

**SUPPLEMENT FOR THE PARAKLESIS SERVICE
MEGALYNARIA FOR SAINTS AND FEASTS AS SUNG
AFTER THE NINTH ODE OF THE SUPPLICATORY CANONS**

THESE ARE ALL SUNG IN TONE EIGHT,
FOLLOWING THE MELODY OF THE OTHER MEGALYNARIA.

Venerable Simeon the Stylite (September 1)

Standing on thy pillar, O righteous one, * thou wast a true pillar * of endurance and holiness. * Simeon, our father, * thou summit of the virtues, * enlighten us and raise us * from the abyss of sin.

The Nativity of the Theotokos (September 8)

Born today is Mary the Bride of God, * outcome of a promise * now fulfilled in the sight of all. * Foreordained before the ages * for the divine Logos, * let us therefore glorify * her holy nativity.

Consecration of the Church of the Resurrection in Jerusalem (September 13)

Hallowed by thy precious and sanctified * Blood, O holy Master, * the august and majestic church * of thy Resurrection * is blessed and consecrated * to Thee, unto the glory * and praise of Thy great Name.

The Elevation of the Precious Cross (September 14)

All creation greatly exalts today * Thy holy Cross, O Savior, * and lifts up its voice to Thee, * Crying out to thee in faith, * O Logos, grant thy people * Thy grace and boundless mercy * unto all the ages!

Saint Sophia and Her Daughters Faith, Hope and Love (September 17)

Unto thy children, mother art thou; * doth desire in delight, * O all-noble Sophia. * With assurance of the Trinity * thou dost lead thy three daughters, * for which cause, O lady, * with courage thou didst contest.

Peer-of-the-Apostles Thekla, Proto-martyr-among-women (September 24)

Wounded with great love and zeal for Christ God * Thou, O holy Thekla, * didst abandon all earthly cares. * Cleaving to thy teacher, * the blest Paul the Apostle, * thou truly wast made wondrous * in feats of martyrdom.

Venerable Silouan the Athonite (September 24)

Let us laud and honor great Silouan, * Offspring of Russia who * was made ready on Mount Athos * as an acceptable * and spiritual sacrifice * and inspired oracle * of the Holy Spirit.

**Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian
(September 26, May 8)**

As the beloved of Jesus Christ * treasures of theology * were made manifest unto thee. * Wherefore, O John, * apostle who saw God * and mystic of mysteries, * do thou intercede for us.

**Another for the Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian
(September 26, May 8)**

As the beloved disciple of Christ our God * thou wast counted worthy * to recline thy head on His breast. * As a theologian, * evangelist and mystic, * O John, thy fame has spread abroad * and thy name is magnified.

The Apostle James, Son of Alphaeus (October 9)

O holy apostle of Christ our God, * with utmost compassion, dost thou labor in the flesh * witnessing the miracles of thy Creator * and Savior of all nations, James the divine.

Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke (October 18)

Blessed be thy right hand, O holy Luke, * for by it the two-fold * sacred writings of the word of God, * with the icon * of the Theotokos * have come to us the faithful, * O discourses of God.

Holy Apostle James the Brother-of-God (October 23)

Both in name and deed wast thou known to be * Brother of the Lord God, * O most worthy and holy James. * And as Sion's hierarch * and great God-bearing shepherd * thou didst lay down thy life for * thy flock, O blessed one.

Another for the Holy Apostle James the Brother-of-God (October 23)

In name thou wast revealed Brother-of-God * and in Sion as a man * who knows ineffable mysteries. * O blest Apostle James, thou * didst glorify the life-bearing * Passion of Christ by * thine honorable passion.

Great-martyr Demetrios (October 26)

Great among soldiers and athletes * Wonderworking martyr * and bearer of a crown * by a spear thy side was pierced * as was the Master's * Great-martyr Demetrios, * with hymns we honor thee.

St. Raphael of Brooklyn (First Saturday in November, February 27)

Rising from the east like a brilliant sun, * thou, O holy hierarch, dost enlighten and comfort all * who with faith flee unto thy * paternal loving-kindness. * Do thou now intercede for us, * O good shepherd Raphael.

