The Office of Holy Unction
As Sung in Church on the Eve of Holy and Great Thursday of Passion Week

Priest: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever and unto ages of ages.
Reader: Amen. Glory to Thee, our God, glory to Thee.
     O Heavenly King, the Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, Who art everywhere present and fillest all things, Treasury of blessings and Giver of Life: Come and abide in us, and cleanse us from every impurity, and save our souls, O Good One.
     Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us! (3)
     Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.
     O most-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. O Lord, cleanse us from our sins.
     O Master, pardon our transgressions. O Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities, for Thy name’s sake.
     Lord, have mercy. (3)
     Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.
     Priest: For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.
     Reader: Amen. Lord, have mercy. (12)
     Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.
     Come, let us worship 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.
Psalm 143

Hear my prayer, O Lord, give ear to my supplications! In Thy faithfulness answer me, in Thy righteousness! Enter not into judgment with Thy servant; for no man living is righteous before Thee. For the enemy has pursued me; he has crushed my life to the ground; he has made me sit in darkness like those long dead. Therefore my spirit faints within me; my heart within me is appalled. I remember the days of old, I meditate on all that Thou hast done; I muse on what Thy hands have wrought. I stretch out my hands to Thee; my soul thirsts for Thee like a parched land. Make haste to answer me, O Lord! My spirit fails! Hide not Thy face from me, lest I be like those who go down to the Pit. Let me hear in the morning of Thy steadfast love, for in Thee I put my trust. Teach me the way I should go, for to Thee I lift up my soul. Deliver me, O Lord, from my enemies! I have fled to Thee for refuge! Teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God! Let Thy good Spirit lead me on a level path. For Thy name’s sake, O Lord, preserve my life! In Thy righteousness bring me out of trouble. And in Thy steadfast love cut off my enemies, and destroy all my adversaries, for I am Thy servant.

 Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory to Thee, O God! (3x)
O Lord, our Hope, glory to Thee!

The Little Litany (Straight Melody)
Exclamation: For unto Thee are due all glory, honor and worship…

And immediately the priest begins the Alleluia (Bridegroom Melody).
The Alleluia
Bridegroom Melody – Traditional Kievan Melody – Tone 8

Priest: In the Eighth Tone: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Priest: O Lord, rebuke me not in Thine anger, nor chasten me in Thy displeasure.

Repeat “Alleluia…”

Priest: Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am weak.

Repeat “Alleluia…”

Then the choir sings the Troparion. During the Troparion, there is a censing of the entire church.
The Troparion – When the Glorious Disciples
Bridegroom Melody – Traditional Kievan Chant – Tone 8

When the glorious Disciples were enlightened at the washing of their feet before the supper, then the impious Judas was darkened, ailing with avarice and to the lawless judges he betrays Thee, the Righteous Judge. Behold, O lover of money,
The choir repeats the Troparion.

this man who because of money hanged himself. Flee from the
greedy soul which dared such things against the Master.///

O Lord Who art good towards all men, glory to Thee!

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

The choir repeats the Troparion.

Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.
The Penitential Troparia
LIC Tone 6

Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us, for laying aside all excuse, we sinners offer to Thee, as to our Master, this supplication."

"Have mercy on us." Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. O Lord, have mercy on us, for in Thee have we put our
trust. Do not be angry with us, nor remember our iniquities, but

look down on us even now, since Thou art compassionate, and deliver

us from our enemies, for Thou art our God, and we are Thy people; we are all the work of Thy hands, and we call on Thy name. Both now

and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. O blessed Theotokos,
Then immediately, the Reader begins Psalm 50 (on the following page).

open the doors of compassion to us whose hope is in Thee, that we may

not perish but be delivered from adversity through Thee//

Who art

the salvation of the Christian people.

Then immediately, the Reader begins Psalm 50 (on the following page).
Psalm 50

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Thy great mercy; according to the multitude of Thy tender mercies, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against Thee, Thee only, have I sinned, and done that which is evil in Thy sight, so that Thou art justified in Thy sentence and blameless in Thy judgment. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sins did my mother conceive me. Behold, Thou desirest truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Fill me with joy and gladness; let the bones which Thou hast broken rejoice. Hide Thy face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors Thy ways, and sinners will return to Thee. Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, Thou God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of Thy deliverance. O Lord, open Thou my lips, and my mouth shall show forth Thy praise. For Thou hast no delight in sacrifice; were I to give a burnt offering, Thou wouldst not be pleased. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise. Do good to Zion in Thy good pleasure; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem, then wilt Thou delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings; then bulls will be offered on Thine altar.

Then immediately the choir begins the Canon (on the following page).
The Canon – Ode 1
Canon Tone 4 – Kievan Chant

Refrain:

When Israel of old had crossed the Red Sea without getting wet,
they put the might of Amalek to flight in the wilderness,
by Moses keeping his hands uplifted in the form of a cross!

O Merciful Lord, heal Thy servants supplicating Thee!

Reader:
Reader: O Master, Who with the oil of compassion dost ever cheer both the souls and bodies of mortals, and dost guard the faithful with oil, be Thou merciful now to those who approach Thee by means of oil.

Refrain:

Reader: The whole earth is full of Thy mercy, O Master; wherefore we who today are mystically anointed with Thine oil divine ask in faith that Thine inestimable mercy may be granted us.

Refrain:

Reader: O Lover of mankind, Who in pity for Thy ailing servants didst command Thine Apostles to perform Thy sacred unction, do Thou, through their entreaties, have mercy on all by Thy seal.

Refrain:

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.
Reader: Thou only chaste One, Who didst bear the bountiful Sea of Peace, by Thy constant intercession with God, deliver Thy servants from infirmities and griefs, that they may magnify Thee ceaselessly.

The Canon – Ode 3
Canon Tone 4 – Kievan Chant

Reader: Thou Who alone art marvelous and merciful to faithful men, grant Thy grace from above, O Christ, to those who are grievously afflicted.
Refrain:

O Merciful Lord, heal Thy servants supplicating Thee!

Reader: O Lord, Who of old for Thy divine token that the flood had ceased, didst show forth an olive branch, by Thy mercy save those who suffer.

Refrain:

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

Reader: With a lamp of divine light, in Thy mercy, O Christ, illumine with anointing those who now with faith hasten to Thy mercy.

Refrain:

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Reader: Graciously look down from above, O Mother of the Creator of all, and through Thine intercessions, loose the bitter pangs of those who are ill.

