

THE ROYAL HOURS OF HOLY FRIDAY

THE FIRST HOUR

First Idiomelon

Plagal Fourth Mode

Ἦχος λ̣ δ̣ Νη

^(N)
T o- day the veil of the Tem- ple is _____ rent in _ twain, ^{6 λ̣}

in re- proach _____ of the _____ law- - - less; ^{γ δ̣}

and the sun hid- - eth _____ his _____ rays, ^{(N) Δ δ̣} on

see- - ing the Mas- - - ter cru- - - ci- - - ^(N)

fied. ^{γ δ̣} *(Twice, without a verse in between)*

Verse

^(N)
W hy have the hea- then raged, ^{6 λ̣} and the peo- ples ^{γ λ̣} med- i-

tat- - - ed emp- - - - ty _____ things? ^{γ δ̣}

Second Idiomelon

T^(N)hou wast led _____ as a _____ sheep^{6λ} to the slaugh- ter,
____ O _____ Christ _____ King; _____ and like a guile- - less
____ Lamb,^(Δ) Thou wast nailed _____ to _____ the _____ Cross^Δ
By in- iq- - - ui- tous _____ men,^(N) for _____ our sins,^(Π)
O Friend _____ of _____ man.^γ

Verse

T^(N)he kings of the earth were a-roused,^{6λ} and the rul- ers^γ
were as- sem-bled to- geth- er,^{6λ} a- gainst the Lord, and _____
a- gainst _____ His _____ Christ.^γ

Repeat the same idiomelon "Thou wast led as a sheep."

DOXASTIKON

Plagal Fourth Mode

Ἦχος λ π ϝ Νη

G^(N) lo- ry to the Fa- ther, and to the ___ Son, ^Δ and ___

___ to ___ the Ho- ly ___ Spir- - - it. ^{γ ϝ}

O^(N) Lord, ___ while ___ suf- fer- ing the trans- gres- sors ^Δ to

seize ___ Thee, Thou ___ didst ___ cry: ^{γ ϝ} Though

___ ye smite ^(Δ) ___ the ___ Shep- - - herd, ^Δ and ___ scat-

ter ___ the ___ twelve ___ sheep, ^(N) e- ven My ___ dis- ci-

- - ples, ^{6 λ} yet I am a- ble to bring ^(Δ) ___

to ___ My ___ side ^(N) more than ___ twelve ___ le- gions of

___ An- - - gels; ^(Δ↓) but I for- bear, that ___ the un-

_____ seen _____ and hid- - den _____ things, ^(M) which I have re-
 vealed to _____ you through my Proph- ets, may _____ be ful- -
 filled. ^(N) O _____ Lord, glo- - - ry be _____ to _____
 _____ Thee.

^(N) Both now _____ and _____ ev- er, and un- to ag- - es
 of _____ ag- - - es. _____ A- - - men.

Repeat "O Lord, while suffering" with the following final ending:

^(N) O _____ Lord, glo- - - ry be _____ to _____
 _____ Thee.

THE THIRD HOUR

First Idiomelon

Plagal Fourth Mode

ᾠχος λ̣ δ̣ Νη

F ^(N) or fear of the ___ Jews, Pe- ter, Thy friend and fa- - -
mil- - - iar, ^{6 λ} de- nied ___ Thee, ___ O ___ Lord, ^{γ δ̣}
and in mourn- - - ing he ^(Δ) thus cried ^(N) out: ^{Δ δ̣} Be not
si- - - - - lent be- fore [♂] my ^{6 ♂} tears; [♂] for I
^(M) said that ^(Δ) I [♂] would [♂] keep ^{Δ δ̣} faith, O
Com- pas- - - sion- - ate ^(N) One, ^{Δ δ̣} but ___ I ___
___ did ^{γ δ̣} not. ^{γ δ̣} Like- - wise ac-
cept ^(Δ) Thou our re- pent- - ance ^(N) al- - - so, ^{Δ δ̣} and ___ have

^(N)
mer- - - cy _____ on _____ us.

ⲱ
ⲁ

(Twice, without a verse in between)

Verse

ⲱ
ⲁ ⲧ

^(N)
U n- to my words give ear, ⲉ ⲧ ⲧ O Lord; _____ hear my _____

_____ cry.

ⲱ
ⲁ

Second Idiomelon

^(N) ^(ⲓ) ^(N)
B e- fore Thy ven- 'ra- - ble Cru- ci- fix- - - - ion,

_____ O _____ Lord, ⲉ ⲧ when the sol-diers were _____ mock- - - -

ing _____ Thee, ⲉ ⲧ the no- et- ic hosts _____ were _____ strick- en with _____

_____ a- maze- - - ment; _____ ⲱ for Thou, Who didst a- dorn _____ the

_____ earth _____ with _____ flow- - - ers, _____ ⲁ wast wreathed _____ with a crown of

de- - ri- - - sion, and Thou, Who didst clothe the fir- -
ma- ment with __ clouds, __ didst wear __ the robe of mock- -
- - - er- - - - y. For through such a dis-
pen- sa- - tion was Thy com- pas- - sion __ made _ known,
__ O __ Christ, our great Mer- - cy, glo- - -
ry be __ to __ Thee.

