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LEAVE-TAKING OF THE COMMEMORATION OF THE BEHEADING OF
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

ALEXANDER, PAUL THE NEW, AND JOHN, PATRIARCHS OF CONSTANTINOPLE

(SERVED ON THE EVENING PRIOR)

Priest: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

الكاهن: تَبَارَكَ اللهُ إِلَهُنَا كُلَّ حِينٍ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ
وَالِى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ.

Reader: Amen.

القارئ: آمين.

Reader: Come, let us worship and fall down before God our King.

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ, our King and our God.

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ Himself, our King and our God.

القارئ: هَلُمُّوا لِنَسْجُدَ وَنَرْكَعَ لِمَلِكِنَا وَإِلَهُنَا.
هَلُمُّوا لِنَسْجُدَ وَنَرْكَعَ لِلْمَسِيحِ مَلِكِنَا وَإِلَهُنَا.
هَلُمُّوا لِنَسْجُدَ وَنَرْكَعَ لِلْمَسِيحِ، هَذَا هُوَ مَلِكُنَا وَرَبُّنَا
وَإِلَهُنَا.

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Reader: Bless the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, Thou hast been magnified exceedingly. Confession and majesty hast Thou put on, Who coverest Thyself with light as with a garment, Who stretchest out the heaven as it were a curtain; Who supporteth His chambers in the waters, Who appointeth the clouds for His ascent, Who walketh upon the wings of the winds, Who maketh His angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire. Who establisheth the earth in the sureness thereof; it shall not be turned back forever and ever. The abyss like a garment is His mantle; upon the mountains shall the waters stand. At Thy rebuke they will flee, at the voice of Thy thunder shall they be afraid. The mountains rise up and the plains sink down, unto the place where Thou hast established them. Thou appointedst a bound that they shall not pass, neither return to cover the earth. He sendeth forth springs in the valleys; between the mountains will the waters run. They shall give drink to all the beasts of the field; the wild asses will wait to quench their thirst. Beside them will the birds of the heaven lodge, from the midst of the rocks will they give voice. He watereth the mountains from His chambers; the earth shall be satisfied with the fruit of Thy works. He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and green herb for the service of men, to bring forth

القارئ: بَارِكِي يَا نَفْسِي الرَّبَّ، أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهِي لَقَدْ
عَظُمْتَ جِدًّا. الْاعْتِرَافَ وَعِظَمَ الْجَلَالِ تَسَرَّبَلْتَ،
أَنْتِ اللَّابِسُ النُّورَ مِثْلَ الثَّوبِ. الْبَاسِطُ السَّمَاءَ
كَالْخِيْمَةِ، الْمُسَقِّفُ بِالْمِيَاهِ عَلَالِيَهُ. الْجَاعِلُ السَّحَابَ
مَرْكَبَةً لَهُ، الْمَاشِي عَلَى أَجْنَحَةِ الرِّيحِ. الصَّانِعُ
مَلَائِكَتَهُ أَرْوَاحًا، وَخُدَّامَهُ لَهَيْبَ نَارٍ. الْمُؤَسِّسُ
الْأَرْضَ عَلَى قَوَاعِدِهَا، فَلَا تَتَزَعَزَعُ إِلَى دَهْرِ
الدَّاهِرِينَ. رِدَاؤُهُ اللَّجَّةُ كَالثَّوبِ، عَلَى الْجِبَالِ تَقِفُ
الْمِيَاهُ. مِنْ انْتِهَارِكَ تَهْرُبُ، وَمِنْ صَوْتِ رَعْدِكَ
تَجْزَعُ. تَرْتَفِعُ إِلَى الْجِبَالِ، وَتَتَخَفِضُ إِلَى الْبِقَاعِ إِلَى
الْمَوْضِعِ الَّذِي أَسَّسْتَهُ لَهَا. وَضَعْتَ لَهَا حَدًّا فَلَا
تَتَعَدَّاهُ، وَلَا تَرْجِعُ فَتُغْطِي وَجْهَ الْأَرْضِ. أَنْتِ الْمُرْسِلُ
الْعُيُونِ فِي الشَّعَابِ. وَفِي وَسْطِ الْجِبَالِ تَعْبُرُ الْمِيَاهُ.
تَسْقِي كُلَّ وُحُوشِ الْغِيَاضِ، تُقْبِلُ حَمِيرُ الْوَحْشِ عِنْدَ
عَطَشِهَا. عَلَيْهَا طُيُورُ السَّمَاءِ تَسْكُنُ، مِنْ بَيْنِ
الصُّخُورِ تُغَرِّدُ بِأَصْوَاتِهَا. أَنْتِ الَّتِي يَسْقِي الْجِبَالِ
مِنْ عَلَالِيَةِ، مِنْ ثَمَرَةِ أَعْمَالِكَ تَشْبَعُ الْأَرْضُ. أَنْتِ

bread out of the earth; and wine maketh glad the heart of man. To make his face cheerful with oil; and bread strengtheneth man's heart. The trees of the plain shall be satisfied, the cedars of Lebanon, which Thou hast planted. There will the sparrows make their nests; the house of the heron is chief among them. The high mountains are a refuge for the harts, and so is the rock for the hares. He hath made the moon for seasons; the sun knoweth his going down. Thou appointedst the darkness, and there was the night, wherein all the beasts of the forest will go abroad; young lions roaring after their prey, and seeking their food from God. The sun ariseth, and they are gathered together, and they lay them down in their dens. Man shall go forth unto his work, and to his labor until the evening. How magnified are Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom hast Thou made them all. The earth is filled with Thy creation. So is this great and spacious sea, therein are things creeping innumerable, small living creatures with the great. There go the ships; there this dragon, whom Thou hast made to play therein. All things wait on Thee, to give them their food in due season; when Thou givest it them, they will gather it. When Thou openest Thy hand, all things shall be filled with goodness; when Thou turnest away Thy face, they shall be troubled. Thou wilt take their spirit, and they shall cease; and unto their dust shall they return. Thou wilt send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be created; and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Let the glory of the Lord be unto the ages; the Lord will rejoice in His works. Who looketh on the earth and maketh it tremble, Who toucheth the mountains and they smoke. I will sing unto the Lord throughout my life, I will chant to my God for as long as I have my being. May my words be sweet unto Him; I will rejoice in the Lord. O that sinners would cease from the earth, and they that work iniquity, that they should be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul. The sun knoweth his going down. Thou appointedst the darkness, and there was the night. How magnified are Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom hast Thou made them all.

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

الذي يُنْبِتُ الْعُشْبَ لِلْبَهَائِمِ، وَالْخُضْرَةَ لِخِدْمَةِ الْبَشَرِ. لِيُخْرِجَ خُبْزاً مِنَ الْأَرْضِ، وَالْخَمْرَ تَقْرَحَ قَلْبَ الْإِنْسَانِ. لِيَبْتَهِجَ الْوَجْهُ بِالزَّيْتِ، وَالْخُبْرُ يُشَدِّدَ قَلْبَ الْإِنْسَانِ. تُرَوَّى أَشْجَارُ الْغَابِ، وَأَرْزُ لُبْنَانَ الَّذِي نَصَبْتَهُ. هُنَاكَ تُعَشِّشُ الْعَصَافِيرُ، وَمَسَاكِينُ الْهَيْرُودِيِّ تَتَقَدَّمُهَا. الْجِبَالُ الْعَالِيَةُ لِلْأَيْلَةِ، وَالصُّخُورُ مُلْجَأٌ لِلْأَرَانِبِ. صَنَعَ الْقَمَرَ لِلْأَوَاقَاتِ، وَالشَّمْسُ عَرَفَتْ غُرُوبَهَا. جَعَلَ الظُّلْمَةَ فَكَانَ لَيْلٌ، فِيهِ تَغْبِرُ جَمِيعُ وَحُوشِ الْغَابِ. أَشْبَالُ تَزَارُّ لِتَخْطُفَ وَتَطْلُبَ مِنَ اللَّهِ طَعَامَهَا. أَشْرَقَتِ الشَّمْسُ فَاجْتَمَعَتْ، وَفِي صِيرِهَا رَبَضَتْ. يَخْرُجُ الْإِنْسَانُ إِلَى عَمَلِهِ وَإِلَى صِنَاعَتِهِ حَتَّى الْمَسَاءِ. مَا أَعْظَمَ أَعْمَالَكَ يَا رَبُّ، كُلُّهَا بِحِكْمَةٍ صَنَعْتَ، قَدْ امْتَلَأَتِ الْأَرْضُ مِنْ خَلْقِكَ. هَذَا الْبَحْرُ الْكَبِيرُ الْوَاسِعُ، هُنَاكَ نَبَابَاتٌ لَا عَدَدَ لَهَا، حَيَوَانَاتٌ صِغَارٌ مَعَ كِبَارٍ. هُنَاكَ تَجْرِي السُّفُنُ، هَذَا التَّنِينُ الَّذِي خَلَقْتَهُ يَلْعَبُ فِيهِ. وَكُلُّهَا إِلَيْكَ تَتَرَجَّى، لِتُعْطِيَهَا طَعَامَهَا فِي حِينِهِ، وَإِذَا أَنْتَ أَعْطَيْتَهَا جَمَعْتَ. تَفْتَحُ يَدَكَ فَيَمْتَلِئُ الْكُلُّ خَيْرًا، تَصْرِفُ وَجْهَكَ فَيَضْطَرِبُونَ. تَنْزِعُ أَرْوَاحَهُمْ فَيَفْنُونَ، وَإِلَى تُرَابِهِمْ يَرْجِعُونَ. تُرْسِلُ رُوحَكَ فَيُخْلَقُونَ، وَتُجَدِّدُ وَجْهَ الْأَرْضِ. لِيَكُنْ مَجْدُ الرَّبِّ إِلَى الدَّهْرِ، يَفْرَحُ الرَّبُّ بِأَعْمَالِهِ. الَّذِي يَنْظُرُ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ فَيَجْعَلُهَا تَرْتَعِدُ، وَيَمَسُّ الْجِبَالَ فَتُدَخِّنُ. أَسْبَحُ الرَّبَّ فِي حَيَاتِي، وَأَرْتَلُ لِلْإِلَهِي مَا لُحْتُ مَوْجُودًا. يَلْذُ لَهُ تَأْمُلِي، وَأَنَا أَفْرَحُ بِالرَّبِّ. لَتَبْدِ الْخَطَاةُ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ، وَلَا يَبْقَ فِيهَا الْأَثَمَةُ. بَارِكِي يَا نَفْسِي الرَّبَّ. الشَّمْسُ عَرَفَتْ غُرُوبَهَا، جَعَلَ الظُّلْمَةَ فَكَانَ لَيْلٌ. مَا أَعْظَمَ أَعْمَالَكَ يَا رَبُّ، كُلُّهَا بِحِكْمَةٍ صَنَعْتَ.

