

The Order of Great Vespers for the Transfiguration

PR: Glory to the holy, consubstantial, life-creating and undivided Trinity, now and ever and forever.

R: Amen.

Come, let us adore the King, our God.

Come, let us adore Christ, the King and our God.

Come, let us adore and bow down to the only Lord Jesus Christ the King and our God.

(Sit)

PSALM 103

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

You are very great, O Lord my God.

Clothed in pomp and brilliance;

arrayed with light as with a cloak.

Stretching out the sky as a tent cloth,

covering your lofty halls with water.

You make the clouds your conveyance;

you surge on the wings of the wind.

You make spirits your messengers,

and flaming fire your attendants.

You settle the earth on its firm foundation;

it shall stand from age to age.

The abyss covers it like a garment,

waters stand over the mountains.

At your rebuke they will take flight;

at the peal of your thunder they will fear.

They hurdle the hills and run down the dales,
to the place you have chosen for them.

You have set up a boundary not to be passed;
they shall never return to cover the earth.

Down in the gullies you make springs to rise;

water shall go down between the
mountains.

They shall give drink to the beasts of the
field,

wild asses will seek them to quench their
thirst.

The birds of the air will abide by them;

from among the rocks they will raise their
song.

From your lofty halls you refresh the
mountains;

the earth shall be fed with the fruit of
your works.

You make green pastures for the cattle,

and food plants for the service of man.

So that bread may be brought forth from the
earth,

and wine that gladdens the heart of man.

So that oil may put a gleam upon his face;

and that bread may strengthen the heart
of man.

The trees of the plain will be satisfied,

the cedars of Lebanon that he planted.

The sparrows will build their nests in them;
and the herons will call them their home.
To the deer belong high mountains,
to rodents the shadow of the rocks.

You have made the moon to mark the
seasons,
the sun knows the time of its setting.
You establish darkness and it is night,
wherein the forest creatures prowl around.

Young lions roar for their prey,
and call out to God for their meat.
As the sun rises, they will come together,
and lay themselves down in their dens.

Man will go out to his labor,
and work until eventide.
How great are your works, O Lord!
In wisdom you have made them all. The
earth is filled with your creatures.

Even the wide and open sea itself,
within it there are countless creeping
things, living beings small and large.
Upon it there are ships asailing,
and that great beast you made to have fun.

All of them look up to you,
to give them their food in due time.
You provide and they gather up;
you open your hand and they are full.

You hide your face and they cringe;
you suspend their breath, and the die and
return to their dust.
You send forth your breath and they live;
you renew the face of the earth!

May the Lord's glory endure forever,
may the Lord rejoice in his works.
He looks upon the earth and makes it quake;
he touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live,
I will praise my God as long as I last.
Would that my thoughts be pleasing to Him;
and I will rejoice in the Lord.

May sinners vanish from the earth,
and may the wicked be no more.
Bless the Lord,
O my soul!

The sun knows the time of its setting.
You establish darkness and it is night.
How great are your works, O Lord!
In wisdom you have wrought them all.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to
the Holy Spirit,
now and ever, and forever. Amen.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to you, O God (*three times*)

(You may sit during the Litany)

LITANY OF PEACE

Pr: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

R: **Lord, have mercy.** (*after each petition*)

Pr: For peace from on high, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Pr: For peace throughout the world, for the well-being of God's holy churches and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Pr: For this holy church, and for all who enter it with faith, reverence and the fear of God, let us pray to the Lord.

Pr: For our most holy universal Pontiff *N.*, Pope of Rome, for our most blessed Patriarch, *N.*, our most reverend Metropolitan, *N.*, our God-loving Bishop, *N.*, the reverend priesthood, the diaconate in Christ, and all the clergy and the people, *let* us pray to the Lord.

Pr: For our nation under God, for our government and for all the military, let us pray to the Lord.

Pr: For this city, for every city and country and for the faithful who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Pr: For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

Pr: For the seafarers and travelers, for the sick and the suffering, for those held captive and for their salvation let us pray to the Lord.

Pr: That we may be delivered from all tribulation, wrath and misfortune, let us pray to the Lord.

Pr: Help and save, have mercy and protect us, O God, by your grace.

