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لِتَقْدِمَةَ عِيدِ الْمِيلَادِ وَلِلْأَحَدِ الَّذِي قَبْلَ عِيدِ الْمِيلَادِ (أَحَدِ النِّسْبَةِ)

VIRGIN-MARTYR JULIANA OF NICOMEDIA; MARTYR THEMISTOKLES OF MYRA IN LYCIA

(SERVED ON THE EVENING PRIOR)

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

الكاهن: تَبَارَكَ اللهُ إِيَّاهُنَا كُلَّ حِينٍ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ.

Choir: Amen.

الجوق: 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 وَإِيَّاهُنَا.
هَلُمُّوا لِنَسْجُدَ وَنَرْكَعَ لِلْمَسِيحِ مَلِكِنَا وَإِيَّاهُنَا.
هَلُمُّوا لِنَسْجُدَ وَنَرْكَعَ لِلْمَسِيحِ، هَذَا هُوَ مَلِكُنَا وَرَبُّنَا وَإِيَّاهُنَا.

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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.

القارئ: بَارِكِي يَا نَفْسِي الرَّبَّ، أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهِي لَقَدْ عَظُمْتَ جِدًّا. الْاعْتِرَافَ وَعِظَمَ الْجَلَالِ تَسَرَّبَلْتِ، أَنْتِ اللَّابِسُ النُّورَ مِثْلَ الثَّوْبِ. الْبَاسِطُ السَّمَاءَ كَالخِيْمَةِ، الْمُسَقِّفُ بِالمِيَاهِ عَلَالِيَهُ. الْجَاعِلُ السَّحَابَ مَرْكَبَةً لَهُ، المَاشِي عَلَى أَجْنَحَةِ الرِّيَاحِ. الصَّانِعُ مَلَائِكَتَهُ أرواحاً، وَخُدَامَهُ لَهيبَ نارٍ. المَوْسِسُ الأَرْضَ عَلَى قَوَاعِدِهَا، فَلَا تَتَزَعَزَعُ إِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ. رِداؤُهُ اللُّجَّةُ كالثَّوْبِ، عَلَى الجِبَالِ تَقِفُ المِيَاهُ. مِنْ انْتِهَارِكَ تَهْرَبُ، وَمِنْ صَوْتِ رَعْدِكَ تَجْرَعُ. تَرْتَفِعُ الجِبَالُ، وَتَتَخَفِضُ البِقَاعُ إِلَى المَوْضِعِ الَّذِي أَسَّسْتَهُ لَهَا. وَضَعْتَ لَهَا حَدًّا فَلَا تَتَعَدَّاهُ، وَلَا تَرْجِعُ فَتُعْطِي وَجْهَ الأَرْضِ. أَنْتِ المُرْسِلُ العِيُونَ فِي الشِّعَابِ. وَفِي وَسْطِ الجِبَالِ تَعْبُرُ المِيَاهُ. تَسْقِي كُلَّ وُحُوشِ الغِيَاضِ، تُقْبِلُ حَمِيرُ الوَحْشِ عِنْدَ عَطَشِهَا. عَلَيَّهَا طَيُورُ السَّمَاءِ تَسْكُنُ، مِنْ بَيْنِ الصُّخُورِ تُعْرِدُ بِأصْوَاتِهَا. أَنْتِ الَّذِي يَسْقِي الجِبَالِ مِنْ عَلَالِيَهُ، مِنْ

He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and green herb for the service of men, to bring forth 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, wherein are things creeping innumerable, small living creatures with the great. There go the ships; there this leviathan, 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.

ثَمَرَةَ أَعْمَالِكَ تَسْبَعُ الْأَرْضُ. أَنْتَ الَّذِي يُنْبِتُ الْعُشْبَ لِلْبَهَائِمِ، وَالْحُضْرَةَ لِخِدْمَةِ الْبَشَرِ. لِيُخْرِجَ حُبْزاً مِنَ الْأَرْضِ، وَالْخَمْرُ تُفْرِحُ قَلْبَ الْإِنْسَانِ. لِيُنْتَهَجَ الْوَجْهَ بِالزَّيْتِ، وَالْحُبْرُ يُشَدِّدُ قَلْبَ الْإِنْسَانِ. تُرَوِّى أَشْجَارَ الْغَابِ، وَأَرْزُ لَبْنَانَ الَّذِي نَصَبْتَهُ. هُنَاكَ تُعَشِّشُ الْعَصَافِيرُ، وَمَسَاكِنُ الْهَيروُدي تَتَقَدَّمُهَا. الْجِبَالُ الْعَالِيَةُ لِلْأَيْلَةِ، وَالصُّخُورُ مَلْجَأً لِلْأَرَانِبِ. صَنَعَ الْقَمَرَ لِلْأَوْقَاتِ، وَالشَّمْسُ عَرَفَتْ غُرُوبَهَا. جَعَلَ الظُّلْمَةَ فَكَانَ لَيْلاً، فِيهِ تَغْبِرُ جَمِيعُ وَحُوشِ الْغَابِ. أَشْبَالُ تَزَارُّ لِتَحْطَفَ وَتَطْلُبُ مِنَ اللَّهِ طَعَامَهَا. أَشْرَقَتْ الشَّمْسُ فَاجْتَمَعَتْ، وَفِي صِيَرِهَا رَبَضَتْ. يَخْرُجُ الْإِنْسَانُ إِلَى عَمَلِهِ وَإِلَى صِنَاعَتِهِ حَتَّى الْمَسَاءِ. مَا أَعْظَمَ أَعْمَالِكَ يَا رَبُّ، كُلُّهَا بِحِكْمَةٍ صَنَعْتَ، قَدْ امْتَلَأَتِ الْأَرْضُ مِنْ خَلِيقَتِكَ. هَذَا الْبَحْرُ الْكَبِيرُ الْوَاسِعُ، هُنَاكَ دَبَابَاتٌ لَا عَدَدَ لَهَا، حَيَوَانَاتٌ صِغَارٌ مَعَ كِبَارٍ. هُنَاكَ تَجْرِي السُّفُنُ، هَذَا التَّنِينُ الَّذِي خَلَقْتَهُ يَلْعَبُ فِيهِ. وَكُلُّهَا إِيَّاكَ 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، يَفْرِحُ الرَّبُّ بِأَعْمَالِهِ. الَّذِي يَنْظُرُ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ فَيَجْعَلُهَا تَرْتَعِدُ، وَيَمَسُّ الْجِبَالَ فَتُدْحِخُنَّ. أَسْبَحُ الرَّبَّ فِي حَيَاتِي، وَأَرْتَلُ لِلْإِلَهِيِّ مَا دُمْتُ مَوْجُودًا. يَلْذُ لَهُ تَأْمَلِي، وَأَنَا أَفْرِحُ بِالرَّبِّ. لِتَبِدِ الْخَطَاةَ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ، وَلَا يَبْقَ فِيهَا الْإِثْمَةُ. بَارِكِي يَا نَفْسِي الرَّبَّ. الشَّمْسُ عَرَفَتْ غُرُوبَهَا، جَعَلَ الظُّلْمَةَ فَكَانَ لَيْلاً. مَا أَعْظَمَ أَعْمَالِكَ يَا رَبُّ، كُلُّهَا بِحِكْمَةٍ صَنَعْتَ.

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. Glory to Thee, O God. (thrice) O our God and our Hope, glory to Thee!	الْمَجْدُ لِلآبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وإلى دَهْرِ الداهِرِينَ. آمين. هَلْلُوِيَا، هَلْلُوِيَا، هَلْلُوِيَا، الْمَجْدُ لَكَ يَا اللَّهُ. (ثلاثا) يا إِلَهنا وَرَجاءنا لَكَ الْمَجْدُ.
THE GREAT LITANY	الطَّلِبَةُ السَّلامِيَّةُ الْكُبْرَى
Deacon: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: بِسَلامٍ إلى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Choir: Lord, have mercy. (use this response until noted below)	الجوقة: يا رَبُّ ارْحَمِ. (تُعَادُ بَعْدَ كُلِّ طَلِبَةٍ)
Deacon: For the peace from above and the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ السَّلامِ الَّذِي مِنَ العُلَى وَخِلاصِ نُفوسِنا، إلى 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 سَلامِ كُلِّ العالَمِ، وَحُسْنِ ثَباتِ كِنائِسِ اللَّهِ الْمُقَدَّسَةِ، وَاتِّحادِ الكُلِّ، إلى 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 البَيْتِ الْمُقَدَّسِ، وَالَّذِينَ يَدْخُلُونَ إِلَيْهِ بِإِيْمانٍ وَوَرَعٍ وَخَوْفِ اللَّهِ، إلى 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 أبينا وَمِتروبوليتنا (فلان)، وَالكَهَنَةِ الْمُكْرَمِينَ وَخُدّامِ المَسِيحِ، وَجَميعِ الإكليروسِ وَالشَّعبِ، إلى 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 حُكّامِ هَذَا البَلَدِ، وَمُؤازَرَتِهِمْ في كُلِّ عَمَلٍ صالِحٍ، إلى 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 المَدِينَةِ، وَجَميعِ المُدُنِ وَالقُرىِ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ السّاكِنِينَ فِيها، إلى 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 اعتِدالِ الأهُويَةِ وَخِصبِ الأَرْضِ بِالثَمارِ، وَأوقاتِ سَلامِيَّةٍ، إلى 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 المُسافِرِينَ في البَحْرِ وَالبَرِّ وَالجَوِّ، وَالْمَرضىِ وَالْمَضنِّينَ، وَالأسرىِ وَخِلاصِهِمْ، إلى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.
Deacon: For our deliverance from all tribulation, wrath, danger and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.	الشماس: مِنْ أَجْلِ نَجاتِنا مِنْ كُلِّ ضيقٍ وَغَضَبٍ وَخَطَرٍ وَشِدَّةٍ، إلى الرَّبِّ نَطْلُبُ.