الْمَجْدُ لِلْآبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ

Amen. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God. (thrice) O our God and our Hope, glory to Thee!	وَالِى دَهْرِ الدَاهِرِينَ. آمِينَ. هَلْلُوِيَا، هَلْلُوِيَا، هَلْلُوِيَا، الْمَجْدُ لَكَ يَا اللَّهُ. (ثَلَاثًا) يَا إِلَهَنَا وَرَجَاءَنَا لَكَ الْمَجْدُ.
THE GREAT LITANY	الطَّلِبَةُ السَّلَامِيَّةُ الْكُبْرَى
Deacon: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: بِسَلَامٍ إِلَى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Choir: Lord, have mercy. (use this response until noted below)	الجوقة: يَا رَبُّ ارْحَمِ. (تُعَادُ بَعْدَ كُلِّ طِلْبَةٍ)
Deacon: For the peace from above and the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ السَّلَامِ الَّذِي مِنَ الْعُلَى وَخَلَاصِ نَفُوسِنَا، إِلَى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Deacon: 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.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ سَلَامِ كُلِّ الْعَالَمِ، وَحُسْنِ ثَبَاتِ كُنَائِسِ اللَّهِ الْمُقَدَّسَةِ، وَاتِّحَادِ الْكُلِّ، إِلَى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Deacon: For this holy house and those who with faith, reverence and fear of God enter therein, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ هَذَا الْبَيْتِ الْمُقَدَّسِ، وَالَّذِينَ يَدْخُلُونَ إِلَيْهِ بِإِيمَانٍ وَوَرَعَ وَخَوْفِ اللَّهِ، إِلَى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Deacon: For our father and metropolitan, N., (our bishop, N.,) the honorable presbytery, the diaconate in Christ, all the clergy and the people, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ أَبِينَا وَمِتْرُوبُولِيْتِنَا (فَلَانِ)، وَالْكَهَنَةِ الْمُكْرَّمِينَ وَخُدَّامِ الْمَسِيحِ، وَجَمِيعِ الْإِكْلِيروسِ وَالشَّعْبِ، إِلَى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Deacon: For our country, its president (or appropriate head of state), civil authorities and armed forces, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ حُكَّامِ هَذَا الْبَلَدِ، وَمُؤَاوَرَّتِهِمْ فِي كُلِّ عَمَلٍ صَالِحٍ، إِلَى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Deacon: For this city and every city and countryside and the faithful who dwell therein, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ هَذِهِ الْمَدِينَةِ، وَجَمِيعِ الْمُدُنِ وَالْقُرَى وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ السَّاكِنِينَ فِيهَا، إِلَى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Deacon: For healthful seasons, abundance of the fruits of the earth and peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ اعْتِدَالِ الْأَهْوِيَةِ وَخُسْبِ الْأَرْضِ بِالْثَمَارِ، وَأَوْقَاتِ سَلَامِيَّةٍ، إِلَى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Deacon: For travelers by sea, by land and by air, the sick, the suffering, the captive, and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ الْمُسَافِرِينَ فِي الْبَحْرِ وَالْبَرِّ وَالجَوِّ، وَالْمَرَضَى وَالْمَضْنِينَ، وَالْأَسْرَى وَخَلَاصِهِمْ، إِلَى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Deacon: For our deliverance from all tribulation, wrath, danger and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ نَجَاتِنَا مِنْ كُلِّ ضَيْقٍ وَغَضَبٍ وَحَظَرٍ وَشِدَّةٍ، إِلَى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.

Deacon: Help us; save us; have mercy on us; and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.	الشماس: أَعِزُّدْ وَحَلِّصْ وَارْحَمْ واحفظنا يا الله بنِعْمَتِكَ.
Deacon: Calling to remembrance our all-holy, immaculate, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and each other and all our life unto Christ our God.	الشماس: بعدَ تِكْرِنَا الكَلِيَّةَ الْقَدَاسَةَ الطَّاهِرَةَ، الْفَائِقَةَ الْبَرَكَاتِ، الْمَجِيدَةَ، سَيِّدَتَنَا وَالِدَةَ الْإِلَهِ الدَّائِمَةَ الْبَتُولِيَّةِ مَرِّيمَ، مَعَ جَمِيعِ الْقَدِيسِينَ، لِنُودِعَ أَنْفُسَنَا وَبَعْضُنَا بَعْضاً وَكُلَّ حَيَاتِنَا لِلْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهِ.
Choir: To Thee, O Lord.	الجوقة: لَكَ يَا رَبِّ.
Priest: For unto thee are due all glory, honor and worship, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.	الكاهن: لِأَنَّهُ يَنْبَغِي لَكَ كُلُّ تَمَجِيدٍ وَإِكْرَامٍ وَسُجُودٍ، أَيُّهَا الْآبُ وَالابْنُ وَالرُّوحُ الْقُدُسُ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ.
Choir: Amen.	الجوقة: آمِينَ.
“LORD, I HAVE CRIED” IN TONE FOUR	"يا رَبِّ إِلَيْكَ صَرَخْتُ" بِاللَّحْنِ الرَّابِعِ
Lord, I have cried unto Thee, hearken unto me; hearken 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; hearken unto, me O Lord.	يا رَبِّ إِلَيْكَ صَرَخْتُ، فَاسْتَمِعْ لِي، اسْتَمِعْ لِي يَا رَبِّ. يا رَبِّ إِلَيْكَ صَرَخْتُ فَاسْتَمِعْ لِي، أَنْصِتْ إِلَى صَوْتِ تَضَرُّعِي حِينَ أَصْرُخُ إِلَيْكَ، اسْتَمِعْ لِي يَا رَبِّ.
Let my prayer be set forth as incense before Thee, the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice; hearken unto me, O Lord.	لِتَسْتَقِمَّ صَلَاتِي كَالْبَخُورِ أَمَامَكَ، وَلْيَكُنْ رَفْعُ يَدَيَّ كَذَبِيحَةٍ مَسَائِيَّةٍ، اسْتَمِعْ لِي يَا رَبِّ.
Set, O Lord, a watch before my mouth, and a door of enclosure round about my lips.	اجْعَلْ يَا رَبُّ حَارِساً لِفَمِّي وَبَاباً حَصِيناً عَلَى شَفَتَيَّ.
Incline not my heart unto words of evil, to make excuse with excuses in sins.	لَا تُمِلْ قَلْبِي إِلَى كَلَامِ الشَّرِّ فَيَتَعَلَّلَ بِعَلَلِ الْخَطَايَا.
With men that work iniquity; and I will not join with their chosen.	مَعَ النَّاسِ الْعَامِلِينَ الْإِثْمَ وَلَا أَتَّفِقُ مَعَ مُخْتَارِيهِمْ.
The righteous man will chasten me with mercy and reprove me; as for the oil of the sinner, let it not anoint my head.	سَيُؤَدِّبُنِي الصَّادِقُ بِرَحْمَةٍ وَيُوبِّخُنِي أَمَّا زَيْتُ الْخَاطِيِّ فَلَا يَدُهْنُ بِهِ رَأْسِي.
For yet more is my prayer in the presence of their pleasures; swallowed up near by the rock have their judges been.	لَأَنَّ صَلَاتِي أَيْضاً فِي مَسَرَّتِهِمْ، قَدْ ابْتُلِعَتْ قُضَاتُهُمْ مُلْتَصِقِينَ بِصَخْرَةٍ.
They shall hear my words, for they be sweetened; as a clod of earth is broken upon the earth, so have their bones been scattered nigh	يَسْمَعُونَ كَلِمَاتِي فَإِنَّهَا قَدْ اسْتُلِدَّتْ مِثْلَ سَمْنِ الْأَرْضِ الْمُشَقِّ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ تَبَدَّدَتْ عِظَامُهُمْ حَوْلَ الْجَحِيمِ.