Pr: Remembering our most holy and immaculate, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary, together with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

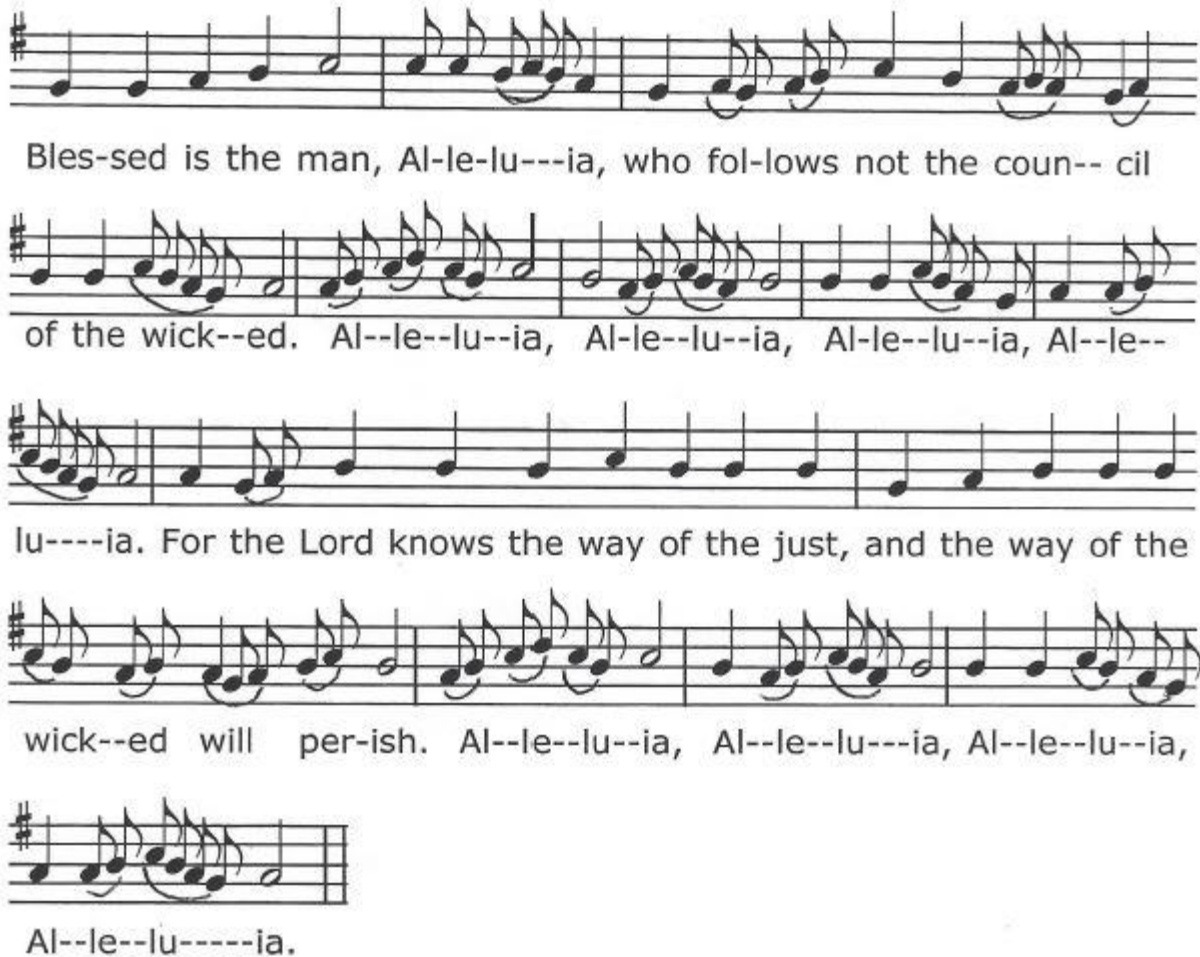
R: **To you, O Lord.**

Pr: For all glory, honor and worship befit you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever.

R: **Amen.**

Blessed is the Man

STAND



Bles-sed is the man, Al-le-lu---ia, who fol-lows not the coun-- cil
of the wick--ed. Al--le--lu--ia, Al-le--lu--ia, Al-le--lu--ia, Al--le--
lu----ia. For the Lord knows the way of the just, and the way of the
wick--ed will per-ish. Al--le--lu--ia, Al--le--lu---ia, Al--le--lu--ia,
Al--le--lu-----ia.

