

## The All-Night Vigil

**Deacon:** Arise! O Lord, bless!

**Priest:** Glory to the holy, and consubstantial, and life-creating, and indivisible Trinity, always, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

**Choir:** O come, let us worship God our King.  
O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ our King and God.  
O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ Himself, our King and God.  
O come, let us worship and fall down before Him.

**Choir:** Bless the Lord, O my soul. Blessed art Thou, O Lord. Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, Thou hast been magnified exceedingly.

**Refrain:** Blessed art Thou, O Lord.

Confession and majesty hast Thou put on.

**Refrain:** Blessed art Thou, O Lord.

Upon the mountains shall the waters stand.

**Refrain:** Wondrous are Thy works, O Lord.

Between the mountains will the waters run.

**Refrain:** Wondrous are Thy works, O Lord.

In wisdom hast Thou made them all, hast Thou made them all.

**Refrain:** Glory to Thee, O Lord, Who hast made them all, Who hast made them all.

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God. **Thrice.**

## Great Litany

**Deacon:** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For the peace from above, and the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For the peace of the whole world, the good estate of the holy churches of God, and the union of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For this holy temple, and for them that with faith, reverence, and the fear of God enter herein, let us pray to the Lord

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For our Great Lord and Father, His Holiness *N.*; for our lord the Very Most Reverend Metropolitan *N.*, First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad; for our lord the Most Reverend (Archbishop or Bishop *N.*); for the venerable priesthood, the diaconate in Christ, for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For this land, its authorities and armed forces, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For the God-preserved Russian Land and its Orthodox people both in the homeland and in the diaspora, and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--That He may deliver His people from enemies both visible and invisible, and confirm in us oneness of mind, brotherly love and piety, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For this city (or this town, or this holy monastery), for every city and country, and the faithful that dwell therein, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For seasonable weather, abundance of the fruits of the earth, and peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For travelers by sea, land and air; for the sick, the suffering, the imprisoned, and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--That we may be delivered from all tribulation, wrath, and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.

**Choir:** To Thee O Lord.

**Priest:** For unto Thee is due all glory, honor and worship; to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

### **Blessed is the Man**

Blessed is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, and the way of the ungodly shall perish. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Serve ye the Lord with fear, and rejoice in Him with trembling. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are all that have put their trust in Him. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Arise, O Lord, save me, O my God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Salvation is of the Lord, and Thy blessing is upon Thy people. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God. **Thrice***

### **Small Litany**

**Deacon:** Again and again, in peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.

**Choir:** To Thee, O Lord.

**Priest:** For Thine is the dominion, and Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

### ***Lord I Have Cried...***

**Reader:** In the **\_ Tone:** Lord, I have cried unto Thee, hearken unto me.

**Choir:** Lord, I have cried unto Thee, hearken unto me. \* Harken unto me, O Lord. \* Lord, I have cried unto Thee, hearken unto me; \* attend to the voice of my supplication, \* when I cry unto Thee. \* Harken unto me, O Lord.

Let my prayer be set forth \* as incense before Thee, \* the lifting up of my hands \* as an evening sacrifice. \* Harken unto me, O Lord.

***Outside a forefeast or afterfeast: all from the Menaion***

***IF A FOREFEAST OR AFTERFEAST:***

- *3 stichera from the forefeast or afterfeast (usually found in the Menaion)*
- *5 stichera + Doxasticon (if there is one) + Theotokion from the Menaion*

***All Fridays, including forefeast or afterfeast:***

- *Both now: Dogmatic Theotokion in the tone of the previous Sunday*

***If there are 8 stichera (services of vigil or polyeleos rank):***

(8) Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord; \* O Lord, hear my voice.

(7) Let Thine ears be attentive \* to the voice of my supplication.

(6) If Thou shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand? \* For with Thee there is forgiveness.

(5) For Thy name's sake have I patiently waited for Thee, O Lord; my soul hath patiently waited for Thy word, \* my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

(4) From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch \* let Israel hope in the Lord.

(3) For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption; \* and He shall redeem Israel out of all his iniquities.

(2) O praise the Lord, all ye nations; \* praise Him, all ye peoples.

(1) For He hath made His mercy to prevail over us, \* and the truth of the Lord abideth forever.

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

***Sticheron (Doxasticon) from the Menaion, if there is one.***

Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

***And we then sing or read the Dogmatic Theotokion of the tone, or as appointed in the Menaion.***

***Priest:*** Wisdom! Aright!

***Choir:*** O Gladsome Light of the holy glory of the immortal, heavenly, holy, blessed Father, O Jesus Christ: Having come to the setting of the sun, having beheld the evening light, we praise the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: God.