unto hades.	
For unto Thee, O Lord, O Lord, are mine eyes, in Thee have I hoped; take not my soul away.	لَأَنَّ يَا رَبُّ، يَا رَبُّ إِلَيْكَ عَيْنَيَّ وَعَلَيْكَ تَوَكَّلْتُ فَلَا تَنْزِعْ نَفْسِي.
Keep me from the snare which they have laid for me, and from the stumbling-blocks of them that work iniquity.	إِحْفَظْنِي مِنَ الْفَخِّ الَّذِي نَصَبُوهُ لِي وَمِنْ مَعَاثِرِ فَاعِلِي الْإِثْمِ.
The sinners shall fall into their own net; I am alone until I pass by.	تَسْقُطُ الْخَطَاةُ فِي مَصَائِدِهِمْ وَأَكُونُ أَنَا عَلَى انْفِرَادٍ إِلَى أَنْ أُعْبِرَ.
With my voice unto the Lord have I cried, with my voice unto the Lord have I made supplication.	بِصَوْتِي إِلَى الرَّبِّ صَرَخْتُ، بِصَوْتِي إِلَى الرَّبِّ تَضَرَّعْتُ.
I will pour out before Him my supplication, mine affliction before Him will I declare.	أَسْكُبُ أَمَامَهُ تَضَرُّعِي وَأُخْزَانِي قُدَّامَهُ أَخْبِرَ.
When my spirit was fainting within me, then Thou knewest my paths.	عند فناء رُوحِي مِنِّي أَنْتَ تَعْرِفُ سُبُلِي.
In this way wherein I have walked they hid for me a snare.	في هذا الطريقِ الَّذِي كُنْتُ أَسْلُكُ فِيهِ أَخْفَوْا لِي فَخًّا.
I looked upon my right hand, and beheld, and there was none that did know me.	تَأَمَّلْتُ فِي الْمِيَامِنِ وَأَبْصَرْتُ فَلَمْ يَكُنْ مَنْ يَعْرِفُنِي.
Flight hath failed me, and there is none that watcheth out for my soul.	ضَاعَ الْمَهْرَبُ مِنِّي وَلَمْ يُوجَدْ مَنْ يَطْلُبُ نَفْسِي.
I have cried unto Thee, O Lord; I said: Thou art my hope, my portion art Thou in the land of the living.	فَصَرَخْتُ إِلَيْكَ يَا رَبُّ وَقُلْتُ أَنْتَ هُوَ رَجَائِي وَنَصِيْبِي فِي أَرْضِ الْأَحْيَاءِ.
Attend unto my supplication, for I am brought very low.	أَنْصِتْ إِلَى طِلْبَتِي فَإِنِّي قَدْ تَذَلَّلْتُ جَدًّا.
Deliver me from them that persecute me, for they are stronger than I.	نَجِّنِي مِنَ الَّذِينَ يَضْطَهِدُونَنِي فَإِنَّهُمْ قَدْ اعْتَرَوْا عَلَيَّ.
For the Resurrection in Tone Four	للقيامة باللحن الرابع
<i>Verse 10. Bring my soul out of prison, that I may confess Thy Name.</i> In worshipping Thy life creating Cross unceasingly, O Christ God, we glorify Thy Resurrection on the third day; for thereby hast Thou renewed the corrupted nature of man, O Almighty One. And Thou didst show unto us the way up unto the Heavens, since Thou alone art good and the Friend of man.	استنسخن ١٠. أَخْرِجْ مِنَ الْحَبْسِ نَفْسِي، لِكَيْ أَشْكُرَ اسْمَكَ. أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهَ، نَسْجُدُ بِغَيْرِ فُتُورٍ لِصَلِيبِكَ الْمُحْيِي، وَنُمَجِّدُ قِيَامَتَكَ ذَاتِ الثَّلَاثَةِ الْأَيَّامِ، لِأَنَّكَ بِهَا، أَيُّهَا الْقَادِرُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ، جَدَّدْتَ طَبِيعَةَ الْبَشَرِ الْمُتَنَفِّسَةِ، وَأَوْضَحْتَ لَنَا الْمَصْعَدَ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ، بِمَا أَنَّكَ صَالِحٌ وَحَدِّكَ وَمُحِبُّ الْبَشَرِ.

Verse 9. <i>The righteous shall wait patiently for me until Thou shalt reward me.</i> Thou didst annul the sentence of the tree of disobedience, O Saviour, by being nailed willingly to the Tree of the Cross. And by descending into Hades, O Mighty One, as God Thou didst rend asunder the bonds of death. Wherefore, we worship Thy Resurrection from the dead, while crying out in gladness: O Almighty Lord, glory be to Thee.	استنخن ٩. إِيَّايَ يَنْتَظِرُ الصِّدِّيقُونَ حَتَّى تُجَازِيَنِي. أَيُّهَا الْمَخْلُصُ، لَمَّا سُمِّرْتَ عَلَى عَوْدِ الصَّلِيبِ طَوْعًا، حَلَلْتَ الْقَضِيَّةَ الْمُسَبَّبَةَ عَنْ عَوْدِ الْمَعْصِيَةِ. وَلَمَّا انْحَدَرْتَ إِلَى الْجَحِيمِ، مَزَقْتَ فُيُودَ الْمَوْتِ بِمَا أَنَّكَ إِلَهٌ مُقْتَدِرٌ. فَلِذَلِكَ نَسْجُدُ لِقِيَامَتِكَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، هَاتِفِينَ بِابْتِهَاجٍ: أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الْقَادِرُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ، الْمَجْدُ لَكَ.
Verse 8. <i>Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord; O Lord, hear my voice.</i> The gates of Hades didst Thou shatter, O Lord, and by Thy death Thou didst destroy the kingdom of death. And Thou didst free the race of man from corruption, granting life and in corruption and great mercy to the world.	استنخن ٨. مِنَ الْأَعْمَاقِ صَرَخْتُ إِلَيْكَ يَا رَبُّ، يَا رَبُّ اسْتَمِعْ صَوْتِي. أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ، لَقَدْ سَحَقْتَ بِمَوْتِكَ أَبْوَابَ الْجَحِيمِ وَحَلَلْتَ تَمْلِكَ الْمَوْتِ، وَأَعْتَقْتَ الْجِنْسَ الْبَشَرِيَّ مِنَ الْفَسَادِ، وَمَنْحْتَ الْعَالَمَ الْحَيَاةَ وَعَدَمَ الْبَلَى وَالرَّحْمَةَ الْعُظْمَى.
Verse 7. <i>Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.</i> Come, O ye peoples, let us praise the Saviour's arising on the third day, whereby we were delivered from the indissoluble bonds of Hades. And we all received incorruption and life, while crying: Thou Who wast crucified and buried and didst arise, save us by Thy Resurrection, O only Friend of man.	استنخن ٧. لِيَكُنْ أُنَّاكَ مُصْغِيَتَيْنِ إِلَى صَوْتِ تَضَرُّعِي. هَلُمُّوا أَيُّهَا الشُّعُوبُ لِنَسَبِّحَ قِيَامَةَ الْمُخْلَصِ ذَاتِ الثَّلَاثَةِ الْأَيَّامِ، الَّتِي بِهَا نَجَوْنَا مِنْ عِقَالَاتِ الْجَحِيمِ غَيْرِ الْمُنْفَكَّةِ، فَأَخَذْنَا جَمِيعُنَا الْحَيَاةَ وَعَدَمَ الْفَسَادِ، صَارِخِينَ: يَا مَنْ صُلِبَ وَدُفِنَ وَقَامَ، خَلِّصْنَا بِقِيَامَتِكَ، يَا مُحِبَّ الْبَشَرِ وَحَدِّكَ.
For the Baptist's Beheading in Tone Four (**Thou who wast called from on high**)	لقطع هامة السابق بالحن الرابع (**يا مَنْ دَعَاكَ الْإِلَهُ وَاصْطَفَاكَ**)
Verse 6. <i>If Thou, O Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? For with Thee there is forgiveness.</i> O prophet, Forerunner and incarnate angel, * God-sent mediator of Old and New Covenants, * thou scion sprung from a barren womb, * thou mouth most fiery * and sharp rebuke unto all iniquity, * thou didst censure Herod when he worked forbidden deeds; * but not enduring thy just rebuke, * he gave the order * that they should cut off thy head; and thou, who art * the godly reveling of abstinence, * was brought	استنخن ٦. إِنْ كُنْتَ لِلْآثَامِ رَاصِدًا يَا رَبُّ، فَيَا رَبُّ مَنْ يَثْبُتُ؟ فَإِنَّ مِنْ عِنْدِكَ الْإِغْتِفَارَ. لَقَدْ وَبَّخْتَ هِيرُودُسَ عَلَى ارْتِكَابِهِ الْمُحَرَّمَاتِ، أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ وَالسَّابِقُ وَالْمَلَاكُ الْمُتَجَسِّدُ، وَالْوَسِيطُ الْإِلَهِيُّ بَيْنَ الْعَهْدَيْنِ الْعَتِيقِ وَالْجَدِيدِ، وَنَبْتَةُ الْحَشَا الْعَاقِرِ الْعَقِيمِ، وَالْقَمُ النَّافِثُ نَارًا، وَالْمُؤَبِّخُ الْأَثِيمَ عَلَى إِثْمِهِ، فَلَمْ يُطِقْ تَوْبِيخَكَ الَّذِي إِنَّمَا كَانَ نَعِيمَ الْإِمْسَاكِ الْإِلَهِيِّ، فَأَمَرَ بِقَطْعِ رَأْسِكَ وَتَقْدِيمِهِ عَلَى طَبَقٍ

