# THE SMALL PARAKLESIS SERVICE



# THE PARAKLESIS SERVICE WITH THE LITTLE SUPPLICATORY CANON TO THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS AS SUNG DURING THE DORMITION FAST

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

ages.

People: Amen.

Priest: Glory to Thee, our God, glory to Thee.

O heavenly King, Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, Who art everywhere present, and fillest all things, the Treasury of good things, and Giver of life: Come, and abide in us, and cleanse us from every stain, and save our souls, O good

One.

People: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.

(Thrice)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

All-Holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal our infirmities for Thy Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. (Thrice)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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.

People: Amen.

Lord, have mercy. (Twelve times)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

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

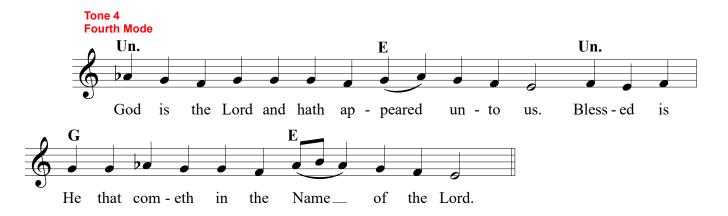
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O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ Himself, our King and our God.

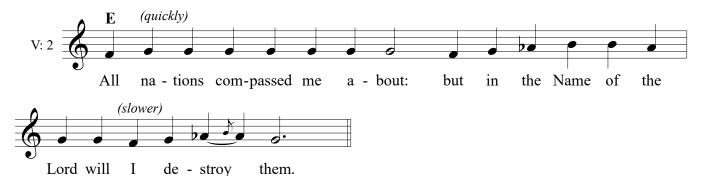
#### Psalm 142

O Lord, hear my prayer, give ear unto my supplication in Thy truth; hearken unto me in Thy righteousness. And enter not into judgment with Thy servant, for in Thy sight shall no man living be justified. For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath humbled my life down to the earth. He hath sat me in darkness as those that have been long dead, and my spirit within me is become despondent; within me my heart is troubled. I remembered days of old, I meditated on all Thy works, I pondered on the creations of Thy hands. I stretched forth my hands unto Thee; my soul thirsteth after Thee like a waterless land. Quickly hear me, O Lord; my spirit hath fainted away. Turn not Thy face away from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit. Cause me to hear Thy mercy in the morning; for in Thee have I put my hope. Cause me to know, O Lord, the way wherein I should walk; for unto Thee have I lifted up my soul. Rescue me from mine enemies, O Lord; unto Thee have I fled for refuge. Teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God. Thy good Spirit shall lead me in the land of uprightness; for Thy name's sake, O Lord, shalt Thou quicken me. In Thy righteousness shalt Thou bring my soul out of affliction, and in Thy mercy shalt Thou utterly destroy mine enemies. And Thou shalt cut off all them that afflict my soul, for I am Thy servant.

# God is the Lord









# **Apolytikia**



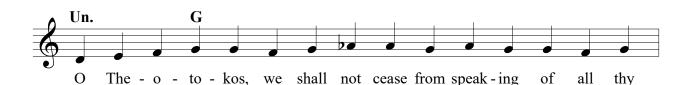
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

(Chant the apolytikion of the church.)

# **Theotokion**

Tone 4, Fourth Mode Special Melody: *Thou Who wast lifted up* 







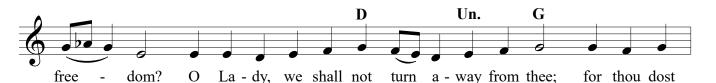
might - y acts, all we the un - wor - thy ones; for if thou hadst not



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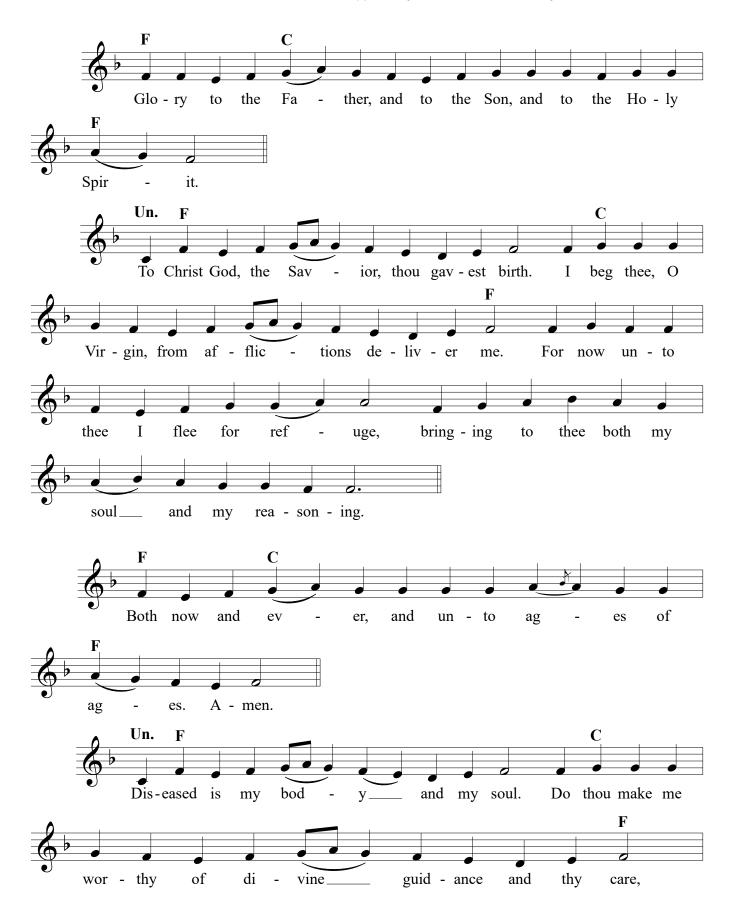
#### Psalm 50