Then the Choir immediately sings the Kathisma Hymns (on the following page):
Since Thou art a divine river of mercy, like a fathomless gulf of plentiful sympathy, O Bountiful One, manifest the divine streams of Thy mercy, and heal all men. Pour forth abundantly fountains of wonders and cleanse all, for turning ever unto Thee, we fervently implore Thy grace.

LIC Tone 4:
Phy-sician and help of those in sick-ness, Re-deemer and Sa-voir of the in-
firm, do Thou, the Mas-ter and Lord of all, grant healing to Thine in-
firm serv-ants. Be com-passion-ate, show mer-cy to those who have
sinned much, and deliver them, O Christ, from their in-i-qui-ties,///
that they may glo-ri-fy Thy might di-vine!

The Canon then resumes with Ode 4.
Refrain:

The Canon – Ode 4
Canon Tone 4 – Kievan Chant

Be hold ing Thee, the Sun of Righteous ness, up lift ed on the Cross,

the Church stands in Her stateliness and right ly cries out:// Glory

to Thy pow er, O Lord!

O Mer ciful Lord, heal Thy serv ants sup pli cating Thee!
Reader: Thou, O Savior, art as incorruptible myrrh, emptied of Thy grace and cleansing the world. Divinely show Thy pity and mercy to those who with faith anoint their bodily wounds.

Refrain:

Reader: Now that the senses of Thy servants are signed with the seal of the joy of Thy mercy, O Master, make inaccessible and impenetrable the entry of all adverse powers.

Refrain:

Reader: Thou Who lovest man didst bid the ailing to summon Thy godly priests, and by their prayers and anointing with Thine oil to be saved; of Thy mercy, save those who suffer.

Refrain:

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.
Reader: O All-Holy Theotokos, Ever-Virgin, strong Shelter and Defense, Thou
Haven and Wall, both Ladder and Partition, have mercy and pity on the
sick, for they have fled to Thee alone.

The Canon – Ode 5
Canon Tone 4 – Kievan Chant

Thou, O Lord, hast come into the world as Light! A Holy Light

which converts from the darkness of ignorance// those who with

faith sing praises unto Thee!

Refrain:

O Merciful Lord, heal Thy servants supplicating Thee!
Reader: Thou Who art Good, an abyss of mercy, of Thy compassion, O Merciful One, show mercy through Thy mercy divine on those who suffer.

Refrain:

Reader: O Christ, Who hast ineffably sanctified our souls and bodies by Thy divine impress of sealing from above, with Thine own hand, heal us all.

Refrain:

Reader: O Lord, exceeding good, Who through Thine inexpressible tenderness didst accept myrrh-anointing from the harlot, have pity on Thy servants.

Refrain:

Reader: All-praised, pure, and most gracious Sovereign Lady, have mercy on those anointed with the oil divine, and save Thy servants.
"I will sacrifice to Thee with a voice of praise, O Lord!"

The Church cries out to Thee, having been cleansed of the blood offered to de-

monsoon! by the blood which mercifully flowed from Thy

side!

Refrain:
Reader: O Lover of mankind, Who by Thy word didst show anointing is for kings, and the same was performed through High Priests, save also those who suffer by the seal of Thy compassion.

Reader: Let no interposition of malignant demons, O Savior, touch the senses of those signed with the divine anointing. But hedge them about with the shelter of Thy glory.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit!
Reader: Stretch forth from on high Thy hand, O Thou Who lovest man, and having sanctified Thine oil, O Savior, impart it to Thy servants unto healing and deliverance from all ills.

Refrain:

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Reader: O Mother of the Creator, in Thy temple Thou hast revealed Thyself a fruitful olive tree, whereby the world is found filled with mercy. Therefore by the touch of Thine intercessions, save those who suffer.

Then immediately the Kontakion, in Tropar Tone 2, on the following page:
Thou Who art the Source of mercy, O exceeding Good One, Do Thou deliver from every calamity those who with fervent faith bow down before Thine unspeakable mercy, O Compassionate One. Taking away their maladies, grant them Thy divine grace from on high.

The Canon continues with Ode 7 (on the following page):
The children of Abraham in the Babylonian furnace

were burning with the love of godliness instead of the flame.

And they cried out: “Blessed art Thou, O Lord,// in the Temple of Thy glory!”

Refrain:
Refrain:

Reader: Thou, the only God, Who in Thy mercies and bounties, O Savior, dost heal the passions of soul and contritions of body of all men, be Thou physician of those who suffer from infirmities and restore them.

Refrain:

Reader: When the heads of all are anointed with the oil of unction, grant those who seek the mercy of Thy deliverance, O Christ, the delight of joy, bestowing upon them Thy rich mercies, O Lord.

Refrain:

Glo-ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it!
Reader: Thy seal, O Savior, is a sword against demons. The entreaties of priests are a fire consuming the passions of the soul. Wherefore, we who receive healing with faith praise Thee.

Refrain:

Reader: O Mother of God, Who within Thy womb in God-like manner didst hold, and ineffably didst incarnate, Him Who holdeth all things in His grasp, propitiate Him for those who suffer, we beseech Thee.

As Ode 8 of the Canon begins (on the following page), there is a lesser censing.
The Canon – Ode 8
Canon Tone 4 – Kievan Chant

Refrain:

Daniel stretched out his hands and closed the mouths of the lions in their den. And the Holy Youths zealous for godli-ness, quenched the raging fire as they girded themselves with virtue. And they cried out:// “Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord!”

Refrain:
Refrain:

O Merciful Lord, heal Thy servants supplicating Thee!

Reader: Thou dost show mercy on all men, O Savior, according to Thy divine and mighty mercy, for which cause we are all gathered here, O Master, mystically representing the condescension of Thy mercies, and have brought in faith the unction with oil unto Thy servants, whom also do Thou visit!

Refrain:

O Merciful Lord, heal Thy servants supplicating Thee!

Reader: By the streams of Thy mercy, O Christ, and through anointing by Thy priests, wash away, in that Thou art compassionate, O Lord, the ills and afflictions and the assaults of maladies of those tormented by the stress of sufferings, that saved, they may glorify Thee with thanksgiving!

***Refrain:

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, the Lord!
Reader: Forasmuch as Thy divine mercy hath been decreed to us from above, O Master, as a symbol of condescension and joy, withdraw not Thy mercy, neither despise those who ever cry faithfully, “Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord!”

