

ABBREVIATED RUBRICS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2018
VENERABLE MAXIMOS THE CONFESSOR

MARTYR NEOPHYTOS OF NICAIA; VENERABLE ZOSIMAS, BISHOP OF SYRACUSE IN SICILY;
VENERABLE MAXIMOS THE GREEK OF RUSSIA

NOTE TO CLERGY: Remember to include this special petition in the Great Litany in all services before the one for the head of state, as directed by the Antiochian Archdiocese.

Deacon: For Metropolitan Paul, Archbishop John, and for their quick release from captivity and safe return, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

GREAT VESPERS ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 20; TONE 8

1.) *Great Vespers begins as usual:*

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

Choir: Amen.

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

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

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

2.) *The reader then says Psalm 103, and then the deacon offers the Great Litany.*

3.) *We chant [“O Lord, I Have Cried” in Tone 8](#) with ten troparia:*

(Nassar 191; Kazan Vesp. 99-109)

For the Resurrection in Tone Eight

Verse 10. *Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise Thy Name.*

Evening praise and spoken worship do we offer Thee, O Christ; for Thou didst consent to have mercy upon us by Thy Resurrection.

Verse 9. *The righteous shall wait for me until Thou recompense me.*

O Lord, O Lord, cast us not from before Thy face, but consent to have mercy upon us by Thy Resurrection.

Verse 8. *Out of the depths have I cried to Thee, O Lord, Lord hear my voice.*

Rejoice, O holy Zion, mother of the churches, the abode of God; for thou didst first receive forgiveness of sins by His Resurrection.

Verse 7. *Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.*

Verily, the Word, born of the Father before the ages, hath Himself been incarnate in the last times by His own will, of one who knowest not wedlock. He did suffer crucifixion and death; and by His Resurrection He hath saved man dead of old.

Verse 6. *If Thou, O Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? For with Thee there is forgiveness.*

Let us glorify Thy Resurrection from the dead, O Christ, by which Thou didst free the race of Adam from the usurpation of Hades. And since Thou art God, Thou hast granted the world eternal life and the Great Mercy.

Verse 5. Because of Thy name have I waited for Thee, O Lord; my soul hath waited upon Thy word, my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

Glory to Thee, O Christ Savior, only Son of God, Who wast nailed upon the Cross, and Who didst rise from the tomb on the third day.

For St. Maximos the Confessor in Tone Four (As one valiant**)**

*Verse 4. From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch let Israel trust in the Lord. Preaching Him Who became a man * as it pleased Him for mercy's sake, * and Who is perceived in two energies and wills, * O righteous Maximos, thou didst stop the gaping, unbridled mouths * of polluted men who held * to the error that Christ our God * hath one will alone * and one energy; for they were deluded by the malice of the devil, * the first contriver of wickedness.*

Verse 3. For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is abundant redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.

Preaching Him Who became a man... (repeat above)

Verse 2. Praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise Him, all ye people.

With the cords of thy doctrines, thou * didst choke Pyrrhus of evil mind * when he prated vainly, O Father most renowned; * and thou didst manfully bear great persecutions and sufferings, * when they scourged thee grievously * and cut out thy most blessed tongue * and thy godly hand, * which had ever been lifted up to God, and wherewith thou hadst ever written * thy lofty doctrines, O Maximos.

Verse 1. For His mercy is great toward us, and the truth of the Lord endureth forever.

By divine grace, thy holy tongue, * like the pen of a nimble scribe * sharpened in the Spirit, hath beautifully inscribed * the law of God-pleasing virtues and sound doctrines' exactitude * on the tablets of our hearts, * O all-blest Father Maximos, * and the very great * Incarnation of Him that willed to show Himself to mankind in two natures * but in one single hypostasis.

DOXASTICON FOR ST. MAXIMOS IN TONE SIX

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

O righteous Father Maximos, into all the earth hath the sound of thine achievements gone forth; wherefore thou hast found in the Heavens the reward of thy labors. Thou didst destroy the ranks of the demons; thou didst attain to the orders of the angels, whose life thou didst emulate without blame. Since thou hast boldness with Christ God, pray that peace be granted unto our souls.