Meet it is for Thee at all times to be praised with reverent voices, O Son of God, Giver of life. Wherefore, the world doth glorify Thee.

**Priest:** Let us attend. Peace be unto all. Wisdom! The Prokimenon in the \_\_\_Tone.

### ***THE DAILY PROKIMENA***

#### ***On Saturday evening, the Sixth Tone:***

The Lord is King, He is clothed with majesty.

**Stichos 1:** The Lord is clothed with strength and He hath girt Himself.

**Stichos 2:** For He established the world which shall not be shaken.

**Stichos 3:** Holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord, unto length of days.

#### ***On Sunday evening, the Eighth Tone:***

Behold now, bless ye the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord.

**Stichos:** Ye that stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God.

#### ***On Monday evening, the Fourth Tone:***

The Lord will hearken unto me when I cry unto Him.

**Stichos:** When I called upon Thee, O God of my righteousness, Thou didst hearken unto me.

#### ***On Tuesday evening, the First Tone:***

Thy mercy, O Lord, shall pursue me all the days of my life.

**Stichos:** The Lord is my shepherd, and I shall not want. In a place of green pasture, there hath He made me to dwell.

#### ***On Wednesday evening, the Fifth Tone:***

O God, in Thy name save me, and in Thy strength do Thou judge me.

**Stichos:** O God, hearken unto my prayer, give ear unto the words of my mouth.

#### ***On Thursday evening, the Sixth Tone:***

My help cometh from the Lord, Who hath made heaven and the earth.

**Stichos:** I have lifted up mine eyes to the Mountains, from whence cometh my help.

#### ***On Friday evening, the Seventh Tone:***

O God, my helper art Thou, and Thy mercy shall go before me.

**Stichos:** Rescue me from mine enemies, O God, and from them that rise up against me redeem me.

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***If there are Scriptural readings appointed for a feast, before each reading:***

**Deacon:** Wisdom!

**Reader:** The Reading is from \_\_\_\_\_.

**Deacon:** Let us attend.

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**Deacon:** Let us all say with our whole soul and with our whole mind, let us say.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--O Lord Almighty, the God of our fathers, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray For our Great Lord and Father, His Holiness N.; for our lord the Very Most Reverend Metropolitan N., First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad; for our lord the Most Reverend (Archbishop or Bishop N., whose diocese it is) and all our brethren in Christ.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for this land, its authorities and armed forces.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for the God-preserved Russian land and its Orthodox people both in the homeland and in the diaspora and for their salvation.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray to the Lord our God that He may deliver His people from enemies visible and invisible, and confirm in us oneness of mind, brotherly love and piety.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for our brethren, the priests, priestmonks, and all our brethren in Christ.

**Choir:** Lord have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for the blessed and ever-memorable, holy Orthodox patriarchs; for pious kings and right-believing queens; and for the founders of this holy temple (if it be a monastery: this holy monastery): and for all our fathers and brethren gone to their rest before us, and the Orthodox here and everywhere laid to rest.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, visitation, pardon and remission of the sins of the servants of God, the brethren of this holy temple [*if in a monastery: this holy monastery*].

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for them that bring offerings and do good works in this holy and all-venerable temple; for them that minister and them that chant, and for all the people here present, that await of Thee great and abundant mercy.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

**Priest:** For a merciful God art Thou, and the Lover of mankind, and unto Thee do we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.



**Reader:** Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this evening without sin. Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Thy name unto the ages. Amen.

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we have hoped in Thee. Blessed art Thou, O Lord, teach me Thy statutes. Blessed art Thou, O Master, give me understanding of Thy statutes. Blessed art Thou, O Holy One, enlighten me by Thy statutes.

O Lord, Thy mercy endureth forever; disdain not the work of Thy hands. To Thee is due praise, to Thee is due a song, to Thee glory is due, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

**Deacon:** Let us complete our evening prayer unto the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--That the whole evening may be perfect, holy, peaceful and sinless, let us ask of the Lord.

**Choir:** Grant this, O Lord.

--An angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask of the Lord.

**Choir:** Grant this, O Lord.

--Pardon and remission of our sins and offences, let us ask of the Lord.

Choir: Grant this, O Lord.

--Things good and profitable for our souls, and peace for the world, let us ask of the Lord.

**Choir:** Grant this, O Lord.

--That we may complete the remaining time of our life in peace and repentance, let us ask of the Lord.

**Choir:** Grant this. O Lord.

--A Christian ending to our life, painless, blameless, peaceful, and a good defense before the dread judgment seat of Christ, let us ask.