Refrain:

Reader: Nature received Thy divine Child-bearing, O Pure One, as a most glorious crown which crushed the hosts of enemies and vanquished their dominion. Wherefore, crowned with the festal brightness of Thy grace, we extol Thee, O Most Praised Sovereign Lady!

***Refrain:

The Choir then immediately begins Ode 9 (on the following page).
The Canon – Ode 9
Canon Tone 4 – Kievan Chant

Refrain:

A Stone un-cut by hands was hewn from Thee, the Uncut Mountain, O Virgin; even Christ the Cornerstone!

Who joined in Himself the separate natures. Therefore 

re-joicing, do we magnify Thee, O Theootokos!
Refrain:

O Merciful Lord, heal Thy servants supplicating Thee!

Reader: Look down from heaven, O Bountiful One, and show Thy mercy unto all. Thine assistance and Thy strength bestow on those who draw near to Thee, through divine unction of Thy priests, O Thou Who lovest mankind!

Refrain:

O Merciful Lord, heal Thy servants supplicating Thee!

Reader: O Most Good Savior, rejoicing, we have seen the oil divine, which through Godly condescension Thou hast received, and above the merits of the recipients hast symbolically imparted to those who have shared in the divine laver!

Refrain:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit!
Reader: Be compassionate, have mercy, O Savior. Deliver from terrors and pains, deliver from darts of the evil one the souls and bodies of Thy servants, since Thou art a merciful Lord, Who healest us by Thy divine grace.

Refrain:

As Thou receivest the hymns and supplications of Thy servants, O Virgin, so do Thou also deliver, through Thine intercessions, from harsh suffering and pain those who, through us, O Panagia, flee to Thy sacred shelter.

Then immediately the Choir sings the Exaposteilarion of Uction in Tropar Tone 6 (on the following page).
Reader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Choir: Repeat “In Thy mercy…”

Reader: Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Choir: Repeat “In Thy mercy…”

Then immediately the Reader begins the Praises (on the following page).
The Praises
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His host!
Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him all you shining stars! Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!
Let them praise the name of the Lord! For He commanded and they were created.
And He established them forever and ever; He fixed their bounds which cannot be passed.
Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy winds fulfilling His command!
Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!
Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children!
Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His glory is above earth and Heaven. He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints, for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise in the assembly of the faithful! Let Israel be glad in his Maker, let the sons of Zion rejoice in their King!
Let them praise His name with dancing, making melody to Him with timbrel and lyre! For the Lord takes pleasure in His people; He adorns the humble with victory.
Let the faithful exult in glory, let them sing for joy on their couches. Let the high praises of God be in their throats, and two-edged swords in their hands, to wreak vengeance on the nations and chastisement on the peoples, to bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron, to execute upon them the judgment written.
This is glory for all His faithful ones. Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary, praise Him in His mighty firmament!
Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to His exceeding greatness!
Praise Him with the trumpet sound; praise Him with lute and harp.

Choir:  

LIC Tone 4:

Thou hast given Thy grace through Thine Apostles, O Good Physician, Thou Lover of mankind, to heal the wounds and infirmities of all men through Thy holy oil. Therefore, since Thou art compassionate, sanctify, be merciful, and cleanse from every ailment,
Praise Him with timbrel and dance; praise Him with strings and pipe!

and make worthy of Thy food incorruptible,/// those who now with

faith approach Thine oil!

O ineffable Lover of man, Who with Thine unseen hand, as being

compassionate, dost seal our senses with Thine oil divine, look down

Praise Him with timbrel and dance; praise Him with strings and pipe!
Praise Him with sounding cymbals; praise Him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

from Heaven, and give to those who in faith hasten to Thee and ask

par-don of in-i-quities, healing of soul and body,/// that they may glo-

ri-fy Thee lov-ing-ly and mag-ni-fy Thy might!

Praise Him with sounding cymbals; praise Him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Through anointing with Thine oil, and the touch of the priests, O Lov-er
of man-kind, Sanctify Thy servants from on high. Free them from in-
iquities. Cleanse their spiritual defilements. Wash them, O Sav-
ior, and deliver them from manifold scandals, assuage their mal-
dies, banish their hindrances and destroy their afflictions, for as-
much as Thou art bountiful and compassionate!
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

The choir then sings the troparia (on the following page):
Tropar Tone 6:

In Thy mercy, O Good One, cast Thine eyes upon the prayer of us,

who today are gathered in Thy holy temple to anoint with divine oil Thine infirm servants!

Tropar Tone 4:

Do Thou, O Christ, Who alone dost speed to help, manifest Thy speedy
Then the Great Litany (on the following page):
The Great Litany

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Lord, have mercy. - Lord, have mercy. - To Thee, O Lord.

Amen.
The Great Litany

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

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** For the peace from above and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy churches of God, and for the union of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** For this holy house, and for those who enter with faith, reverence, and the fear of God, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** For His Beatitude, Metropolitan ________, for His Grace (Eminence), Bishop (Archbishop) ________, for the honorable priesthood, the diaconate in Christ, for all the clergy and the people, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** For our country, for all civil authorities, and for the armed forces, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** For this city, for every city and country, and for the faithful dwelling in them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** For seasonable weather, for abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** For travelers by land, by sea and by air, for the sick and the suffering, for captives and their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** For this oil, that it may be blessed by the power and operation and indwelling of the Holy Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

**Choir:** Lord, have mercy.
Deacon: For the servants of God here present, and for the visitation of God upon them and that the grace of the Holy Spirit may come upon them, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: For our deliverance from all tribulation, wrath, danger, and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

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

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: Calling to remembrance our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and each other, and all our life unto Christ our God.

Choir: To Thee, O Lord.

Prayer of the Oil

Deacon: Let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: O Lord, Who through Thy mercies and bounties healest the disorders of our souls and bodies: Do Thou Thyself, O Master, also sanctify this oil, that it may be effectual for those who are anointed therewith, unto healing and unto relief from every passion, of defilement of flesh and spirit, and every ill; and that thereby may be glorified Thine All-Holy name, of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

Then the choir sings the troparia, which begin on the following page.
Tropar Tone 4:

Blind of my spiritual eyes, I come to Thee, O Christ,
as did the man blind from his birth, and I cry to Thee in penitence,

"Thou art the shining light of those in darkness!"