THEOTOKION FOR THE RESURRECTION IN TONE EIGHT

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Verily, the King of heaven, for His love to mankind, did appear on earth; and with men did He deal; for He took unto Himself a body from the pure Virgin. And from her did He issue in the adopted body, He being one Son, dual in Nature, not dual in Person. Wherefore, do we confess,

preaching the truth that Christ our God is perfect God and perfect Man. Therefore, O Mother who hast no groom, beseech thou Him to have mercy upon our souls.

- 4.) *The Entrance is made with the censer, and we chant “O Gladsome Light ...” (Chant) (Choral) followed by the Prokeimenon “The Lord is King ...” in Tone 6 with its stichoi.*

SATURDAY PROKEIMENON IN TONE SIX

Deacon: The Evening Prokeimenon!

Choir: The Lord is King, and hath clothed Himself with majesty. (ONCE)

Verse 1. *The Lord is robed; He is girded with strength. (Refrain)*

Verse 2. *For He has established the world so that it shall never be moved. (Refrain)*

- 5.) *The deacon offers the Litany of Fervent Supplication, and the people then say the Evening Prayer “Vouchsafe, O Lord.” The deacon offers the Litany of Supplication, and the priest offers “The Peace” and the Prayer of the Bowing of Heads.*

- 6.) *At the Aposticha, we chant the following:*

(Nassar 192; Kazan Vesp. 153-156)

APOSTICHA FOR THE RESURRECTION IN TONE EIGHT

Thou didst ascend the Cross, O Jesus, Who didst descend from heaven. Thou didst come to death, O Life that dieth not, and to those who are in darkness, O true Light, and to the fallen, O Resurrection of all. Wherefore, O our Light and Savior, glory to Thee.

Verse 1. *The Lord is King, and hath clothed Himself with majesty. The Lord is robed; He is girded with strength.*

Let us glorify Christ risen from the dead; for He did take unto Himself a soul and a body; and He separated one from the other in the Passion, when His pure soul went down to Hades which He led captive; and the holy body saw no corruption in the grave, the body of the Redeemer, Savior of our souls.

Verse 2. *For He has established the world so that it shall never be moved.*

With psalms and with songs of praise, O Christ, do we glorify Thy Resurrection from the dead, by which Thou didst deliver us from the rebellion of Hades. And since Thou art God, Thou didst grant us eternal life and the Great Mercy.

Verse 3. *Holiness befits Thy house, O Lord, forevermore.*

O Lord of all, O incomprehensible One; O Maker of heaven and earth, when Thou didst suffer in Thy Passion on the Cross, Thou didst pour out for me passionlessness; and when Thou didst submit to burial and didst rise in glory, Thou didst raise Adam with Thee by a mighty hand. Wherefore, glory to Thy third-day Resurrection by which Thou didst grant us eternal life and forgiveness of sins; for Thou alone art compassionate.

(HTM January Menaion 189-190)

DOXASTICON FOR ST. MAXIMOS IN TONE EIGHT

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

We, the multitudes of monastics, honor thee, our teacher, O Maximos, our Father; for through thee have we learned to walk the path that is truly straight. Blessed art thou, who hast labored for Christ, and hast triumphed over the might of the enemy, O companion of the angels, and co-dweller of the righteous and the just. Together with them, do thou interceded with the Lord that He have mercy on our souls.

(Nassar 193; Kazan Vesp. 156-157)

THEOTOKION OF THE RESURRECTION IN TONE EIGHT

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

O Virgin without groom, blameless one, Mother of the high God; O thou who didst conceive in the flesh in an inexplicable way, receive the petitions of thy servants, O thou who bestowest on all the purification of sins; and in receiving our petitions beseech thou Him for the salvation of us all.