forth in a charger like food to eat, * yet more greatly convicting * that unbridled and abandoned king.	كَطَعَامٍ تَفْكِهِةً، وَذَلِكَ لِيَزِيدَ فَضِيحَةَ الدَّعَارَةِ وَاشْهَارِهَا.
<i>Verse 5. Because of Thy Name have I waited for Thee, O Lord; my soul hath waited upon Thy word, my soul hath hoped in the Lord.</i> The lawless mother doth press her lawless daughter * to request thy glorious and celebrated head, * which is esteemed as most hon'able * even by angels; * for she cannot bear its unconcealed reproach. * Wherefore, in a charger she doth bear it forth, O John; * and with the dancing of playful feet * she wholly changeth * the guests' good cheer unto sorrow and remorse. * But thou the more dost openly condemn * the defilement of unchecked licentiousness, * and dost make intercession * with Christ Jesus that our souls be saved.	استيخن ٥. مِنْ أَجْلِ اسْمِكَ صَبَرْتُ لَكَ يَا رَبِّ، صَبَرْتُ نَفْسِي فِي أَقْوَالِكَ، تَوَكَّلْتُ نَفْسِي عَلَى الرَّبِّ. لَقَدْ أَدْعَنْتِ ابْنَتُكَ الْأَيْمَةَ لِتَلْقَيْنِ أُمِّهَا الْفَاجِرَةَ الَّتِي لَمْ تُطِقْ تَوْبِيخَكَ أَيُّهَا الْمَغْبُوطُ، فَطَلَبْتَ رَأْسَكَ الْمُطُوبَ الذِّكْرَ الْمُحْتَرَمَ لَدَى الْمَلَائِكَةِ، وَقَدَّمْتَهُ فِي طَبَقٍ تَرْفُصُ بِهِ أَمَامَ الْمُتَكَبِّينَ، فَحَوَّلْتَ سُرُورَهُمْ إِلَى غَمٍّ وَحُزْنٍ، وَلَكِنَّكَ أَرَدْتَ أَنْتَ فِي التَّوْبِيخِ عَلَى الْفُجُورِ الْمُقْبِتِ، تَبْتَهِلُ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ فِي خَلَاصِ نَفُوسِنَا.
<i>Verse 4. From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch let Israel trust in the Lord.</i> Driven to madness with drink, the drunken Herod * was beguiled and cheated by a dancer's baseborn cries; * and for the oath's sake, he thus contrived * an unjust murder * for thee, the just man, O Prophet great of fame. * But thy death hath plainly blazoned immortality * unto all them that had died before; * and thou didst go down * to those in Hades to preach to them as well * the saving advent of our Christ and God, * as His preacher and messenger sent before. * Do thou therefore entreat Him * to enlighten and to save our souls.	استيخن ٤. مِنْ أَنْفِجَارِ الصُّبْحِ إِلَى اللَّيْلِ، مِنْ أَنْفِجَارِ الصُّبْحِ لِيَتَكَلَّمَ إِسْرَائِيلُ عَلَى الرَّبِّ. فِيمَا كَانَ هِيرُودُسُ مُرْتَحَاً بِالسُّكْرِ، خَلَبَتْ عَقْلَهُ الْبِنْتُ الرَّاقِصَةُ بِغُلِّ أَصْوَاتِهَا، فَأَقْسَمَ لَهَا وَاتَّبَعَ الْقَسَمَ بِقَتْلِكَ ظُلْمًا، أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ الصِّدِّيقُ الْمَجِيدُ، وَلَكِنَّ مَوْتَكَ بَشَّرَ الَّذِينَ مَاتُوا قَبْلًا بِالْخُلُودِ لَا مَحَالَةَ، فَإِنَّكَ صَرْتَ كَارُوزاً لِلَّذِينَ فِي الْجَحِيمِ أَيْضًا تُبَشِّرُهُمْ بِحُضُورِ الْمَسِيحِ إِلَيْنَا الْخَلَاصِيِّ، فَتَضَرَّعْ إِلَيْهِ طَالِبًا أَنْ يُخَلِّصَ وَيُنِيرَ نَفُوسَنَا.
For the Patriarchs in Tone One (**O all-lauded Martyrs**)	لِلْقَدِيسِينَ الْبَطَارِكَةِ بِاللَّحْنِ الْأَوَّلِ (**أَصْحَابِ الْمَدِيحِ الشُّهَدَاءِ**)
<i>Verse 3. For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is abundant redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.</i> Since thou wast a shepherd of the Church, * O all-blessed Alexander, and the champion of	استيخن ٣. لِأَنَّ مِنَ الرَّبِّ الرَّحْمَةَ، وَمِنْهُ النِّجَاةُ الْكَثِيرَةُ، وَهُوَ يُنَجِّي إِسْرَائِيلَ مِنْ كُلِّ آثَامِهِ. لَقَدْ كُنْتَ رَاعِيًا لِلْكَنِيسَةِ وَمُنَاضِلًا عَنْ اسْتِقَامَةِ الرَّأْيِ

Orthodoxy, thou didst overturn * Arius' vaunting * by thy strong and earnest prayers, * presenting thy request to the merciful Redeemer of all men. * And do thou now intercede with Him * that He grant peace * and Great Mercy to our souls.	يا اسكندرُ الكَلْبِي الغِبْطَةَ، فَحَطَّطْتَ تَشَامُخَ آريُوسَ بِمُواصَلَةِ صَلَوَاتِكَ وَطَلْبَاتِكَ الْحَارَّةِ إِلَى فَايِدِي الْجَمِيعِ، فَتَضَرَّعُ إِلَيْهِ الْآنَ طَالِباً مَنْحَ نُفُوسِنَا السَّلَامَ وَعَظِيمَ الرَّحْمَةِ.
<i>Verse 2. Praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise Him, all ye people.</i> O ven'erable John, thou didst abhor * the corruption of the flesh; wherefore through temperance, faith and sleepless watchings through the night, * and through thy confession, * thou wast truly found to be * an angel on the earth and a man whose life was high in Heaven's courts. * Do thou therefore intercede with Christ * that He grant peace * and Great Mercy to our souls.	<i>استيخن ٢ . سَبِّحُوا الرَّبَّ يَا جَمِيعَ الْأُمَمِ، وَأَمْدَحُوهُ يَا سَائِرِ الشُّعُوبِ.</i> لَقَدْ أَبْغَضْتَ فَسَادَ الْجَسَدِ يَا يُوحَنَّا الْمُكْرَمَ، وَأَصْبَحْتَ بِالْإِيمَانِ وَالْإِمْسَاكِ، وَبِالسَّهْرِ وَالاعْتِرَافِ مَلَكَاً أَرْضِيّاً وَإنْسَاناً سَمَويّاً، فَتَضَرَّعُ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ مَنْحَ نُفُوسِنَا السَّلَامَ وَعَظِيمَ الرَّحْمَةِ.
<i>Verse 1. For His mercy is great toward us, and the truth of the Lord endureth forever.</i> O Paul, since thou didst wisely obey * Paul's divine and sacred doctrines, to the third Heaven thou with him didst verily ascend, * to the height of virtues, * and, O blest one, thou didst hear * the Spirit's most divine and unspeakable and soul-exalting words. * Now entreat the Savior ceaselessly, * thou unshaken * pillar of the Orthodox.	<i>استيخن ١ . لِأَنَّ رَحْمَتَهُ قَدْ قَوِيَتْ عَلَيْنَا، وَحَقُّ الرَّبِّ يَبُومُ إِلَى الدَّهْرِ.</i> لَقَدْ أَدْعَنْتَ حَقّاً لِعَقَائِدِ بُولُسَ الْإِلَهِيَّةِ لَا مَحَالَةَ، يَا قَاعِدَةَ اسْتِقَامَةِ الرَّأْيِ الرَّاسِخَةِ، بُولُسَ الْبَارِّ الْمَغْبُوطِ، فَارْتَقَيْتَ وَإِيَّاهُ شَاخِصاً بِسُمُومِ الْفَضَائِلِ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ الثَّالِثَةِ، وَسَمِعْتَ مِنَ الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ كَلِمَاتِ إِلَهِيَّةٍ لَا يُنْطِقُ بِهَا، فَوَاصِلِ الضَّرَاعَةِ إِلَى الْمُخْلِصِ مِنْ أَجْلِنَا.
DOXASTICON FOR THE BEHEADING IN TONE SIX	نُكْصَا لِقَطْعِ الْهَامَةِ بِالْحَنِ السَّادِسِ
<i>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.</i> As the birthday of the impudent Herod was being kept, the object of the termagant dancer's oath was achieved; for the head of the Forerunner was cut off and offered on a charger, as food for those reclining. What a loathsome banquet, replete with wickedness and horrible murder. As for us, we bless the Baptizer, honoring him as is meet; for he is the greatest born of woman.	<i>الْمَجْدُ لِلآبِ وَالْإِبْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ.</i> لَمَّا كَانَ يُقَامُ عِيدُ مَوْلِدِ هِيرُودَسَ الْوَقْهِ، تَمَّتْ غَايَةُ الْقَسَمِ لِلرَّاْقِصَةِ الْفَاجِرَةِ، لِأَنَّ هَامَةَ السَّابِقِ قَدْ قُطِعَتْ وَقُتِّمَتْ فِي طَبَقِ كَطْعَامٍ لِلْمُتَكَبِّينِ. فَيَا لَهَا مِنْ وَلِيمَةٍ مَمْقُوتَةٍ مُفْعَمَةٍ مِنْ فِعْلِ الْإِثْمِ وَالْقَتْلِ النَّمِيمِ. أَمَّا نَحْنُ فَنُطَوِّبُ الصَّابِغَ مُكْرِّمِينَ إِيَّاهُ بِحَسَبِ الْوَاجِبِ بِمَا أَنَّهُ أَعْظَمُ الْمَوْلُودِينَ مِنَ النِّسَاءِ.