Tropar Tone 3:

By Thy divine intervention, O Lord, raise Thou up my soul,
which by every kind of sin and unbecoming deeds so grievously is paralyzed, as Thou of old didst upraise the paralytic, that being saved, I may cry to Thee,/// "Grant healing unto me, O Christ Com-

- passion-ate!"
To St. James—Tropar Tone 2:

As the Lord's disciple, O righteous one, thou didst receive the Gospel; as martyr thou dost possess that which is unwritten, thou hast boldness as the brother of God; as hierarch, thou hast power in prayer./// Intercede with Christ our God that our souls may be saved!

Tropar Tone 4:
To St. James—Tropar Tone 4:

The Only-Begotten Word of God the Father, Who in latter days has come to us, declared thee, O God-bearer James, the first pastor and teacher of those in Jerusalem, and a faithful steward of spiritual mysteries; therefore, O Apostle, we all honor thee!

Tropar Tone 3:
To St. Nicholas—Tropar Tone 3:

In My-ra, thou, O saint, didst show thy-self a true priest, for in ful-
fill-ing Christ's Gospel, O ven'ra-ble one, thou didst lay down thy life
for thy peo-ple, and save the in-no-cent from death!/// Where-fore thou
art hallowed as a great in-i-ti-ate in the grace of God!

Tropar Tone 3:
To St. Demetrios—Tropar Tone 3:

The world has found in thee a mighty champion in dangers, O endurer of pain, who overcame the heathen! For as thou didst humbly

- aeus' pride, and in the strife make Nestor brave, so, Saint Demetrius,

entreat Christ our God/// to bestow on us great mercy!

Tropar Tone 3:
To St. Panteleimon—Tropar Tone 3:

O holy endurer of pain and physician Panteleimon, intercede with the merciful God, that He may grant unto our souls/// forgiveness of our offenses!

To All the Unmercenary Healers—Tropar Tone 8:

O holy unmercenary and wonder-workers, visit ye our weak-
To St. John the Theologian—Tropar Tone 2:

Who shall declare thy grandeur, O virgin saint? For thou dost over-

flow with wonders and pour-est forth healing, and as theologian and

friend of Christ,/// thou dost in-ter-cede for our souls!

Tropar Tone 2:
Theotokion—Tropar Tone 2:

Fer-vent In-ter-ces-sor and Wall im-press-ible, Source of mer-cy and

Re-fuge of the world, to Thee we earn-est-ly do cry, "O The-o-to-kos,

Sov'-reign La-dy, speed-i-ly come to us and deliver us from dan-ger,///

Thou Who a-lone art quick to in-ter-cede!

Then the First Prokeimenon and First Epistle, on the following page.
The First Prokeimenon

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the First Tone:

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us / as we have set our hope on Thee.

VERSE: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous! Praise befits the just!

The First Epistle

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Catholic Epistle of the Holy Apostle James

(James 5:10-16).

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, take ye the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience. Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful.

But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yes be yes; and your no be
no; lest ye fall into condemnation. Is any among you afflicted? Let him pray. Is any merry? Let him sing psalms. Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed./// The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

Priest: Peace be to thee that readest!
Reader: And to thy spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***All Alleluias for this service are sung only TWICE, and are in the appendix on pp. 85-86***

VERSE: I will sing to Thee of mercy and judgment, O Lord.

The First Gospel

Priest: Wisdom! Let us attend! Let us hear the Holy Gospel! Peace be to all!

~The Gospel is Read~

After the Gospel: Glory to Thee, O Lord! Glory to Thee!
The Impetratory Litany
This Litany is repeated after each Gospel.

Priest: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we beseech Thee, hearken and have mercy!

Priest: Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, and visitation for the servants of God here present, and for the pardon and remission of their sins.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: Again we pray for the forgiveness of their every transgression, both voluntary and involuntary.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: For Thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and to Thee we ascribe glory, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

The First Prayer

Priest: Again and again, on bended knees, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: Thou Who art Unoriginate, Eternal, the Holy of Holies, Who didst send down Thine Only-begotten Son to heal every infirmity and all manner of disease, both of our souls and bodies: send down Thy Holy Spirit, and sanctify this oil; and cause it to be for Thy servants, who are anointed therewith, unto perfect deliverance from their sins, unto inheritance of the kingdom of heaven. [For Thou art God great and wonderful, Who keepest Thy covenant and Thy mercy unto
those who love Thee; Who givest deliverance from sins through Thy holy Child, Jesus Christ; Who regeneratest us from sin; Who enlightenest the blind, raisest up those who are cast down; Who lovest the righteous and showest mercy unto sinners; Who leadest us forth again out of darkness and the shadow of death, saying to those in bonds, “Come forth”; and to those in darkness, “Be ye unveiled.” For the light of the knowledge of Thine Only-begotten Son shone in our hearts, since for our sakes He appeared on earth, and dwelt among men; and to those who accepted Him, He gave power to become the children of God; granting to us sonship through the laver of regeneration, and made us to have no participation in the tyranny of the Devil. And inasmuch as it hath not pleased Him that we should be purified by blood, but by holy oil, He gave us the image of His Cross, that we may be a flock of Christ, a royal priesthood, a holy nation; and didst purify us by water, and sanctify us by Thy Holy Spirit. Do Thou Thyself, O Master Lord, give us grace in this ministration, as Thou gavest it to Moses, Thine accepted, and to Samuel, Thy beloved, and to John, Thine elect, and to all those who from generation to generation have been well-pleasing unto Thee. And so make us also to be ministers of the new Covenant of Thy Son upon this oil, which Thou hast made of Thine Own through the precious blood of Thy Christ; that putting away worldly lusts, we may die unto sin and live unto righteousness, being clothed upon with our Lord Jesus Christ through the anointing of sanctification of this oil which we desire to use. Let this oil, O Lord, be an oil of gladness, an oil of sanctification, a royal raiment, an armor of might, an averting of every diabolical operation, an inviolable seal, a rejoicing of the heart, an everlasting gladness; that those also who are anointed with this oil of regeneration may be terrible to adversaries, and may shine in the radiance of Thy saints, having neither spot nor wrinkle; and that they may be received into Thine eternal rest, and gain the prize of the calling from on high.]