7.) *We then say the Prayer of St. Simeon (Chant) (Choral) and the Trisagion Prayers. Then, we chant the apolytikia of the day.*

(Nassar 193; Kazan Vesp. 175)

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE EIGHT

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

(Nassar 38 #10)

APOLYTIKION OF ST. MAXIMOS THE CONFESSOR IN TONE EIGHT

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

Thou hast shown thyself, O God-inspired Maximos, as a guide to the Orthodox Faith, a teacher of true worship and purity; O star of the universe and companion of the bishops, O wise one. Through thy light thou hast enlightened all, O harp of the spirit. Therefore, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

(Nassar 193; Kazan Vesp. 176)

RESURRECTIONAL THEOTOKION IN TONE EIGHT

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Thou Who for our sake wast born of a Virgin, and didst suffer crucifixion, O good One, and didst despoil death through death, and as God didst reveal resurrection. Despise not those Whom Thou hast created with Thine own hand, show forth Thy love for mankind, O merciful One. Accept the intercessions of Thy mother, the Theotokos for us, and save Thy despairing people, O our Savior.

8.) *The Priest then offers the Dismissal.*

THE DISMISSAL

Priest: May He Who rose from the dead, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-immaculate and all-blameless holy Mother; by the might of the Precious and Life-giving Cross;

by the protection of the honorable Bodiless Powers of Heaven; at the supplication of the honorable, glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John; of the holy, glorious and all-laudable apostles; of the holy, glorious and right-victorious Martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing Fathers; *of Saint N., the patron and protector of this holy community*; of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna; of the Venerable Maximos the Confessor; Martyr Neophytos of Nicaea; Venerable Zosimas, Bishop of Syracuse in Sicily; and Venerable Maximos the Greek of Russia, whose memory we celebrate today, and of all the saints: have mercy on us and save us, for as much as He is good and loveth mankind.

Priest: Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us.

Choir: Amen.

ORTHROS ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2018
TONE 8 / EOTHINON 11

1.) *Orthros begins as usual:*

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

Choir: Amen.

2.) *The people then say the Trisagion Prayers.*

3.) *The three troparia starting with “O Lord, save Thy people” are always read plainly or simply intoned but NEVER chanted in an assigned tone.*

4.) *All six of the Orthros Psalms must be read plainly, without intonation, in their entirety. Please note:*

***In the Kazan Byzantine Music volume for Orthros (Page 2), there is an omission in the first introductory stichos. It should read, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.” Please make this correction in your books.*

5.) *After the Great Litany and the priest’s exclamation “For unto Thee are due...” we chant “God is the Lord” with its stichoi and the apolytikia of the day.*

“GOD IS THE LORD” IN TONE EIGHT

Choir: God is the Lord and hath appeared unto us. Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Verse 1. O give thanks unto the Lord and call upon His Holy Name. *(Refrain)*

Verse 2. All nations compassed me about: but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them. *(Refrain)*

Verse 3. This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. *(Refrain)*

(Nassar 193; Kazan Orth. 30)

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE EIGHT

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

(Nassar 38 #10)

APOLYTIKION OF ST. MAXIMOS THE CONFESSOR IN TONE EIGHT

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

Thou hast shown thyself, O God-inspired Maximos, as a guide to the Orthodox Faith, a teacher of true worship and purity; O star of the universe and companion of the bishops, O wise one. Through thy light thou hast enlightened all, O harp of the spirit. Therefore, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

(Nassar 193; Kazan Orth. 31)

RESURRECTIONAL THEOTOKION IN TONE EIGHT

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Thou Who for our sake wast born of a Virgin, and didst suffer crucifixion, O good One, and didst despoil death through death, and as God didst reveal resurrection. Despise not those Whom Thou hast created with Thine own hand, show forth Thy love for mankind, O merciful One. Accept the intercessions of Thy mother, the Theotokos for us, and save Thy despairing people, O our Savior.

6.) *The Little Litany and the priest's exclamation "For Thine is the might..."*

7.) *The Poetic Kathismata are from the Octoechos for Tone 8 (Nassar 193-194; Kazan Orthros 40).*

EIGHTH TONE RESURRECTIONAL KATHISMATA (Plain Reading)

First Kathisma

Thou hast risen from the dead, O Life of all. And a resplendent angel shouted to the women: Dry your tears and proclaim to the Apostles, and cry out in praise, that Christ the Lord hath risen, He Who hath been pleased to save mankind, since He is God.