Pr: Again and again in peace let us pray to the Lord.

R: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pr: Help and save, have mercy and protect us, O God, by your grace.

R: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pr: Remembering our most holy and immaculate, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary, together with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

R: **To you, O Lord.**

Pr: For you are a good and loving God, and we give glory to you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. **R: Amen.**

PSALM 140

O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me.

Hear me, O Lord!

O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me;

receive the voice of my prayer

when I call upon you.

Hear me, O Lord!

Let my prayer ascend to you like incense

and the lifting up of my hands like an evening sacrifice. Hear me, O Lord!

O Lord, set a guard before my mouth

and set a seal on the door of my lips.

Let not my heart be inclined to evil,

nor make excuse for the sins I commit.

Let me never share in sinners' feasting.

If a just man strikes or reproves me it is kindness

but let the oil of the wicked not anoint my head.

Let my prayer be ever against their malice.

The princes were thrown down by the side of the rock;

then they understood that my words were kind.

As a millstone is shattered to pieces on the ground,

so their bones were strewn at the mouth of the grave.

To you, Lord God, my eyes are turned;

in you I take refuge; spare my soul!

From the trap they have laid for me keep me safe;

keep me from the snares of those who do evil.

Let the wicked fall into the traps they have set

While I pursue my way unharmed.

PSALM 141

With all my voice I cry to the Lord,

with all my voice I entreat the Lord.

I pour out my trouble before him;

I tell him all my distress while my spirit faints within me.

But you, O Lord, know my path.

On the way where I shall walk they have hidden a snare to entrap me.

Look on my right and see:

there is no one who takes my part.

I have no means of escape,

not one who cares for my soul.

I cry to you, O Lord.

I have said: "You are my refuge, all I have in the land of the living."

Listen, then, to my cry

for I am in the depths of distress.

Rescue me from those who pursue me

for they are stronger than I.

Stanzas with Verses for the Feast of the Holy Theophany

Tone 4 Samohlasen

1. I have waited for you as you have commanded/ my soul patiently relies on your promise,/ for it has trusted in the Lord.

Lord, when You were transfigured before being cru-ci-fied,/ Mount Tabor was made to re-sem-ble heaven,/ for a cloud was extended as a cano-py/ and the Father bore witness to You./ Pe-ter, James and John were pre-sent there,/ the same three apostles who were to be with You,/ at the time of Judas' be-tray-al,/ so that having seen You in glo-ry/ they would not be dismayed at the time of Your suf-fer-ings./ Likewise, O Lord, make us worthy to recognize You as our God in these same suf-fer-ings/ You endured in Your great mer-cy and to a-dore You.

2. For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him there is plentiful redemption;/ and it is He Who shall re-deem Is-ra-el from all its in-i-qui-ties.

Lord, as a preparation for Your cru-ci-fix-ion,/ You led some of Your disciples to a high moun-tain/ and became transfigured be-fore them,/ en-lightening them with light and glo-ry./ In this same way, You showed the reality of the resurrection You are to give to give to us,/ in Your love for man-kind/ and Your almighty power as God./ Make us worthy of the resur-rec-tion, O God,/ for You are gracious and the Lov-er of Man-kind.

3. Praise the Lord, all you nations;/ proclaim His glo-ry all you peo-ple.

Lord, when you were transfigured on a high moun-tain/ in the presence of Your chief dis-ciples/ You radiated with glo-ry,/ showing how those who lead an outstanding life of vir-tue/ will be made worthy of the glo-ry of hea-ven./ Elias and Moses, speaking with the Lord,/ showed Him to be the Lord of the living and the dead./ God, who spoke

through the Law and the Prophets---/ the same to Whom the Father's voice bore
witness out of the bright cloud say-ing: "Hear Him, for it is He, through His Cross,/
Who spoiled the Abyss, and granted e-ter-nal life to the dead."