For Thine it is to show mercy and to save us, O God, our God, and unto Thee we ascribe glory, with Thine Only-begotten Son, and Thine all-holy, and good and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

**Choir: Amen.**

*Then the Second Prokeimenon:*  

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The Second Prokeimenon

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Second Tone:

The Lord is my strength and my song. / He has become my salvation.

VERSE: The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.

The Second Epistle

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans (Rom. 15:1-7).

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, we that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let every one of us please his neighbor for his good to edification. For even Christ pleased not Himself; but, as it is written, “The reproaches of them that reproached Thee fell on me.” For whatsoever
things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope. Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus; that ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us to the glory of God.

*Priest:* Peace be to thee that readest!
*Reader:* And to thy spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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VERSE: I will sing of Thy mercy, O Lord, forever.

**The Second Gospel**

*Priest:* Wisdom! Let us attend! Let us hear the Holy Gospel! Peace be to all!
*Choir:* And to Thy spirit!

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

~The Gospel is Read~

*After the Gospel:* Glory to Thee, O Lord! Glory to Thee!

**The Impetratory Litany**

*This Litany is repeated after each Gospel.*

*Priest:* Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we beseech Thee, hearken and have mercy!
*Choir:* Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

*Priest:* Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, and visitation for the servants of God here present, and for the pardon and remission of their sins.
*Choir:* Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!
Priest: Again we pray for the forgiveness of their every transgression, both voluntary and involuntary.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: For Thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and to Thee we ascribe glory, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

The Second Prayer

Priest: Again and again, on bended knees, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: O God, great and most high, Who art worshipped by all creation, Source of wisdom, Abyss of goodness truly unfathomable, and boundless Sea of benignity; do Thou Thyself, O Master Who lovest mankind, the God of the eternal and the marvelous, Whom none among men by thinking can comprehend, look upon us, and hearken unto us, Thine unworthy servants, and wheresoever we bring this oil in Thy great name, do Thou send down Thy gift of healing, and the remission of sins, and heal Thy servants in the plenitude of Thy mercy. Yea, O Lord, Thou good physician, Who alone art merciful and lovest man, Who repentest Thee of our wickedness, Who knowest that the intention of a man inclineth unto evil from his youth up, Who desirest not the death of a sinner, but that he should return and live, Who for the salvation of sinners, being God, didst become incarnate, and didst become a Creature for Thy creatures. Thou hast said, “I came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance,” Thou art He Who sought the lost sheep, Thou art He Who diligently sought the lost drachma, and found it, Thou didst say, “He that cometh unto Me I will in no wise cast out,” Thou art He Who didst not loathe the harlot who rained her tears upon Thy precious feet, Thou didst say, “As often as thou fallest, arise, and thou shalt be saved,” Thou art He Who saith, “There is joy in Heaven over one sinner who repenteth.” Do Thou Thyself, O Benign Master, look down from the height of Thy sanctuary, overshadowing us sinners, and Thine unworthy servants at this hour, with the grace of the Holy Spirit,
and abide in these Thy servants who acknowledge their transgressions, and draw near to Thee in faith, and accepting them in Thine own love to man, whether they have transgressed in word or deed or thought, forgiving them, do Thou cleanse them, make them pure from every sin, and, abiding ever present with them, preserve them all the remaining years of their lives, that walking in Thy statutes, they may never become a derision to the devil, and that by them Thine all-holy name may be glorified.

For Thine it is to show mercy and to save us, O Christ our God, and unto Thee we ascribe glory, with Thine unoriginate Father, and Thine all-holy, and good and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

**Choir: Amen.**

**The Third Prokeimenon**

**Priest:** Let us attend!

**Reader:** The Prokeimenon in the Third Tone:

The Lord is my light and my Savior! / Whom shall I fear?

VERSE: The Lord is the defender of my life. Of whom shall I be afraid?
The Third Epistle

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians (1 Cor. 12:27-13:8).

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular. And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? Have all the gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet show I unto you a more excellent way. Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not love, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not love, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not love, it profiteth me nothing. Love is longsuffering, and is kind; love envieth not; love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things./// Love never faileth.

Priest: Peace be to thee that readest!

Reader: And to thy spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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VERSE: O Lord, in Thee have I trusted, let me never be put to shame.
The Third Gospel

Priest: Wisdom! Let us attend! Let us hear the Holy Gospel! Peace be to all!

Choir: And to Thy spirit!

Priest: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (Matt. 10:1, 5-8).

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

~The Gospel is Read~

After the Gospel: Glory to Thee, O Lord! Glory to Thee!

The Impetratory Litany

This Litany is repeated after each Gospel.

Priest: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we beseech Thee, hearken and have mercy!

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, and visitation for the servants of God here present, and for the pardon and remission of their sins.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: Again we pray for the forgiveness of their every transgression, both voluntary and involuntary.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: For Thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and to Thee we ascribe glory, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

The Third Prayer

Priest: Again and again, on bended knees, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!
Priest: Almighty Master, Holy King, Who chastenest and yet slayest not, Who raisest up those who fall, and restores those who are cast down, Who relievest the bodily afflictions of men: We beseech Thee, our God, that Thou wilt direct Thy mercy upon this oil, and upon those who are anointed therewith in Thy name, that it may be to them for healing of soul and body, for the cleansing and removal of every passion, and of every infirmity and wound, and every defilement of flesh and spirit. [Yea, O Lord, send down from Heaven Thy healing power, touch the body, quench the fever, soothe the suffering, and banish every hidden ailment. Be Thou the physician of Thy servants, raise them up from the bed of sickness, and from their couch of vexation whole and perfectly restored, granting them, through Thy Church, to be well-pleasing unto Thee, and to work Thy will.] For Thine it is to show mercy and to save us, O our God, 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.

Choir: Amen.

The Fourth Prokeimenon

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Fourth Tone:

In the day when I shall call upon Thee, / speedily hear me.

VERSE: O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come unto Thee.
The Fourth Epistle

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Second Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians (2 Cor. 6:16-7:1).

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you. And I will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty./// Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Priest: Peace be to thee that readest!

Reader: And to thy spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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VERSE: I waited patiently for the Lord, and He attended to me.

The Fourth Gospel

Priest: Wisdom! Let us attend! Let us hear the Holy Gospel! Peace be to all!

Choir: And to Thy spirit!

Priest: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (Matt. 8:14-23).

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

~The Gospel is Read~

After the Gospel: Glory to Thee, O Lord! Glory to Thee!
The Impetratory Litany
This Litany is repeated after each Gospel.

