us men and our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and of the Virgin Mary, and became Man. And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Life-Giver, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And in one holy, catholic and apostolic church. We confess one baptism for the remission of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the coming age. Amen.

Congregation:

Our Fathers, the Apostles preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all the nations. Their voices is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

Deacon:

Come forward

Congregations:

A mercy of peace, a sacrifice of praise

Presbyter:

The love of God the Father, and the Grace of the only Begotten Son our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ and the gift and fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation:

And with Thy spirit

Presbyter:

Lift up your hearts

Congregation:

We lift them up to the Lord

Presbyter:

We give thanks unto the Lord

Congregations:

It is meet and right

Presbyter:

Meet and right, meet and right, for verily it is meet and right. We praise Thee, we exalt Thee, we bless Thee, we glorify Thee, we worship Thee, we thank Thee at all times for all Thy beneficence; Thou alone art the True God; Thou who art before all ages, and Who from His heights brought forth the waters; who made the many waters in the ark of heaven; they all bless Thy Holy Name, O King of all creation. We worship Thee, O Jesus Christ who sits on the throne of His glory whom all holy powers do worship.

Deacon:

Those who are seated stand

Presbyter:

The angels, archangels, principalities, dominions, thrones, lordships, all serving spirits and all the infinite multitude of angelic powers, who stand before Thee in fear of trembling praising Thy Majesty.

Deacon:

Unto the East look

Presbyter:

Thou art He around whom stand the blessed powers; the Cherubim and the Seraphim thrice glorifying Thee; wherefore make us also worthy to join their praises and to bless Thee with voices full of glory saying:

Congregation:

The Cherubim worship you, and the Seraphim glorify you, Proclaiming and saying, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your holy glory.

Presbyter:

Holy, Holy, art Thou O Lord and Holy in all things. For Thou art the True Holy God, Jesus Christ, the First born of all creation; Who dwelt in the glory of His majesty, in Him the fullness of the Divinity dwelt bodily. Who did not consider it a robbery to be equal to God, His Father, but with Thy good will Thou did come to earth taking the form of a servant becoming man in truth; Thou has become man in the undefiled womb of the Holy Theotokos, Mary; Thou who was clothed in purity and never sinned; Thou gave Thyself up to the holy cross for our salvation, and gave us this example, for after supper Thou arose, took a towel and girded Thyself,, and Thou poured water into a basin, and Thou began to wash the disciple's feet; and Thou has given them the ordinance of love and humility and the remembrance of Thy love for man for Thou said to them: If I, your Lord and Master have washed your feet, then you also ought to wash one another's feet. As much as I have done it unto you so you ought to do to one another. Thou has ordered them to follow Thy Commandments and Thy statutes for Thou have said: love one another; by this shall all men know you are my disciples because you love one another. Thou also has taught us love and oneness; and Thou has reconciled us with Thy Father by washing the disciples' feet, through the purity of that example and through Thy love and compassion for man. Thou has crowned our freedom, when Peter exalting Thy Divinity refused this ordinance saying: Thou shall never wash my feet. He heard the true judgment: IF I was thee not, Thou has no part with me, but he cried sincerely saying: Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head, bless all of me. And he also heard Thine Divine Voice which is full of truth; He that is washed need not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit. Therefore we ask of Thee our Lord Jesus Christ to make us worthy and present in our midst as Thou was with Thy Holy disciples, the apostles.

Presbyter:

Bless this water unto healing, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

A Holy water, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

A water for the remission of sins, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

A water of purification, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

A water for salvation and health of our spirits, bodies and souls, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

A gift of purity, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

Love for each other and purity of the sense, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

That we may be worthy of Thy Holy Virtue, who Thou has taught us through Thy love of man, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

When we wash one another's feet, we become worthy of the inheritance of Thy holy disciples, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

Purify our inner man with the fruits of his Mystery, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

Grant us the forgiveness of our sins through the end dwelling of Thy Holy Spirit to purify our spirits , our bodies and souls from all defilement, unrighteousness and sin, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

Grant us the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions and every power of the enemy, and do not permit any evil to overpower us, but grant us wise senses and righteousness; so that we may come before Thee to receive compassion and mercy, Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

We ask Thee O True God, to send Thy Holy Spirit the Paraclet, upon these waters, and us O Thou who fashioned the waters. O Jesus Christ our Lord, Creator of all; who was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate and confessing saying I am the Son of God.