Verse

At- tend un- to the voice of my sup- pli- ca- tion,
O my King __ and my __ God.

Repeat the same idiomelon "Before Thy venerable crucifixion."

DOXASTIKON

Plagal First Mode

Ἦχος λ̣ π̣ ὁ Πα

G^(Π) lo- ry to the Fa- - ther, and to ____ the ____ Son,
____^{π̣ ὁ} and to the Ho- - - ly Spir- - - it.^{π̣ ὁ}
A^(Π) s Thou ____ wast ____ led ____ to ____ the ____ Cross,^(Κ) thus ____
____^(Μ) didst Thou ____ cry, ____^(Κ) O ____^(Δ) Lord: ____^{π̣ ὁ} For what deed ____ would
____^(Π) ye cru- ci- fy ____ Me, O ____ ye ____ Jews?^{π̣ ὁ} Be-
____^(Κ) cause ____ I strength- ened your par- - a- - lyt- - -
____^{π̣ ὁ} ics? ____ Be- cause I ____ raised your dead ____ as ____ from ____
____^(Δ) sleep? ____^{π̣ ὁ} I ____ healed the ____ wom- - - an who had an is- - - sue

of ___ blood, and showed mer- - cy up- on the ___ Ca- -

naan- - ite wom- - - an. For what deed, _____ O

ye ___ Jews, do ye wish _____ to _____ slay _____

Me? But ye shall look on ___ Him Whom _ ye now ___ pierce, _____

Who is the Christ, _ O ye _____ trans- gres- - - sors.

Both now and ___ ev- - - er, and un- to ag- - - es _____

of ag- - - es. A- - - men.

Repeat “As Thou wast led to the Cross” with the following final ending:

Who is the Christ, _ O ye _____ trans- gres- - sors. _____

THE SIXTH HOUR

First Idiomelon

Plagal Fourth Mode

Ἦχος λ π ς Νη

Thus saith the Lord un- - to the ___ Jews: O My peo-
ple, what have I done ___ un- to ___ thee, or how have ___
___ I vexed ___ thee? To thy blind ___ have I giv- en ___
sight; thy ___ lep- ers have I ___ cleansed; ___ the man up- on a
bed did I ___ re- - - store. O My
peo- ple, what have I done ___ un- - to ___ thee,
and how hast thou rec- - - - om- pensed ___ Me? In
the stead of ___ man- na, ___ gall; in the stead of wa- ter, ___

vin- e- - gar; ⁽⁶⁾ in the stead of lov- ing ^(N) Me, ye nailed ^(N)
 Me to the Cross. ^(N) No long- -
 er will I en- - dure. ^(M) I will call to Me the na- -
 tions, and they shall ^(Δ) glo- - ri- - fy ^(N) Me, with the
 Fa- - ther and the Spir- - it, and I
 will give ^(N) them ^(N) life ev- er- last- - ing.

(Twice, without a verse in between)

Verse

They gave me gall for my food, ^(N) and for my thirst
 they gave me vin- - e- gar to drink.

Second Idiomelon


ye law- giv- - ers of Is- ra- el,  ye __ Jews


and _____ Phar- i- - sees,  the choir of the A- pos- tles


cri- eth un- - - - to _____ you:  Be- hold


the Tem- ple __ which __ ye __ de- - - stroyed;  be- hold


the Lamb __ which ye cru- - - ci- - - fied.  Ye


de- liv- - - ered Him to the grave,  but, by His own pow-


er, He _____ is ris- - - en.  Be not de-


ceived, _____ O ye __ Jews;  for it is He that saved you __


in the _____ sea,  and fed you in the wil- - - -

Plagal First Mode

Ἡχος $\frac{\lambda}{\pi}$ ὁ Πα

G^(□) lo- ry to the Fa- - ther, and to ____ the ____ Son,

and to the Ho- - - ly Spir- - - it.

Come ____ O ye Christ- bear- - ing ____ peo- -
 - ple, let us be- hold what Ju- das the ____ trai- - - tor hath
 plott- - ed ____ with the law- - less ____ priests ____ a- gainst ____
 our Sav- - - iour. To- day, _____ they ____ have
 ____ passed ____ the sen- - - tence ____ of ____ death ____ a- gainst _____
 the ____ im- - - mor- - tal ____ Word; and de- liv- er

ing Him to ____ Pi- - - late, they cru- - - ci- fied ____ Him ^(N) at the
Place ____ of ____ the ____ Skull. ^(K) And while suf- -
fer- - - ing ____ these ____ things, ____ ^(M) our Sav- iour ____ ^(K) cried ____ ^(M) out,
say- - - - - ing: ____ ^(K)
Fa- - - - ther, for- give ____ them this ____ sin, ^(Δ)
that the na- - - - tions ____ might ____ learn ^(N) of My Res-
ur- rec- - tion from ____ the ____ dead. ^(Δ)