Deacon: Help us; save us; have mercy on us; and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.	الشماس: أَعِزُّدْ وَخَلِّصْ 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 نِكرِنا الكَلِيَّةِ القَدَّاسَةِ الطَّاهِرَةِ، الفَائِقَةِ البَرَكَاتِ، المَجِيدَةِ، سَيِّدَتِنا وِالدَّةِ الإِلهِ الدَّائِمَةِ البَتُولِيَّةِ مَرِيَمَ، مَعَ جَمِيعِ القَدِّيسِينَ، لِنُودِعَ أَنْفُسَنا وَبَعْضُنا بَعْضاً وَكُلَّ حَيَاتِنا لِلْمَسِيحِ الإِلهِ.
Choir: To Thee, O Lord.	الجوقة: لَكَ يا 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 وإِكْرَامٍ وَسُجُودٍ، أَيُّها الأَبُ والابْنُ والروحُ القُدُّسُ، الآنَ وَكُلَّ أوانٍ وإِلى دَهرِ الداهِرِينَ.
Choir: Amen.	الجوقة: آمين.
“O LORD, I HAVE CRIED” IN TONE THREE	"يا رَبِّ إِلَيْكَ صَرَّخْتُ" بِاللَّحْنِ الثَّالِثِ
O Lord, I have cried out unto Thee, hear Thou me; hear Thou me, O Lord. O Lord, I have cried out unto Thee, hear Thou me. Give ear to the voice of my supplication when I cry out unto Thee; hear Thou me, O Lord.	يا رَبِّ إِلَيْكَ صَرَّخْتُ، فَاسْتَمِعْ لي، اسْتَمِعْ لي يا رَبِّ. يا رَبِّ إِلَيْكَ صَرَّخْتُ فَاسْتَمِعْ لي، أَنْصِتْ إِلى صَوْتِ تَضَرُّعِي حِينَ أَصْرُخُ إِلَيْكَ، اسْتَمِعْ لي يا رَبِّ.
Let my prayer be set forth before Thee as the incense, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice; hear Thou me, O Lord.	لِتَسْتَقِمَ صَلَاتِي كالبَخُورِ أَمامَكَ، وَليَكُنْ رَفْعُ يَدَيَّ كذَبِيحَةِ مَسائِيَّةٍ، اسْتَمِعْ لي يا رَبِّ.
Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and a protecting door round about my lips.	إِجْعَلْ يا رَبُّ حارِساً لِفَمِّي وَباباً حَاصِناً عَلى شَفَتَيَّ.
Incline not my heart to evil words, to make excuses in sins.	لا تُمِلْ قَلْبِي إِلى كَلامِ الشَّرِّ فَيَتَعَلَّلَ بِعِلَلِ الخَطايا.
With men that work iniquity; and I will not communicate with the choicest of them.	مَعَ النَاسِ العامِلِينَ الإِثْمَ وَلا أَتَقَفُ مَعَ مُخْتارِيهِم.
The just man shall correct me in mercy and shall reprove me; but let not the oil of the sinner anoint my head.	سَيُؤَدِّبُنِي الصِّدِّيقُ بِرَحْمَةٍ وَيُؤَيِّخُنِي أَمَّا زَيْتُ الخاطِيِّ فلا يُدْهِنُ بِهِ رَأْسِي.
For my prayer also shall still be against the things with which they are well pleased; their judges falling upon the rock have been swallowed up.	لِأَنَّ صَلَاتِي أَيضاً فِي مَسَرَّتِهِمْ، قَدِ ابْتَلَعَتْ قُضائُهُمْ مُلتَصِقِينَ بِصَخْرَةٍ.
They shall hear my words, for they are sweet; as when the thickness of the earth is broken upon	يَسْمَعُونَ كَلِماتي فَإِنَّها قَدِ اسْتُلِدَّتْ مِثْلَ سَمَنِ الأَرْضِ

the ground, their bones are scattered by the side of hades.	الْمُنْشَقَّ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ تَبَدَّدَتْ عِظَامُهُمْ حَوْلَ الْجَحِيمِ.
But to Thee, O Lord, Lord, are mine eyes; in Thee have I put my trust, take not away my soul.	لَأَنَّ يَا رَبُّ، يَا رَبُّ إِلَيْكَ عَيْنِي وَعَلَيْكَ تَوَكَّلْتُ فَلَا تَنْزِعْ نَفْسِي.
Keep me from the snare which they have laid for me, and the traps of the workers of iniquity.	إِحْفَظْنِي مِنَ الْفَخِّ الَّذِي نَصَبُوهُ لِي وَمِنْ مَعَاثِرِ فَاعِلِي الْإِثْمِ.
Let the wicked fall into their own nets, whilst I alone escape.	تَسْقُطُ الْخَطَاةُ فِي مَصَائِدِهِمْ وَأَكُونُ أَنَا عَلَى انْفِرَادٍ إِلَى أَنْ أُعْبِرَ.
I cried unto the Lord with my voice, with my voice unto the Lord, did I make my supplication.	بِصَوْتِي إِلَى الرَّبِّ صَرَخْتُ، بِصَوْتِي إِلَى الرَّبِّ تَضَرَّعْتُ.
I poured out my supplication before Him; I showed before Him my trouble.	أَسْكَبُ أَمَامَهُ تَضَرُّعِي وَأُحْزَانِي قُدَّامَهُ أُخْبِرُ.
When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, then Thou knewest my paths.	عِنْدَ فَنَاءِ رُوحِي مِنِّي أَنْتَ تَعْرِفُ سُبُلِي.
In the way wherein I walked have they secretly laid a snare for me.	فِي هَذَا الطَّرِيقِ الَّذِي كُنْتُ أَسْلُكُ فِيهِ أَخْفَوْا لِي فَخًّا.
I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me.	تَأَمَّلْتُ فِي الْمِيَامِينَ وَأَبْصَرْتُ فَلَمْ يَكُنْ مَنْ يَعْرِفُنِي.
Refuge failed me; no one cared for my soul.	ضَاعَ الْمَهْرَبُ مِنِّي وَلَمْ يُوجَدْ مَنْ يَطْلُبُ نَفْسِي.
I cried unto Thee, O Lord; I said: Thou art my refuge and my portion in the land of the living.	فَصَرَخْتُ إِلَيْكَ يَا رَبُّ وَقُلْتُ أَنْتَ هُوَ رَجَائِي وَنَصِيْبِي فِي أَرْضِ الْأَحْيَاءِ.
Attend unto my cry, for I am brought very low.	أَنْصِتْ إِلَى طِلْبَتِي فَإِنِّي قَدْ تَدَلَّلْتُ جَدًّا.
Deliver me from my persecutors, for they are stronger than I.	نَجِّنِي مِنَ الَّذِينَ يَضْطَّهِدُونَنِي فَإِنَّهُمْ قَدْ اعْتَزَّوْا عَلَيَّ.
For the Resurrection in Tone Three	لِلْقِيَامَةِ بِاللَّحْنِ الثَّالِثِ
<i>Verse 10. Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise Thy Name.</i> O Christ Savior, the might of death hath verily broken down under Thy Cross; and the deceit of Diabolus hath ceased; and the race of man hath by faith escaped and been saved. Wherefore, praise is offered Thee perpetually.	<i>استنخن ١٠. أخرج من الحبس نفسي، لكي أشكر اسمك.</i> أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْمُخْلِصُ، لَقَدْ انْحَلَّتْ بِصَلَابِكَ عِزَّةُ الْمَوْتِ، وَخَدِيعَةُ الْمَحَالِ قَدْ بَطَلَتْ، وَجِنْسُ الْبَشَرِ بِالْإِيمَانِ خَلَصَ نَاجِيًّا، فَلِذَا يُقَدِّمُ لَكَ تَسْبِيحًا فِي كُلِّ حِينٍ.
<i>Verse 9. The righteous shall wait for me until Thou recompense me.</i>	<i>استنخن ٩. إياي ينتظر الصديقون حتى تجازيني.</i>

