

When are prostrations done at the Divine Liturgy?

NEVER on Feasts of the Lord (Sundays, Nativity, Theophany, etc.) or the eves of these feasts.

Other Days

- On entering and exiting the Church if feast is below Doxology Rank (check lampadas above Royal Doors)
- Before venerating icons if feast is below Doxology Rank (check lampadas above Royal Doors)
- On entering and departing the altar (first and last time – not every time if you are serving in the altar)
- Immediately after the priest or bishop says: “Let us give thanks unto the Lord!”
- At the end of the hymn: “We praise Thee, we bless Thee...” (that is, upon the consecration of the Holy Gifts)
- At the end of the hymn: “It is truly meet...” or the hymn that sometimes replaces this hymn on certain feasts
- Per Bishop Peter NOT at the Lord’s Prayer
- When the deacon or priest says: “With the fear of God and faith draw near!” (that is, when the Holy Gifts are brought forth for the communion of the people)
- When the priest says: “Always, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages!” (that is, after the communion of the people)
 - Those who have communed do not prostrate themselves at this time
- Strictly speaking prostrations are not done at Saturday Liturgies. However, it has become the common practice to make prostrations at Saturday Liturgies at the points noted above.

---Questions? Please ask Fr. Gregory---

Blue: true for both evening Divine Services and Divine Liturgy