**Choir:** Grant this, O Lord.

--Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.

**Choir:** To Thee, O Lord.

**Priest:** For a good God art Thou, and the Lover of Mankind, and unto Thee do we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

**Priest:** Peace be unto all.

**Choir:** And to thy spirit.

**Deacon:** Let us bow our heads unto the Lord.

**Choir:** To Thee, O Lord. (*Very Slowly.*)

**Priest:** Blessed and most glorified be the dominion of Thy kingdom: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

***The appointed Aposticha is read or chanted:***

***Outside forefeast or afterfeast: all from the Menaion***

***IF THERE IS A FOREFEAST OR AFTERFEAST***

- *All verses from the Menaion*
- *Glory: Doxasticon from the Menaion*
- *Both now: forefeast or afterfeast (usually found in the Menaion)*

## The prayer of St. Symeon:

**Reader:** Now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, O Master, according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples; a light of revelation for the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel.

**Reader:** Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. *(Thrice)*

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

O Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us. O Lord, blot out our sins. O Master, pardon our iniquities. O Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities for Thy name's sake.

Lord have mercy. *(Thrice)*

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

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

**Priest:** For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

## Troparia as appointed:

**Outside forefeast or afterfeast:** *Troparion from the Menaion 2x then:*

**Tone 4:** O Theotokos and Virgin, /  
rejoice, O Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; /  
blessed art thou among women, /  
and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb, //  
*for thou hast borne the Savior of our souls.*

**IF THERE IS A FOREFEAST OR AFTERFEAST**

- *Troparion from the Menaion 2x*
- *O Theotokos and Virgin (see above)*

**Choir:** Blessed be the name of the Lord from henceforth and for evermore.  
**Thrice.**

I will bless the Lord at all times, \* His praise shall continually be in my mouth. \* In the Lord shall my soul be praised; \* let the meek hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me, \* and let us exalt His name together. \* I sought the Lord, and He heard me, \* and delivered me from all my tribulations.

Come unto Him, and be enlightened, \* and your faces shall not be ashamed. \* This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, \* and saved him out of all his tribulations.

The angel of the Lord will encamp round about them that fear Him, \* and will deliver them. \* O taste and see that the Lord is good; \* blessed is the man that hopeth in Him.

O fear the Lord, all ye His saints; \* for there is no want to them that fear Him. \* Rich men have turned poor and gone hungry; \* but they that seek the Lord shall not be deprived of any good thing.

**Priest:** The blessing of the Lord be upon you, through His grace and love for mankind, always, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

### **The Six Psalms**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will among men.

**Thrice** (*With the sign of the Cross and a bow from the waist each time.*)

O Lord, Thou shalt open my lips, and my mouth shall declare Thy praise.

**Twice**

#### **Psalm 3**

O Lord, why are they multiplied that afflict me? Many rise up against me. Many say unto my soul: There is no salvation for him in his God. But Thou, O Lord, art my helper, my glory, and the lifter up of my head. I cried unto the Lord with my voice, and He heard me out of His holy mountain. I laid me down and slept; I awoke, for the Lord will help me. I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people that set themselves against me round about. Arise, O Lord, save me, O my God, for Thou hast smitten all who without cause are mine enemies; the teeth of sinners hast Thou broken. Salvation is of the Lord, and Thy blessing is upon Thy people.

I laid me down and slept; I awoke, for the Lord will help me.

### ***Psalm 37***

O Lord, rebuke me not in Thine anger, nor chasten me in Thy wrath. For Thine arrows are fastened in me, and Thou hast laid Thy hand heavily upon me. There is no healing in my flesh in the face of Thy wrath; and there is no peace in my bones in the face of my sins. For mine iniquities are risen higher than my head; as a heavy burden have they pressed heavily upon me. My bruises are become noisome and corrupt in the face of my folly. I have been wretched and utterly bowed down until the end; all the day long I went with downcast face. For my loins are filled with mockings, and there is no healing in my flesh. I am afflicted and humbled exceedingly, I have roared from the groaning of my heart. O Lord, before Thee is all my desire, and my groaning is not hid from Thee. My heart is troubled, my strength hath failed me; and the light of mine eyes, even this is not with me. My friends and my neighbors drew nigh over against me and stood, and my nearest of kin stood afar off. And they that sought after my soul used violence; and they that sought evils for me spake vain things, and craftinesses all the day long did they meditate. But as for me, like a deaf man I heard them not, and was as a speechless man that openeth not his mouth. And I became as a man that heareth not, and that hath in his mouth no reproofs. For in Thee have I hoped, O Lord; Thou wilt hearken unto me, O Lord my God. For I said: Let never mine enemies rejoice over me; yea, when my feet were shaken, those men spake boastful words against me. For I am ready for scourges, and my sorrow is continually before me. For I will declare mine iniquity, and I will take heed concerning my sin. But mine enemies live and are made stronger than I, and they that hated me unjustly are multiplied. They that render me evil for good slandered me, because I pursued goodness. Forsake me not, O Lord my God, depart not from me. Be attentive unto my help, O Lord of my salvation.