<p>The whole creation, O Lord God, hath been lighted by Thy glorified Resurrection; and paradise hath been opened withal. Wherefore, all creatures laud Thee and offer Thee praise perpetually.</p>	<p>أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الْإِلَهَ، لَقَدْ اسْتَارَتِ الْخَلِيقَةُ قَاطِبَةً بِقِيَامَتِكَ الْمَجِيدَةِ، وَالْفِرْدَوْسُ قَدْ فُتِحَ أَيْضاً. فَلِذَا كُلُّ الْبَرِيَاءِ تَمَدَّحُكَ، وَتُقَدِّمُ لَكَ تَسْبِيحاً فِي كُلِّ حِينٍ.</p>
<p><i>Verse 8. Out of the depths have I cried to Thee, O Lord, Lord hear my voice.</i> I glorify the power of the Father, magnify the power of the Son, and praise the might of the Holy Spirit, one Godhead, indivisible, uncreated, consubstantial Trinity, reigning through all eternity.</p>	<p><i>استنخن ٨. مِنَ الْأَعْمَاقِ صَرَخْتُ إِلَيْكَ يَا رَبُّ، يَا رَبُّ اسْتَمِعْ صَوْتِي.</i> أَمَجِّدُ قُوَّةَ الْآبِ، وَأَعْظِمُ قُوَّةَ الْإِبْنِ، وَأُسَبِّحُ سُلْطَةَ الرُّوحِ الْقُدُّوسِ، اللَّاهُوتِ الْوَاحِدِ غَيْرِ الْمُنْقَسِمِ، الْعَادِمِ أَنْ يَكُونَ مَخْلُوقاً، وَالثَّالُوثِ الْمُنْسَاوِي الْجَوْهَرِ، الْمَالِكِ إِلَى جَمِيعِ الْأَذْهَارِ.</p>
<p><i>Verse 7. Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.</i> Thy glorified Cross, O Christ, do we worship, and Thy Resurrection do we praise and glorify; for by Thy wounds we are all healed.</p>	<p><i>استنخن ٧. لَتَكُنْ أُنْذَانُكَ مُصْغِيَّتَيْنِ إِلَى صَوْتِ تَضَرُّعِي.</i> أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ، لِصَلِيبِكَ الْمُكْرَمِ نَسْجُدُ، وَلِقِيَامَتِكَ نُسَبِّحُ وَنُحَمِّدُ، لِأَنَّنا بِكُلُومِكَ شَفِينَا أَجْمَعِينَ.</p>
<p>For the Forefeast of the Nativity in Tone One (**O all-lauded Martyrs**)</p>	<p>لِتَقْدِمَةَ عِيدِ الْمِيلَادِ بِاللَّحْنِ الْأَوَّلِ (**أَصْحَابِ الْمَدِيحِ الشُّهَدَاءِ**)</p>
<p><i>Verse 6. If Thou, O Lord, shouldst mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? For with Thee there is forgiveness.</i> O pure living palace of our God, * O all-blameless Virgin, He Whom all the Heavens cannot contain hath been contained in thee. * Past all understanding, * thou shalt bear Him in the cave; * for He hath been made poor and hath taken flesh that He might deify * and make rich me, who was rendered poor * by a surfeit * of exceeding bitter food.</p>	<p><i>استنخن ٦. إِنْ كُنْتَ لِلْآثَامِ رَاصِداً يَا رَبُّ، فَيَا رَبُّ مَنْ يَثْبُتُ؟ فَإِنَّ مِنْ عِنْدِكَ الْإِعْتِفَارَ.</i> أَيُّهَا الْبَتُولُ الْبَرِيئَةُ مِنْ كُلِّ الْعُيُوبِ الْبَلَاطُ الْحَيُّ لِلَّهِ، لَقَدْ وَسِعْتَ مَنْ لَا تَسَعُهُ السَّمَاوَاتُ، الَّذِي سَتَلِدِينَهُ فِي الْمَعَارَةِ بِمَا يَفُوقُ الْعَقْلَ مُتَمَسِكِناً وَصَائِراً جَسِداً، لِكَيْ يُؤَهِّلَنِي وَيَغْنِينِي أَنَا الَّذِي صِرْتُ فَقِيراً بِسَرْفِ الطَّعَامِ الْكَلْبِيِّ الْمَرَارَةِ.</p>
<p><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> At Caesar's commandment, Thou, O Christ, * wast enrolled with us Thy servants in Thy tender compassion that Thou mightest come to grant * freedom and redemption * and Thine everlasting life * to us, Thy thankless servants, who worship Thy divine and saving Birth, * O long-suffering and forbearing Lord, * since Thou camest * that</p>	<p><i>استنخن ٥. مِنْ أَجْلِ اسْمِكَ صَبَرْتُ لَكَ يَا رَبُّ، صَبَرْتُ نَفْسِي فِي أَقْوَالِكَ، تَوَكَّلْتُ نَفْسِي عَلَى الرَّبِّ.</i> أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الطَّوِيلُ الْأَنَاةِ، إِنَّكَ لِتَحْتَنُنْكَ كُتِبْتَ مَعَ الْعَبِيدِ بِأَمْرِ قَيْصَرَ، لِتَأْتِي فَتَمْنَحَ الْحُرِّيَّةَ وَالْحَيَاةَ وَالنَّجَاةَ لِعَبِيدِكَ الْعَادِمِي الشُّكْرِ، السَّاجِدِينَ لِمِيلَادِكَ</p>

<p>Thou mightest save our souls.</p>	<p>الْخَلَاصِي، أَيُّهَا الْآتِي لِتُخَلِّصَ نُفُوسَنَا.</p>
<p><i>Verse 4. From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch let Israel trust in the Lord.</i> The all-holy Virgin free of blame * having pondered on the great incomprehensible childbirth that transfigured and made new * nature's established bound'ries, * she cried out unto her Son: * O most beloved Child, I am sore amazed at this great mystery; * how I gave birth, and am virgin still, * by Thy power, * Who hast made all by Thy will.</p>	<p>اسْتِيخْنَ ٤. مِنْ أَنْفَجَارِ الصُّبْحِ إِلَى اللَّيْلِ، مِنْ أَنْفَجَارِ الصُّبْحِ لِيَتَّكِلَ إِسْرَائِيلُ عَلَى الرَّبِّ. إِنَّ الْكَلِيَّةَ الْفَدَاسَةَ الْبَرِيَّةَ مِنَ الْعَيْبِ، لَمَّا أَدْرَكَتِ الْمِيلَادَ غَيْرَ الْمُدْرِكِ، الْمُجَدِّدَ تَرْتِيبَاتِ الطَّبِيعَةِ، هَتَفَتْ بِابْنِهَا قَائِلَةً: يَا وَلَدِي الْمَحْبُوبَ جِدًّا إِنِّي أَنْدَهُلُ مِنَ السِّرِّ الْعَظِيمِ، كَيْفَ أَكُونُ بَعْدَ الْوِلَادَةِ بَتُولًا بِفُطْرَتِكَ، أَيُّهَا الصَّانِعُ الْأَشْيَاءِ كُلِّهَا بِمَشِيئَتِكَ.</p>
<p>For the Forefathers in Tone Eight (**The Paradise of Eden**)</p>	<p>للأجداد باللحن الثامن (**فِرْدَوْسُ عَدْنٍ أَنْبَتَ قَدِيمًا**)</p>
<p><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> As we the faithful celebrate today * the Forefathers' memory, * let us praise Christ the Redeemer and our King, * Who magnified them in the midst * of all nations upon the earth * and through faith accomplished strange and wondrous signs, * performing marvels and miracles, * since He is powerful and strong, * and Who from them hath shown unto us * that rod of power prophesied: * Mary, the Child of God, * who alone had no experience of man * and from whom came the Flower, * the promised Christ, Who sprouted life for all, * inexhaustible delight, * and our salvation to eternity.</p>	<p>اسْتِيخْنَ ٣. لِأَنَّ مِنَ الرَّبِّ الرَّحْمَةَ، وَمِنْهُ النَّجَاةُ الْكَثِيرَةُ، وَهُوَ يُنَجِّي إِسْرَائِيلَ مِنْ كُلِّ آثَامِهِ. أَيُّهَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ، إِذْ نُقِيمُ الْيَوْمَ تَذَكَارَ الْأَجْدَادِ، فَلْنُسَبِّحْ بِإِيْمَانِ الْمَسِيحِ الْمُنْقَذِ، الَّذِي عَظَّمَهُمْ فِي جَمِيعِ الْأُمَمِ، الرَّبِّ الصَّانِعِ الْعَجَائِبِ الْمُسْتَعْرَبَةِ، بِمَا أَنَّهُ عَزِيزٌ وَقَدِيرٌ، الْمُظْهِرَ لَنَا مِنْهُمْ عَصَا قُوَّةٍ، هِيَ مَرِيْمُ فَتَاةُ اللَّهِ النَّقِيَّةِ، الَّتِي هِيَ وَحْدَهَا لَمْ تَعْرِفْ رَجُلًا، وَمِنْهَا وَرَدَ الْمَسِيحُ الرَّهْرَهُ، مُفْرَعًا لِلْجَمِيعِ الْحَيَاةَ وَالنَّعِيمَ الَّذِي لَا يَزُولُ وَالْخَلَاصَ الْأَبَدِيَّ.</p>
<p><i>Verse 2. Praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise Him, all ye people.</i> O Master, Who didst rescue from the fire * the Children in Babylon * and wise Daniel from the lions' gaping mouths; * Thou Who didst bless great Abraham, * holy Isaac, Thy servant, and * his son Jacob, the beloved Israel; * Thou Who wast pleased to become like us * from their descendants and their seed, * to save our first</p>	<p>اسْتِيخْنَ ٢. سَبِّحُوا الرَّبَّ يَا جَمِيعَ الْأُمَمِ، وَامْدَحُوهُ يَا سَائِرَ الشُّعُوبِ. أَيُّهَا السَّيِّدِ، يَا مَنْ أَنْقَذَ الْفَتِيَّةَ الْقَدِيسِينَ مِنَ النَّارِ، وَدَانِيَالَ مِنْ أَفْوَاهِ الْأَسُودِ، وَبَارَكَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَإِسْحَاقَ عَبْدَهُ وَابْنَهُ يَعْقُوبَ، لَقَدْ ارْتَضَيْتَ أَنْ تَصِيرَ مِثْلَنَا</p>