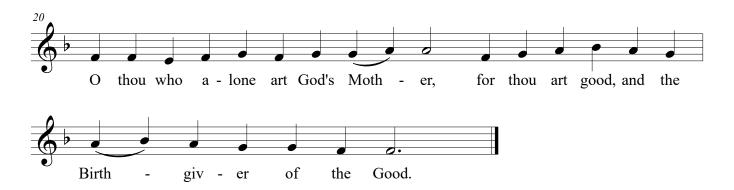
Have mercy on me, O God, according to Thy Great Mercy; and according to the multitude of Thy compassions blot out my transgression. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know mine iniquity, and my sin is ever before me. Against Thee only have I sinned and done this evil before Thee, that Thou mightest be justified in Thy words, and prevail when Thou art judged. For behold, I was conceived in iniquities, and in sins did my mother bear me. For behold, Thou hast loved truth; the hidden and secret things of Thy wisdom hast Thou made manifest unto me. Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be made clean; Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow. Thou shalt make me to hear joy and gladness; the bones that be humbled, they shall rejoice. Turn Thy face away from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and with Thy governing Spirit establish me. I shall teach transgressors Thy ways, and the ungodly shall turn back unto Thee. Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, Thou God of my salvation; my tongue shall rejoice in Thy righteousness. O Lord, Thou shalt open my lips, and my mouth shall declare Thy praise. For if Thou hadst desired sacrifice, I had given it; with whole-burnt offerings Thou shalt not be pleased. A sacrifice unto God is a broken spirit; a heart that is broken and humbled God will not despise. Do good, O Lord, in Thy good pleasure unto Zion, and let the walls of Jerusalem be built up. Then shalt Thou be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with oblation and whole-burnt offerings. Then shall they offer bullocks upon Thine altar.

Then sing the little supplicatory canon on the next page.

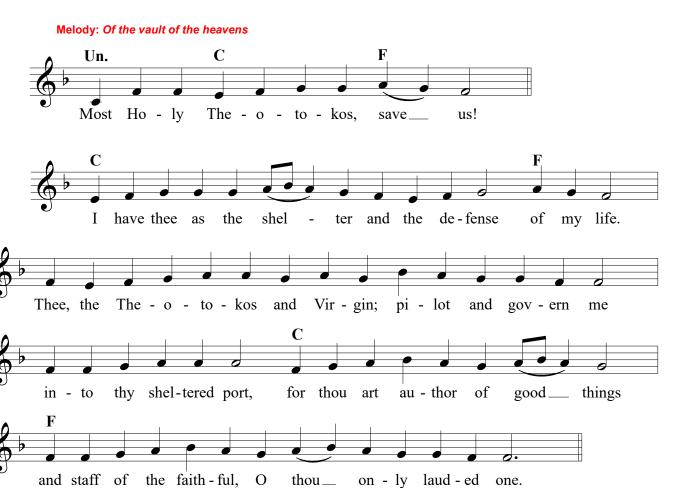
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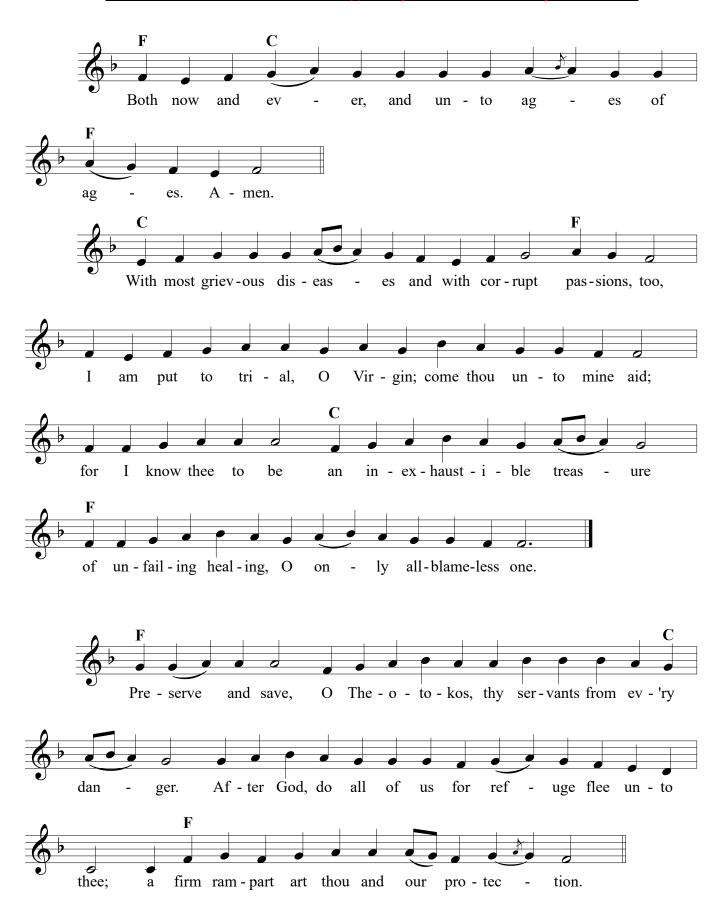