All Bodiless Powers of Heaven (November 8)

Chieftains of the bodiless hosts on high, * Michael thou commander * and great Gabriel prince of light, * with Archangel Raphael * and all celestial orders, * make prayers for the forgiveness * of our iniquities.

St. John Chrysostom (November 13)

Rejoice, O John thou gold-streamed river * that irrigates the whole world * with waters of precious gold! * Rejoice, thrice-blessed Chrysostom, * gold of tongue and gold of heart! * Rejoice, thou steadfast pillar * of the holy patriarchs.

Holy Apostle Philip (November 14)

As a true disciple and friend of God * Thou, O blessed Philip, * didst proclaim Christ unto the world. * Hence as an apostle * and witness of the Savior * thou underwent torments * and death for his Name's sake.

Apostle and Evangelist Matthew (November 16)

O friend and companion of the Word * thou wast taught the lightning bolts * of the divine mysteries. * Thus the gospel of thy life * was fashioned, O Matthew * having been written by * the very hand of God.

St. Katherine the Great-martyr (November 25)

O all-lauded Bride of our Savior Christ * Thou art wholly filled with brilliance, wisdom, and eloquence. * Thou virgin maiden Martyr surpassing all in beauty * O Holy Katherine all-pure, do thou intercede for us.

Great-martyr James the Persian (November 27)

Like a comely vine, O Great-martyr James, * wast thou pruned in body * and didst bring forth the fruits of faith. * Who can praise thy courage * or tell of thine endurance, * which truly have astonished * even the hosts on high?

St. Andrew the First-called Apostle (November 30)

Since thou wast the first to approach the Lord * Thou, O Andrew, wast revealed * as the first-called apostle. * Divine visionary * of Christ God's resurrection, * do thou now quell the * ragings of the passions.

Another for St. Andrew the First-called Apostle (November 30)

Of the apostolic choir of the Lord * thou wast first, O blessed one, * to be called and to follow Him. * With thy brother Peter, * O Andrew, thou didst leave all * to preach Christ to all nations, * that all may praise His Name.

St. Nicholas the Wonderworker of Myra in Lycia (December 6)

O all-blest and wise Father Nicholas, * thou art the protector * of orphans and widows, * feeder of the hungry, * enricher of the destitute, * deliverer of captives * and savior of those at sea.

Righteous Herman of Alaska (December 13, August 9)

O blessed Father Herman of Alaska * we praise and honor * thy holy memory. * Thou art the defender * of the defenseless * and our intercessor * at the throne of the Almighty.

Sunday (Dec. 18-24) before the Nativity of Christ

The fullness of the Law and the righteous ones, * all the prophets, patriarchs, * righteous women and holy kings, * with the king of tender heart * the righteous Josiah, * all leap for joy foreseeing * Christ born in Bethlehem.

Hieromartyr Ignatius of Antioch, the God-bearer (December 20)

Christ the Living Water and Source of Life * filled thy soul, O Father, * and refreshed thee in all thy trials; * and the teeth of lions, * O God-bearing Ignatius, * have opened thee a pathway * leading to grace and life.

Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ (December 20-23)

Let us purge our bodies and souls of sin, * that with a pure conscience * we may welcome in Bethlehem * Christ the King of glory * Who cometh to be born of * the Virgin pure and sinless. * Come, let us worship him!

Eve of the Nativity of Christ (December 24)

Thou, O lowly manger, prepare thyself. * Hasten, O ye shepherds, * for the birth of Christ is at hand. * Hurry on, ye magi, * and gather, all ye angels, * and shout: To thee be glory, * Who for our sakes art born!

The Nativity of Christ (December 25)

Glory be to God Who is born today * of the Virgin Mother * in the city of Bethlehem! * Thus cry men and angels * with voices joined in chorus * in worship of the Savior's * holy Nativity.