4. Strong is the love of the Lord for us/ e-ter-nal-ly will His truth en-dure.

Indeed, O Lord, the mountain that had been dark with smoke to-day,/ becomes
honorable and holy because You stood on it; / the mystery hidden from the beginning of
the world / shines out in Your transfiguration before Peter, James and John, / who fell
on their faces / for they were unable to bear the light of Your face / and the splendor of
Your cloth-ing. / A further wonder was the vision of Moses and E-li-as / con-versing
with You on Your fu-ture / and the voice of the Father bearing witness and say-ing: /
"This is My beloved Son in Whom I am well pleased. / Hear Him, for He is the One Who
will bring great mercy to the world." --- **(STAND)**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit / Now and ev-er,
and for--ev-er. A---men.

Tone 6:

Christ God, when You willed to pre-figure Your re-sur-rec-tion, / You chose three
disciples, Pet-er, James and John, / and went up with them to Mount Ta-bor. / At the
moment of Your transfiguration, O Sav-ior, the mountain was flooded with light / and
Your disciples fell with their faces to the ground, / for they could not bear the sight of
Your face upon which no one may look, O Word! / An-gels attend-ed with trembling
and awe, / the heavens were afraid, and the earth shook to its very foun-da-tions, /
when the Lord of Glo-ry came up--on the earth.

(You may be seated during the Alleluia that follow)

PR: Wisdom! Be attentive!

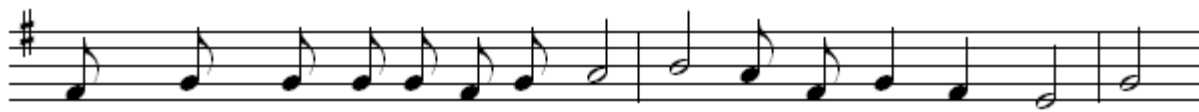
The Evening Hymn



O Joy-ful Light! Light and Ho-ly Glo-ry of the Fa-ther Im-mor-tal,



the Heavenly, Holy, the Bless-ed One, O Je-sus Christ! Now that we



have reached the setting of the sun, and see the eve-ning light, we



sing to God, Father, Son and Ho-ly Spi--rit. It is fitting at all times to



raise a song of praise in measured mel-o-dy to You, O Son of God, the



Giv-er of Life. Be-hold, the universe sings Your glo---ry!

Pr: Let us be attentive. Peace be with all. Wisdom! Be attentive!

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The Prokimenon

The Lord reigns, He is clothed in majesty!

v. Robed is the Lord and girt about with strength.

v. For He has mad the world firm, which shall not be moved.

v. Holiness befits Your house, O Lord, for length of days.

(You may be seated during the readings.)

PR: Wisdom!

Reader: A reading from the Book of Exodus

PR: Let us be attentive!

At that time, the Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and while you are there, I will give you the stone tablets on which I have written the Commandments intended for their instruction." So Moses set out with Joshua, his aide, and went up to the mountain of God.

The elders, however, had been told by him, "Wait here for us until we return to you. If anyone has a complaint, let him refer the matter to them."

After Moses had gone up, a cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled up on Mount Sinai. The cloud covered it for six days, and on the seventh day he called to Moses from the midst of the cloud. To the Israelites the glory of the Lord was seen as a consuming fire on the mountain top. But Moses passed into the midst of the cloud as he went up on the mountain; and there he stayed for forty days and forty nights.

(Ex.24: 12-18)

PR: Wisdom!

Reader: A reading from the Book of Exodus

PR: Let us be attentive!

At that time the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as one man speaks to another. Moses would then return to the camp, but his young assistant, Joshua, son of Nun, would not move out of the tent.

Moses said to the LORD, "You, indeed, are telling me to lead this people on; but You have not let me know whom You will send with me. Yet You have said, 'You are my intimate friend,' and also, 'You have found favor with me.' Now, if I have found favor with You, do let me know Your ways so that, in knowing You, I may continue to find favor with You. Then, too, this nation is, after all, Your own people." "I, myself," the LORD answered, "will go along to give you rest."

Moses replied, "If You are not going Yourself, do not make us go up from here. For how can it be known that we, Your people, and I, have found favor with You except by Your going

with us? Then we, Your people and I, will be singled out from every other people on the earth.”

The LORD said to Moses, “This request too, which you have just made, I will carry out, because you have found favor with me and you are my intimate friend.”