Forsake me not, O Lord my God, depart not from me. Be attentive unto my help, O Lord of my salvation.

### ***Psalm 62***

O God, my God, unto Thee I rise early at dawn. My soul hath thirsted for Thee; how often hath my flesh longed after Thee in a land barren and untrodden and unwatered. So in the sanctuary have I appeared before Thee to see Thy power and Thy glory. For Thy mercy is better than lives; my lips shall praise Thee. So shall I bless Thee in my life, and in Thy name will I lift up my hands. As with marrow and fatness let my soul be filled, and with lips of rejoicing shall my mouth praise Thee. If I remembered Thee on my bed, at the dawn I meditated on Thee.

For Thou art become my helper; in the shelter of Thy wings will I rejoice. My soul hath cleaved after Thee, Thy right hand hath been quick to help me. But as for these, in vain have they sought after my soul; they shall go into the nethermost parts of the earth, they shall be surrendered unto the edge of the sword; portions for foxes shall they be. But the king shall be glad in God, everyone shall be praised that sweareth by Him; for the mouth of them is stopped that speak unjust things. At the dawn I meditated on Thee. For Thou art become my helper; in the shelter of Thy wings will I rejoice. My soul hath cleaved after Thee, Thy right hand hath been quick to help me.

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God. *Thrice*, with the sign of the Cross, but without bows.

Lord. have mercy. *Thrice*

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

### ***Psalm 87***

O Lord God of my salvation, by day have I cried and by night before Thee. Let my prayer come before Thee, bow down Thine ear unto my supplication. For filled with evils is my soul, and my life unto hades hath drawn nigh. I am counted with them that go down into the pit; I am become as a man without help, free among the dead. Like the bodies of the slain that sleep in the grave, whom Thou rememberest no more, and they are cut off from Thy hand. They laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness and in the shadow of death. Against me is Thine anger made strong, and all Thy billows hast Thou brought upon me. Thou hast removed my friends afar from me; they have made me an abomination unto themselves. I have been delivered up, and have not come forth; mine eyes are grown weak from poverty. I have cried unto Thee, O Lord, the whole day long; I have stretched out my hands unto Thee. Nay, for the dead wilt Thou work wonders? Or shall physicians raise them up that they may give thanks unto Thee? Nay, shall any in the grave tell of Thy mercy, and of Thy truth in that destruction? Nay, shall Thy wonders be known in that darkness, and Thy righteousness in that land that is forgotten? But as for me, unto Thee, O Lord, have I cried; and in the morning shall my prayer come before Thee. Wherefore, O Lord, dost Thou cast off my soul and turnest Thy face away from me? A poor man am I, and in troubles from my youth; yea, having been exalted, I was humbled and brought to distress. Thy furies have

passed upon me, and Thy terrors have sorely troubled me. They came round about me like water, all the day long they compassed me about together. Thou hast removed afar from me friend and neighbor, and mine acquaintances because of my misery.

O Lord God of my salvation, by day have I cried and by night before Thee. Let my prayer come before Thee, bow down Thine ear unto my supplication.

### ***Psalm 102***

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all that He hath done for thee, Who is gracious unto all thine iniquities, Who healeth all thine infirmities, Who redeemeth thy life from corruption, Who crowneth thee with mercy and compassion, Who fulfilleth thy desire with good things; thy youth shall be renewed as the eagle's. The Lord performeth deeds of mercy, and executeth judgment for all them that are wronged. He hath made His ways known unto Moses, unto the sons of Israel the things that He hath willed. Compassionate and merciful is the Lord, longsuffering and plenteous in mercy; not unto the end will He be angered, neither unto eternity will He be wroth. Not according to our iniquities hath He dealt with us, neither according to our sins hath He rewarded us. For according to the height of heaven from the earth, the Lord hath made His mercy to prevail over them that fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our iniquities from us. Like as a father hath compassion upon his sons, so hath the Lord had compassion upon them that fear Him; for He knoweth whereof we are made, He hath remembered that we are dust. As for man, his days are as the grass; as a flower of the field, so shall he blossom forth. For when the wind is passed over it, then it shall be gone, and no longer will it know the place thereof. But the mercy of the Lord is from eternity, even unto eternity, upon them that fear Him. And His righteousness is upon sons of sons, upon them that keep His testament and remember His commandments to do them. The Lord in heaven hath prepared His throne, and His kingdom ruleth over all. Bless the Lord, all ye His angels, mighty in strength, that perform His word, to hear the voice of His words. Bless the Lord, all ye His hosts, His ministers that do His will. Bless the Lord, all ye His works, in every place of His dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

In every place of His dominion, bless the Lord, O my soul.