Sunday (Dec. 26-31) after the Nativity of Christ

Joseph thou betrothed of the Virgin * and guardian of Christ the Lord, * with David ancestor of our God, * and James called Brother by the Word, * ye three kinsmen of Jesus: * Now stand with us and celebrate * His holy Nativity.

St. Stephen the Proto-Martyr (December 27)

Having been declared the first Deacon * Thou wast also the first-called * imitator of the Lord. * Thus thou wast a type for them, * O Stephen, first to struggle * And wast the first to win the crown * as a Proto-martyr.

St. Basil the Great (January 1)

Unto the revealer of heavenly things, * the renowned and bright star, * the initiate of the Lord, * from famed Caesarea * of Cappadocia's borders, * tea, unto the great Basil * let us give praise with love.

The Synaxis of the Honorable Forerunner John the Baptist (January 7)

He that clove the Red Sea in olden times * deigneth to be baptized * by his prophet in Jordan's streams. * Wherefore John is praised as * the greatest born of women * and all the faithful laud him * on this his memorial.

St. Peter, Chief of the Apostles: His Precious Chains (January 16)

Let us laud the first herald of the Word, * Peter the all-honored * chief apostle among the Twelve, * Whose precious chains of bondage * we treasure and honor, * for with the wreath of glory * he now intercedes for us.

Venerable Anthony the Great (January 17)

Rejoice, O thou foremost of holy monks * and the instructor of the angelic way of life * thou pillar of cloud to those * who dwell in the desert: * rejoice, all-blessed Anthony, * boast of the fathers.

Ss Athanasius and Cyril (January 18)

The noetic coal, Athanasius * was beheld consuming * the corrupt wood of Arius * while our father Cyril, * the master of dogmas * refuted the godlessness * of Nestorius.

St. Xenia of Petersburg (January 24)

Fleeing from the fleeting things of this world * and an earthly bridegroom, * thou didst join thyself unto Christ. * As thou art a prudent * and wise virgin, O Xenia, * come fill thou our souls' lamp * with the oil of purity.

Venerable Isaac and Ephraim the Syrians (January 28)

Sacred and mellifluous streams of grace * were your holy writings * and your lives, O supremely-wise * Isaac and most-hallowed * Ephraim our righteous elders, * ye summits of the Fathers * and lights of Syria.

Venerable Isaac the Syrian (January 28)

From the depth of wisdom and godliness * thou didst draw forth waters * springing up to eternal life. * Nurtured by this fountain * found in thy sacred writings, * O lofty-minded Isaac, * we taste of Christ God's grace.

The Three Holy Hierarchs (January 30)

Shown unto the word as wise teachers, * pillars of the Church, * and heavenly mystagogues: * Holy Father Basil, godly-minded Gregory, * and divine Chrysostom, * pray ye unto God for us!

The Meeting (Presentation) of our Lord (February 2)

Life-giver Christ, Thee do we magnify, * and we venerate also * Thy most pure Mother now, * who on this day according * to the Law of Moses * has brought Thee into the * Temple of the Lord.

Another for the Meeting (Presentation) of our Lord (February 2)

On this day, the all-pure Mariam * bringeth to the temple * the young Child, the Creator; * being given and held in * the arms of the Elder * is God Himself in the flesh, * preaching the true Faith.

Ss. Simeon and Anna (February 3)

Righteous in their name and in piety * Simeon the elder, * and Anna of Phanuel * joyfully taketh the Lord * alive in the flesh * as he doth praise the * all-ineffable departure.

**First and Second Discoveries of the Head of the
Honorable Forerunner John the Baptist (February 24)**

Like an alabaster vessel of myrrh * hath thy head, O Baptist, * been revealed unto all today, * bringing joy and fragrance * to all who venerate it * and allowing the faithful * to keep thy memory.

Venerable John Cassian (February 29)

Let us praise our venerable Father * Cassian who by fasting * and by watchfulness trained himself * in ascetic struggles, * and glorified the Trinity. * He now graciously bestows on us * all the gift of grace.