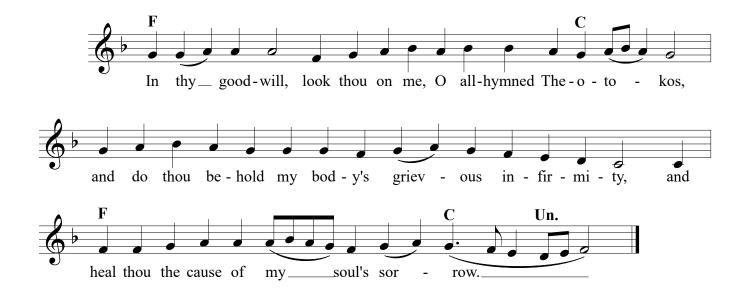
## Ode 3











# Litany

Censing the Icon of the Theotokos, the Priest says:

Priest: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy Great Mercy,

we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

People: (After each petition, in the Second Mode):





Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Priest: Again we pray for all pious and Orthodox Christians.

People: Lord, have mercy. (Thrice)

Priest: Again we pray for our Father and Metropolitan N., (and for

our Bishop N.) and for all our brotherhood in Christ.

People: Lord, have mercy. (Thrice)

Priest: Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation and

visitation and pardon and remission of sins for the servants of God, all Orthodox Christians of true worship, who live and dwell in this community, the parishioners and benefactors of this holy temple, and all that serve, sing, labor and gather herein; and for the servants of God [Names], and for the suffering Christians of Syria, Lebanon, Palestine, Iraq, Egypt, all of the Middle East (add any other nations that may be appropriate) and for the forgiveness of their every transgression, both voluntary and involuntary.

People: Lord, have mercy. (Thrice)