<p>parents, who of old * had slipped and fallen into death: * Thou, Lord, wast crucified, * and wast buried, and didst burst the bonds of death, * with Thyself resurrecting * all that since time began lay 'midst the dead, * who then worshipped Thee, O Christ, * and Thine eternal Kingdom over all.</p>	<p>مِنْ زَرَعِهِمْ، لِكَيْ تُخَلِّصَ أَجْدَادَنَا الَّذِينَ سَقَطُوا قَدِيمًا، وَتُضَلَّبَ وَتُدْفَنَ وَتَسْحَقَ أَرْبَطَةَ الْمَنُونِ، وَتُنْهَضَ الْمَائِتِينَ مِنْذُ الدَّهْرِ، سَاجِدِينَ أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ لِمُلْكِكَ الْأَبَدِيِّ.</p>
<p><i>Verse 1. For His mercy is great toward us, and the truth of the Lord endureth forever.</i></p> <p>When in the furnace of the blazing flame, * Thy holy and faithful Youths * proved to be as in a cool, refreshing dew; * then did they mystically portray * from before that Thou wast to come * from a Virgin whom Thy brightness would not burn. * As for Thy coming the second time * in Thy dread glory as our God, * the wondrous Prophet and righteous man, * great Daniel, clearly hath foretold, * when he cried out and said: * I beheld until the thrones were set in place * and the Judge sat for judgment; * and then rushed forth the river of that fire, * from the which may we be saved, * by their entreaties, O our Master Christ.</p>	<p><i>استيخن ١. لَأَنَّ رَحْمَتَهُ قَدْ عَظُمَتْ عَلَيْنَا، وَحَقُّ الرَّبِّ يَوْمُ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ.</i></p> <p>أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ، إِنَّ الْفَتِيَّةَ الْقَدِيسِينَ لَمَّا كَانُوا فِي أَتُونٍ لَهَيْبِ النَّارِ، كَانَتْهُمْ فِي نَدَى، سَبَقُوا فَصَوَّرُوا سِرِّيًّا مَجِيئَكَ مِنَ الْبَتُولِ الَّذِي أَنَارَنَا بِغَيْرِ احْتِرَاقٍ، وَأَمَّا دَانِيَالُ الصِّدِّيقِ الْعَجِيبِ فِي الْأَنْبِيَاءِ، فَلَمَّا سَبَقَ وَأَوْضَحَ جَلِيًّا حُضُورَكَ الثَّانِي الْإِلَهِيَّ هَتَفَ قَائِلًا: إِنِّي رَأَيْتُ الْكَرَاسِيَّ قَدْ وُضِعَتْ، وَالذِّيَّانَ جَلَسَ وَنَهَرَ النَّارِ حَضَرَ قُدَّامَهُ، فَبِتَوَسُّلَاتِهِمْ أَنْقَذْنَا مِنْهُ أَيُّهَا السَّيِّدِ.</p>
<p>DOXASTICON FOR THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY IN TONE SIX</p>	<p>نُكْمًا لِلأحد الذي قبل عيد الميلاد باللحن السادس</p>
<p><i>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.</i></p> <p>Verily, Daniel, the man of desires, when he saw Thee, O Lord, a Stone cut out without hands, did foretell Thee a Babe born without seed, O Word incarnate of the Virgin, the untransformed God, Savior of our souls.</p>	<p><i>المجد للآبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ.</i></p> <p>أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ، إِنَّ دَانِيَالَ رَجُلَ الرِّغَائِبِ، لَمَّا عَايَنَكَ حَجْرًا مُقْتَطَعًا بِغَيْرِ يَدٍ، سَبَقَ فَدَعَاكَ طِفْلًا مَوْلُودًا بِغَيْرِ زَرْعٍ، أَيُّهَا الْكَلِمَةُ الْمُتَجَسِّدُ مِنَ الْبَتُولِ، الْإِلَهُ غَيْرَ الْمُسْتَحِيلِ الْمُخَلِّصُ نَفُوسَنَا.</p>
<p>THEOTOKION FOR THE RESURRECTION IN TONE THREE</p>	<p>والديّة للقيامة باللحن الثالث</p>
<p><i>Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.</i></p> <p>O Lady of exceeding honor, how can we but wonder at thee giving birth to incarnate God? For thou, O all-blameless, not knowing a man, didst give birth in the flesh to a Son without father, who before eternity was begotten of the</p>	<p><i>الآن وكلّ أوانٍ وإلى دهرِ الدهرين. آمين.</i></p> <p>أَيُّهَا السَّيِّدَةُ الْكَلِيَّةُ الشَّرَفِ، كَيْفَ لَا نَتَعَجَّبُ مِنْ وِلادَتِكَ إِلَهًا مُتَأَنِّسًا، لِأَنَّكَ يَا عَادِمَةَ كُلِّ عَيْبٍ، مِنْ غَيْرِ أَنْ تَعْرِفِي رَجُلًا، وَلَدْتِ بِالْجَسَدِ ابْنًا بِغَيْرِ أَبٍ، الَّذِي هُوَ قَبْلَ الدَّهْرِ مَوْلُودٌ مِنَ الْآبِ بِغَيْرِ أُمٍّ، حُلُوءًا</p>

Father without mother, the property and essence of each substance remaining intact. Wherefore, O virgin Mother, beseech Him to save the souls of those who assent and confess, with true belief, that thou art the Theotokos.	مِنْ تَغْيِيرٍ أَوْ امْتِزَاجٍ أَوْ انْقِسَامٍ، بَلْ هُوَ حَافِظٌ خَوَاصِّ كُلِّ مِنَ الْجَوْهَرِينَ سَالِمَةٍ. لِذَلِكَ، أَيُّهَا الْأُمُّ الْعَذْرَاءُ، ابْتَهِلِي إِلَيْهِ لِكَيْ يُخَلِّصَ نُفُوسَ الْمُقَرَّرِينَ وَالْمُعْتَرِفِينَ بِاسْتِقَامَةٍ رَأَى أَنَّكَ وَالِدَةُ الْإِلَهِ.
<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: الْحِكْمَةَ! فَلْنَسْتَقِم!
O GLADSOME LIGHT	يا نورا 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.	المرتل: يا نورا بهياً لِقُدْسٍ مَجْدِ الْآبِ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ، السَّمَاوِيِّ، الْقُدُّوسِ، الْمَغْبُوطِ، يا يسوع المسيح، إذ قد بلغنا إلى غروبِ الشَّمْسِ، ونظرنا نورا مسائياً، نُسَبِّحُ الْآبَ وَالابْنَ وَالرُّوحَ الْقُدْسَ الْإِلَهَ. فَيَا ابْنَ اللَّهِ الْمُعْطِي الْحَيَاةَ، إِنَّكَ لَمُسْتَحَقٌّ فِي سَائِرِ الْأَوْقَاتِ، أَنْ تُسَبَّحَ بِأَصْوَاتٍ بَارَّةٍ، لِذَلِكَ الْعَالَمُ لَكَ يُمَجِّدُ.
Deacon: The evening prokeimenon.	الشماس: تَرْزِيمَةُ الْمَسَاءِ.
SATURDAY PROKEIMENON IN TONE SIX	بروكيمنون لنهار السبت بالحن السادس
Choir: The Lord is King, and hath clothed Himself with majesty. (ONCE)	الجوقة: الرَّبُّ قَدْ مَلَكَ وَالْجَلالَ لَبَسَ.
<i>Verse 1. The Lord is robed; He is girded with strength. (Refrain)</i>	ستيخن: لَبَسَ الرَّبُّ الْقُوَّةَ وَتَمَنَّقَ بِهَا. (اللازمة)
<i>Verse 2. For He has established the world so that it shall never be moved. (Refrain)</i>	ستيخن: لِأَنَّهُ وَطَّدَ الْمَسْكُونَةَ فَلَنْ تَتَزَعَّرَعَ. (اللازمة)
THE OLD TESTAMENT READINGS	قراءات العهد القديم
The First Reading	القراءة الأولى
Deacon: Wisdom!	الشماس: حِكْمَةٌ!
Reader: The Reading from Genesis. (14:14-20)	القارئ: قِرَاءَةٌ أُولَى مِنْ سِفْرِ التَّكْوِينِ. (١٤:١٤-٢٠)
Deacon: Let us attend!	الشماس: لِنُصْغِ.
Reader: When Abram heard that Lot his nephew had been taken captive, he numbered his own home-born servants 318, and pursued after them to Dan. And he fell upon them at night, he and his servants who were with him, and he smote them and pursued them as far as Chobal,	القارئ: فَلَمَّا سَمِعَ أَبْرَامُ أَنَّ أَخَاهُ سُبِّي جَرَّ غِلْمَانَهُ الْمُتَمَرِّينَ، وَلِدَانَ بَيْتِهِ، ثَلَاثَ مِئَةٍ وَثَمَانِيَةَ عَشَرَ، وَتَبِعَهُمْ إِلَى دَانَ. وَأَنْقَسَمَ عَلَيْهِمْ لَيْلاً هُوَ وَعَبِيدُهُ