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

Thou hast verily risen from the tomb; and Thou didst command the righteous women to preach to the Apostles the Resurrection, as it was written. And as for Peter, he did hasten to the tomb; and when he saw the light in the grave, he was dazzled with surprise. Then he saw the linen clothes lying aside, where it was not possible to see them by night, and he believed, and cried out, Glory to Thee, O Christ God; for Thou hast saved us all, O our Savior, Who still remainest in truth the Radiance of the Father.

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Let us glorify her who is the tabernacle and the heavenly gate, the most holy mountain, the shining cloud, the heavenly ladder, the paradise, endowed with speech, the deliverer of Eve, the precious and great treasure of the universe; for by her did salvation come to the world, and the forgiveness of ancient sins. Wherefore, do we cry to her, Intercede to thy Son and God to grant forgiveness of sins to those who bow in true worship to thy most holy birth-giving.

Second Kathisma

Men did seal Thy tomb, O Savior, and the angels did roll the stone from off Thy grave; and the women witnessed Thy Resurrection from the dead. They proclaimed to Thy Disciples in Zion that Thou didst rise, O Life of all, and didst break asunder the bonds of death, O Lord, glory to Thee.

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

Verily, when the women came with burial ointment, they heard from the grave an angelic voice, saying, Cease your tears and receive joy instead of sorrow; and cry in praise that Christ the Lord is risen, Who being God was pleased to save mankind.

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Verily, all creation rejoiceth in thee, O full of grace; the assemblies of angels and the races of men, O holy temple and paradise endowed with speech, the pride of virginity from whom God was

incarnate and became a child, being yet our God before the ages; for He hath made thy receptacle a throne and thy womb more spacious than the heavens. Wherefore, O full of grace, the whole creation rejoiceth in thee and glorifieth thee.

- 8.) [Benedictions \(Evlogetaria\) in Tone 5](#). (*Red Service Book 62-63; Kazan Orthros 41-44*)
- 9.) *The Little Litany and the priest's exclamation "For blessed is Thy Name..."*
- 10.) *The Hypakoë, Anabathmoi and the [Prokeimenon](#) with its accompanying stichos are all from the Octoechos for Tone 8. (Nassar 195-196; Kazan Orth. 60-62)*
- 11.) *The priest's exclamation "For Holy art Thou, O our God, Who restest in the Holy Place," and the choir sings in Tone 2:*

LET EVERYTHING THAT HATH BREATH

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. (TWICE)

Stichos: Praise ye God in His saints; praise Him in the firm foundation of His power.

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.

- 12.) *The eleventh Eothinon Gospel (John 21:14-25) is chanted from the Holy Table.*
- 13.) *We read "In that we have beheld the Resurrection of Christ ..." (Kazan Orthros, 66)*
***In the last line of this prayer in several Archdiocesan publications, there is an erroneous omission. It should read: "for in that He endured the Cross for us, He hath destroyed death by death." Please make this correction in your books.*
- 14.) *We read Psalm 50. (Nassar, 82; Serv. Bk., 66; Kazan Orthros, 66)*
- 15.) [Troparia following Psalm 50](#) as usual. (*Serv. Bk., 67; Kazan Sun. Mat., 67-68*)
- 16.) *Next follows the Intercession for Orthros.*