Forty Holy Martyrs of Sebastia (March 9)

Let us praise with hymns the bright company * of the Forty Martyrs of Christ Jesus, the Word of God, for by freezing cold and fire * they were all tested, * and worthily received the crowns * of victory and triumph.

Venerable Benedict of Nursia (March 14)

Rejoice, O thou beauty of holy ones * and model for those who live * the monastic life in the West! * Rejoice, thou who didst run toward God * and doth instruct us how to live! * Rejoice, thrice-blessed Benedict, * servant of Jesus Christ!

All-Holy Mother of Egypt (April 1 and Fifth Sunday of Lent)

From the shameful garments that thou didst wear * with utmost humility, Christ has stripped thee naked therefrom. * Unto garments incorruptible and most pure * didst thou grow, O all-holy Mary of Egypt.

Great-martyr George the Trophy-bearer (April 23)

Let us praise with hymns our most fervent guide, * guardian, and protector, * and quick helper in all distress, * the glory of the martyrs, * and caster-down of idols; * and let us cry out unto him: * Rejoice, O Great-martyr George!

Holy Apostle and Evangelist Mark (April 25)

As Peter's disciple art thou in truth, * in the temple dost thou receive the Spirit from on high. * Wherefore, while descending into thy martyrdom, O Mark, * thou dost exhort the Gospel of the Savior ceaselessly.

Holy Martyr Christopher (May 9)

Startling in appearance art thou, O Saint * and with strength and reason, O famed Martyr Christopher, * combating the soldiers who came to persecute thee, * and longing for the nature of thy Creator.

Peers-of-the-Apostles Constantine and Helen, the God-crowned (May 21)

Constantine and Helen of noble fame * are acclaimed in anthems * as the glory of pious kings; * and as God's anointed * and peers of the Apostles * they shine forth with the grace of * Christ God's exalter Cross.

Another for Ss. Constantine and Helen (May 21)

Let us praise the beacons of piety, * followers and imitators * of the apostolic band, * Constantine together * with saintly Helen, * glory of sovereigns and * intercessors for our souls.

Third Discovery of the Head of the Honorable Forerunner John the Baptist (May 25)

On this day the faithful acclaim the feast * of the third discovery * of thy precious and sacred head * which the Triune Godhead * hath glorified, O Baptist, * by miracles and healings * for all who run to thee.

The Holy Apostle Barnabas (June 11)

The Church offers thee her remembrance * as the chief leader and spokesman in preaching. * O holy athlete Barnabas, apostle of many * thou art the glory and the crown of all Christians.

The Nativity of the Honorable Forerunner John the Baptist (June 24)

As a sacred blossom and gift of God * was the holy Baptist * born today of a barren womb, * and hath filled the desert, * the mountains and the Jordan, * and all things with the fragrance * and grace of sanctity.

Chiefs of the Apostles, Peter and Paul (June 29)

Let us laud the first heralds of the Word, * Peter and all-honored * chief apostle among the Twelve, * and Paul the fiery preacher * of Christ God's dispensation * for crowned with wreaths of glory * they now intercede for us.

Another for the Chiefs of the Apostles, Peter and Paul (June 29)

Peter thou divine chariot of the cherubim, * Paul thou man of heaven * and chariot of the seraphim, * fiery tongues of Jesus Christ * the God-Man and Logos: * Deliver me from the * fire of gehenna.

The Synaxis of the Holy, Glorious, and All-Famed Twelve Apostles (June 30)

Peter, Paul, and Mark along with holy Luke * Philip, Andrew, John, and Thomas and Bartholomew * Simon and Matthew the Evangelist * and divine Jacob, with hymns do we praise.

Venerable Andrew of Crete (July 4)

Delivered from the silence of thy youth * thou didst sing a new song * in the gathering of righteous ones, * offering up thy life * as the first-fruits of repentance, * O Andrew wise hymnographer * of true theology.

The Great Martyr Euphemia (July 11 and September 16)

Rejoice, O great martyr Euphemia * as thou dost with gladness send up praises unto God.
* Thou remainest steadfast throughout the many tortures * While glorifying the Word, O
good virgin.