<p>which is on the left of Damascus. And he recovered all the cavalry of Sodom, and he recovered Lot his nephew, and all his possessions, and the women and the people. And the king of Sodom went out to meet him, after he returned from the slaughter of Chodollogomor, and the kings with him, to the valley of Saby; this was the king's dale. And Melchisedek, king of Salem, brought forth bread and wine, and he was the priest of the Most High God. And he blessed Abram, and said: Blessed be Abram of the Most High God, Who made heaven and earth, and blessed be the Most High God, Who delivered thine enemies into thy hand.</p>	<p>فَكَسَّرَهُمْ وَتَبِعَهُمْ إِلَى حُوبَةِ الَّتِي عَنْ شِمَالِ دِمَشْقَ. وَاسْتَرْجَعَ كُلَّ الْأَمْلاَكِ، وَاسْتَرْجَعَ لوطاً أَخَاهُ أَيْضًا وَأَمْلاَكَهُ، وَالنِّسَاءَ أَيْضًا وَالشَّعْبَ. فَخَرَجَ مَلِكُ سَدُومَ لَاِسْتِقْبَالِهِ، بَعْدَ رُجُوعِهِ مِنْ كَسْرَةِ كَدْرَلَعَوْمَرَ وَالْمُلُوكِ الَّذِينَ مَعَهُ إِلَى عُمُقِ شَوَى، الَّذِي هُوَ عُمُقُ الْمَلِكِ. وَمَلِكِي صَادِقُ، مَلِكُ شَالِيمَ، أَخْرَجَ خُبْرًا وَخَمْرًا. وَكَانَ كَاهِنًا لِلَّهِ الْعَلِيِّ. وَبَارَكَهُ وَقَالَ: «مُبَارَكُ أَبْرَامُ مِنَ اللَّهِ الْعَلِيِّ مَالِكِ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ، وَمُبَارَكُ اللَّهُ الْعَلِيُّ الَّذِي أَسْلَمَ أَعْدَاءَكَ فِي يَدِكَ».</p>
<p>The Second Reading</p>	<p>القراءة الثانية</p>
<p>Deacon: Wisdom! Reader: The Reading from Deuteronomy. (1:8-11, 15-17) Deacon: Let us attend!</p>	<p>الشماس: حِكْمَةٌ! القارئ: قراءة ثانية مِنْ سِفْرِ تَثْنِيَةِ الْإِشْتِرَاعِ. (١: ٨-١١، ١٥-١٧) الشماس: لِنُضْغِ.</p>
<p>Reader: Thus said Moses to the sons of Israel: Behold, I have delivered the land before you; go in and inherit the land, which the Lord swore to your fathers Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, to give it to them and to their seed after them. And I spake to you at that time, saying: I shall not be able to bear you by myself. The Lord your God hath multiplied you, and behold, ye are today as the stars of heaven for multitude. The Lord God of your fathers add to you a thousand-fold more than ye are, and bless you as He hath spoken to you. So I took of you wise and understanding and prudent men, and I set them to rule over you as rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, and rulers of tens, and instructors for your judges. And I commanded your judges at that time, saying: Hear causes between your brethren, and judge justly between a man and his brother, and the stranger that is with him. Thou shalt not have respect to persons in judgment, thou shalt judge small and great equally; thou</p>	<p>القارئ: وَقَالَ موسى لبني إسرائيل: "انظروا، قد جعلت أمامكم الأرض. ادخلوا وتملكوا الأرض التي أقسم الرب لأبائكم إبراهيم وإسحاق ويعقوب أن يعطيها لهم ولنسلهم من بعدهم. وكلمتكم في ذلك الوقت قائلًا: لا أقدر وحدي أن أحملكم. الرب إلهكم قد كثركم. وهوذا أنتم اليوم كنجوم السماء في الكثرة. الرب إله آبائكم يزيد عليكم مثلكم ألف مرة، ويبارككم كما كلمكم. وقد أخذت رؤوس أسباطكم رجالًا حكماء ومعروفين، وجعلتهم رؤوسًا عليكم، رؤساء ألوف، ورؤساء مئات، ورؤساء خماسين، ورؤساء عشرات، وعرفاء لأسباطكم. وأمرت قضاتكم في ذلك الوقت قائلًا: اسمعوا بين إخوتكم واقضوا بالحق بين الإنسان وأخيه ونزليه. لا تنظروا إلى الوجوه في القضاء. للصغير كالكبير تسمعون.</p>

shalt not shrink from before the person of a man, for the judgment is God's.	لَا تَهَابُوا وَجْهَ إِنْسَانٍ لِأَنَّ الْقَضَاءَ لِلَّهِ.
The Third Reading	القراءة الثالثة
Deacon: Wisdom!	الشماس: حِكْمَةٌ!
Reader: The Reading is from Deuteronomy (10:14-21).	القارئ: قِرَاءَةٌ ثَالِثَةٌ مِنْ سِفْرِ تَثْنِيَةِ الْإِشْتِرَاعِ. (١٠: ١٤-٢١)
Deacon: Let us attend!	الشماس: لِنُضْغِ.
Reader: Thus said Moses to the sons of Israel: Behold, the heaven, and the Heaven of heaven, belong to the Lord thy God, the earth and all things that are therein. Yet the Lord chose your fathers to love them, and above all nations, as at this day He chose you out of their seed after them. Therefore, ye shall circumcise the hardness of your heart, and ye shall not harden your neck. For the Lord our God, He is God of gods, and Lord of lords, the great, and strong, and terrible God, Who doth not respect persons, nor will He by any means accept a bribe; executing judgment for the stranger and orphan and widow, and He loveth the stranger to give him food and raiment. Thou shalt fear the Lord thy God, and serve Him, and shalt cleave to Him, and shalt swear by His Name. He is thy boast, and He is thy God, Who hath wrought for thee these great and glorious things, which thine eyes have seen.	القارئ: وَقَالَ مُوسَى لِبَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ: "هُوَذَا لِلرَّبِّ إِلَهِكَ السَّمَاوَاتُ وَسَمَاءُ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضُ وَكُلُّ مَا فِيهَا. وَلَكِنَّ الرَّبَّ إِنَّمَا التَّصَقَّ بِآبَائِكَ لِوَحِبَّتِهِمْ، فَاخْتَارَ مِنْ بَعْدِهِمْ نَسْلَهُمُ الَّذِي هُوَ أَنْتُمْ فَوْقَ جَمِيعِ الشُّعُوبِ كَمَا فِي هَذَا الْيَوْمِ. فَاخْتِنُوا غُرْلَةَ قُلُوبِكُمْ، وَلَا تَصَلِّبُوا رِقَابَكُمْ بَعْدُ. لِأَنَّ الرَّبَّ إِلَهَكُمْ هُوَ إِلَهُ الْأَلِهَةِ وَرَبُّ الْأَرْبَابِ، الْإِلَهُ الْعَظِيمُ الْجَبَّارُ الْمَهِيْبُ الَّذِي لَا يَأْخُذُ بِالْوُجُوهِ وَلَا يَقْبَلُ رَشْوَةً، الصَّانِعُ حَقَّ الْيَتِيمِ وَالْأَرْمَلَةِ، وَالْمُحِبُّ الْغَرِيبَ لِيُعْطِيَهُ طَعَامًا وَلِبَاسًا. فَاحْبِبُوا الْغَرِيبَ لِأَنَّكُمْ كُنْتُمْ غُرَبَاءَ فِي أَرْضِ مِصْرَ. الرَّبُّ إِلَهَكَ تَتَّقِي. إِيَّاهُ تَعْبُدُ، وَبِهِ تَلْتَصِقُ، وَبِاسْمِهِ تَحْلِفُ. هُوَ فَخْرُكَ، وَهُوَ إِلَهَكَ الَّذِي صَنَعَ مَعَكَ تِلْكَ الْعَظَائِمَ وَالْمَخَاوِفَ الَّتِي أَبْصَرْتَهَا عَيْنَاكَ."
THE LITANY OF FERVENT SUPPLICATION	الطلبية الإلحاحية
Deacon: Let us say with our whole soul, and with our whole mind, let us say.	الشماس: لِنَقُلْ جَمِيعُنَا مِنْ كُلِّ نَفْسِنَا وَمِنْ كُلِّ نِيَاتِنَا لِنَقُلْ.
Choir: Lord, have mercy.	الجوقة: يَا رَبُّ ارْحَمِ.
Deacon: O Lord Almighty, the God of our Fathers, we pray thee, hearken and have mercy.	الشماس: أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الضَّابِطُ الْكُلِّ إِلَهُ آبَائِنَا، نَطْلُبُ مِنْكَ فَاسْتَجِبْ وَارْحَمِ.
Choir: Lord, have mercy.	الجوقة: يَا رَبُّ ارْحَمِ.
Deacon: Have mercy on us, O God, according to thy great mercy, we pray thee, hearken and have	الشماس: ارْحَمْنَا يَا اللَّهُ كَعَظِيمِ رَحْمَتِكَ، نَطْلُبُ مِنْكَ