Priest: For Thou art a merciful God Who lovest mankind, and unto

Thee we ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to

the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

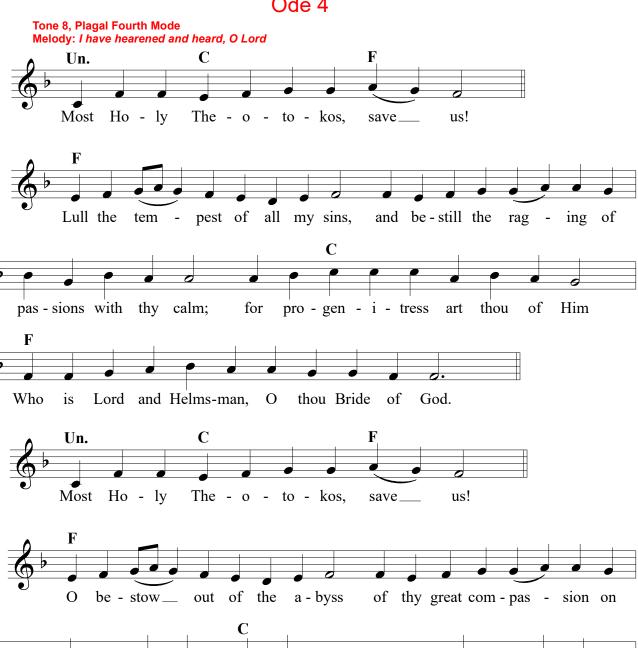
# Kathisma





# The Little Supplicatory Canon





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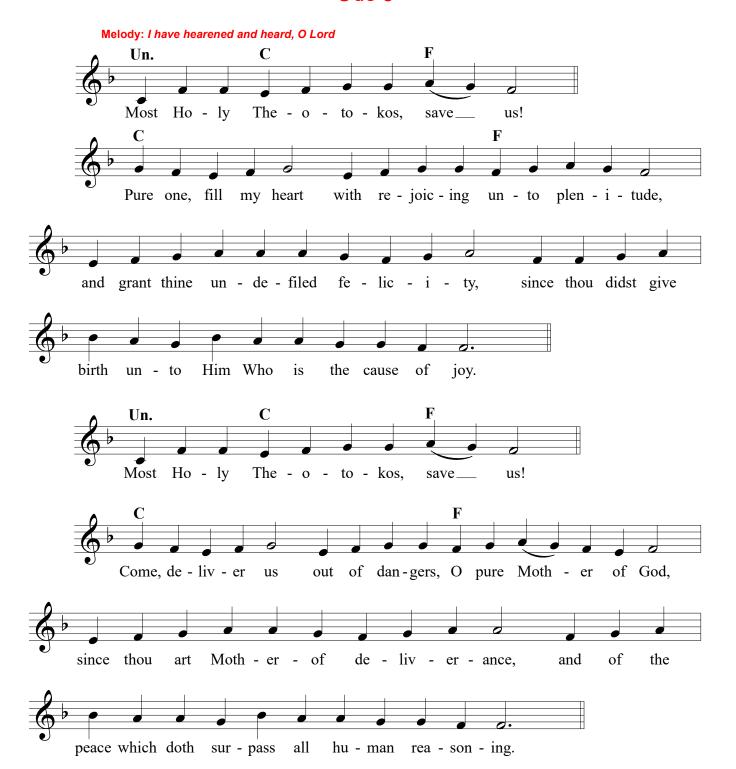
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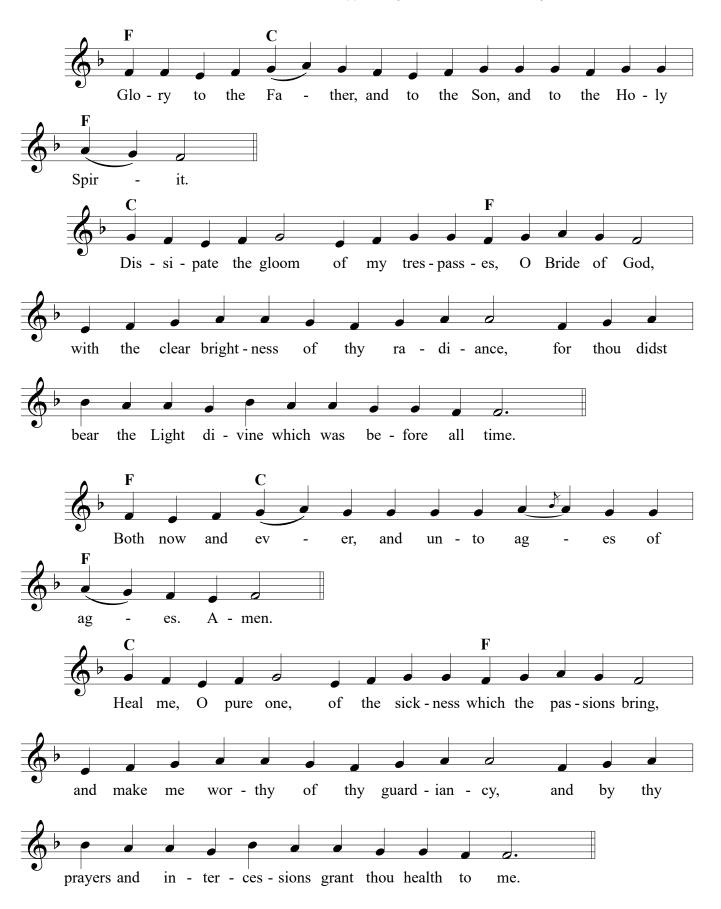
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#### Ode 5





## Ode 6

#### Melody: Entreaty do I pour forth









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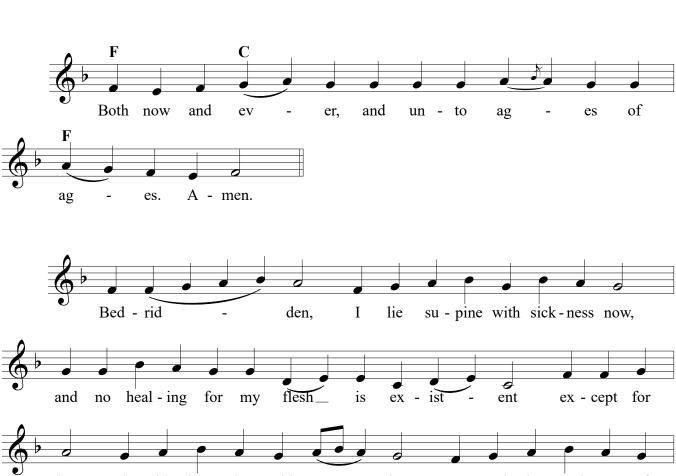


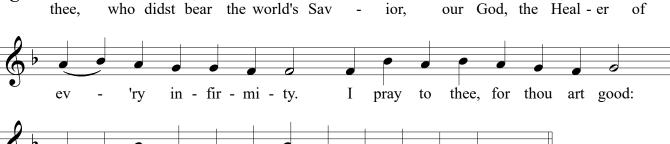












From cor - rup - tion of ill - ness - es raise me up.



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People: (After each petition in the Second Mode ):

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the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

# Kontakion

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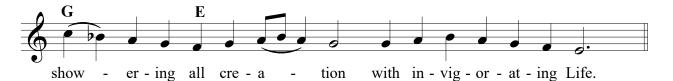
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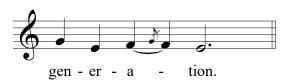
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# Prokeimenon



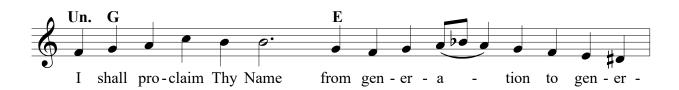












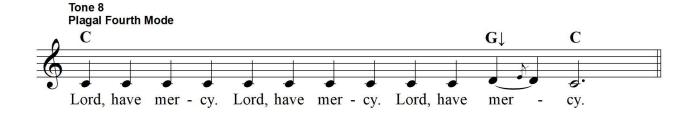


# The Gospel Reading

Priest: And that we may be accounted worthy to hear the Holy

Gospel, let us pray to the Lord God.

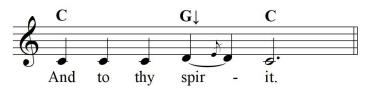
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Priest: Wisdom! Stand upright! Let us hear the Holy Gospel. Peace

be to all.

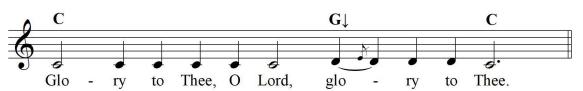
#### People:



Priest: The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke

(1:39-49, 56).