Then Moses said, “Do let me see Your glory!”

He answered, “ I will make all my beauty pass before you, and in your presence I will pronounce my name, ‘LORD’; I show favors to whom I will, I Who grant mercy to whom I will. But my face you cannot see, for no man sees me and still lives. Here,” continued the LORD, “is a place near me where you can station yourself on the rock. When my glory passes I will set you in the hollow of the rock and will cover you with my hand until I have passed by. Then I will remove my hand, so that you may see my back; but my face is not to be seen.”

(Exod. 33: 11-32 & 34:4-8)

PR: Wisdom!

Reader: A reading from the Book of Kings

PR: Let us be attentive!

At that time, Elijah was afraid and fled for his life, going to Beer-sheba of Judah. He left his servant there and went a day’s journey into the desert, until he came to a broom tree and sat beneath it. He prayed for death: “This is enough, O LORD! Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers.” He lay down and fell asleep under the broom tree, but then an angel touched him and ordered him to get up and eat.

He looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water. After he ate and drank, he lay down again, but the angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him, and ordered, “Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!” He got up, ate and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb. There he came to a cave, where he took shelter. But the word of the LORD came to him, “Why are you here, Elijah?”

Then the LORD said, “Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by.” A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was a fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a whispering sound.

When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave. A voice said to him, “Elijah, why are you here?”

Go, take the road back to the desert near Damascus,” the LORD said to him. “When you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king of Aram. They you shall anoint Jehu, son of Nimshi, as king of Israel, and Elisha, son of Shapat of Abel-meholah, as prophet to succeed you.”
(I Kings 19:3-9, 11-13, 15-16)

The Fervent Litany

Pr: Let us all say with our whole soul and with our whole mind, let us say:

R: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Pr: O Lord Almighty, God of our Fathers, we pray You, hear us and have mercy.

R: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Pr: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your great mercy; we pray You, hear us and have mercy.

R: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Pr: We also pray for our holy ecumenical Pontiff (N.), the Pope of Rome, for our Patriarch, His Beatitude, (N.), and for our most reverend Archbishop and Metropolitan (N.), and for our God-loving Bishop (N.), for those who serve and have served in this holy church, for our spiritual fathers, and for all our brethren in Christ.

R: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Pr: We also pray for our civil authorities and for all in the service of our country.

R: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Pr: We also pray for the people here present, who await Your great and abundant mercy, for those who have shown us mercy and for all Christians of the true faith.

R: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Pr: For You are a merciful and gracious God, and we render glory to You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

R: Amen.

(STAND)

O Lord, keep us this night / without sin.
Blessed are You, O Lord, God of our fathers, /
and praised and glorified is Your name forever.

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, / because we have set our hope in You.

Blessed are You, O Lord, / teach me Your commandments
Blessed are You, O Master, / make me understand Your commandments.
Blessed are You, O Holy One, / enlighten me with Your laws.

O Lord, Your mercy endures forever; / do not despise the work of Your hands.
It is proper to praise You, / and hymns belong to You.
Glory belongs to You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, / now and ever, and forever. Amen.

(SIT)

THE LITANY OF SUPPLICATION

Pr: Let us complete our evening prayer to the Lord.

R: Lord, have mercy.

Pr: Protect us, save us, have mercy on us and preserve us, O God, by your grace.

R: Lord, have mercy.

Pr: That this whole night and the coming day may be perfect, holy, peaceful, and without sin, let us beseech the Lord.

R: Grant it, O Lord.

Pr: For an angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us beseech the Lord.

R: Grant it, O Lord. *(and this is sung after each petition)*

Pr: For the pardon and remission of our sins and offenses, let us beseech the Lord.

Pr: For what is good and beneficial to our souls and for the peace of the world, let us beseech the Lord.

Pr: That we may spend the rest of our life in peace and repentance, let us beseech the Lord.

Pr: For a Christian, painless, unashamed, peaceful end of our life, and for a good account before the fearsome judgment-seat of Christ, let us beseech the Lord.

Pr: Remembering our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Mother of God and ever-Virgin Mary with all the Saints, let us commend ourselves and one another, and our whole life, to Christ our God.