THE INTERCESSION¹

Deacon: O God, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance. Visit Thy world with mercy and compassions. Exalt the horn of Orthodox Christians, and send down upon us Thy rich mercies. Through the intercessions of our all-immaculate Lady Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary; by the might of the precious and life-giving Cross; by the protection of the honorable bodiless Powers of heaven; at the supplication of the honorable, glorious prophet, forerunner and Baptist John; of the holy, glorious, all-laudable apostles Peter and Paul, and of all the holy apostles; of our fathers among the saints, great hierarchs and ecumenical teachers Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom; Athanasius, Cyril and John the Merciful, patriarchs of Alexandria; Nicholas of Myra, Spyridon of Trimythous and Nektarios of Pentapolis the Wonderworkers; of our fathers among the saints Tikhon, patriarch of Moscow and Raphael, bishop of Brooklyn; of the holy, glorious, great-martyrs, George the Trophy-bearer, Demetrios the Myrrh-streamer, Theodore the Soldier, Theodore the General, and Menas the Wonderworker; of the hieromartyrs Ignatius the God-bearer of Antioch, Charalampos and Eleutherios; of the holy, glorious great women martyrs,

¹ Saints of particular local veneration may be included among the Saints of their same classification at the discretion of the pastor.

Thekla, Barbara, Anastasia, Katherine, Kyriaki, Photeini, Marina, Paraskeva and Irene; of the holy, glorious, right-victorious martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing fathers who shone in the ascetic life; of Saint N., the patron and protector of this holy community; of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna; of the Venerable Maximos the Confessor; Martyr Neophytos of Nicaea; Venerable Zosimas, Bishop of Syracuse in Sicily; and Venerable Maximos the Greek of Russia, whose memory we celebrate today, and of all the saints: we beseech Thee, O most merciful Lord, hearken unto the petitions of us sinners who make our supplications unto Thee, and have mercy upon us.

*The choir sings “Lord, have mercy” **twelve times**, and the priest exclaims “Through the mercies and compassions...”*

17.) *Next follows the Kontakion, Oikos and Synaxarion.*

EIGHTH TONE RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION AND OIKOS (Plain Reading)

Rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam. Eve rejoices in Thy Resurrection; and the ends of the earth rejoice in Thy rising from the dead, O merciful One.

Thou didst despoil the kingdom of Hades, O compassionate One, and raise the dead. Thou didst go before the myrrh-bearers and bring them joy instead of sorrow. Thou didst reveal the signs of victory to Thine Apostles, O my Savior and source of life. Thou didst enlighten all creation, O loving God. Therefore, the world rejoices at Thy rising from the dead, O merciful One.

THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On January 21 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our righteous Father Maximos the Confessor.

Verses

Being handless and tongueless, hand and tongue thou acquirest;
And into God's hands, O Maximos, thy soul thou givest.
On the twenty-first, mortal destiny covered Maximos his voice.

Maximos was born in Constantinople. First, he was a high-ranking courtier for Emperor Heraclius and, after that, a monk and abbot of a monastery not too far from the capitol. He was the greatest defender of Orthodoxy against the so-called Monothelite heresy which proceeded from the heresy of Eutyches. He claimed that there is only one nature in Christ (Monophysitism), so the Monothelites claimed that there is only one will in Christ (Monothelitism). Maximos opposed that claim and found himself as an opponent of the emperor and the patriarch. Maximos did not frighten easily but endured to the end in proving that there were two wills as well as two natures in Christ. Because of his efforts, a council was held in Carthage and another in Rome. Both councils anathematized the teachings of the Monothelites. Maximos suffered greatly for Orthodoxy: he was tortured by princes, deceived by prelates, spat upon by the masses of the people, beaten by soldiers, exiled, imprisoned, until finally, with a severed tongue and hand, he was condemned to exile for life in the land of Skhemaris (near Batum on the Black Sea) where he spent three years in prison and gave up his soul to God in the mid-seventh century.

On this day, we also commemorate the Martyr Neophytos of Nicaea; Venerable Zosimas, Bishop of Syracuse in Sicily; and Venerable Maximos the Greek of Russia. By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

18.) *We chant the katavasia of the canon of the Presentation of Christ (Nassar 502-503), followed by the magnificat "More honorable" (Red Service Book 70) and then the ninth katavasia of the Canon.*

KATAVASIAS OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN TONE THREE

Ode 1. The sun of old passed over the depth of the tempest begetting dry land; for the water dried up on both sides like a wall for the people to pass through its depth, singing songs well pleasing to God, and shouting, Let us praise the Lord; for by glory hath He been glorified.