Priest: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we beseech Thee, hearken and have mercy!

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, and visitation for the servants of God here present, and for the pardon and remission of their sins.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: Again we pray for the forgiveness of their every transgression, both voluntary and involuntary.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: For Thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and to Thee we ascribe glory, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

The Fourth Prayer

Priest: Again and again, on bended knees, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: O good and man-loving, compassionate and most merciful Lord, plentiful in mercy and rich in beneficence, the Father of bounties and God of every consolation, Who through Thy holy Apostles hast empowered us to heal the infirmities of the people by oil with prayer: Do Thou Thyself appoint this oil for the healing of those who are anointed therewith, for the alleviation of every infirmity and every malady, for deliverance from ills of those Who await salvation that is from Thee.

Yea, Master, Lord our God, we beseech Thee, Who art Almighty, to save us all. [Thou Who healest every infirmity, heal also these Thy servants, raise them up from their couch of sickness through the mercy of Thy goodness, visit them with Thy mercies and bounties, cast out of them every ailment and weakness, that, raised up by Thy mighty hand, they may serve Thee with all thanksgiving, and that now, participating in Thine inexpressible love towards mankind, we also may hymn and
glorify Thee Who performest great and wondrous, glorious, and transcendent things.]

For Thine it is to show mercy and to save us, O our God, and to Thee we ascribe glory, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

The Fifth Prokeimenon

Priest: Let us attend!
Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Fifth Tone:
Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us / and preserve us from this generation forever.

VERSE: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly.

The Fifth Epistle

Priest: Wisdom!
Reader: The Reading from the Second Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians (2 Cor. 1:8-11).
Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, we would not have you ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life, but we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God Which raiseth the dead, Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver, in Whom we trust that He will yet deliver us;/// ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift bestowed upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf.

Priest: Peace be to thee that readest!
Reader: And to thy spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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VERSE: I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever.

The Fifth Gospel

Priest: Wisdom! Let us attend! Let us hear the Holy Gospel! Peace be to all!
Choir: And to Thy spirit!

Priest: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (Matt. 25:1-13).
Choir: Glory to Thee, O Lord, glory to Thee.

~The Gospel is Read~

After the Gospel: Glory to Thee, O Lord! Glory to Thee!
The Impetratory Litany
This Litany is repeated after each Gospel.

Priest: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we beseech Thee, hearken and have mercy!

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, and visitation for the servants of God here present, and for the pardon and remission of their sins.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: Again we pray for the forgiveness of their every transgression, both voluntary and involuntary.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: For Thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and to Thee we ascribe glory, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

The Fifth Prayer

Priest: Again and again, on bended knees, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: O Lord our God, Who chastenest and again healest, Who raisest the poor man from the earth, and exaltest the beggar from the dunghill, the Father of orphans, and Haven of the tempest-tossed, and Physician of the sick, Who painlessly bearest our weaknesses, and receivest our infirmities, Who showest mercy with gentleness, Who overlookest transgressions, and takest away unrighteousness, Who art quick to help, and slow to wrath, Who didst breathe upon Thy disciples and say, “Receive ye the Holy Spirit; whosesoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them,” Who acceptest the repentance of sinners, and hast power to forgive sins manifold and grievous, and grantest healing to all who continue in weakness and lingering illness, Who also hast called me, Thy humble and sinful and unworthy servant, entangled in manifold sins and wallowing in the lusts of pleasures, to the holy and sublime degree of the Priesthood, and to enter
within the innermost veil, into the Holy of Holies, whither the holy Angels desire
to penetrate, and to hear the evangelic voice of the Lord God, and personally behold
the presence of the Holy Oblation, and to take delight in the divine and sacred
Liturgy, Who hast counted me worthy to minister Thy supracelestial Mysteries, and
to offer unto Thee gifts and sacrifices for our sins and for the ignorance of the
people, and to mediate for Thy rational sheep, that, through Thine abundant and
unspeakable love towards man, Thou mayest cleanse their iniquities: Do Thou
Thyself, O most good King, attend to my prayer in this hour and on this holy day,
and in every time and place, and hearken to the voice of my supplication, and
grant healing to Thy servants who are weak of soul and body, giving them
remission of sins and forgiveness of their transgressions, both voluntary and
involuntary. [Heal Thou their incurable wounds, and every ailment and every sore,
bestow upon them psychic healing. O Thou Who didst touch the mother-in-law
of Peter, whereupon the fever left her, and she arose and ministered unto Thee: Do
Thou Thyself, O Master, grant healing to these Thy servants, and alleviation of
every consumptive illness, and be mindful of Thy rich bounties and Thy mercy.]
Remember that the thought of man inclineth constantly toward evil from his
youth up, and that none is to be found sinless upon earth, for Thou alone art without
sin, Who didst come and save the human race, and free us from bondage to the
enemy. For if Thou shouldst enter into judgment with Thy servants, there is none
that would be found pure from stain, but every mouth would be sealed, having
naught to answer, for all our righteousness is like unto cast-off rags before Thee.
Wherefore, O Lord, remember not the sins of our youth, for Thou art the Hope of
the hopeless, and the Repose of those who labor and are heavy-laden with iniquity,
and to Thee we ascribe glory, with Thine unoriginate Father, and Thine all-holy,
and good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

The Sixth Prokeimenon

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Sixth Tone:

Have mercy on me, O God, / according to Thy great mercy.

Music on the next page:
VERSE: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

The Sixth Epistle

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Galatians (Gal. 5:22-6:2).

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, self-control: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another. Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such a one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted./// Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Priest: Peace be to thee that readest!

Reader: And to thy spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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VERSE: Blessed is the man who feareth the Lord. In His commandments he rejoiceth exceedingly.
**The Sixth Gospel**

*Priest:* Wisdom! Let us attend! Let us hear the Holy Gospel! Peace be to all!

*Choir:* And to Thy spirit!

*Priest:* The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (Matt. 15:21-28).

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

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**~The Gospel is Read~**

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*After the Gospel:* Glory to Thee, O Lord! Glory to Thee!

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**The Impetratory Litany**

*This Litany is repeated after each Gospel.*

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*Priest:* Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we beseech Thee, hearken and have mercy!

*Choir:* Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

*Priest:* Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, and visitation for the servants of God here present, and for the pardon and remission of their sins.