### ***Psalm 142***

O Lord, hear my prayer, give ear unto my supplication in Thy truth; hearken unto me in Thy righteousness. And enter not into judgment with Thy servant, for in

Thy sight shall no man living be justified. For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath humbled my life down to the earth. He hath sat me in darkness as those that have been long dead, and my spirit within me is become despondent; within me my heart is troubled. I remembered days of old, I meditated on all Thy works, I pondered on the creations of Thy hands. I stretched forth my hands unto Thee; my soul thirsteth after thee like a waterless land. Quickly hear me, O Lord; my spirit hath fainted away. Turn not Thy face away from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit. Cause me to hear Thy mercy in the morning; for in Thee have I put my hope. cause me to know, O Lord, the way wherein I should walk; for unto Thee have I lifted up my soul. Rescue me from mine enemies, O Lord; unto Thee have I fled for refuge. Teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God. Thy good Spirit shall lead me in the land of uprightness; for Thy name's sake, O Lord, shalt Thou quicken me. In Thy righteousness shalt Thou bring my soul out of affliction, and in Thy mercy shalt Thou utterly destroy mine enemies. And Thou shalt cut off all them that afflict my soul, for I am Thy servant.

Hearken unto me, O Lord, in Thy righteousness, and enter not into judgment with Thy servant. **Twice**

Thy good Spirit shall lead me in the land of uprightness.

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

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### **Great Litany**

**Deacon:** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

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--For the peace of the whole world, the good estate of the holy churches of God, and the union of all, let us pray to the Lord.

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--For this land, its authorities and armed forces, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--That He may deliver His people from enemies both visible and invisible, and confirm in us oneness of mind, brotherly love and piety, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For this city (or this town, or this holy monastery), for every city and country, and the faithful that dwell therein, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For seasonable weather, abundance of the fruits of the earth, and peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--For travelers by sea, land and air; for the sick, the suffering, the imprisoned, and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--That we may be delivered from all tribulation, wrath, and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.

**Choir:** To Thee O Lord.

**Priest:** For unto Thee is due all glory, honor and worship; to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

**Deacon (Priest):** In the \_\_ **Tone:** God is the Lord and hath appeared unto us. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

*Stichos 1:* O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endureth forever.

**Choir:** God is the Lord and hath appeared unto us. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. *This is sung after each stichos.*

*Stichos 2:* Surrounding me they compassed me, and by the name of the Lord I warded them off.

*Stichos 3:* I shall not die, but live, and I shall tell of the works of the Lord.

*Stichos 4:* The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner. This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

*Then the the appointed Troparia*

**Outside of a forefeast or afterfeast:**

- *Troparion of the saint from the Menaion TWICE*
- *Glory...*
- *Both now...*
- *Theotokion from the Menaion*

**IF A FOREFEAST OF AFTERFEAST**

- *Troparion of forefeast or afterfeast TWICE*
- *Glory...*
- *Troparion of the saint from the Menaion*
- *Both now...*
- *Troparion of forefeast or afterfeast*

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.* Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

**Reader:** Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

*The First Portion of the Kathisma is Read according to the Psalter.*

**Reader:** Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

**Choir:** Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God. *Thrice.*

Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

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

**Reader:** Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

*The Second Portion of the Kathisma is Read according to the Psalter.*

**Reader:** Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

**Choir:** Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God. *Thrice.*

Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

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

**Reader:** Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

***The Third Portion of the Kathisma is Read according to the Psalter.***

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God. *Thrice.*

**Deacon or Priest:** Again and again, in peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.

**Choir:** To Thee, O Lord.

**Priest:** For a good God art Thou, and the Lover of mankind, and unto Thee do we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

***After this the appointed Sessional hymns are read from the Menaion***

### ***The Polyeleos is Chanted***

**Choir:** Praise ye the name of the Lord; O ye servants, praise the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the Lord out of Zion, who dwelleth in Jerusalem. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

O give thanks unto the God of heaven; for His mercy endureth forever. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