Glorious Prophet Elias (July 20)

Aflame with the fire of heavenly zeal, * thou, O fiery zealot, * didst burn up evil and
deceit. * Therefore, thou ascended * in a fiery chariot * O Prophet Elias, to * life
incorruptible.

Dormition of Anna, Mother of the Theotokos (July 25)

Joyfully didst thou move throughout thy life * Anna, who art mother and birth-giver of
our Hope. * Hence, we honor thy blest and divine dormition; * Thou who dost ever
workest immortal joy.

Venerable Paul of St. George Monastery at Xeropotamou (July 28)

Preserve and protect those who worship thee, * Christ God almighty, * my Creator and
Redeemer, * by the constant intercessions * of the Great-martyr George * and Paul our
Venerable * God-bearing Father.

Venerable Evdokimos the Just (July 31)

Rightly wast thou called just, O righteous one * for thy deeds of justice, * O Evdokimos
of great fame, * and thy hidden virtue * was made known to the faithful * by many signs
and wonders * after thy blest repose.

The Transfiguration of Christ (August 6)

Wishing to make manifest the divine * power and wisdom * that the Father had given
thee * on the Mount of Tabor, * O Lord, Thou wast transfigured * before Thy blest
disciples * and didst enlighten them.

The Dormition of the Theotokos (August 15)

A Virgin, thou dost stand as the Queen of all * at the right hand of the throne * of our
God who is king of all. * Thou art clothed in brightness * of immortality * since to the
heavenly places * thou wast taken up.

The Icon of the Savior Not-made-by-hands (August 16)

When the king of Edessa saw the face * of the God-Man Jesus * on the cloth which he
sent to Him, * he was healed of his disease * and put off sins and passions, * and
worshipped God by walking * in his divine commands.

Venerable Martyr Cosmas Aitolos (August 24)

Rejoice, most worthy emulator of Christ's * all-revered apostles, * most blest teacher of piety. * Rejoice, most sacred planter * and husbandman of virtue, * O Cosmas, we acclaim thee, * praising thy memory.

Beheading of the Honorable Forerunner John the Baptist (August 29)

Though thou wast beheaded yet thy blest tongue * ceaseth not its censure * of King Herod and hateful lust. * For, O Holy Baptist, * thou greatest born of women, * mere man could no wise silence * the voice of God the Word.

Procession of the Holy Cross (Third Sunday of Great Lent and August 1)

With a heart and mind purged of earthly cares, * come let us now worship * the most-hallowed and precious Cross * which, with Christ, doth bear the deep * wounds of crucifixion * and sheddeth grace upon all * who honor it in faith.

The Myrrh-bearing Women (Third Sunday of Pascha)

To thy tomb with haste the Myrrh-bearers came * to anoint most rev'rently * thy pure body, O Christ, with myrrh * wholly incorruptible, * life-giving and divine * the body of our Life-giver * wholly undefiled.

St. Joseph of Arimathaea (Third Sunday of Pascha and July 31)

When with love he brought thee down from the Cross * Noble Joseph wept as he * embraced thee within his arms. * O sweet Lord my Jesus, * cried he with lamentation, * I worship thine ineffable * love for sinful man.

Holy Ascension

Standing on Mount Olivet in the flesh, * Christ our Savior didst ascend * after his resurrection. * And with glory he was taken up * into the heavens, * that He might send upon the world * the All-holy Spirit.

Holy Pentecost

God sent forth upon the disciples * gathered in the upper room * His divine Holy Spirit * in the form of fiery tongues * bestowing on them wisdom * that they might preach the * Gospel unto all nations.

All Saints (First Sunday after Pentecost)

Rejoice, band of the holy apostles, * glorious prophets of the Lord, * steadfast chorus of the martyrs, * Divine hierarchs, * venerable and God-bearing fathers! * Rejoice, O ye righteous ones! * Rejoice with gladness, all ye saints!

If you do not see the megalynarion of the patron saint or titular feast of your temple, please contact the [Department of Liturgics](#).

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