*Choir:* Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

*Priest:* Again we pray for the forgiveness of their every transgression, both voluntary and involuntary.

*Choir:* Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

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

*Choir:* Amen.

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**The Sixth Prayer**

*Priest:* Again and again, on bended knees, let us pray to the Lord.

*Choir:* Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!
Priest: We thank Thee, O Lord our God, Who art good and lovest man, the Physician of our souls and bodies, Who painlessly bearest our infirmities, by Whose stripes we have all been healed, Thou good Shepherd, Who camest to seek the wandering sheep, Who givest consolation to the fainthearted, and life to those who are shattered, Who didst heal the flow of the woman who had an issue of blood twelve years, Who didst free the daughter of the Canaanite woman from the cruel demon, Who didst release the two debtors from their debt, and give remission of sins unto the sinful woman, Who grantest healing unto the paralytic, with the remission of his sins, Who didst justify the publican by Thy word, and didst accept the thief at his last confession, Who takest away the sins of the world, and wast nailed to the Cross: We beseech Thee, and entreat Thee, in Thy goodness loose, remit, forgive, O God, the trespasses and sins of these Thy servants, and their iniquities, whether voluntary or involuntary, whether of knowledge or of ignorance, whether of transgression or of disobedience, whether of the night or of the day, whether they be under the ban of a priest, or the curse of father or mother, whether by the glance of the eye, or a movement of the eyelid, whether through the contact of adultery or the taste of prodigality, or through whatsoever impulse of the flesh and of the spirit they have departed from Thy will, and from Thy holiness. And if they have sinned, and in like manner we also, forgive us, forasmuch as Thou art a good God Who rememberest not evil, and lovest mankind: and let not them or us fall into a dissolute life, neither to walk in ways of destruction. Yea, O Master, Lord, hearken unto me a sinner, in this hour, on behalf of these Thy servants, and overlook their trespasses, forasmuch as Thou art a God Who callest not evil to mind. Free them from eternal torment, fill their mouths with Thy praise, open their lips that they may glorify Thy holy name, stretch forth their hands to the doing of Thy commandments. Guide their feet aright in the way of Thy Gospel, strengthening all their members and their thoughts, by Thy grace. For Thou art our God, Who hast commanded us by Thy holy Apostles, saying, “Whatsoever ye bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatsoever ye loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” And again, “Unto whomsoever ye remit sins, they shall be remitted, and if ye retain them, they shall be retained.” And as Thou didst hearken unto Ezekiel in the sorrow of his soul, at the hour of his
death, and didst not despise his supplications, so also, in like manner, give ear unto me, Thy humble, and sinful, and unworthy servant at this hour. For Thou, O Lord Jesus Christ, through Thy goodness and love towards man, didst bid us to forgive the erring their sins, even unto seventy times seven, and repentest Thee of our wickedness, and rejoices over the return of those who have gone astray. For as is Thy majesty, so also is Thy mercy, and unto Thee we ascribe glory, with Thine unoriginate Father, and Thine all-holy, and good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

The Seventh Prokeimenon

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Seventh Tone:

O Lord, rebuke me not in Thine anger, / nor chasten me in Thy wrath.

VERSE: Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am weak.
The Seventh Epistle

*Priest:* Wisdom!

*Reader:* The Reading from the First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Thessalonians (1 Thess. 5:14-23).

*Priest:* Let us attend!

*Reader:* Brethren, we exhort you, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men. See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men. Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesying. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil./// And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Priest:* Peace be to thee that readest!

*Reader:* And to thy spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***All Alleluias for this service are sung only TWICE, and are in the appendix on pp.85-86***

VERSE: The Lord hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee.

The Seventh Gospel

*Priest:* Wisdom! Let us attend! Let us hear the Holy Gospel! Peace be to all!

*Choir:* And to Thy spirit!

*Priest:* The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (Matt. 9:9-13).

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

~The Gospel is Read~

*After the Gospel:* Glory to Thee, O Lord! Glory to Thee!
The Impetratory Litany
This Litany is repeated after each Gospel.

Priest: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we beseech Thee, hearken and have mercy!

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, and visitation for the servants of God here present, and for the pardon and remission of their sins.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: Again we pray for the forgiveness of their every transgression, both voluntary and involuntary.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: For Thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and to Thee we ascribe glory, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

The Seventh Prayer

Priest: Again and again, on bended knees, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!

Priest: O Master, Lord our God, Physician of souls and bodies, Who curest temporal sufferings and healest every infirmity and every wound of men, Who desirest that all men should be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth, Who desirest not the death of a sinner, but that he should turn again and live: for Thou, O Lord, in the ancient covenant, didst ordain repentance unto sinners, to David and the Ninevites, and to those before and after these, and likewise, at the advent of Thy dispensation in the flesh, Thou didst call not the righteous but sinners to repentance, receiving even the publican, the harlot, the thief, and great Paul, the blaspheming persecutor, through repentance. Thou didst accept in repentance Peter Thy chief Apostle, who thrice denied Thee, and gavest him a promise, saying, “Thou art Peter, and upon this rock will I build my Church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it, and I will give thee the keys of the
kingdom of heaven.” Wherefore, O Good One, Who loveth mankind, being bold according to Thine undeceiving promises, we beseech Thee and implore Thee in this present hour: Harken to our supplication, and receive it as incense offered unto Thee, and visit these Thy servants, and if they have done aught amiss, either by word, or deed, or thought, either by night or by day, if they have fallen under the ban of a priest, or under their own anathema, or hath been embittered by an oath, and have foresworn themselves: We beseech Thee and supplicate Thee, loose, pardon, forgive them, O God, overlooking their sins and wickednesses, and all which they have committed knowingly and in ignorance. And if they have deviated aught from Thy commandments, or have sinned because they bear flesh and dwell in the world, or through the operation of the Devil, do Thou, forasmuch as Thou art a good God and loveth man, forgive, for there is not a man who shall live and sin not. For Thou alone art sinless, Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and Thy word is truth. For Thou didst not create man for destruction, but for the keeping of Thy commandments, for the inheritance of life incorruptible, and to Thee we ascribe glory, with Thine unoriginate Father, and Thine all-holy, and good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen. (2x)***

The Prayer of the Gospel

The Priest shall take the Holy Gospel and, opening it, shall turn to face the people, and hold it, with the writing down, over the heads of those who draw near, and shall say the following prayer. If several Priests take part in the service, they shall each hold the open Gospel, and repeat the prayer silently.