mercy.	فَاسْتَجِبْ وَارْحَمَ.
Choir: Lord, have mercy. (<i>thrice</i>) (use this response until noted below)	الجوقة: يَا رَبِّ ارْحَمَ. (ثَلَاثًا) (تُعَادُ بَعْدَ كُلِّ طَلْبَةٍ)
Deacon: Again we pray for all pious and Orthodox Christians.	الشماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ الْمَسِيحِيِّينَ الْحَسَنِي الْعِبَادَةِ الْأَرْثُوذُكْسِيِّينَ.
Deacon: Again we pray for our father and metropolitan, N., (and our bishop, N.).	الشماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ آبِنَا وَمِتْرُوبُولِيْتِنَا (فَلَان)، وَرَيْسِ كَهَنَتِنَا (فَلَان).
Deacon: Again we pray for our brethren: the priests, hieromonks, deacons, hierodeacons and monastics and all our brotherhood in Christ.	الشماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ إِخْوَتِنَا الْكَهَنَةِ وَالشَّمَامِسَةِ 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.	الشماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ الرَّحْمَةِ وَالْحَيَاةِ، وَالسَّلَامِ وَالْعَافِيَةِ وَالْخَلَاصِ، لِعَبِيدِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعِ الْمَسِيحِيِّينَ الْحَسَنِي الْعِبَادَةِ الْأَرْثُوذُكْسِيِّينَ، السَّاكِنِينَ وَالْمَوْجُودِينَ فِي هَذِهِ الْمَدِينَةِ (أَوْ الدَّيْرِ أَوْ 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.	الشماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ الْمُطَوِّبِينَ الدَّائِمِي الذِّكْرِ الَّذِينَ عَمَّرُوا هَذَا الْهَيْكَلَ الْمُقَدَّسَ (أَوْ الدَّيْرَ)، وَمِنْ أَجْلِ جَمِيعِ السَّابِقِ رُقَادَهُمْ مِنْ آبَائِنَا وَإِخْوَتِنَا الْأَرْثُوذُكْسِيِّينَ، الْمَوْضُوعِينَ هَهُنَا وَفِي كُلِّ مَكَانٍ.
Deacon: Again we pray for those who bear fruit and do good works in this holy and all-venerable temple, those who serve and those who sing and all the people here present, who await thy great and rich mercy.	الشماس: وَأَيْضًا نَطْلُبُ مِنْ أَجْلِ الَّذِينَ يُقَدِّمُونَ الْأَثْمَارَ وَالَّذِينَ يَصْنَعُونَ الْإِحْسَانَ فِي هَذَا الْهَيْكَلِ الْمُقَدَّسِ الْكَلْبِيِّ الْوَقَارِ، 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.	الكاهن: لِأَنَّكَ إِلَهٌ رَحِيمٌ وَمُحِبٌّ لِلْبَشَرِ وَلَكَ نُرْسَلُ الْمَجْدَ أَيُّهَا الْآبُ وَالْإِبْنُ وَالرُّوحُ الْقُدُّسُ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ.
Choir: Amen.	الجوقة: آمين.
THE EVENING PRAYER	صلاةُ المساءِ
People: Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this	الشَّعْبُ: أَهْلُنَا يَا رَبِّ أَنْ نُحْفَظَ فِي هَذَا الْمَسَاءِ بِغَيْرِ

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.	خَطِيئَةٌ. مُبَارَكٌ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ، إِلَهَ آبَائِنَا، وَمُسَبَّحٌ وَمُمَجَّدٌ اسْمُكَ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، آمِينَ. لِتَكُنْ يَا رَبُّ رَحْمَتُكَ عَلَيْنَا، كَمَا كُنْتَ عَلَيْنَا مِنْ قَبْلُ. مُبَارَكٌ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ عَلَّمْنِي وَصَايَاكَ. مُبَارَكٌ أَنْتَ يَا سَيِّدُ فَهَمِّنِي حَقُوقَكَ. مُبَارَكٌ أَنْتَ يَا قُدُّوسُ أَنْزِنِي بِعَدْلِكَ. يَا رَبُّ رَحْمَتُكَ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، وَعَنْ أَعْمَالِ يَدَيْكَ لَا تُعْرِضْ لَكَ يَنْبَغِي الْمَدِيحِ، لَكَ يَلِيقُ التَّسْبِيحُ، لَكَ يَجِبُ الْمَجْدُ، أَيُّهَا الْآبُ وَالْإِبْنُ وَالرُّوحُ الْقُدُّوسُ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ. آمِينَ.
THE LITANY OF SUPPLICATION	الطَّلِبَةُ الْإِبْتِهَالِيَّةُ
Deacon: Let us complete our evening prayer unto the Lord.	الشماس: لِنَكْمِلْ 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.	الشماس: أَعْضُدْ وَخَلِّصْ وَارْحَمْ واحْفَظْنَا يَا اللَّهُ 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.	الشماس: أَنْ يَكُونَ مَسَاوُنًا كُلُّهُ كَامِلًا مُقَدَّسًا وَسَلَامِيًّا وَبِلَا خَطِيئَةٍ، الرَّبِّ نَسْأَلُ.
Choir: Grant this, O Lord. (use this response until noted below)	الجوقة: اسْتَجِبْ يَا رَبُّ. (تُعَادُ بَعْدَ كُلِّ طَلِبَةٍ)
Deacon: An angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask of the Lord.	الشماس: مَلَائِكَةَ سَلَامٍ مُرْشِدًا، أَمِينًا، حَافِظًا نَفُوسَنَا وَأَجْسَادَنَا، الرَّبِّ نَسْأَلُ.
Deacon: Pardon and remission of our sins and transgressions, let us ask of the Lord.	الشماس: مُسَامِحَةً خَطَايَانَا وَغُفْرَانَ زَلَاتِنَا، 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 أَوْخِرَ حَيَاتِنَا مَسِيحِيَّةً، سَلَامِيَّةً، بَلَا حُزْنٍ وَلَا خِزْيٍ، 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 الْقَدَاسَةَ، الطَّاهِرَةَ، الْفَائِقَةَ الْبَرَكَاتِ، الْمَجِيدَةَ، سَيِّدَتَنَا وَالِدَةَ الْإِلَهِ الدَّائِمَةَ الْبَتُولِيَّةَ مَرْيَمَ مَعَ جَمِيعِ الْقَدِيسِينَ، 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 الْقُدُّوسُ، 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 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.	الكاهن: أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهُنَا، يَا مَنْ طَاطَأَ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَنَزَلَ لِخَلَاصِ جِنْسِ الْبَشَرِ، أَنْظُرْ إِلَى عِبِيدِكَ وَإِلَى مِيرَاثِكَ، فَإِنَّ عِبِيدَكَ قَدْ حَنَوْا رُؤُوسَهُمْ وَأَخَضَعُوا أَعْنَاقَهُمْ لَكَ، أَيُّهَا الْقَاضِي الْمَهَيْبُ الْمَحَبُّ الْبَشَرِ، غَيْرَ مُنْتَظِرِينَ الْمَعُونَةَ مِنَ الْبَشَرِ، بَلْ مُنْتَظِرِينَ رَحْمَتَكَ وَمُنْتَوِّعِينَ خَلَاصِكَ. فَاحْفَظْهُمْ فِي كُلِّ حِينٍ، وَفِي هَذَا الْمَسَاءِ الْحَاضِرِ، وَاللَّيْلِ الْمُقْبِلِ، مَصُونِينَ مِنْ كُلِّ فِعْلٍ مُضَادٍّ شَيْطَانِيٍّ، وَمِنْ الْأَفْكَارِ الْبَاطِلَةِ وَالْهَوَاجِسِ الشَّرِيَّةِ.
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.	لِيَكُنْ عِزُّ مُلْكِكَ مُبَارَكاً وَمَمَجَّداً، أَيُّهَا الْآبُ وَالابْنُ وَالرُّوحُ الْقُدُّوسُ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ.