THEOTOKION FROM THE OCTOECHOS IN TONE FOUR	ثيوطوكية من المعزي باللحن الرابع
<i>Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.</i> He that on thine account is now God's ancestor, the Prophet David, did aforetime in melody say of thee to Him that hath done great things to thee: The queen stood at Thy right hand. For Christ God, Who was pleased to become incarnate of thee without father that He might save the world, hath shown thee forth as the mother and cause of Life, that He might restore His image corrupted by the passions; and having found the stray sheep lost in the mountains, and taken it upon His shoulders, He bringeth it unto His Father, and by His own will uniteth it with the Heavenly powers, O Theotokos; for He hath great and abundant mercy.	الآن وكلّ أوانٍ وإلى دهرٍ الدهرين. آمين. يا والدّة الإله، إنّ داوود النّبيّ الصّائر بسببك جدّ الإله، قد سبق من أجلك مُترنماً، وهتف بالصانع بك العظائم: قامت الملكة عن يمينك، لأنّ الإله قد أظهرَكَ أمّا مُسبّبة الحياة، إذ ارتضى أن يظهر متأنساً منك خلواً من أب، لكيّ يجدد إبداع صورته المنفسدة بالآلام، ويجد الخروف الذي ضلّ في الجبال، ويحمّله على منكبيه ويقدمه إلى الأب، ويضمّه بمشيئته مع القوّات السّماويّة، ويخلص العالم أجمع، بما أنّه المسيح المالك الرحمة الغنيّة العظمى.
<i>When "both now" is chanted, the clergy make the entrance with the censer.</i>	أثناء ترتيل "الآن ..." يتم إيصودون الإكليروس بالمبخرة.
Deacon: Wisdom! Stand upright!	الشماس: الحكمة! فلنستقم!
O GLADSOME LIGHT	يا نوراً بهياً
Choir: O gladsome Light of the holy glory of the immortal, heavenly, holy and blessed Father: O Jesus Christ. Lo now that we have come to the setting of the sun, as we behold the evening light, we hymn Thee: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God. Meet it is for Thee at all times to be magnified by joyous voices, O Son of God and Giver of life. Wherefore the whole world doth glorify Thee.	الجوقة: يا نوراً بهياً لقدس مجد الأب الذي لا يموت، السّماويّ، القدّوس، المغبوط، يا يسوع المسيح. إذ قد بلغنا إلى غروب الشّمس، ونظرنا نوراً مسائياً، نُسبح الأب والابن والروح القدس الإله. فيا ابن الله المُعطي الحياة، إنّك لمستحقّ في سائر الأوقات أن تُسبح بأصوات بارّة، لذلك العالم لك يُمجد.
Deacon: The evening prokeimenon.	الشماس: ترنيمة المساء.
SATURDAY PROKEIMENON IN TONE SIX	بروكيمنون لنهار السبت باللحن السادس
Choir: The Lord is King, and hath clothed Himself with majesty. (ONCE)	الجوقة: الربّ قد ملأك والجلال ليس.
<i>Verse 1. The Lord is robed; He is girded with strength. (Refrain)</i>	ستيخن: ليس الربّ القوّة وتمنطق بها. (اللازمة)
<i>Verse 2. For He has established the world so that it shall never be moved. (Refrain)</i>	ستيخن: لأنّه وطّد المسكونة فلن تتزعزع. (اللازمة)

THE LITANY OF FERVENT SUPPLICATION	الطَّلِبَةُ الْإِلَاحِيَّةُ
Deacon: Let us say with our whole soul, and with our whole mind, let us say.	الشَّماس: لِنَقُلْ جَمِيعُنَا مِنْ كُلِّ نَفْسِنَا وَمِنْ كُلِّ نِيَاتِنَا لِنَقُلْ.
Choir: Lord, have mercy.	الجوقة: يَا رَبُّ ارْحَم.
Deacon: O Lord Almighty, the God of our Fathers, we pray thee, hearken and have mercy.	الشَّماس: أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الضَّابِطُ الْكُلِّ إِلَهُ آبَائِنَا، نَطْلُبُ مِنْكَ فَاسْتَجِبْ وَارْحَم.
Choir: Lord, have mercy.	الجوقة: يَا رَبُّ ارْحَم.
Deacon: Have mercy on us, O God, according to thy great mercy, we pray thee, hearken and have mercy.	الشَّماس: ارْحَمْنَا يَا اللَّهُ كَعَظِيمِ رَحْمَتِكَ، نَطْلُبُ مِنْكَ فَاسْتَجِبْ وَارْحَم.
Choir: Lord, have mercy. (<i>thrice</i>) (use this response until noted below)	الجوقة: يَا رَبُّ ارْحَم. (ثَلَاثًا) (تُعَادُ بَعْدَ كُلِّ طَلِبَةٍ)
Deacon: Again we pray for all pious and Orthodox Christians.	الشَّماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ الْمَسِيحِيِّينَ الْحَسَنِي الْعِبَادَةِ الْأَرْتُوذُكْسِيِّينَ.
Deacon: Again we pray for our father and metropolitan, N., (and our bishop, N.).	الشَّماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ آبِينَا وَمِتْرُوبُولِيَّتِنَا (فَلَان)، وَرَبِّيسِ كَهَنَتِنَا (فَلَان).
Deacon: Again we pray for our brethren: the priests, hieromonks, deacons, hierodeacons and monastics and all our brotherhood in Christ.	الشَّماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ إِخْوَتِنَا الْكَهَنَةِ وَالشَّامِيسَةِ وَالرُّهْبَانِ وَالرَّاهِبَاتِ، وَكُلِّ إِخْوَتِنَا فِي الْمَسِيحِ.
Deacon: Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, visitation, pardon and remission of sins for (the servants of God, NN., and) all Orthodox Christians of true worship, who live and dwell in this community.	الشَّماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ الرَّحْمَةِ وَالْحَيَاةِ، وَالسَّلَامِ وَالْعَافِيَةِ وَالْخَلَاصِ، لِعَبِيدِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعِ الْمَسِيحِيِّينَ الْحَسَنِي الْعِبَادَةِ الْأَرْتُوذُكْسِيِّينَ، السَّاكِنِينَ وَالْمَوْجُودِينَ فِي هَذِهِ الْمَدِينَةِ (أَو الدَّيْرِ أَو الْقَرْيَةِ)، وَالْمُجْتَمِعِينَ فِي هَذِهِ الْكَنِيسَةِ الْمُقَدَّسَةِ.
Deacon: Again we pray for the blessed and ever-memorable founders of this holy church (and for the servants of God, NN.,) and all of our fathers and brethren, the Orthodox departed this life before us, who here and in all the world lie asleep in the Lord.	الشَّماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ الْمُطَوِّبِينَ الدَّائِمِي الذِّكْرِ الَّذِينَ عَمَّرُوا هَذَا الْهَيْكَلَ الْمُقَدَّسَ (أَو الدَّيْرَ)، وَمِنْ أَجْلِ جَمِيعِ السَّابِقِ رُقَادِهِمْ مِنْ آبَائِنَا وَإِخْوَتِنَا الْأَرْتُوذُكْسِيِّينَ، الْمَوْضُوعِينَ هَهُنَا وَفِي كُلِّ مَكَانٍ.
Deacon: Again we pray for those who bear fruit and do good works in this holy and all-venerable	الشَّماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ الَّذِينَ يُقَدِّمُونَ

temple, those who serve and those who sing and all the people here present, who await thy great and rich mercy.	الأَئِمَارَ وَالَّذِينَ يَصْنَعُونَ الْإِحْسَانَ فِي هَذَا الْهَيْكَلِ الْمُقَدَّسِ الْكَلِّيِّ الْوَاقِرِ، وَالَّذِينَ يَتَعَبُونَ وَيُرْتَلُونَ فِيهِ، وَمِنْ أَجْلِ هَذَا الشَّعْبِ الْوَاقِفِ، الْمُنْتَظَرِ مِنْ لَدُنْكَ الرَّحْمَةِ الْغَنِيَّةِ الْعُظْمَى.
Priest: For thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and unto Thee we ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages.	الكَاهَنُ: لَأَنَّكَ إِلَهٌ رَحِيمٌ وَمُحِبٌّ لِلْبَشَرِ وَلَكَ نُرْسِلُ الْمَجْدَ أَتَيْهَا الْآبُ وَالْإِبْنُ وَالرُّوحُ الْقُدُسُ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ.
Choir: Amen.	الجوقة: آمين.
THE EVENING PRAYER	صلاة المساء
People: 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 forever. Amen. Let Thy mercy be upon us, O Lord, even as we have set our hope on Thee. Blessed art Thou, O Lord; teach me Thy statutes. Blessed art Thou, O Master; make me to understand Thy statutes. Blessed art Thou, O Holy One; enlighten me with Thy statutes. Thy mercy, O Lord, endureth forever. O despise not the works of Thy hands. To Thee belongeth worship, to Thee belongeth praise, to Thee belongeth glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.	الشَّعْبُ: أَهْلُنَا يَا رَبُّ أَنْ نُحَفَظَ فِي هَذَا الْمَسَاءِ بِغَيْرِ خَطِيئَةٍ. مُبَارَكٌ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ، إِلَهَ آبَائِنَا، وَمُسَبَّحٌ وَمُمَجَّدٌ اسْمُكَ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، آمِينَ. لِيَكُنْ يَا رَبُّ رَحْمَتُكَ عَلَيْنَا، كَمَثَلِ اتِّكَالِنَا عَلَيْكَ. مُبَارَكٌ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ عَلِّمْنِي وَصَايَاكَ. مُبَارَكٌ أَنْتَ يَا سَيِّدُ فَهِّمْنِي حَقُوقَكَ. مُبَارَكٌ أَنْتَ يَا قُدُّوسُ أَنْزِنِي بِعَذْلِكَ. يَا رَبُّ رَحْمَتُكَ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، وَعَنْ أَعْمَالِ يَدَيْكَ لَا تُعْرِضْ. لَكَ يَنْبَغِي الْمَدِيحُ، لَكَ يَلِيقُ التَّسْبِيحُ، لَكَ يَجِبُ الْمَجْدُ، أَتَيْهَا الْآبُ وَالْإِبْنُ وَالرُّوحُ الْقُدُسُ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ. آمِينَ.
THE LITANY OF SUPPLICATION	الطَّلِبَةُ الْإِبْتِهَالِيَّةُ
Deacon: Let us complete our evening prayer unto the Lord.	الشَّمَّاسُ: لِنُكْمِلْ طَلِبَتَنَا الْمَسَائِيَّةَ لِلرَّبِّ.
Choir: Lord, have mercy.	الجوقة: يَا رَبُّ ارْحَمِ.
Deacon: Help us; save us; have mercy on us; and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.	الشَّمَّاسُ: أَعْضُدْ وَخَلِّصْ وَارْحَمْ وَاحْفَظْنَا يَا إِلَهَ بِنِعْمَتِكَ.
Choir: Lord, have mercy.	الجوقة: يَا رَبُّ ارْحَمِ.
Deacon: That the whole evening may be perfect, holy, peaceful, and sinless, let us ask of the Lord.	الشَّمَّاسُ: أَنْ يَكُونَ مَسَاؤُنَا كُلُّهُ كَامِلًا مُقَدَّسًا سَلَامِيًّا وَبِلَا خَطِيئَةٍ، الرَّبَّ نَسْأَلُ.