Priest: O Holy King, compassionate and multi-merciful Lord Jesus Christ, Son and Word of the Living God, Who desirest not the death of a sinner, but that he should be converted and live: I lay not my sinful hand upon the heads of those who approach Thee in sins, and entreat of Thee, through us, remission of their sins, but Thy strong and mighty hand which is in this Holy Gospel [which my fellow-ministers hold upon the heads of these Thy servants, and with them] I pray and
entreat Thy merciful and evil-forgetting love of mankind, O God our Savior, Who through Thy Prophet Nathan didst grant remission unto David when he repented of his iniquities, and didst accept Manasses’ prayer of penitence: Do Thou receive also with Thy wonted love for man, these Thy servants who repent them of their iniquities, overlooking all their transgressions. For Thou art our God, Who hast bidden us to forgive those who fall in sin, even unto seventy times seven, for as is Thy majesty, so also is Thy mercy, and unto Thee are due all glory, honor, and worship, with Thine unoriginate Father, and Thine all-holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

The Anointing Prayer
After the Prayer of the Gospel, the priest shall recite the following prayer.

Priest: O holy Father, Physician of souls and bodies, Who didst send Thine Only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, Which healeth every infirmity and delivereth from death: Heal Thou, also, Thy servants from the ills of body and soul which do hinder them, and quicken them, by the grace of Thy Christ, through the prayers of our most holy Lady, the Birth-giver of God and ever-virgin Mary, through the intercession of the honorable Bodiless Powers of Heaven, through the might of the precious and life-giving Cross, through the protection of the honorable, glorious, Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist, John, of the holy, glorious, and all-laudable Apostles, of the holy, glorious, and right-victorious Martyrs, of our reverend and God-bearing Fathers, of the holy and healing Unmercenaries, Cosmas and Damian, Cyrus and John, Panteleimon and Hermolaus, Samson and Diomedes, Photius and Anicetas, of the holy and righteous Ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna, and of all the Saints.
For Thou art the Fountain of healing, O our God, and unto Thee do we ascribe glory, together with Thine Only-begotten Son, and Thy Spirit, one in essence, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.
The Anointing

The Holy Gospel shall be placed upon the Tetrapodion for the veneration of the faithful who approach to be anointed. The priest then shall mix the Holy Oil and wine with a spoon, and pouring it into a small container, or several containers, as many as there be Priests, shall anoint with it all the faithful who present themselves, on the forehead and palms in the form of a cross, saying to each: “The blessing of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ: for the healing of soul and body of the servant of God, ________, always, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.”

If several priests take part in the service, they shall each participate in the anointing, one anointing the forehead, another, the palms, another, the eyes, etc.

NOTE: Since Holy Unction is a Sacrament of the Church, the Priest must keep in mind that only members of the Orthodox Catholic Church of Christ may receive the same.

While the faithful approach to be anointed with the Holy Unction, the Choir or Reader shall sing the following in Tone 4. The Troparia/Kontakia on pp. 45-53 may also be repeated at this time.

Idiomelon – LIC Tone 4

Glo-ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit:

Since ye have a fountain of heal-ing, O ho-ly Un-mer-cen-ar-ies, give
healing to all who are in need of it, for ye have been vouchsafed the

greatest gifts from the ever-flowing source, our Savior. For the Lord sa-

ith unto you, who are of like zeal with the Apostles: "Behold, I

have given you power over unclean spirits, to cast them out and to

heal every infirmity, and every malady." Therefore as good ad-min-
Theotokion – LIC Tone 4

- i-stra-tors of His com-mands, free-ly ye have re-ceived, free-ly give,///

- heal-ing the sufferings of our souls and bod-ies.

Theotokion – LIC Tone 4

Now and ever and unto ages of a-ges. A-men. At-tend unto the en-trea-

ties of Thy suppliant, O all-blame-less One, quell-ing the fierce at-
tacks on us, and releasing us from all affliction; for in Thee alone
have we a firm and certain confirmation, and we have gained Thy pro-
tection. Let us not be put to shame, O Sovereign Lady, when we
call upon Thee; hasten to the supplication of those who cry to Thee
in faith: "Rejoice, Sovereign Lady, Thou help of all,/// the joy and re-
The Dismissal

Priest: Glory to Thee, O Christ our God and our Hope, glory to Thee!

Choir: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, / Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. / Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy. /// Father, bless!

Priest: May He Who through His great goodness didst bid His Apostles to heal the infirm by means of oil, Christ out true God, through the intercessions of His all-immaculate Mother, by the power of the precious and life-giving Cross, of the holy, glorious, and all-laudable Apostle James, first hierarch of Jerusalem and the brother of God, and of all the Saints, heal and save you who are sick, through the anointing of this oil, and have mercy on us and save us, forasmuch as He is good and loveth mankind.

Pages 85-86 comprise the Appendix, which includes all the Alleluias for this service and the Hymn of Kassiane (which can be sung during the anointing). NOTE: All Alleluias are done only TWICE during this service. NOTE 2: The numbers of these Alleluias apply to this service only.
#1 – Bridegroom Melody

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

#2 – Znamenny Tone 5 (This one is #3 in the Liturgy books)

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia.

#3 – Tone 6 Plain Chant

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia.
#4 – Znamenny Tone 7, arr. D. Soloviev

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.
The Hymn of Kassiane

Women

The woman had fallen into many sins, O Lord.

Yet when she perceived Thy Divinity
She joined Thy Divinity
She joined
the ranks of the Myrrh-Bearing Women.
In tears she

Women.

brought Thee myrrh before Thy Burial.
She cried "Woe is me!"

brought myrrh Burial. She cried "Woe is me!"
For I live in the night of licentiousness, shrouded in the dark and moonless love of sin.

But accept the fountain of my tears, O

But fountain tears O

Thou who didst gather the waters of the sea into clouds. Bow down

Thou who of clouds. Bow down
Thine ear to the sighings of my heart, Thou who didst
bow the heavens in Thine ineffable condescension.

Once Eve heard Thy footsteps in Paradise in the cool of the day,
in fear she hid herself. But now I will tenderly embrace
hid but now tenderly embrace
those pure feet and wipe them with the hair of my head.

Who can measure the multitude of my sins, or the depth of Thy judgments, O Savior of my soul? Do not despise me, Thy servant, Thou who hast mercy -
without measure."