<p>Choir: Amen.</p>	<p>الجوقة: آمين.</p>
<p>• If your parish will offer "The Service of the Lita and Artoklasia," it is done here.</p>	
<p>APOSTICHA FOR THE RESURRECTION IN TONE THREE</p>	<p>أبوستيخون للقيامة باللحن الثالث</p>
<p>O Christ, Who didst darken the sun with Thy Passion, and didst light all created things with the light of Thy Resurrection, and didst make them to rejoice, accept our evening praise, O Lover of mankind.</p>	<p>أيها المسيح، يا مَنْ أَظْلَمَ الشَّمْسَ بِالْأَمِمْهِ، وَأَنَارَ كُلِّ الْمَوْجُودَاتِ بِنُورِ قِيَامَتِهِ وَأَبْهَجَهَا، إِقْبَلْ مِنَّا تَسْبِيحًا مَسَائِيًّا، يَا مُحِبَّ الْبَشَرِ.</p>
<p><i>Verse 1. The Lord is King, and hath clothed Himself with majesty. The Lord is robed; He is girded with strength.</i> Verily, Thy life-giving Resurrection hath lighted the whole universe, renewing Thy corrupt creation. Wherefore, in that Thou hast delivered us from the curse of Adam, we shout to Thee, O Lord Almighty, glory to Thee.</p>	<p><i>استيخن ١ . الرَّبُّ قَدْ مَلَكَ، وَالْجَمَالَ لَبَسَ. لَبَسَ الرَّبُّ الْقُوَّةَ وَتَمَنَّقَ بِهَا .</i> يا رَبُّ، إِنَّ قِيَامَتَكَ الْوَاهِبَةَ الْحَيَاةَ قَدْ أَنَارَتْ الْمَسْكُونَةَ بِأَسْرِهَا، وَاسْتَدَعَتْ جِبَلَتَكَ الْفَاسِدَةَ. لِذَا إِذْ قَدْ أَنْقَذْتَنَا مِنْ لَعْنَةِ آدَمَ، نَهْتِفُ إِلَيْكَ: أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الْقَادِرُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ، الْمَجْدُ لَكَ.</p>
<p><i>Verse 2. For He has established the world so that it shall never be moved.</i> O changeless God, Thou didst suffer in the changing body, and when creation could not bear to behold Thee suspended on the Cross, it trembled with fear, and sighed, praising Thy long-suffering. Then, descending to Hades, Thou didst arise on the third day, granting life to the world and Great Mercy.</p>	<p><i>استيخن ٢ . لِأَنَّهُ ثَبَّتَ الْمَسْكُونَةَ فَلَنْ تَتَزَعَزَعُ .</i> أيُّهَا الْإِلَهَ غَيْرُ الْمُسْتَحِيلِ، لَقَدْ تَأَلَّمْتَ بِالْجَسَدِ الْمُسْتَحِيلِ، الَّذِي لَمَّا لَمْ تُطِقِ الْخَلِيقَةُ أَنْ تُشَاهِدَهُ مُعَلَّقًا عَلَى الصَّلِيبِ، تَزَعَزَعَتْ خَوْفًا وَتَتَهَدَّتْ مُسَبِّحَةً طُولَ أَنْاتِكَ. ثُمَّ انْحَدَرْتَ إِلَى الْجَحِيمِ، وَقُمْتَ فِي الْيَوْمِ الثَّالِثِ، وَوَهَبْتَ الْعَالَمَ الْحَيَاةَ وَالرَّحْمَةَ الْعُظْمَى.</p>
<p><i>Verse 3. Holiness befits Thy house, O Lord, forevermore.</i> Thou didst suffer death, O Christ, that Thou mightest deliver our race from death. Thou didst rise from the dead on the third day, and didst arouse with Thee those who know that Thou art true God, verily illuminating the world, O Lord. Wherefore, glory to Thee.</p>	<p><i>استيخن ٣ . لِبَيْتِكَ يُنْبَغِي التَّقْدِيسُ يَا رَبُّ إِلَى الْإِنْقِضَاءِ .</i> أيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ، لَقَدْ احْتَمَلْتَ الْمَوْتَ لِكَيْ تُنْقِذَ جِنْسَنَا مِنَ الْمَوْتِ. وَقُمْتَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ فِي الْيَوْمِ الثَّالِثِ، وَأَنْهَضْتَ مَعَكَ الْعَارِفِينَ بِأَنَّكَ إِلَهٌ حَقٌّ، وَأَنْزَرْتَ الْعَالَمَ. فَيَا رَبُّ، الْمَجْدُ لَكَ.</p>
<p>DOXASTICON FOR THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY IN TONE TWO</p>	<p>نُكْمَا لِلأحد الذي قبل عيد الميلاد باللحن الثاني</p>
<p><i>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.</i> Rejoice, O honored Prophets, who didst organize well the law of the Lord, and appeared as stable,</p>	<p>المجد للآبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ . إِفْرَحُوا أَيُّهَا الْأَنْبِيَاءُ الْمُشْرَفُونَ، الَّذِينَ نَظَّمُوا شَرِيعَةً</p>

<p>unshakeable pillars of faith; for verily, they hath become mediators of the New Covenant of Christ. Wherefore, having been translated to heaven, plead ye with Him to grant safety to the world and to save our souls.</p>	<p>الرَّبِّ حَسَنًا وَظَهَرُوا أَعْمَدَةً ثَابِتَةً لِلإِيمَانِ غَيْرَ مُتَرَعِّزَةٍ، لِأَنَّكُمْ غَدَوْتُمْ وَسَطَاءَ الْعَهْدِ الْجَدِيدِ لِلْمَسِيحِ. فَبِمَا أَنْتُمْ أَنْتَقَلْتُمْ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ، ابْتَهِلُوا إِلَيْهِ أَنْ يَمْنَحَ السَّلَامَ لِلْعَالَمِ وَلِنَفُوسِنَا الرَّحْمَةَ الْعُظْمَى.</p>
<p>DOXASTICON FOR THE FOREFEAST IN TONE TWO</p>	<p>نُكْصَا لِنَقْدِمَةِ الْعِيدِ بِاللَّحْنِ الثَّانِي</p>
<p><i>Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.</i> Behold, the time of our salvation approacheth; make thou ready, O cave, for it is time for the Virgin to give birth. And thou, Bethlehem of Judah, rejoice and be glad; for from thee shall shine forth our Lord. Hearken, O mountains and hills and the regions about Judah: for Christ cometh to save man whom He did create, since He is the Lover of mankind.</p>	<p>الآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَاهِرِينَ. آمِينَ. هَذَا قَدْ اقْتَرَبَ زَمَانٌ خَلَاصِنَا، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمَغَارَةُ تَهَيَّأِي فَالْبُتُولُ قَدْ آنَ لَهَا أَنْ تَلِدِ، وَيَا بَيْتَ لَحْمٍ أَرْضِ يَهُوذَا اطْرَبِي وَابْتَهَجِي إِذْ مِنْكَ أَشْرَقَ رَبُّنَا، إِسْمَعِي أَيُّهَا الْجِبَالُ وَالتِّلَالُ وَالكُورُ الْمُحِيطَةُ بِالْيَهُودِيَّةِ، لِأَنَّ الْمَسِيحَ يَأْتِي لِكِي يُخَلِّصَ الْإِنْسَانَ الَّذِي جَبَلَهُ، بِمَا أَنَّهُ مُحِبٌّ لِلبَشَرِ.</p>
<p>THE HYMN OF ST. SIMEON THE GOD-RECEIVER</p>	<p>تَسْبِيحَةُ الْقُدَيْسِ سَمْعَانَ الْقَابِلِ الْإِلَهَ</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>الآنَ أَطْلُقُ عَبْدَكَ أَيُّهَا السَّيِّدُ عَلَى حَسَبِ قَوْلِكَ بِسَلَامٍ، لِأَنَّ عَيْنِي قَدْ أَبْصَرْتَ خَلَاصَكَ الَّذِي أُعَدَدْتَهُ أَمَامَ كُلِّ الشُّعُوبِ، نُورًا لِاسْتِعْلَانِ الْأُمَمِ، وَمَجْدًا لِشُعْبِكَ إِسْرَائِيلَ.</p>
<p>THE TRISAGION PRAYERS</p>	<p>صَلَاةُ التَّرِيصَاجِيُونِ</p>
<p>People: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: Have mercy on us. (<i>thrice</i>)</p>	<p>الشَّعْبُ: قُدُّوسُ اللَّهِ، قُدُّوسُ الْقَوِيِّ، قُدُّوسُ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ، اِرْحَمْنَا. (ثَلَاثًا)</p>
<p>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.</p>	<p>الْمَجْدُ لِلآبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُّوسِ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَاهِرِينَ. آمِينَ.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>أَيُّهَا الثَّالُوثُ الْقُدُّوسُ، اِرْحَمْنَا. يَا رَبُّ اغْفُرْ خَطَايَانَا. يَا سَيِّدَ تَجَاوَزْ عَن سَيِّئَاتِنَا. يَا قُدُّوسُ اطَّلِعْ وَاشْفِ أَمْرَاضَنَا، مِنْ أَجْلِ اسْمِكَ.</p>
<p>Lord, have mercy. (<i>thrice</i>)</p>	<p>يَا رَبُّ اِرْحَمْنَا. (ثَلَاثًا)</p>