Choir: Grant this, O Lord. (use this response until noted below)	الجوقة: اسْتَجِبْ يَا رَبِّ. (تُعَادُ بَعْدَ كُلِّ طَلْبَةٍ)
Deacon: An angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask of the Lord.	الشماس: مَلَاكَ سَلَامٍ مُرْشِداً، أَمِيناً، حَافِظاً نَفُوسَنَا وَأَجْسَادَنَا، الرَّبِّ نَسْأَلُ.
Deacon: Pardon and remission of our sins and transgressions, let us ask of the Lord.	الشماس: مُسَامِحَةً خَطَايَانَا وَغُفْرَانَ زَلَّاتِنَا، الرَّبِّ نَسْأَلُ.
Deacon: All things good and profitable for our souls and peace for the world, let us ask of the Lord.	الشماس: الصَّالِحَاتِ وَالْمُوَافِقَاتِ لِنَفُوسِنَا وَالسَّلَامِ لِلْعَالَمِ، الرَّبِّ نَسْأَلُ.
Deacon: That we may complete the remaining time of our life in peace and repentance, let us ask of the Lord.	الشماس: أَنْ نُتِمِّمَ بَقِيَّةَ زَمَانِ حَيَاتِنَا بِسَلَامٍ وَتَوْبَةٍ، الرَّبِّ نَسْأَلُ.
Deacon: A Christian ending to our life, painless, blameless, peaceful, and a good defense before the fearful judgment seat of Christ, let us ask of the Lord.	الشماس: أَنْ تَكُونَ أَوَاخِرُ حَيَاتِنَا مَسِيحِيَّةً، سَلَامِيَّةً، بَلَا حُزْنٍ وَلَا خُزْيٍ، وَجَوَاباً حَسَناً لَدَى مَنبَرِ الْمَسِيحِ الْمَرْهُوبِ، نَسْأَلُ.
Deacon: Calling to remembrance our all-holy, immaculate, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and each other and all our life unto Christ our God.	الشماس: بَعْدَ ذِكْرِنَا الْكَلِيَّةَ الْقَدَّاسَةَ، الطَّاهِرَةَ، الْفَائِقَةَ الْبَرَكَاتِ، الْمَحِيدَةَ، سَيِّدَتَنَا وَالِدَةَ الْإِلَهِ الدَّائِمَةَ الْبَتُولِيَّةَ مَرْيَمَ مَعَ جَمِيعِ الْقَدِّيسِينَ، لِنُودِعَ أَنْفُسَنَا وَبَعْضُنَا بَعْضاً وَكُلَّ حَيَاتِنَا لِلْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهِ.
Choir: To Thee, O Lord.	الجوقة: لَكَ يَا رَبِّ.
Priest: For thou art a good God and lovest mankind, and unto thee we ascribe glory, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.	الكاهن: لِأَنَّكَ إِلَهٌ صَالِحٌ وَمَحَبٌّ لِلْبَشَرِ، وَلَكَ نُرْسِلُ الْمَجْدَ، أَيُّهَا الْآبُ وَالابْنُ وَالرُّوحُ الْقُدُّسُ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ.
Choir: Amen.	الجوق: آمِينَ.
THE PEACE	السلام
Priest: Peace be to all.	الكاهن: السَّلَامُ لِجَمِيعِكُمْ.
Choir: And to thy spirit.	الجوقة: وَلِرُوحِكَ أَيْضاً
Deacon: Let us bow our heads unto the Lord.	الشماس: لِنَحْنِ رُؤُوسَنَا لِلرَّبِّ.
Choir: To Thee, O Lord.	الجوقة: لَكَ يَا رَبِّ.
Priest: O Lord our God, who didst bow the heavens and come down for the salvation of mankind: Look upon thy servants and thine	الكاهن: أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهُنَا، يَا مَنْ طَاطَأَ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَنَزَلَ لِحَلَاصِ جِنْسِ الْبَشَرِ، أَنْظِرْ إِلَى عِبِيدِكَ وَإِلَى

inheritance; for unto thee, the fearful Judge who yet lovest mankind, have thy servants bowed their heads and submissively inclined their necks, awaiting not help from men but entreating thy mercy and looking confidently for thy salvation. Guard them at all times, both during this present evening and in the approaching night, from every foe, from all adverse powers of the devil and from vain thoughts and from evil imaginations.	ميراثك، فَإِنَّ عبيدَكَ قد حَنَوْا رُؤُوسَهُمْ وَأَخَضَعُوا أعناقَهُمْ لَكَ، أَيُّهَا القاضي المَهيبُ المَحِبُّ البَشَر، غيرَ مُنتَظِرِينَ المَعُونَةَ مِنَ البَشَر، بَلْ مُنتَظِرِينَ رَحْمَتَكَ وَمُتَوَقِّعِينَ خَلاصَكَ. فاحْفَظْهُمْ في كُلِّ حينٍ، وفي هذا المَساءِ الحَاضِرِ، والليلِ المُقْبِلِ، مَصُونِينَ مِنْ كُلِّ فِعْلٍ مُضادٍ شَيطَانِيٍّ، وَمِنْ الأَفكارِ الباطِلَةِ والهواجِسِ الشرَّيرة.
Blessed and glorified be the might of thy kingdom of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.	ليُكُن عِزُّ مُلْكِكَ مُبارَكًا ومُجَدَّدًا، أَيُّهَا الآبُ والابنُ والروحُ القُدُس، الآنَ وكلَّ أوانٍ وإلى دَهرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ.
Choir: Amen.	الجوقة: آمين.
APOSTICHA FOR THE RESURRECTION IN TONE FOUR	أبوستيخون للقيامة باللحن الرابع
(**The original melody**)	(**أصلية الوزن**)
Lord, when Thou didst ascend upon the Cross, * Thou didst utterly obliterate our ancestral curse. * And going down into Hades, * Thou didst set free those in fetters from all ages past, * granting unto the race of man * incorruption forever, * hence, for this cause with hymns do we glorify * Thy life-creating and saving Rising from the dead.	يا رَبِّ، لَمَّا رُفِعْتَ عَلَى الصليبِ مَحَوْتَ لَعْنَتَنَا الجَدِّيَّةَ. وَلَمَّا انْحَدَرْتَ إِلَى الجَحيمِ أَعْنَقْتَ المُقَيَّدِينَ مُنْذُ الدَّهْرِ، وَمَنَحْتَ الجِنْسَ البَشَرِيَّ عَدَمَ الفَسادِ. فَلِذَلِكَ نُسَبِّحُ مُمَجِّدِينَ قِيامَتَكَ ذاتِ الثَّلاثَةِ الأيامِ.
<i>Verse 1. The Lord is king; He is clothed with majesty. The Lord is clothed with strength and He hath girt Himself.</i> While hanging upon the Tree, O Only Mighty One, Thou didst cause all of creation to tremble. And when Thou wast laid in the grave, Thou didst raise them that dwelt in the graves, granting incorruption and life unto the race of man; for this cause, with hymns we glorify Thine arising on the third day.	<i>استيخن ١. الرَّبُّ قَدْ مَلَكَ، والجمالَ لَبِسَ. لَبِسَ الرَّبُّ القُوَّةَ وَتَمَنَّقَ بِهَا.</i> أَيُّهَا المُقْتَدِرُ وَحْدَكَ، لَقَدْ زَلْزَلْتَ الأرضَ لَمَّا عَلِقْتَ عَلَى العودِ. وَلَمَّا وُضِعْتَ فِي الرَّمْسِ، أَنهَضْتَ الْثَّائِبِينَ في الأَجداثِ، وَمَنَحْتَ الجِنْسَ البَشَرِيَّ الحَيَاةَ وَعَدَمَ الفَسادِ. لِذَلِكَ نُسَبِّحُ مُمَجِّدِينَ قِيامَتَكَ ذاتِ الثَّلاثَةِ الأيامِ.
<i>Verse 2. For He established the world which shall not be shaken.</i> When the lawless people, O Christ, surrendered Thee to Pilate, they condemned Thee to be	<i>استيخن ٢. لِأَنَّهُ ثَبَّتَ المَسكونَةَ فَلَنْ تَتَرَعَّرَعَ.</i> أَيُّهَا المَسِيحُ، إِنَّ الشَّعْبَ المُتَعَدِّيَّ الناموسَ قَدْ أَسْلَمَكَ إِلَى بِيلاطُسَ وَحَكَمَ عَلَيْكَ بالصَّليبِ. إِذْ