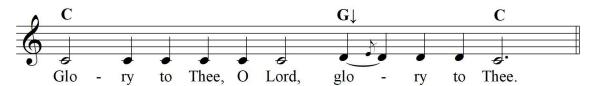
#### People:



#### Priest: Let us attend!

In those days, Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a city of Judah, and she entered the house of Zachariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb! And why is this granted me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the voice of thy greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord." And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for He has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed; for He Who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His Name." And Mary remained with her about three months, and returned to her home.

#### People:

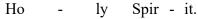


# Post-Gospel Troparia













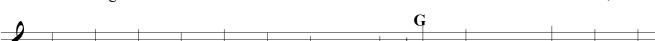
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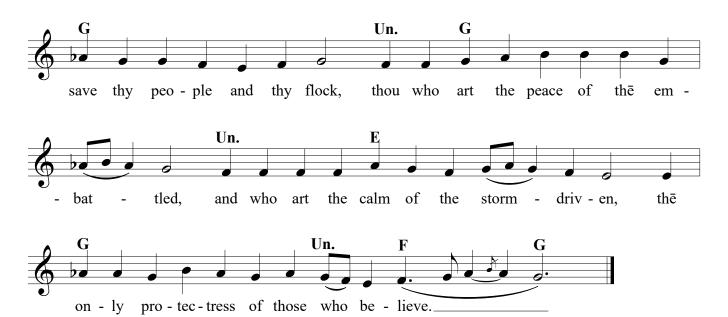


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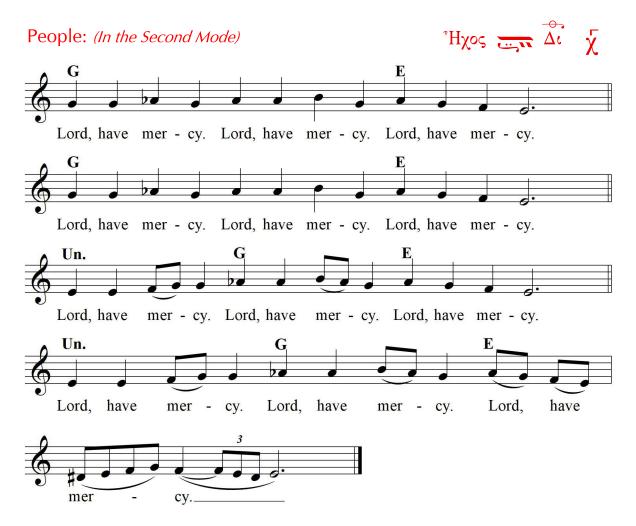






#### The Intercession

Priest: 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 Myrrhstreamer, 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, 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 Saint(s) N., whom 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.



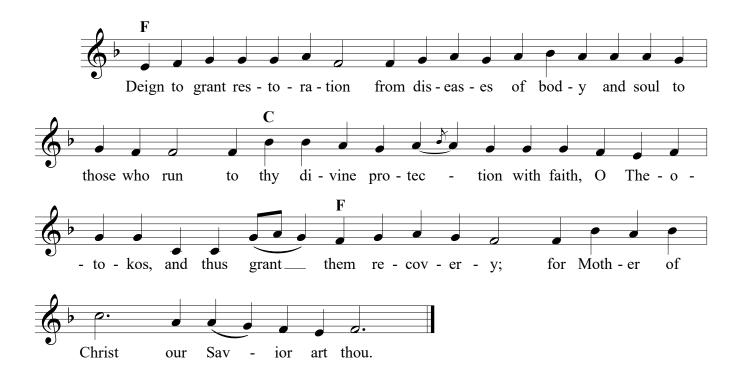
Priest: Through the mercies and compassions and love for mankind of Thine Only-begotten Son, with Whom Thou art blessed, together with Thine All-Holy, and good, and Lifegiving Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

# The Little Supplicatory Canon (Continued)

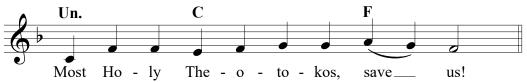


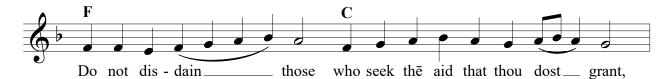




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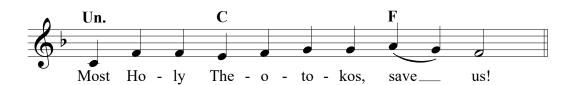