### ***The Megalynarion of the feast is sung, with the selected psalm verses.***

**Deacon or Priest:** Again and again, in peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.

**Choir:** To Thee, O Lord.

**Priest:** For blessed is Thy name, and glorified is Thy kingdom: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

***The Hypakoe, Sessional Hymns, and Hymns of Ascents are sung here. See Rubrics provided***  
***The Hypakoe, Sessional Hymns, and Hymns of Ascents are sung/read here from the Menaion***

**Deacon (Priest):** Let us attend. Wisdom, let us attend. The Prokimenon in the 4<sup>th</sup> tone (found in the Menaion)

*And he reads the Prokimenon of the feast. The choir sings it; he then reads the stichos; the choir repeats the Prokimenon; he then reads the first half of the Prokimenon, and the choir sings the remaining portion.*

**Deacon:** Let us pray to the Lord.

**Priest:** For holy art Thou, O our God, and Thou restest in the saints, and unto Thee do we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

**Deacon:** Let every breath praise the Lord.

**Choir:** Let every breath praise the Lord.

**Deacon:** Praise ye God in His saints, praise Him in the firmament of His power.

**Choir:** Let every breath praise the Lord.

**Deacon:** Let every breath.

**Choir:** Praise the Lord.

**Deacon:** And that He will vouchsafe unto us the hearing of the Holy Gospel, let us pray unto the Lord God.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. **Thrice.**

**Deacon:** Wisdom, Aright! Let us hear the Holy Gospel.

**Priest:** Peace be unto all.

**Choir:** And to thy spirit.

**Priest:** The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. \_\_\_\_.

**Choir:** Glory to Thee, O Lord, glory to Thee.

***The Priest reads the appointed Matins Gospel***

**Choir:** Glory to Thee, O Lord, glory to Thee.

***Psalm 50***

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 Thee only have I sinned and done this evil before Thee, that Thou mightest be justified in Thy words, and prevail when Thou art judged. For behold, I was conceived in iniquities, and in sins did my mother bear me. For behold, Thou hast loved truth; the hidden and secret things of Thy wisdom hast Thou made manifest unto me. Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be made clean; Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow. Thou shalt 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 Thee. Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, Thou God of my salvation; my tongue shall rejoice in Thy righteousness. O Lord, Thou shalt open my lips, and my mouth shall declare Thy praise. For if Thou hadst desired sacrifice, I had given it; with whole-burnt offerings Thou shalt 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 builded. Then shalt Thou be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with oblation and whole-burnt offerings. Then shall they offer bullocks upon Thine altar.

**Choir:** Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Through the prayers of the *SAINT OF THE DAY*, \* O Merciful One, \* blot out the multitude of our transgressions.

Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, \* O Merciful One, \* blot out the multitude of our transgressions.

Have mercy on me, O God, \* according to Thy great mercy; \* and according to the multitude of Thy compassions, \* blot out my transgressions.

***Stichera of the saint of the day found in the Menion is sung.***

**Deacon:** Save, O God, Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance...

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Twelve Times*

**Priest:** Through the mercy and compassions and love for mankind of Thine Only-begotten Son, with Whom Thou art blessed, together with Thy Most-holy, and Good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

### The Canon

#### ***Outside of a forefeast or afterfeast – Feast of the Theotokos***

- *Irmos: First Canon in Menaion*
- *4 Troparia Menaion Canon I*
  - *Verse: O Most Holy Theotokos Save Us!*
- *4 Troparia Menaion Canon II*
  - *Verse: O Most Holy Theotokos Save Us!*
  - *Before final troparia: Glory... Both now...*

#### ***Outside of a forefeast or afterfeast – All Other Feasts***

- *Irmos: Supplicatory Canon of Theotokos*
- *3 Troparia Supplicatory Canon of Theotokos*
  - *Verse: O Most Holy Theotokos Save Us!*
- *2 Troparia Menaion Canon I*
  - *Verse: See Rubrics*
- *2 Troparia Menaion Canon II*
  - *Verse: See Rubrics*
  - *Before final troparia: Glory... Both now...*
- *After Ode III*
  - *Katavasia: Irmos of the Menaion Canon or that provided in the Rubrics*
  - *Small Ektenia*
  - *Sessional Hymns from the Menaion*
- *After Ode VI*
  - *Katavasia: Irmos of the Menaion Canon or that provided in the Rubrics*
  - *Small Ektenia*
  - *Kontakion and Ikos from the Menaion*
- *At Ode VIII*
  - *In place of Glory...: We bless Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the Lord*