crucified, showing themselves ungrateful unto their Benefactor; but willingly Thou didst endure burial, and, of Thine own power, didst arise on the third day, as God granting unto us unending life and great mercy.	ظَهَرَ عَادِمَ الشُّكْرِ نَحْوَ الْمُحْسِنِ إِلَيْهِ. لَكِنَّكَ احْتَمَلْتَ الدَّفْنَ باخْتِيَارِكَ، وَقُمْتَ فِي الْيَوْمِ الثَّالِثِ بِذَاتِ سُلْطَانِكَ، بِمَا أَنَّكَ إِلَهُ، مَانِحًا لَنَا حَيَاةً لَا تَزُولُ وَالرَّحْمَةَ الْعُظْمَى.
<i>Verse 3. Holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord, unto length of days.</i> Drawing nigh unto the tomb, the women sought Thee with tears; but on not finding Thee, they were overcome with grief. And crying out with lamentation, they said: Woe unto us, O our Saviour, O King of all, how wast Thou stolen? What place holdeth Thy life-bearing Body? And an angel answered them: Weep not, he said, but go forth and proclaim that the Lord is risen, granting us joy, since He alone is merciful.	<i>استيخن ٣. لِبَيْتِكَ يَنْبَغِي التَّقْدِيسُ يَا رَبُّ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ.</i> إِنَّ النِّسْوَةَ قَدْ أَدْرَكْنَ قَبْرَكَ، يَلْتَمِسْنَكَ بِدُمُوعٍ. وَلَمَّا لَمْ يَجِدَنَّكَ، هَتَفْنَ بِنَحِيبٍ، نَادِبَاتٍ وَقَائِلَاتٍ: الْوَيْلُ لَنَا، يَا مُخْلِصَنَا، مَلِكِ الْكُلِّ. كَيْفَ سُرِقْتَ؟ وَأَيُّ مَكَانٍ يَحْتَوِي عَلَى جِسْمِكَ اللَّابِسِ الْحَيَاةَ؟ فَأَجَابَهُنَّ مَلَكٌ قَائِلًا: لَا تَبْكِينَ، بَلْ اذْهَبْنَ وَاكْرِزْنَ بِأَنَّ الرَّبَّ قَدْ قَامَ، مَانِحًا لَنَا الْإِبْتِهَاجَ، بِمَا أَنَّهُ مُتَحَيِّنٌ وَحَدَهُ.
DOXASTICON FOR THE BEHEADING IN TONE FOUR	نُكْصَا لِقَطْعِ الْهَامَةِ بِاللَّحْنِ الرَّابِعِ
<i>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.</i> It was a lawless birthday and a most shameless banquet that Herod kept; for being bewitched by female wantonness and strung with ungodly lust for women, he cut off the Forerunner's head, but did not cut out the Prophet's tongue, which convicted his madness. He shed innocent blood, wishing to cover his abominable sin; but he could not cover therewith the voice of the one crying unto all men to repent. Herod rejoiced in killing, but let us celebrate with longing the blessed slaughter of the Baptist John. For in Hades, unto them that sat in darkness and the shadow of death, he was the first to preach the Life, the Dayspring from on high, Christ our God, Who alone is plenteous in mercy.	<i>الْمَجْدُ لِلآبِ وَالْإِبْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُّوسِ.</i> إِنَّ هِيرُودَسَ قَدْ أَقَامَ عِيدًا لِمَوْلِدِهِ الْأَثِيمِ، وَمَأْدُبَةً عَائِمَةً الْإِحْتِشَامَ، لِأَنَّهُ لَمَّا هَامَ بِالْمَرَاةِ الْفَاجِرَةِ، وَهَاجَتْ بِهِ حِمَاقَةُ الْعُشْقِ الْأَنْثَوِيِّ بِنِفَاقٍ، قَطَعَ هَامَةً السَّابِقَ، وَلَكِنَّهُ لَمْ يَقْطَعْ اللِّسَانَ النَّبَوِيَّ الْمُبَكِّتَ إِيَّاهُ عَلَى غَوَايَتِهِ، فَأَهْرَقَ دَمًا زَكِيًّا مُرِيدًا أَنْ يَسْتُرَ خَطِيئَةَ تَعَدِّيهِ الشَّرِيعَةَ، لَكِنَّهُ لَمْ يَخْجُبْ بِذَلِكَ صَوْتِ الصَّارِخِ نَحْوَ الْجَمِيعِ بِالتَّوْبَةِ. فَذَاكَ يُسَرُّ بِالْقَتْلِ، وَأَمَّا نَحْنُ فَنَعْبُدُ بِشَوْقٍ لِلذَّبْحِ الْمَغْبُوطِ، نَبِّحُ يُوْحَنَّا الصَّابِغَ، لِأَنَّهُ قَدْ سَبَقَ لِيَكْرَزَ فِي الْجَحِيمِ، لِلثَّائِرِينَ فِي ظُلْمَةٍ وَظِلَالِ الْمَوْتِ، بِالْحَيَاةِ وَبِالْمَشْرِقِ الَّذِي مِنْ الْعُلُوِّ، أَعْنَى الْمَسِيحِ إِلَهَنَا الْجَزِيلَ الرَّحْمَةَ وَحَدَهُ.
THEOTOKION FROM THE OCTOECHOS IN TONE FOUR	ثِيُوطُوكِيَّةٌ مِنَ الْمَعْزِيِّ بِاللَّحْنِ الرَّابِعِ
<i>Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.</i> Incline to the entreaties of thy servants, O all-	<i>الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ. آمِينَ.</i> أَيُّتْهَا السَّيِّدَةُ الْبَرِيئَةُ مِنْ كُلِّ عَيْبٍ، اِنْعَظْفِي إِلَيَّ

blameless one, and make to cease the griefs that come upon us and free us from every affliction; for thee alone do we have as a secure and sure anchor, and we have thy protection. Let us not be put to shame, O Lady, as we call upon thee. Hasten at the entreaty of those who faithfully cry to thee: Rejoice, O Lady, thou help of all, thou joy and shelter and salvation of our souls.	طِلَبَاتِ الْمُتَوَسِّلِينَ إِلَيْكَ وَكُفِّي عَنَّا الْمَسَاوِيَّ الثَّائِرَةَ عَلَيْنَا وَأَنْقِذِنَا مِنْ كُلِّ حُزْنٍ. لَأَنَّكَ أَنْتِ وَحْدَكَ الْمَرَسَى الْأَمِينُ وَالْحِرْزُ الْوَثِيقُ لَنَا، وَقَدْ اتَّخَذْنَاكَ نَصِيرَةً فَلَا نَخْزِي إِذَا دَعَوْنَاكَ. فَاسْرِعِي إِلَى إِجَابَةِ الَّذِينَ يَهْتَفُونَ نَحْوَكِ بِإِيمَانٍ. إِفْرَحِي أَيَّتُهَا السَّيِّدَةُ يَا مَعُونَةَ الْجَمِيعِ وَفَرَحَهُمْ وَسِتْرَهُمْ وَخَلَاصَ نَفُوسِنَا.
THE HYMN OF ST. SIMEON THE GOD-RECEIVER	تَسْبِيحَةُ الْقَدِيسِ سَمْعَانَ الْقَابِلِ لِلِإِلَهِ
Lord, now lettest thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word; for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.	الآن أَطْلُقْ عَبْدَكَ أَيُّهَا السَّيِّدُ عَلَى حَسَبِ قَوْلِكَ بِسَلَامٍ، لَأَنَّ عَيْنَيَّ قَدْ أَبْصَرْتُ خَلَاصَكَ الَّذِي أَعَدَدْتَهُ أَمَامَ كُلِّ الشُّعُوبِ، نُورًا لاسْتِعْلَانِ الْأُمَمِ، وَمَجْدًا لِشَعْبِكَ إِسْرَائِيلَ.
THE TRISAGION PRAYERS	صَلَاةُ التَرِيصَاجِيُونِ
People: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: Have mercy on us. (<i>thrice</i>)	الشَّعْبُ: قُدُّوسُ اللَّهِ، قُدُّوسُ الْقَوِيِّ، قُدُّوسُ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ، اِرْحَمْنَا. (ثَلَاثًا)
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.	الْمَجْدُ لِلآبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُّوسِ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ. آمِينَ.
All Holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities, for Thy Name's sake.	أَيُّهَا الثَّالُوثُ الْقُدُّوسُ اِرْحَمْنَا، يَا رَبُّ اغْفِرْ خَطَايَانَا، يَا سَيِّدُ تَجَاوَزْ عَنْ سَيِّئَاتِنَا، يَا قُدُّوسُ اطَّلِعْ وَاشْفِ أَمْرَاضَنَا، مِنْ أَجْلِ اسْمِكَ.
Lord, have mercy. (<i>thrice</i>)	يَا رَبُّ اِرْحَمِ. (ثَلَاثًا)
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.	الْمَجْدُ لِلآبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُّوسِ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ. آمِينَ.
Our Father, Who art in heaven, 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.	أَبَانَا الَّذِي فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ، لِيَتَقَدَّسَ اسْمُكَ، لِيَأْتِ مَلَكُوتُكَ، لِيَتَكُنْ مَشِيئَتُكَ، كَمَا فِي السَّمَاءِ كَذَلِكَ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ، خُذْزَنَا الْجَوْهَرِيَّ اعْطِنَا الْيَوْمَ، وَاتْرُكْ لَنَا مَا عَلَيْنَا، كَمَا نَتْرُكُ نَحْنُ لِمَنْ لَنَا عَلَيْهِ، وَلَا تُدْخِلْنَا فِي تَجْرِبَةٍ، لَكِنْ نَجِّنَا مِنَ الشَّرِيرِ.