Ode 3. O Lord, the confirmation of those who put their trust in Thee dost confirm Thy Church which Thou hast bought with Thy precious blood.

Ode 4. Thy virtue, O Christ, hath covered the heavens; for when the tabernacle of Thy holiness came, Thy Mother, free of corruption, and Thou didst appear in the Temple of Thy glory borne in arms as a babe, the whole creation was filled with Thy praise.

Ode 5. When Isaiah saw God symbolically on a high altar, surrounded by the angels of glory, he lifted his voice, crying: Woe is me, wretched man; for I have foreseen God incarnate, the Light not apprehended by night, and the Lord of peace.

Ode 6. When the old man saw with his own eyes the Salvation that was revealed to the nations, he cried to Thee, saying: O Christ, Thou art my God, coming from the presence of God.

Ode 7. Thee do we praise, O Word of God, Who moistened in the fire the God-speaking youths, and dwelt in an incorruptible Virgin, singing in true worship: Blessed art Thou, God of our Fathers.

We praise, we bless, and we worship the Lord.

Ode 8. The youths striving for true worship, standing in the midst of the unbearable fire and hurt not at all by the flames, sang a song of divine praise, saying: Bless the Lord, all His works, exalt Him still more to the end of ages.

Deacon: The Theotokos and Mother of the Light let us honor and magnify in song.

MAGNIFICATIONS IN TONE THREE

Choir: My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

Refrain: More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim, thou who without corruption barest God the Word, and art truly Theotokos, we magnify thee. (*Repeat after each Verse.*)

+ For He hath regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden; for behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. (*Refrain*)

+ For He that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is His Name; and His mercy is on them that fear Him, throughout all generations. (*Refrain*)

+ He hath showed strength with His arm; He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. (*Refrain*)

+ He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the empty with good things, and the rich hath He sent empty away. (*Refrain*)

+ He remembering His mercy hath helped His servant Israel, as He promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed forever. (*Refrain*)

Ode 9. *O Theotokos, thou hope of all Christians; keep and shelter and preserve them that set their hope in thee.*

Let us magnify, O believers, the first-born Son, the eternal Word of the Father, First-born of a Mother who knew no man; for we have beheld in the shadow of the law and the Scriptures a sign, that every first-born male that openeth the womb is called holy to God.

19.) *The Little Litany and the priest's exclamation "For all the powers of Heaven..."*

20.) *Exaposteilaria: we chant "Holy is the Lord our God" (thrice) and "Exalt ye the Lord..." (Kazan Orthros 81). Then we chant the following:*

(Nassar 217; Kazan Orthros 102)

THE ELEVENTH EOTHINON EXAPOSTEILARION IN TONE TWO

When the Lord, after His Resurrection, asked Peter thrice: Dost thou love Me, He set him for a shepherd over His sheep. And when Peter saw the Disciple whom Jesus loved following him, he asked the Lord: And what is this? And the Lord said: If I will that he tarry until I come again, what is that to thee, O Peter my beloved?

(HTM January Menaion 195)

THE EXAPOSTEILARION & THEOTOKION FOR ST. MAXIMOS IN TONE TWO

*(**Upon that mount in Galilee**)*

Speaking divinely, thou didst preach * one operation, nature, * and will of God the Trinity, * but that the operation * and will and nature is twofold * in God become incarnate, * O all-wise Father Maximus, * thou august God-revealer. * Confessing this, * thou didst quell the heresy of the godless, * who cut off both thy hand and tongue * and showed thee forth a Martyr.

The strange and inexpressible * and God-befitting myst'ry * of thine untainted bringing-forth * doth both astonish Angels * and all the choirs of us mortals, * O blameless Virgin Mother; * for God took flesh within thy womb * without suff'ring commingling, * and without seed; * thus, the Unapproachable, I approach now, * O Maid, for He hath strangely joined * me to His awesome Godhead.