- *After Ode VIII*
  - *We praise, we bless, we worship the Lord, praising and supremely exalting Him unto all ages.*
  - *Katavasia: Irmos of the Menaion Canon or that provided in the Rubrics*
  - *See Below – Magnificat*
- *After Ode IX*
  - *Katavasia: Irmos of the Menaion Canon or that provided in the Rubrics*
  - *Small Ektenia*
  - *Exapostilaria in Menaion*
  - *Glory... Both now...*
  - *Theotokion in Menaion*

***IF A FOREFEAST OF AFTERFEAST – ANY DAY***

- *Irmos: Forefeast or Afterfeast (Menaion)*
- *3 Troparia Forefeast or Afterfeast (Menaion) Canon*
  - *Verse: Feast*
- *4 Troparia Menaion Canon (or two from each if there are two canons)*
  - *Verse: See Rubrics*
  - *Before final troparia: Glory... Both now...*
- *After Ode III*
  - *Katavasia: Irmos of the Menaion Canon or that provided in the Rubrics*
  - *Small Ektenia*
  - *Kontakion and Ikos from the Forefeast or Afterfeast (Menaion)*
  - *Sessional Hymn Menaion (Saint)*
  - *Glory...Both now...*
  - *Sessional Hymn Forefeast or Afterfeast (Menaion)*
- *After Ode VI*
  - *Katavasia: Irmos of the Menaion Canon or that provided in the Rubrics*
  - *Small Ektenia*
  - *Kontakion and Ikos of the Menaion (Saint)*
- *At Ode VIII*
  - *In place of Glory...: We bless Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the Lord*
- *After Ode VIII*
  - *We praise, we bless, we worship the Lord, praising and supremely exalting Him unto all ages.*
  - *Katavasia: Irmos of the Menaion Canon or that provided in the Rubrics*
  - *See Below – Magnificat*
- *After Ode IX*
  - *Katavasia: Irmos of the Menaion Canon*

- *It is truly meet...*
- *Small Ektenia*
- *Exapostilaria*
  - *Menaion (Saint)*
  - *Glory... Both now...*
  - *Forefeast/Afterfeast*

***At Ode 9, we sing or read the Magnificat:***

***Deacon:*** The Theotokos and the Mother of the Light let us magnify in song.

***Choir:*** My soul doth magnify the Lord, \* and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

*And after each verse, the refrain:* More honorable than the Cherubim, \* and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim; \* who without corruption gavest birth to God the Word, \* the very Theotokos, thee do we magnify.

For He hath looked upon the lowliness of His handmaiden; \* for behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. *Refrain.*

For the Mighty One hath done great things to me, \* and holy is His name; \* and His mercy is on them that fear Him \* unto generation and generation. *Refrain.*

He hath showed strength with His arm, \* and He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their heart. *Refrain.*

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, \* and exalted them of low degree; \* He hath filled the hungry with good things, \* and the rich He hath sent empty away. *Refrain.*

He hath holpen His servant Israel \* in remembrance of His mercy, \* as He spake to our fathers, \* to Abraham and his seed forever. *Refrain.*

***Then, the appointed Small Ektenia & Exapostilaria according to the instructions above.***

***The Lauds (the Praises) ARE \*SUNG\****

***Reader:*** In the \_\_\_ Tone, Let every breath praise the Lord.

**Choir:** Let every breath praise the Lord. \* Praise the Lord from the heavens, \* praise Him in the highest. \* To Thee is due praise, O God.

Praise Him, all ye His angels; \* praise Him, all ye His hosts. \* To Thee is due praise, O God.

***There are 4 stichera appointed:***

(1) Praise Him for His mighty acts, \* praise Him according to the multitude of His greatness. + Stichera from the Menaion

(2) Praise Him with the sound of trumpet, \* praise Him with the psaltery and harp. + Stichera from the Menaion

(3) Praise Him with timbrel and dance, \* praise him with strings and flute. + Stichera from the Menaion

(4) Praise Him with tuneful cymbals, praise Him with cymbals of jubilation. Glory... Menaion

Both now... Theotokion from the Menaion

**Priest:** Glory to Thee Who hast showed us the light.

**Choir:** Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will among men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory. O Lord, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty; O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; and O Holy Spirit. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord, O Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Every day will I bless Thee, and I will praise Thy Name forever, yea, forever and ever.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin. Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Thy name unto the ages. Amen.

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we have hoped in Thee. Blessed are Thou, O Lord, teach me Thy statutes. Thrice Lord, thou hast been our refuge in generation and generation. I said: O Lord, have mercy on me, heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

O Lord, unto Thee have I fled for refuge, teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God. For in Thee is the fountain of life, in Thy light shall we see light. O continue Thy mercy unto them that know Thee.