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

We believe that Thou art the Son of God in truth. Purify this water by the power of Thy Holy Spirit to annul the deadly power of the adversary against us. Rebuke all evil spirits, all sorcery and all idol worshipping.

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

O our God Jesus Christ may the power of the adversary flee from this water by the sign of Thy Holy Cross.

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

Bring it forth water unto healing. Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

Water unto purification. Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

Water unto remission of sins. Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

A water unto salvation. Amen

Congregation:

Amen

Presbyter:

Make us worthy of son ship, that we may cry out towards Thy Good Father and the Holy Spirit saying: Our Father who art in heaven

Congregation:

Our Father who art in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Deacon:

Saved indeed, and with Thy spirit.

Presbyter:

Blessed is God Jesus Christ the Son of God and Holy is the Holy Spirit.

Congregation:

Amen, One is the Holy Father; One is the Holy Son; One is the Holy Spirit. Amen

Congregations:

Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp. Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs. Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals. Let every thing that has breath praise the Lord. Praise Him the Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Alleluia. Now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen. Alleluia

Glory be unto our God. Amen

Presbyter:

Our God laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself, poured water into a basin and washed the disciples' feet, then He came to Simon to wash his feet, and Peter said to Him: Thou shall never wash my feet. Our Savior answered Simon Peter: If I don't wash your feet, you have no part with me. Simon Peter said to Him: Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head. The Lord taught them saying: I have washed your feet; you also ought to wash one another's feet. Intercede for us, O our Father, the apostles, and the seventy two disciples, for the forgiveness of our sins for He is blessed.

Presbyter:

We give thanks unto You, O Master, Lord God Almighty, upon every condition, for any condition and in whatever condition, for You have made us worthy to complete Your Holy Example of the washing of the feet at this hour. This to You, Only Begotten Son, our Lord, God, Teacher and Savior Jesus Christ, anointed and taught Your disciples. We ask and entreat Your goodness O Lover of man, forgive our sins and have compassion on us, according to Your great mercy and grant Your peace on Your Holy Church. Keep us in peace and love with Your fear, alert us to all Your commandments in this generation and forever. Make us all partakers of Your eternal blessings through Your Only Begotten Son Jesus Christ our God, through whom glory, honor, dominion and worship befit You with Him and the Holy Spirit both now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen

Reader:

A homily of our holy father Saint John Chrysostom may his blessings be with us. Amen

I behold today many believers hastening to partake of the awesome mysteries that they may exceedingly benefit there from. Let me first advise you that you must walk in fear and righteousness as befitting those holy mysteries. My beloved, in this day our Lord Jesus was betrayed; if you then hear that He was betrayed, be not downcast. Let me tell you about whom you shall be downcasted, bewail and cry over he who gave Him up; I mean Judas. For He who was betrayed, sits on the right hand of the Father in heaven; and He is also King over all, in an everlasting Kingdom. But he who gave Him up, descended into the depths of Hades; there he shall remain unto the end in anticipation of great grief and lament. Over him say moan and bewail. For our Lord taught us not to grieve over him who endures suffering, but rather to grieve over the evildoer. It is fit to bewail him who does evil more than he who accepts sufferings. Indeed, he who accepts sufferings is not evil, but rather he who does evil is wicked. For to be in sufferings lead us to the heavenly kingdom. But evil doing leads us to hell and into punishment. For it

is said: Blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness' sake for there is the kingdom of heaven. But he who does evil, is worthy of punishment and sufferings.

In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit, One God. Amen

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Presbyter:

We worship Thee O Christ with Thy Good Father and the Holy Spirit for Thou was crucified and saved us, have mercy

Reader:

A reading from the first epistle to our teacher Paul the apostle to the Corinthians, may his blessings be with us all. Amen

1 Corinthians 11:23-34

For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that ate and drunk unworthily, ate and drunk damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another. And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.