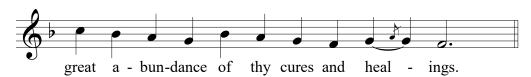








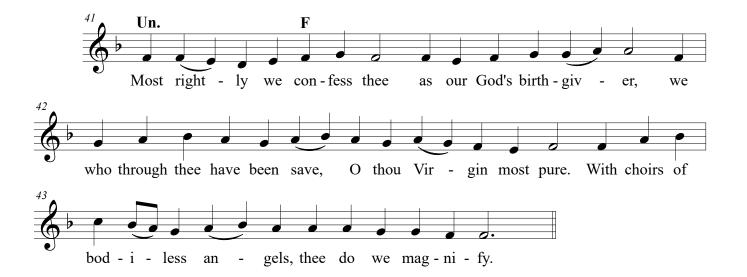






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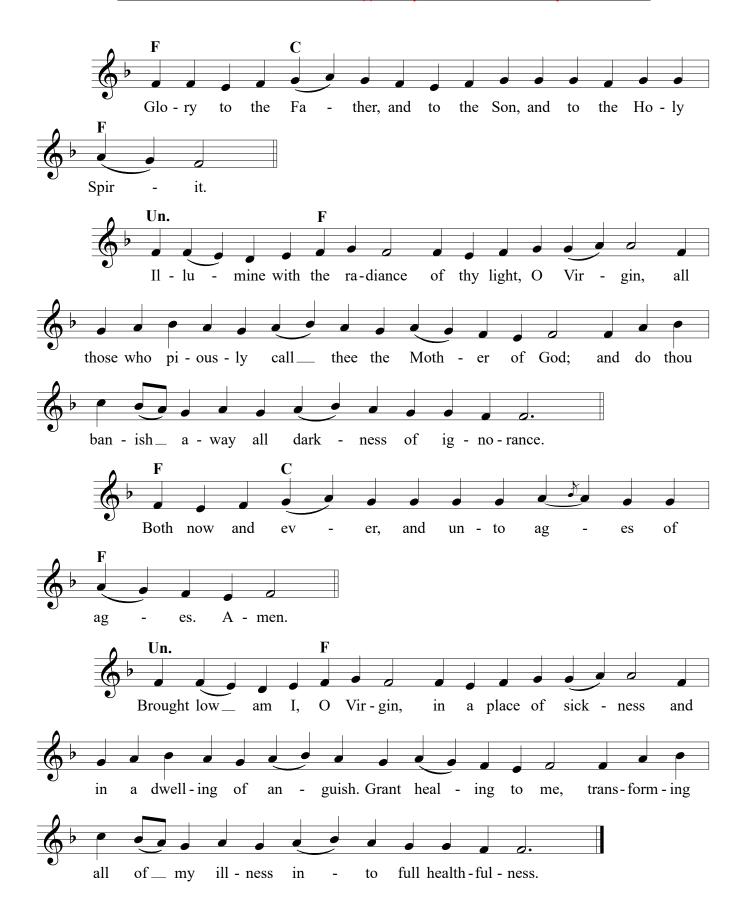
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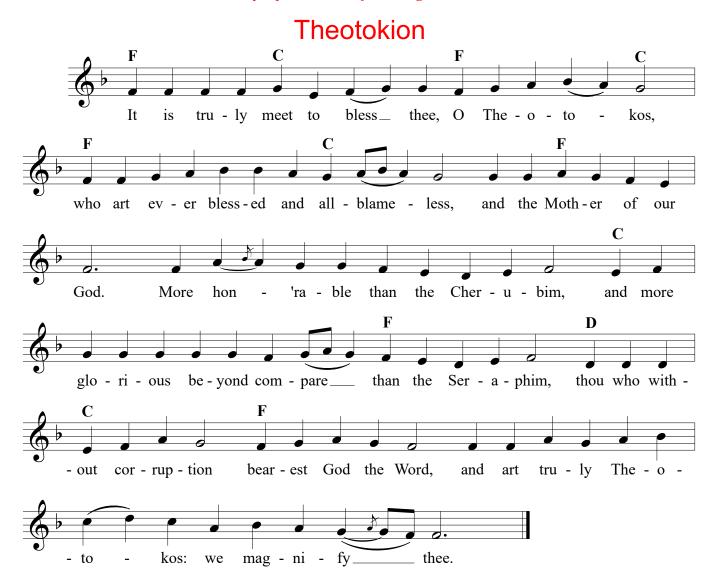
# Troparia





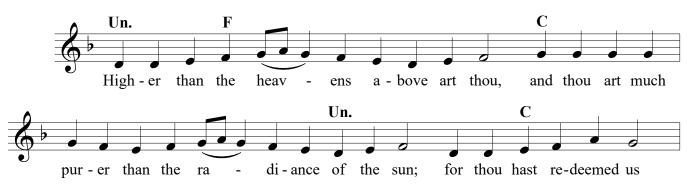


The priest censes the icon of the Theotokos at the center of the church as the people chant the following Theotokion:

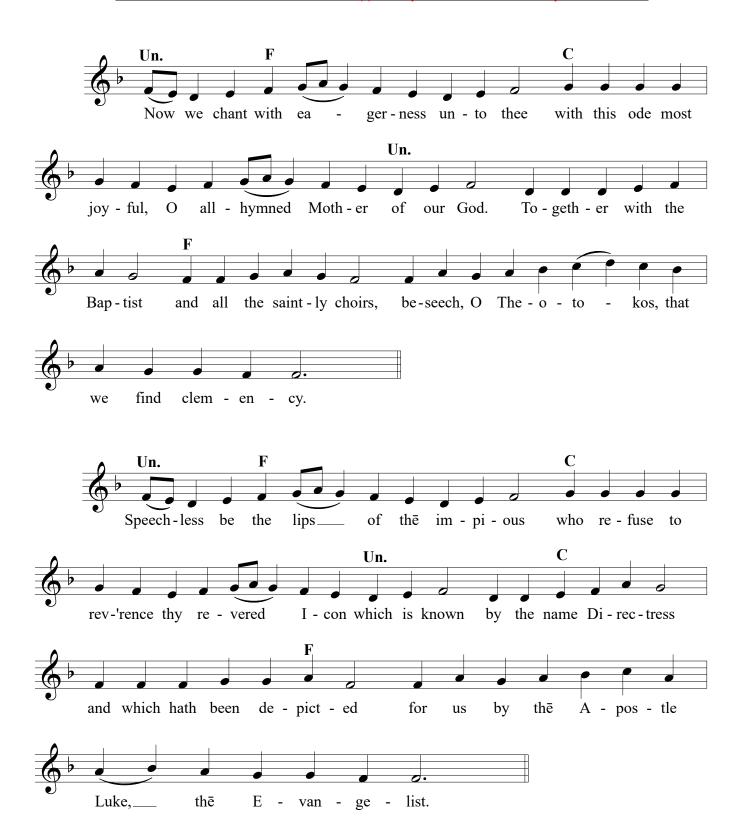


The priest does the great censing of the church as the people chant the following Megalynaria:

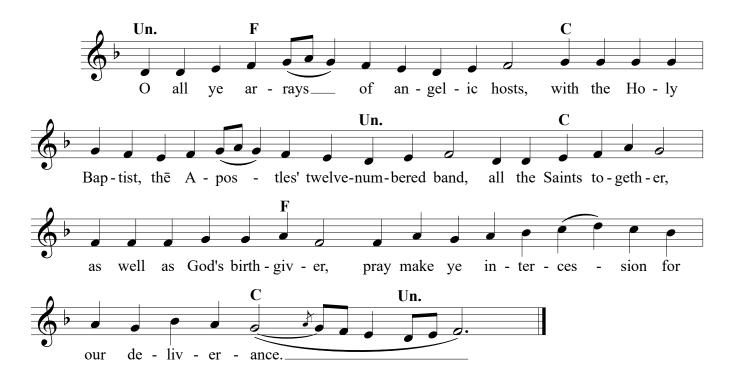




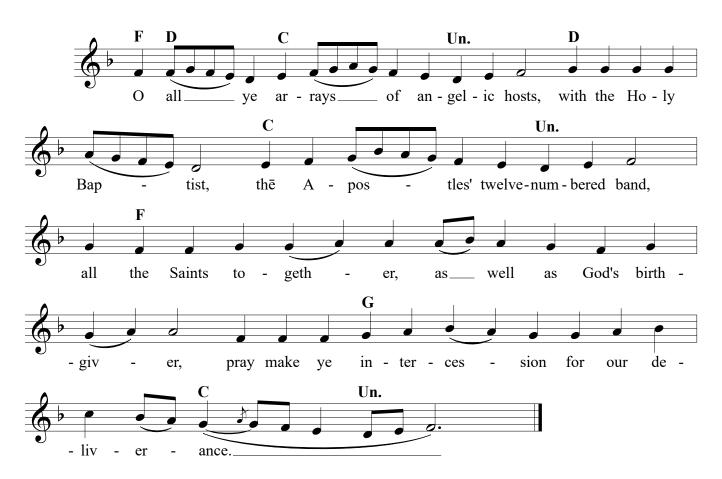




Here, chant the megalynarion of the church temple as provided in the Paraklesis supplement, then:



#### Or the following longer version can be chanted (adapted from Simonos Petras):



## The Trisagion Prayers

People: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us. *(thrice)* 

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

All-Holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal our infirmities for Thy Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. (thrice)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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.

People: Amen.

On the night of August 1, sing the following:

# Apolytikion of St. Stephen the Archdeacon



## Theotokion (Same Mode)



On the nights of August 2-3, sing the following:





But if the nights of August 2 or 3 are Fridays, sing the following:

## Apolytikia and Theotokion for the Martyrs and Departed





#### On the night of August 4, sing the following:

## Apolytikia of the Forefeast of the Transfiguration



#### On the nights of August 6-12, sing the following:

## Apolytikia of the Transfiguration



On the night of August 13, sing the following:

## Apolytikia of the Forefeast of the Dormition



## **Final Litany**

Censing the Icon of the Theotokos, the Priest says:

Priest: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy Great Mercy,

we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

People: (After each petition, in the Second Mode)  ${}^{\circ}$ H $\chi$ o $\varsigma$ 



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In some traditions the following version is chanted in Plagal First Mode:





Priest: Again we pray for all pious and Orthodox Christians.

People: Lord, have mercy. (Thrice)

Priest: Again we pray for our Father and Metropolitan N., (and for

our Bishop N.) and for all our brotherhood in Christ.

People: Lord, have mercy. (Thrice)

Priest: Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation and

visitation and pardon and forgiveness of sins for the servants of God [Names], the parishioners, members of the parish

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council and organizations, donors and benefactors of this holy temple, and for the suffering Christians of Syria, Lebanon, Palestine, Iraq, Egypt, and all of the Middle East (add any other nations that may be appropriate).