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 ages of ages.	الكاهن: لِأَنَّ لَكَ الْمُلْكَ وَالْقُوَّةَ وَالْمَجْدَ، أَيُّهَا الْآبُ وَالْإِبْنُ وَالرُّوحُ الْقُدُسُ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ.
Choir: Amen.	الجوقة: آمين.
RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FOUR	أبوليتيكيون القيامة باللحن الرابع
Having learned the joyful proclamation of the Resurrection from the Angel, and having cast off the ancestral condemnation, the women disciples of the Lord spake to the Apostles exultantly: Death is despoiled and Christ God is risen, granting great mercy to the world.	إِنَّ تَلْمِيزَاتِ الرَّبِّ تَعَلَّمْنَ مِنَ الْمَلَائِكَةِ الْكَرَزَ بِالْقِيَامَةِ الْبَهْجِ، وَطَرَحْنَ الْقَضَاءَ الْجَدِّيَّ، وَخَاطَبْنَ الرُّسُلَ مُفْتَخِرَاتٍ وَقَائِلَاتٍ: سُبِّحِ الْمَوْتُ وَقَامَ الْمَسِيحُ إِلَهُ، وَمَنْحَ الْعَالَمَ الرَّحْمَةَ الْعُظْمَى.
APOLYTIKION OF THE BAPTIST'S BEHEADING IN TONE TWO	أبوليتيكيون لقطع الهامة باللحن الثاني
<i>Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.</i> The memory of the righteous is celebrated with songs of praise, but the Lord's testimony is sufficient for thee, O Forerunner. Thou wast shown indeed to be the most honorable of the prophets, for in the waters thou didst baptize Him Whom they had proclaimed. After suffering with joy in behalf of the truth, thou didst proclaim even to those in Hades the God Who appeared in the flesh, Who taketh away the sin of the world, and granteth us Great Mercy.	الْمَجْدُ لِلآبِ وَالْإِبْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ. تَذَكَرُ الصِّدِّيقَ بِالْمَدِيحِ، أَمَّا أَنْتَ أَيُّهَا السَّابِقُ فَتَكْفِيكَ شَهَادَةُ الرَّبِّ، لِأَنَّكَ ظَهَرْتَ بِالْحَقِيقَةِ أَشْرَفَ مِنْ كُلِّ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ، إِذْ قَدْ اسْتَأْهَلْتَ أَنْ تُعَمِّدَ فِي الْمَجَارِيِّ مَنْ كَرَزُوا هُمْ بِهِ. وَمِنْ ثَمَّ إِذْ جَاهَدْتَ عَنِ الْحَقِّ مَسْرُورًا، بَشَّرْتَ الَّذِينَ فِي الْجَحِيمِ بِالْإِلَهِ الظَّاهِرِ بِالْجَسَدِ، الرَّافِعِ خَطِيئَةَ الْعَالَمِ، وَالْمَانِحِ إِيَّانَا الرَّحْمَةَ الْعُظْمَى.
THEOTOKION FROM THE OCTOECHOS IN TONE TWO	ثيوطوكية القيامة باللحن الثاني
<i>Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.</i> All thy mysteries are beyond comprehension; all are exceedingly glorious, O Theotokos. Sealed with purity and preserved in virginity, thou wast known to be a true mother, giving birth unto the true God. Do thou entreat Him that our souls be saved.	الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ. آمين. أَسْرَارُكَ كُلُّهَا يَا وَالِدَةَ إِلَهِ تَفُوقُ كُلَّ عَقْلِ وَتَسْمُو عَلَى كُلِّ مَجْدٍ. لِأَنَّكَ وَأَنْتِ مَخْتَوْمَةُ الطَّهَارَةِ، وَمَصُونَةُ الْبَتُولِيَّةِ، عُرِفْتَ أَمَّا بِغَيْرِ رَيْبٍ، وَوُلِدْتَ إِلَهِ الْحَقِيقِيِّ، فَالِيهِ ابْتَهِلِي أَنْ يُخَلِّصَ نَفُوسَنَا.

THE DISMISSAL	الختم
Deacon: Wisdom.	الشَّمَّاس: حِكْمَةً.
Choir: Father, bless.	الجوقة: بَارِك يا أب.
Priest: Christ our God, the Existing One, is blessed, always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.	الكاهن: الْمَسِيحُ إِلَهُنَا، الَّذِي هُوَ مُبَارَكٌ كُلَّ حِينٍ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرٍ الدَّاهِرِينَ.
Choir: Amen. Preserve, O God, the holy Orthodox faith and all Orthodox Christians, unto ages of ages. Amen.	الجوقة: آمِينَ. لِيُوطِدِ الرَّبُّ إِلَهُ الْإِيمَانِ الْمُسْتَقِيمِ الرَّأْيِ، مَعَ جَمِيعِ الْمَسِيحِيِّينَ الْأُرْثُوذُكْسِيِّينَ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، آمِينَ.
Priest: Most-holy Theotokos, save us.	الكاهن: أَيُّهَا الْفَائِقُ قُدْسُهَا وَالِدَةُ إِلَهِ خَلِّصِنَا.
Choir: More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim, thou who without corruption didst bear God the Word and art truly Theotokos: we magnify thee.	الجوقة: يَا مَنْ هِيَ أَكْرَمُ مِنَ الشَّارُوبِيمِ، وَأَرْفَعُ مَجْدًا بغيرِ قِيَاسٍ مِنَ السَّارَافِيمِ، الَّتِي مِنْ دُونِ فَسَادٍ وَلَدَتْ كَلِمَةَ اللَّهِ، حَقًّا أَنْتَ وَالِدَةُ إِلَهِ إِيَّاكَ نُعَظِّمُ.
Priest: Glory to Thee, O Christ our God and our Hope, glory to Thee.	الكاهن: الْمَجْدُ لَكَ أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ إِلَهُ، يَا رَجَاءَنَا، الْمَجْدُ لَكَ.
Choir: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. Lord, have mercy (<i>thrice</i>). Father, bless.	الجوقة: الْمَجْدُ لِلآبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرٍ الدَّاهِرِينَ. آمِينَ. يَا رَبُّ ارْحَمْنَا. (ثَلَاثًا) بَارِك يا أب.
Priest: May he who rose from the dead, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of his all-immaculate and all-blameless holy Mother; by the might of the precious and life-giving cross; by the protection of the honorable bodiless powers of heaven; at the supplication of the honorable, glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John—whose beheading we now commemorate—of the holy, glorious and all-laudable apostles; of the holy, glorious and right-victorious martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing fathers; of Saint N. (<i>patron saint of the church</i>); of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna; and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, forasmuch as He is good and loveth mankind.	الكاهن: أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ إِلَهُنَا الْحَقِيقِي، يَامَنْ قَامَ مِنَ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، بِشَفَاعَاتِ أُمِّكَ الْكَلِيَّةِ الطَّهَارَةِ وَالْبَرِيَّةِ مِنْ كُلِّ عَيْبٍ؛ وَبِقُدْرَةِ الصَّلِيبِ الْكَرِيمِ الْمُحْيِي؛ وَبِطُلُوبَاتِ الْقُوَّاتِ السَّمَاءِيَّةِ الْمُكَرَّمَةِ الْعَامِمَةِ الْأَجْسَادِ؛ وَالنَّبِيِّ الْكَرِيمِ السَّابِقِ الْمَجِيدِ يُوحَنَّا الْمَعْمَدَانِ — الَّذِي نَقِيمُ تَذْكَارَ قَطْعِ هَامَتِهِ الْيَوْمَ — وَالْقَدِيسَيْنِ الْمُشْرِفَيْنِ الرُّسُلِ الْجَدِيرَيْنِ بِكُلِّ مَدِيحٍ؛ وَالْقَدِيسَيْنِ الْمَجِيدَيْنِ الشُّهَدَاءِ الْمُتَأَلِّقِينَ بِالظَّفَرِ؛ وَأَبَائِنَا الْأَبْرَارِ الْمُتَوَشَّحِينَ بِاللَّهِ؛ وَالْقَدِيسِ (فُلَانِ) شَفِيعِ وَحَامِي هَذِهِ الرَّعِيَّةِ الْمُقَدَّسَةِ، وَالْقَدِيسَيْنِ الصِّدِّيقَيْنِ يُوَاكِيمَ وَحَنَّةَ جَدِّي الْمَسِيحِ إِلَهُ، وَجَمِيعِ قَدِيسِيكَ، ارْحَمْنَا وَخَلِّصْنَا بِمَا أَنْتَ صَالِحٌ وَمُحِبٌّ لِلْبَشَرِ.

Priest: Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us.	الكاهن: بِصَلَوَاتِ آبَائِنَا الْقِدِّيسِينَ، أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ يَسُوعُ الْمَسِيحُ إِلَهَنَا، ارْحَمْنَا وَخَلِّصْنَا.
Choir: Amen.	الجوقة: آمين.
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