21.) *We chant "The Praises" in Tone 8 with eight troparia:*

(Nassar 196-197; Kazan Orth. 159-165)

For the Resurrection in Tone Eight

Verse 1. *This glory shall be to all His saints.*

Though Thou didst stand in judgment, O Lord, condemned by Pilate, Thou didst not vacate Thy throne, sitting with the Father. Thou didst arise from the dead, releasing the world from the bondage of the stranger; for Thou art compassionate and the Lover of mankind.

Verse 2. *Praise the Lord in His sanctuary. Praise ye Him in the firmament of his power.*

Though, O Lord, the Jews placed Thee in a grave like dead, the soldiers guarded Thee as a slumbering King; and as a Treasure of life, they sealed Thee. But Thou didst rise and grant incorruptibility to our souls.

Verse 3. Praise Him for His mighty acts; praise Him according to His excellent greatness.

Thou didst give us Thy Cross, O Lord, as a weapon against Diabolus, who, unable to behold its power, doth fear and tremble; for it raiseth the dead and hath annulled death. Wherefore, do we worship Thy Burial and Resurrection.

Verse 4. Praise Him with sound of trumpet. Praise Him with the psaltery and harp.

The angel proclaiming Thy Resurrection, O Lord, did frighten the guards; but to the women he cried out, saying: Why seek ye the Living among the dead? Verily, He hath risen, being God and hath granted life to the universe.

Verse 5. Praise Him with the timbrel and dance; praise Him with stringed instruments and organs.

Thou didst suffer by the Cross, O Thou unsuffering through the Godhead, and didst accept burial for three days that Thou mightest set us free from the bondage of the enemy and grant us life through Thy Resurrection, O Christ, the Lover of Mankind.

Verse 6. Praise Him upon the loud cymbals: praise Him upon the high-sounding cymbals. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.

I do worship, glorify, and praise Thy Resurrection from the tomb, O Christ, by which Thou didst release us from the fast bonds of Hades; for, being God, Thou hast granted the world eternal life and the Great Mercy.

Verse 7. Arise, O my God, lift up Thy hand, and forget not the humble.

Verily, the transgressors of the law guarded Thy life-receiving tomb, and didst seal it, placing guards. But Thou, since Thou art a deathless and almighty God, didst rise on the third day.

Verse 8. I will praise Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: I will show all Thy marvelous works.

When Thou didst pass through the gates of Hades and didst demolish them, then its captive shouted, saying, Who is this Who is judge not in the abyss of the earth, but who hath annulled the prison of death as though it were a tabernacle? For verily, I have received Him as dead and have feared Him as God. Wherefore, O almighty Savior, have mercy upon us.

(Nassar 218; Kazan Orthros 197-198)

THE ELEVENTH EOTHINON DOXASTICON IN TONE EIGHT

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

When Thou didst show Thyself to the Disciples after Thy Resurrection, O Savior, Thou didst appoint Simon to shepherd the sheep, for the renewal of love, asking him to tend the flock. And Thou didst say to him: If thou lovest Me, O Peter, feed My lambs, feed My sheep. But he at once inquired concerning the other Disciple, showing his exceeding love. Wherefore, by the intercession of both, O Christ, keep Thy flock from corrupting wolves.

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Most blessed art thou, O Virgin Theotokos, for through Him that was incarnate of thee is Hades despoiled, Adam is recalled from the dead, the curse is made void, Eve is set free, death is slain, and we are endowed with life. Wherefore, in hymns of praise, we cry aloud: Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God, Who is thus well pleased, glory to Thee.

22.) We chant the [Great Doxology in Tone 8](#) (Red Service Book 75-76, Kazan 235-238), followed by:

(Red Service Book 76; Kazan Orthros 239)

TROPARION IN TONE EIGHT

Having risen from the tomb, and having burst the bonds of Hades, Thou didst loose the condemnation of Death, O Lord, releasing all mankind from the snares of the enemy. Having manifested Thyself to Thine Apostles, Thou didst send them forth to proclaim Thee; and through them Thou hast granted Thy peace unto the civilized world, O Thou Who alone art plenteous in mercy.

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