R: To You, O Lord.

Pr: For You are a merciful and gracious God, and we render glory to You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever, and forever.

R: Amen.

(STAND)

Pr: Peace be with all! **R: And with your spirit.**

Pr: Bow your heads to the Lord. **R: To You, O Lord.**

Pr: O Lord, our God, You lowered the heavens when You came down for the salvation of the human race. Now, look upon Your servants and upon Your inheritance; for they have bowed their heads to You, the Judge, both awesome and loving. They do not await human help, but look for Your mercy, and are ready to receive Your salvation. Guard them at all times, this evening and tonight, against all enemies, against the devil's assaults, against vain thoughts and evil dreams. May the might of Your kingdom be blessed and exalted, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever, and forever.

R: Amen.

(STAND)

TONE 5 Bolgar

Come, O faithful let us go to the Mountain of God, to the house of our God, that we may see the glory of His transfiguration: the glory as of the only Son of the Father, receiving light from Light; let us rise through the Spirit and praise the consubstantial Trinity for ever and ever.

FESTAL LITANY

Pr: Save Your people, O God, and bless Your inheritance. Visit Your world with Your mercy and generousities. Exalt the Christian peoples and send down upon us Your abundant mercy. Through the prayers of the most pure Lady, the Mother of God and ever-Virgin Mary; through the might of the precious and life-giving Cross; through the protection of the honorable, heavenly, bodiless powers; of the honorable, glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist, John; of the holy, glorious and praiseworthy apostles; and of our fathers among the saints: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom; of our father among the saints, Nicholas, the Wonder-Worker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia; of the holy Cyril and Methodius, equals-to-the-apostles, the teachers of the Slavs; of our holy priest-martyr, Josaphat, of the holy, glorious and victorious martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing fathers, Anthony and Theodosius of the Monastery of the Caves in Kiev; of the holy and righteous grandparents of God, Joachim and Ann; (*of Saint _____ whose memory we celebrate*); and of all the saints; we beseech You, O all-merciful Lord, hear us sinners praying to You and have mercy.

R: Lord, have mercy. (12)

PR: We also pray for our holy, ecumenical Pontiff N., the Pope of Rome, for our Patriarch, His Beatitude N., that the Lord God will grant them health and salvation, always directing them and assisting them in all they do, we pray You, O Lord, hear us and have mercy.

R: Hospodi pomiluj. (12)

PR: We also pray for our most reverend Archbishop and Metropolitan N., for our God-loving Bishop N., for our spiritual fathers, and for all our brothers and sisters in Christ, and for every Christian soul that is afflicted and maltreated and in need of God's mercies and help, for the protection the cities and towns in which we live and for the protection of their people; for the peace and serenity of the whole world; for the welfare of God's holy Churches; for the salvation of our fathers and brothers and sisters who, with diligence and in the fear of the Lord, labor and serve; for the repose, blessed memory, and the remission of the sins of our departed loved ones of the orthodox Faith all over the world; for the deliverance of captives; for all those who are taking part in these holy services, and for all who serve or have served in this holy church, let us say:

R: Kyrie eleison. (12)

PR: O most merciful Master, Lord Jesus Christ our God, Through the prayers of the most pure Lady, the Mother of God and ever-Virgin Mary; through the might of the precious and life-giving Cross; through the protection of the honorable, heavenly, bodiless powers; of the honorable, glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist, John; of the holy, glorious and praiseworthy apostles; and of our fathers among the saints: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom; of our father among the saints, Nicholas the Wonder-Worker, Archbishop of Myra in

Lycia; of the holy Cyril and Methodius, equals-to-the-apostles, the teachers of the Slavs; of our holy priest-martyr, Josaphat, of the holy, glorious and victorious martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing fathers, Anthony and Theodosius of the Monastery of the Caves in Kiev; of the holy and righteous grandparents of God, Joachim and Ann; (*of Saint _____ whose memory we celebrate*); and of all the saints; make our prayer acceptable. Grant us remission of our sins; protect us with the shadow of Your wings; drive far away from us every foe and adversary, and make our lives peaceful, O Lord. Have mercy on us and on Your world and save our souls; for you are gracious and the Lover of Mankind.