Holy God, Holy mighty, Holy Immortal have mercy on us. Thrice

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen. Holy Immortal have mercy on us.  
Holy God, Holy mighty, Holy Immortal have mercy on us.

### ***The Troparia***

#### ***Outside a forefeast or afterfeast***

- *Troparion from the the Menaion*
- *Glory, Both now: Theotokion from the Menaion*

#### ***IF THERE IS A FOREFEAST OR AFTERFEAST***

- *Troparion from the Menaion (Saint)*
- *Glory, Both now: Troparion of forefeast or afterfeast*

***Deacon:*** Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

***Choir:*** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray For our Great Lord and Father, His Holiness N.; for our lord the Very Most Reverend Metropolitan N., First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad; for our lord the Most Reverend (Archbishop or Bishop N., whose diocese it is) and all our brethren in Christ.

***Choir:*** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for the God-preserved Russian land and its Orthodox people both in the homeland and in the diaspora and for their salvation.

***Choir:*** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for this land, its authorities and armed forces.

***Choir:*** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray to the Lord our God that He may deliver His people from enemies visible and invisible, and confirm in us oneness of mind, brotherly love and piety.

***Choir:*** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for our brethren, the priests, priestmonks, and all our brethren in Christ.

**Choir:** Lord have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for the blessed and ever-memorable, holy Orthodox patriarchs; for pious kings and right-believing queens; and for the founders of this holy temple (if it be a monastery: this holy monastery): and for all our fathers and brethren gone to their rest before us, and the Orthodox here and everywhere laid to rest.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, visitation, pardon and remission of the sins of the servants of God, the brethren of this holy temple [*if in a monastery: this holy monastery*].

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

--Again we pray for them that bring offerings and do good works in this holy and all-venerable temple; for them that minister and them that chant, and for all the people here present, that await of Thee great and abundant mercy.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.*

**Priest:** For a merciful God art Thou, and the Lover of mankind, and unto Thee do we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

**Deacon:** Let us complete our morning prayer unto the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

--That the whole day may be perfect, holy, peaceful and sinless, let us ask of the Lord.

**Choir:** Grant this, O Lord.

--An angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask of the Lord.

**Choir:** Grant this, O Lord.

--Pardon and remission of our sins and offenses, let us ask of the Lord.

Choir: Grant this, O Lord.

--Things good and profitable for our souls, and peace for the world, let us ask of the Lord.

**Choir:** Grant this, O Lord.

--That we may complete the remaining time of our life in peace and repentance, let us ask of the Lord.

**Choir:** Grant this. O Lord.

--A Christian ending to our life, painless, blameless, peaceful, and a good defense before the dread judgment seat of Christ, let us ask.

**Choir:** Grant this, O Lord.

--Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed, glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and all our life unto Christ our God.

**Choir:** To Thee, O Lord.

**Priest:** For a good God art Thou, and the Lover of Mankind, and unto Thee do we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

**Priest:** Peace be unto all.

**Choir:** And to thy spirit.

**Deacon:** Let us bow our heads unto the Lord.

**Choir:** To Thee, O Lord. (*Very Slowly.*)

**Priest:** Blessed and most glorified be the dominion of Thy kingdom: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen.

**Deacon:** Wisdom!

**Choir:** Father bless!

**Priest:** He that is is blessed, Christ our God, always, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

**Choir:** Amen. Establish, O God, the holy Orthodox Faith of Orthodox Christians unto the ages of ages.

**Priest:** O Most Holy Theotokos save us!

**Choir:** More honorable than the Cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim; who without corruption gavest birth to God the Word, the very Theotokos, thee do we magnify.

**Priest:** Glory to Thee, O Christ God, our hope, glory to Thee.

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

Lord have mercy. 3x

Father, bless.

**Priest or Bishop:** May Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His most pure Mother; of the holy and glorious apostles; and Saint(s) N.(N.) (to whom the church is dedicated); and Saint(s) N.(N) (of the day); of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna; and of all the saints: have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loveth mankind.

**Choir:** Amen.

***The Many years***

Our great lord and father, His Holiness Kyrill, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, / our lord the Very Most Reverend Hilarion, Metropolitan of Eastern America and New York, First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad, / our lord the Most Reverend Peter, Archbishop of Chicago and Mid-America, / and their God-protected flock, / this land its civil authorities and armed forces, / the God-preserved Russian Land, / the Rector of this Holy Parish and all Orthodox Christians: // preserve O Lord for many years!

***Then the reader immediately begins the first hour.***