The Grace of God, the Father, be with all of you

Deacon:

Stand in the fear of God, and listen to the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew may his blessings be with us all.

From the Psalms of David, the prophet, may his blessings be with us, Amen

Psalm 22:5 40:9

Thou has prepared a table before me in presence of them that afflict me. Who ate my bread, lifted up his heel against me. Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord, our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ whereof glory forever. Amen

St. Matthew 26:20-29

Now when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve. And as they did eat, he said, Verily I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me. And they were exceeding sorrowful, and began every one of them to say unto him, Lord, is it I? And he answered and said; He that dipped his hand with me in the dish, the same shall betray me. The Son of man went as it is written of him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! it had been good for that man if he had not been born. Then Judas, which betrayed him, answered and said, Master, is it I? He said unto him, Thou hast said. And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; for this is my blood of the New Testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

Glory be to God forever. Amen

Congregation:

Thy Body and Thy Blood are for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the New Testament that Thou gave to Thy disciples. We are made worthy to eat of the Tree of Life which is the Body of God and His true Blood.

Congregations:

We believe in one God, God the Father, the Pantocrator, who created heaven and earth, and all things seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-Begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages; Light of light, true God of true God, begotten not created, of one essence with the Father, by whom all things were made; Who for us men and our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and of the Virgin Mary, and became Man. And he was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose from the dead, according to the scriptures, ascended into the heavens; he sits at the right hand of his Father, and He is coming again in his glory to judge the living and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end. Yes, we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Life-Giver, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And in one holy, catholic and apostolic church. We confess one baptism for the remission of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the coming age. Amen.

And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. In one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

Congregation:

The Bread of Life that descended to us from heaven, gave life to the world. She gave birth to Him without defilement and He gave us His precious Body and Blood and we lived forever.

Deacon:

According to the custom, bring your offer, bring your offer, bring your offer. Stand in fear looking to the east. Let us attend.

Congregation:

Through the intercession of the Holy Birth giver of God, Mary, O Lord grant us forgiveness of our sins. We worship Thee, O Christ, together with Thy Good Father and the Holy Spirit, inasmuch as Thou was crucified and saved us, the mercy of peace the sacrifice of praise.

Congregations:

As it was, so shall it be, from generation to generation and unto the ages of ages amen.

**The Eleventh hour
Of the day of Great Thursday of the Holy Pascha**

Presbyter:

In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God.
The prophecies of the eleventh hour of Great Thursday of the week of the Holy Pascha may its blessings be with us Amen.

Reader:

A reading from the book of Isaiah the prophet, may his blessing be with us. Amen.

Isaiah 52:13-15 35:1-12

Behold, my servant shall deal prudently, he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high. As many were astounded at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men: So shall he sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at him: for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they consider. Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our grief, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth. He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Glory to the Holy Trinity our God unto the ages of ages. Amen

Presbyter:

Lord have mercy upon us.

Alleluia, In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, One God Amen.

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

The Doxology of the eleventh hour of Great Thursday of the week of the Holy Pascha may its blessings be with us. Amen. Make us, O Lord, worthy to say with all thanksgiving:

Our Father who are in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Lord have mercy:

To You is the power, the glory,
the blessings, the majesty forever. Amen;
O Emmanuel our God and our King.

To You is the power, the glory,
the blessings, the majesty forever. Amen;
O My Lord Jesus Christ, my good Savior.

To You is the power, the glory,
the blessings, the majesty forever. Amen.

Our Father who are in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Reader:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

St. John 13:21-30

When Jesus had thus said, he was troubled in spirit, and testified, and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me. Then the disciples looked one on another, doubting of whom he spoke. Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved. Simon Peter therefore beckoned to him, that he should ask who it should be of whom he spoke. He then lying on Jesus' breast said unto him, Lord, who is it? Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a sop, when I have dipped it. And when he had dipped the sop, he gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon. And after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly. Now no man at the table knew for what intent he spoke this unto him. For some of them thought, because Judas had the bag, that Jesus had said unto him, Buy those things that we have need of against the feast; or, that he should give something to the poor. He then having received the sop went immediately out: and it was night.

Bow down before the Holy Gospel.