R: Amen.

STANZAS WITH THE VERSES

TONE 1 - SAMOHLASEN

He Who mysteriously spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai and said: "I am Who I am," today shows forth Himself to His disciples on Mount Tabor, and reveals through His person that human nature is re-established in its original splendor. As witness to this grace and partakers of this joy, He raised up Moses and Elias, the forerunners of the glorious and saving resurrection made possible by the cross of Christ.

Yours is the heaven and yours the earth: You have founded the earth and made all it contains.

When David the forefather of the Lord, foresaw in spirit Your coming in the flesh, he invited the whole creation to rejoice, crying out in prophecy: "O Savior, Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in Your Name," for indeed You ascended this mountain with Your disciples. Through Your transfiguration You returned Adam's nature to its original splendor, restoring its many parts to the glory and brilliance of Your divinity. Therefore we cry out to You, the Creator of All: "Glory be to You!"

Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in Your name.

O Christ without beginning, when on the Mount of the Transfiguration, Your disciples

saw the light that was Yours and Your unapproachable divinity, they were caught in amazement and completely changed; they were clothed in a radiant cloud, and they heard the Father's voice confirming the mystery of Your incarnation: for even after coming in the flesh, You remained the only-begotten Son and Savior of all mankind.

(TONE 6) Samohlasen

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND TO THE SON AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT;
NOW AND EVER AND FOREVER. A—MEN.

Lord, today on Mount Tabor, You have shown the glory of Your divinity to Your chosen disciples, Peter, James and John: they saw Your clothing as radiant as light and Your face more brilliant than the sun. Unable to bear Your overwhelming brightness, or to look upon You, they fell to the ground and heard a voice bearing witness from heaven: "This is my beloved Son Who came to the world to save mankind."

THE CANTICLE OF SIMEON

Now You may dismiss Your servant, O Lord,
according to Your word, in peace.

Because my eyes have seen Your salvation,
which You have prepared in the sight of all the peoples.

A Light of Revelation to the Gentiles,
and the glory of Your people, Israel.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. (3)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
now and ever, and forever. Amen.

O Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us; O Lord, cleanse us of our sins; O Master, forgive us
our transgressions; O Holy One, come to us and heal our infirmities for Your Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. (3)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.
Amen.

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
evil.

Pr: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and
ever and forever.

R: Amen.

*(Then the priest brings out the icon for the Feast and sets it on the tetrapod. The PRIEST sings the Tropar
for the Feast the first time, and the people repeat it a second and third time.)*

PRIEST: Tropar Tone 7:

**You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God. * revealing as much of Your
glory to Your disciples as they could behold. * Through the prayers of the Mother of God, *
let Your everlasting light also shine upon us sinners. * O Giver of Light, glory be to You.**

THE BLESSING OF THE LITIJA TRAY

PR: Let us pray to the Lord.

R: **Lord, have mercy.**

PR: O Lord Jesus Christ our God, You blessed the five loaves and fed the five thousand. Bless + these loaves, this wheat, wine and oil, multiply them in this city and in the whole world; and sanctify all the faithful who shall partake of them; for it is You, O Christ our God, Who bless and sanctify all things. And we give glory to You with Your eternal Father and Your all-holy, gracious, and life-giving Spirit, now and ever and forever.

R: **Amen.**

Blessed be the name of the Lord, now and forever. (3x)

PR: Wisdom!

R: **Give the blessing!**

PR: Blessed is the One-Who-Is, blessed is Christ our God, always now and ever and forever.

R: **Amen. O God, strengthen the orthodox Catholic Faith forever and ever.**

PR: O most holy Mother of God, save us!

R: **More honorable than the Cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim, You a virgin, gave birth to God the Word. You truly the Mother of God, we magnify.**

PR: Glory be to You, O Christ, our God, our hope; glory be to You!

R: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.**

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Give the blessing!

PR: May Christ our true God, Who today for our salvation is transfigured in glory in the presence of His holy apostles and disciples on Mount Tabor, through the prayers of His most pure Mother, through the might of the precious and life-giving Cross, through the prayers of the holy, glorious and praiseworthy apostles and of all the Saints, may He have mercy on us and save us, for He is gracious and loves mankind.

R: **Amen.**