B ^(N) oth now and ____ ev- - - er, and un- to ag- - - es ____
of ag- - - es. A- - - men. ^(K)

THE NINTH HOUR

First Idiomelon

Grave Mode

Ἦχος βαρύς Γα

It was as- ton- ish- ing ____ to ____ see ____ the Mak-
er of heav- - en and ____ earth hang- - ing ____ up-
on ____ the Cross, ____ to be- hold ____ the ____ sun dark- -
ened, ____ the day ____ turn- ing ____ back ____ in- - to
____ night, ____ and the ____ earth send- - ing ____ up ____
from ____ their ____ graves ____ the bod- - ies ____ of ____ the
____ dead. ____ With them we al- - so wor- ship ____ Thee: ____
____ Save ____ us. ____

(Twice without a verse in between)

Verse

Second Mode

Ἦχος Δι

They part- ed my gar- ments a- mongst them- selves, and for
my ves- - ture _____ have _____ they cast _____ lots.

Second Idiomelon

When the trans- gres- sors _ nailed _____ Thee, the Lord of Glo-
ry, _ to the _____ Cross, Thou didst cry _____ un- - to _____
them: _____ How have I _____ grieved _____ you? Or in what
_____ have I an- - - - - gered _____ you? Be-
fore I _____ came, who de- liv- - ered you _____ from _____ af-
flic- - tion? And now, _____ how do _____ you _____ re-

quite _____ Me? ^(N) E- - - vil _____ for good- - - ness;

^(Δ) for the ^(B) pil- - - lar of ^(M) _____ fire, ^(Δ) ye nailed _____

Me _____ to _____ the _____ Cross; for the cloud, _____ ye

have dug a ^(B) _____ grave _____ for _____ Me; for the

man- - - na, ye of- - - fered _____ Me _____

gall; ^(Γ) for the wa- - - - - - - - ter, ^(N) ye gave Me vin-

- e- gar _____ to _____ drink. ^(Δ) Where- - fore, I will call _____

the na- - - tions, ^(Δ) and they will glo- - - - - ri- -

- fy _____ Me, ^(B) with the Fa- - - ther and the Ho- -

ly ^(M) _____ Spir- - - - it. ^(Δ)

Verse

ⲁ ⲭ

^(Δ)
ⲧ hey gave me gall for my food, ⲁ and for my thirst ⲭ they

^(B) ^(M)
ⲩ gave me vin- e- - gar to ____ drink. ⲁ

Repeat the same idiomelon “When the transgressors nailed Thee.”

DOXASTIKON

Plagal Second Mode

Ἦχος λ π Πά

G^(□) lo- - - ry to the Fa-ther, and to _____ the ____ Son,

and to the Ho- - ly Spir- - - it; π

B^(□) oth now ____ and ____ ev- - er, and un- to ag- - - - (M) (Δ)

es of ag- - - es. ____ A- - - men. π

T^(□) o- day ____ there is hung ____ up- - on _____ the ____ Tree, Δ

He that sus- pend- - - ed the earth ____ up- on _____ the (N) (□)

wa- - - ters. π

A ^(K) crown ^(Δ) of ^(Π) thorns is placed ^(Δ) up- on
^(Δ) Him ^(Δ) Who ^(Δ) is the King ^(Δ) of ^(Δ) the An-
^(Δ) - - gels.

W ^(Δ) ith false ^(Δ) pur- - - ple ^(Δ) is He wrapped ^(Δ)
^(N) a- - - bout, ^(K) He that wrap- eth the
^(Δ) heav- - - ens with ^(Δ) clouds.

B ^(Δ) uf- - fet- - - ings did He ^(Π) re- - - ceive,
^(Δ) Who freed ^(Δ) Ad- - am in the Jor- - - dan.

W ^(Δ) ith nails ^(Δ) was He ^(Π) af- - - fixed, ^(Δ) He
^(Δ) that is the Bride- - groom of ^(Δ) the ^(Δ) Church.

W^(N) ith a lance _____ was _____ He _____ pierced, ^(Δ) He _____

that _____ is the Son _____ of _____ the Vir- - - gin. ^(N)

W^(N) e wor- - - ship Thy Pas- - - sion, _____ O _____ Christ. ^(M)

W^(N) e _____ wor- - - ship Thy Pas- - - sion, _____ O _____

_____ Christ. ^(N)

W^(N) e wor- - - - ship Thy Pas- - - sion, _____

O _____ Christ. _____ Show al- so _____ un- to _____ us _____ Thy ^(Δ)

glo- - - ri- - - ous _____ Res- - ur- rec- - tion. ^(N)

_____ ^(Δ)