Congregation: Glory be to God for ever.

Presbyter: In the name of the Trinity;

Congregation: one in essence;

Presbyter: the Father and the Son;

Congregation: and the Holy Spirit;

Presbyter: O true light;

Congregation: which enlightens;

Presbyter: every man;

Congregation: that cometh into the world.

Presbyter:

The exposition of the eleventh hour of Great Thursday of the Holy Pascha week, may its blessing be with us; Amen.

Reader:

The Son of righteousness shined upon us and his rays reached all nations of the world; Jesus Christ the true light who shines to everyone coming to the world. The life giving bread came from heaven and nourished all creation. From the beginning of times He prepared a table in the wilderness and nourished the people with manna for forty years; they ate and died, so says the Lord. On the eve of that day in which they ate the unleavened bread of Passover, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ sat there in the upper chamber of Zion with His disciples to celebrate the New Passover, which is His which, is superior than the blood offerings. Our Savior took the bread, blessed it, broke it, divided it and gave it to His disciples saying: Take ye eat from this you all. This is My Body that I divide for you and for many for the remission of sins. After that He took the cup, mixed the wine with water and handed it to them saying: Drink from it all of you for this is My Blood of the new covenant which is shed for many for the remission of sins. Every time you eat of this bread and drink of this cup you proclaim my death, confess my resurrection and remember me until I come. He is the Passover of our salvation. The real Lamb,

Christ our Savior said: I say to you I Will not drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in kingdom of my Father.

The Lord said: I say to you, one of you will betray me, and will deliver me to the enemies. And they began to think – each one of them – saying who dares do that? He answered and said : He who dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. Then Judas; one of those present said: Is it I? He said unto him: You said it.

You have intended evil in your contrariness and dared commit a grave transgression because the Son of God came to save the first man from corruption.

Presbyter: Christ our Savior;

Congregation: has come and has borne suffering;

Presbyter: that through His Passion;

Congregation: He may save us.

Presbyter: Let us glorify Him;

Congregation: and exalt His name;

Presbyter: for He has done us mercy;

Congregation: according to His great mercy.

DAY TIME LITANIES

Presbyter:

Let us bend our knees

Congregation:

Have mercy on us

O God the Father, O Pantokrator.

Presbyter:

Let us stand up then bend our knees

Congregation:

Have mercy on us

O God the Savior

Presbyter:

Let us stand up again then bend our knees

Congregation:

Have mercy on us

O God, and have mercy on us.

Presbyter:

Let us beseech God to have mercy and compassion on us, to hear us and support us, and to accept the supplications of His saints for us at all times and forgives our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us beseech God for the peace of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, and God's salvation and comfort in all places, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us beseech God for our fathers and brothers who are sick with diverse diseases in his place and all places, that God may grant them and us the healing and good health, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for our fathers and brothers who are traveling and those who intend to travel in all places, may God aid their ways; those who are traveling by seas, rivers, lakes, byways or other means, may the Lord our God guide them, bring them back in safety, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for the winds of heaven, the fruits of the earth, all the trees and vineyards and all fruit bearing trees in the universe that Christ our God may bless them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask that God may grant us mercy before the sovereign rulers, incline their hearts with goodness towards us at all times, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for our fathers and brothers who have slept and reposed in the faith of Christ from the beginning, our holy fathers, the Patriarchs, the Metropolitans, the Bishops, our fathers the Protopriests, and priests, our brothers the deacons, our fathers the monks, and our brothers the laymen, and for the repose of all departed Christians; that Christ our God may repose their souls, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for those who attend to the offerings and oblations, the wine, the oil, the incense, the coverings of the alter, the books of prayers, and the vessels of the alter, that Christ our God may reward them in heavenly Jerusalem, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for the catechumens, that the Lord our God may bless them, enlighten their hearts, confirm them in the Orthodox faith until the end, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for this Holy Church, and all Orthodox Churches, the desert monasteries, the elders dwelling therein, and for the peace of the whole world, that the Lord may protect us and them from all evil, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for the life of our venerable father, Patriarch (Abba Shenouda III) that the Lord God may keep him and confirm him in his see for many years and peaceful times, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for our Orthodox fathers: Metropolitans, Bishops in every place, the protopriests, the priests, the deacons and all the orders of the Church: that Christ our Lord may keep them, strengthen them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for this gathering and all Orthodox gathering; that the Lord our God may bless and fulfill them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for all the hierarchs of the Holy Church, and all the orders of the kleros; that the Lord our God may bless and support them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for those who labor and toil in the Holy Church and with the Orthodox people; that the Lord our God may have mercy on them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for all Christ-loving rulers who asked us to remember them in our prayers; that the Lord God may bless and remember them in His mercy and grant them favor before powerful rulers, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for the poor, the weak, the farmers and all those who are in adversities of any kind; that our Lord be merciful with us and them, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for those who are in the distress of prisons, dungeons, captivity, or exile and those who are afflicted by devils, that the Lord our God may loosen them from their burdens and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for all the souls assembled with us this day, in this place, seeking forgiveness for their souls; that the Lord's kindness may encompass them and us and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for those who asked us to remember them in our prayers; that the Lord our God may remember them according to His goodness at all times, and forgives our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for the rising of the waters of the rivers this year; that Christ our Lord may bless and raise them according to their measures, make glad the face of the earth, sustain us, deliver man and beasts and lift from us death, the rise of prices, plagues, capture by the Berber, the sword of the enemies, and the rising of heretics; and grant peace and tranquility for our Holy Orthodox Church, and raise the state of his Orthodox Christians in the whole world now, and forever and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Let us pray and ask for this Holy Week of Pascha of our Savior; that He may complete it for us in peace and bring us the joy of His Holy Resurrection in safety, and forgive our sins.

Congregation:

Lord Have mercy

Presbyter:

Have mercy on us O God, make firm Your mercy towards us; In Your kingdom show mercy on us.

Congregation:

(North Side)

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

(South Side)

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

(North Side)

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

(South Side)

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

(North Side)

O King of peace:

bestow Your peace upon us:

and forgive us our sins

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

Love have mercy

Lord have mercy

(South Side)

Disperse the enemies of the Church

Fortify her stronghold

That she May not be shaken forever

Lord have mercy
Love have mercy
Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy
Love have mercy
Lord have mercy

(North Side)

Emmanuel our God is now in our midst
With the glory of His father
And the Holy Spirit

Lord have mercy
Love have mercy
Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy
Love have mercy
Lord have mercy

(South Side)

May He bless us
And purify our hearths
And heal the sickness of our souls and bodies

Lord have mercy
Love have mercy
Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy
Love have mercy
Lord have mercy

(North Side)

We worship You,
O Christ together with Your Good Father
And the Holy Spirit
For You were crucified and saved us.

Congregation:

Amen Alleluia glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen

We cry out saying, our Lord Jesus Christ who was crucified on the cross, trample down the Satan under our feet, save us and have mercy.

Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy
Lord bless us. Amen

Give the blessing, give the blessings, we prostrate, absolve us and give the blessing

Presbyter:

May Jesus Christ, our true God who through His own goodwill accepted sufferings and was crucified on the cross for our sake, bless us with all spiritual blessings, and support us, and complete for us the Holy week of Pascha and bring forth upon us the joy of His Holy Resurrection for many years and peaceful

times. Through the never ending intercessions of the immaculate, holy and Lady Theotokos Mary, and all the choirs of angels and archangels, through the prayers of the Patriarchs, the Prophets, the Apostles, the martyrs, the righteous and holy-ones, the stavrophorai, the ascetics, the confessors and anachorites; and the blessings of the holy week of Pascha of our Good Savior; their holy blessing, their benediction, their power, their gift their love, and their help rest upon us all forever. Amen.

Congregation:

Amen.

Presbyter:

O King of peace: bestow Your peace upon us: make firm Your peace upon us, and forgive us our sins. For Thine is the power, the glory, the blessings and the majesty forever. Amen. Make us, O Lord worthy to say with all thanksgiving:

Congregation:

Our Father who art in the Heavens, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, through Christ Jesus our Lord, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Presbyter:

Depart in peace, the peace of the Lord may be with you all. Amen