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.	المَجْدُ لِلآبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وإلى دهرِ الداهرينَ. آمين.
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.	أبانا الذي في السَّمَاوَاتِ، لِيَتَقَدَّسَ اسْمُكَ، لِيَأْتِ مَلَكُوتُكَ، لِيَتَكُنْ مَشِيئَتُكَ كَمَا فِي السَّمَاءِ كَذَلِكَ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ، خُبْرْنَا الْجَوْهَرِيِّ أَعْطِنَا 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.	الكَاهِنُ: لِأَنَّ لَكَ الْمُلْكَ وَالْقُوَّةَ وَالْمَجْدَ، أَيُّهَا الْآبُ وَالْإِبْنُ وَالرُّوحُ الْقُدُسُ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الداهرينَ.
Choir: Amen.	الجوقة: آمين.
RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE THREE	أبوليتيكيون القيامة باللحن الثالث
Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.	لِتَفْرَحِ السَّمَاوِيَّاتُ وَتَبْتَهِجِ الْأَرْضِيَّاتُ، لِأَنَّ الرَّبَّ صَنَعَ عِزًّا بِسَاعِدِهِ، وَوَطِئَ الْمَوْتَ بِالْمَوْتِ، وَصَارَ بِكُرِّ الْأَمْوَاتِ، وَأَنْقَذَنَا مِنْ جَوْفِ الْجَحِيمِ، وَمَنْحَ العَالَمَ الرَّحْمَةَ الْعُظْمَى.
APOLYTIKION OF SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY IN TONE TWO	أبوليتيكيون الأحد الذي قبل عيد الميلاد باللحن الثاني
<i>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.</i> Great are the accomplishments of faith; for the three holy youths rejoiced in the fountain of flames as though at waters of rest. And the Prophet Daniel appeared a shepherd to the lions as though they were sheep. Wherefore, by their prayers, O Christ God, save our souls.	المَجْدُ لِلآبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ. عَظِيمَةٌ هِيَ أَعْمَالُ الْإِيمَانِ، لِأَنَّ الْفَتِيَّةَ الثَّلَاثَةَ الْقَدِيسِينَ قَدِ ابْتَهَجُوا فِي يَنْبُوعِ اللّهِيبِ كَأَنَّهُمْ عَلَى مَاءِ الرَّاحَةِ، وَالنَّبِيُّ دَانِيَالُ ظَهَرَ رَاعِيًا لِلسَّبَاعِ كَأَنَّهُمْ غَنَمٌ، فَبِتَضَرُّعِهِمْ أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهُ خَلِّصْ نُفُوسَنَا.
APOLYTIKION OF THE FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY IN TONE FOUR (* <i>Joseph was amazed</i> *)	أبوليتيكيون تَقْدِمَةِ عيد الميلاد باللحن الرابع (* <i>إنَّ يوسُفَ الخُطِيبِ</i> *)
<i>Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.</i> Be thou ready, Bethlehem, Eden hath opened	الآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الداهرينَ. آمين. إِسْتَعِدِّي يَا بَيْتَ لَحْمٍ، فَقَدْ فُتِحَتْ عَدْنُ لِلْجَمِيعِ،

unto all. * Ephratha, prepare thyself, for now, behold, the Tree of Life * hath blossomed forth in the cave from the holy Virgin. * Her womb hath proved a true spiritual Paradise, * wherein the divine and saving Tree is found, * and as we eat thereof we shall all live, * and shall not die as did Adam. * For Christ is born now to raise the image that had fallen aforetime.	تَهَيَّأِي يَا أَفْرَاثَا، لِأَنَّ عَوْدَ الْحَيَاةِ قَدْ أَزْهَرَ فِي الْمَغَارَةِ مِنَ الْبَتُولِ. لِأَنَّ بَطْنَهَا قَدْ ظَهَرَ فِرْدَوْسًا عَقْلِيًّا، فِيهِ الْغَرْسُ الْإِلَهِي، الَّذِي إِذْ تَأْكُلُ مِنْهُ نَحْيَا وَلَا نَمُوتُ مِثْلَ آدَمَ. الْمَسِيحُ يُوَلَّدُ مِنْهُضًا الصُّورَةَ الَّتِي سَقَطَتْ مِنْهُ الْقَدِيمِ.
THE DISMISSAL	الختم
Deacon: Wisdom.	الشماس: حِكْمَةٌ.
Choir: Father, bless.	الجوقة: بَارِكْ يَا أَبَ.
Priest: Christ our God, the Existing One, is blessed, always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.	الكاهن: الْمَسِيحُ الْهُنَا، الَّذِي هُوَ مُبَارَكٌ كُلَّ حِينٍ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَاهِرِينَ.
Choir: Amen. Preserve, O God, the holy Orthodox faith and all Orthodox Christians, unto ages of ages. Amen.	الجوقة: آمِينَ. لِيُوطِدِ الرَّبُّ الْإِلَهُ الْإِيمَانَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ الرَّأْيِ، مَعَ جَمِيعِ الْمَسِيحِيِّينَ الْأَرْثُوذُكْسِيِّينَ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، آمِينَ.
Priest: Most-holy Theotokos, save us.	الكاهن: أَيُّهَا الْفَائِقُ قُدْسُهَا وَالِدَةُ الْإِلَهِ خَلِّصِينَا.
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 بَغَيْرِ قِيَاسٍ مِنَ السَّارَافِيمِ، الَّتِي مِنْ دُونِ فَسَادٍ وَوَلَدَتْ كَلِمَةَ اللَّهِ، حَقًّا أَنْتِ وَالِدَةُ الْإِلَهِ إِيَّاكِ نُعَظِّمُ.
Priest: Glory to Thee, O Christ our God and our Hope, glory to Thee.	الكاهن: الْمَجْدُ لَكَ أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهُ، 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 لِلأَبِ وَالابْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُّسِ، الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَاهِرِينَ. آمِينَ. يَا رَبُّ ارْحَمْنَا. (ثَلَاثًا) بَارِكْ يَا أَبَ.
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; of the holy, glorious and all-laudable apostles; of the holy, glorious and right-	الكاهن: أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْهُنَا الْحَقِيقِي، يَامَنْ قَامَ مِنَ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، بِشَفَاعَاتِ أُمَّكَ الْكَلِيَّةِ الطَّهَارَةِ وَالْبَرِيَّةِ مِنْ كُلِّ عَيْبٍ؛ وَبِقُدْرَةِ الصَّلِيبِ الْكَرِيمِ الْمُحْيِي؛ وَبِطَلْبَاتِ الْقُوَاتِ السَّمَاوِيَّةِ الْمُكْرَّمَةِ الْعَادِمَةِ الْأَجْسَادِ؛ وَالنَّبِيِّ الْكَرِيمِ السَّابِقِ الْمَجِيدِ يُوْحَنَّا الْمَعْمَدَانَ؛ وَالْقَدِيسِيِّينَ الْمُشْرِفِيِّينَ الرَّسُلِ الْجَدِيرِيِّينَ بِكُلِّ مَدِيحٍ؛

<p>victorious Martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing Fathers; of <i>Saint N., the patron and protector of this holy community</i>; of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna; of all those who of old have been well-pleasing to God, from Adam down to Joseph the Betrothed, of the prophets and prophetesses, especially of Daniel the prophet and the three holy youths, whose memory we celebrate today, and of all the saints: have mercy on us and save us, forasmuch as He is good and loveth mankind.</p>	<p>وَالْقَدِيسِينَ الْمَجِيدِينَ الشُّهَدَاءِ الْمُتَأَلِّقِينَ بِالظَّفَرِ؛ وَأَبَائِنَا الْأَبْرَارِ الْمُتَوَشِّحِينَ بِاللَّهِ؛ وَالْقَدِيسِ (فُلَانِ) شَفِيعِ وَحَامِي هَذِهِ الرَّعِيَّةِ الْمُقَدَّسَةِ، وَالْقَدِيسِينَ الصِّدِّيقِينَ يُوَاكِمَ وَحَنَّةَ جَدِّي الْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهَ، وَجَمِيعِ الَّذِينَ أَرْضَوْا اللَّهَ مِنْ آدَمَ حَتَّى يَوْسُفَ خَطِيبِ مَرْيَمَ؛ وَالْأَنْبِيَاءِ وَالنَّبِيِّاتِ، وَخَاصَّةً دَانِيَالَ النَّبِيِّ، وَالْفَتِيَّةِ الثَّلَاثَةِ الْقَدِيسِينَ، الَّذِينَ نُقِيمُ تَذْكَارَهُمْ الْيَوْمَ، وَجَمِيعِ قَدِيسِيكَ، اِرْحَمْنَا وَخَلِّصْنَا بِمَا أَنْكَ صَالِحٌ وَمُحِبٌّ لِلْبَشَرِ.</p>
<p>Priest: Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us.</p>	<p>الكَاهِنُ: بِصَلَوَاتِ آبَائِنَا الْقَدِيسِينَ، أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ يَسُوعُ الْمَسِيحُ إِلَهُنَا، اِرْحَمْنَا وَخَلِّصْنَا.</p>
<p>Choir: Amen.</p>	<p>الجوقة: آمين.</p>
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