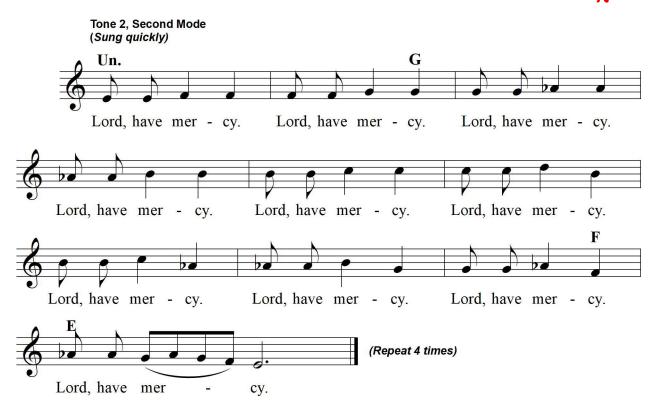
People: Lord, have mercy. (Thrice)

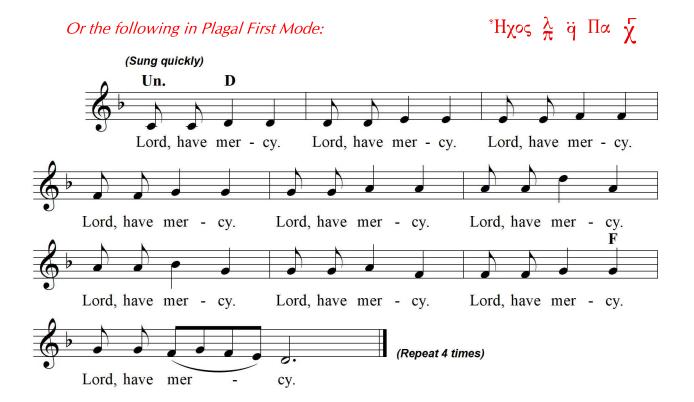
**Priest:** 

Again we pray that He may keep this holy church and this city and every city and countryside from wrath, famine, plague, earthquake, flood, fire, the sword, foreign invasion, civil war and sudden death; that our good God, Who lovest mankind, will be gracious, favorable and conciliatory and turn away and dispel all the wrath stirred up against us and all sickness, and may deliver us from His righteous chastisement which impendeth on us, and have mercy upon us.

People: Lord, have mercy. (Forty times)







Priest: Again we pray that the Lord our God may hearken unto the

voice of the supplication of us sinners, and have mercy

upon us.

People: Lord, have mercy. (Thrice)

Priest: Hear us, O God our Saviour, the Hope of all the ends of the

earth and of those who are far off upon the sea; and be gracious, *be gracious*, O Master, upon our sins, and have mercy upon us. For Thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and unto Thee do we ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and

unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

#### The Dismissal

Deacon: Wisdom!

People: Father, bless!

Priest: Christ our God, the Existing One, is blessed, always, now

and ever, and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen. Preserve, O God, the Holy Orthodox Faith and all

Orthodox Christians, unto ages of ages. Amen.

Priest: Most Holy Theotokos, save us.

People: More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious

beyond compare than the Seraphim, thou who without corruption bearest God the Word and art truly Theotokos:

we magnify thee.

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;

both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. Lord,

have mercy (Thrice). Father, bless.

Priest: May Christ our true God, (insert appropriate characteristic

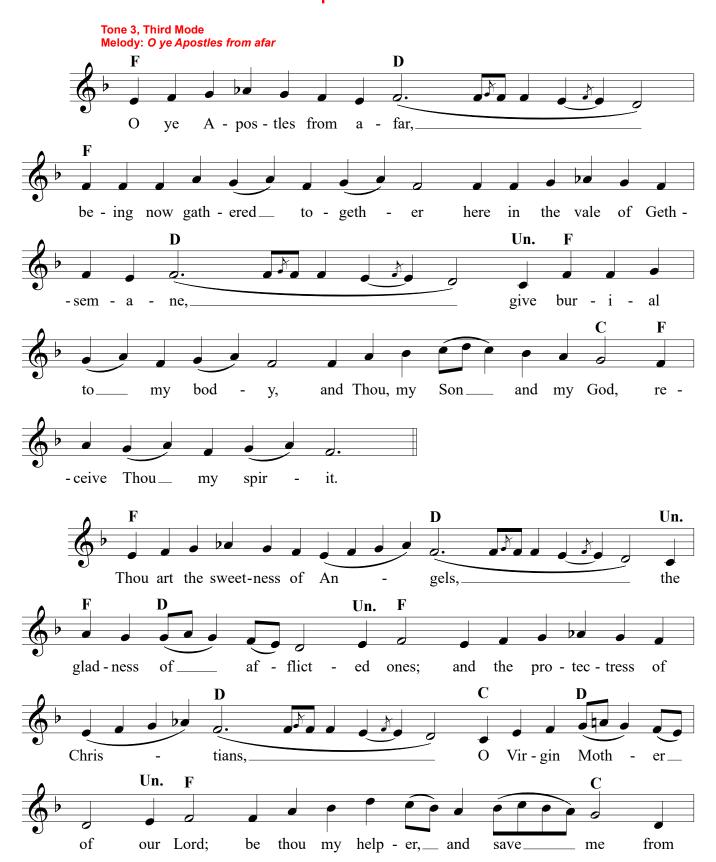
phrase) through the intercessions of His all-immaculate and all-blameless Holy Mother; (insert appropriate weekday commemoration); of Saint N., the patron and protector of this holy community; of (Name(s) of the Saint(s) of the day), whose memory we celebrate today; of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna, and of all the Saints: have mercy on us and save us, forasmuch as He

is good and loveth mankind.

People: Amen.

The clergy and faithful come forward and venerate the Icon of the Theotokos. During the Dormition Fast, the people chant the following exaposteilaria.

# Exaposteilaria







Priest: Through the prayers of our Holy Fathers, Lord Jesus Christ

our God, have mercy upon us and save us.

People: Amen.

## Glory be to God!

