

**2021**  
**THE TIPIC FOR**  
**JANUARY**

**1 FRIDAY**

**Circumcision of Our Lord. St. Basil the Great.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria of the feast and the saint. Matins Gos. John 10:9-16. Katavasia of Theophany. At the 9<sup>th</sup> Ode, in place of *More honorable...*, sing the festal verses from Ode 9. Exapostilar of St. Basil, *Glory...*, *Now and ever...*, of feast. Praises. Great Doxology. Tropar of saint, *Glory...now and ever...*, tropar of feast. **Liturgy of St. Basil:** Usual Antiphons. At the Entrance: *Save us, O Son of God, You who were circumcised in the flesh on the eighth day....* Epis. Colossians 2:8-12; Hebrews 13:17-21 (Saint). Gos. Luke 2:20-21, 40-52. Axion: *In you of woman full of grace....* After the Divine Liturgy, **Thanksgiving Service for the New Year.**

**3 SUNDAY**

**Sunday before Theophany.** Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 8. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Follow the model of all vespers for Saturday evening, with the exception that the service for the saint of the day is replaced by the Forefeast. At the end of Vespers as well as at the beginning of **Matins**, sing the Resurrectional tropar and end with the Forefeast tropar. No Polyeleos or Megalitaria. After the Kathismata, go immediately to the Resurrection Hymns of Blessings. Katavasia of Theophany. At Ode 9 sing *More honorable....* Exapostilar of Resurrection, *Glory...Now and ever...* of Forefeast. At the Praises, combine stichera of Resurrection with Forefeast. *Glory... Forefeast, Now and ever... You are most blessed....* Great Doxology. **Liturgy of St. John:** Epis. 2 Timothy 4:5-8. Gos. Mark 1:1-8. Axion: *It is truly right....*

**5 TUESDAY**

**Eve of Theophany. Royal Hours with Typika. Liturgy of St. Basil combined with Vespers of the Feast** until the Litia. After the final Old Testament reading, Little Litany with exclamation: *For holy is our God...* and enter the **Liturgy** with *Holy God....* Axion: *You are most blessed....* After the Prayer behind the ambon, the clergy exit the altar in procession through the holy doors and to the middle of the church for the **Great Blessing of Waters.** The order for the Great Blessing can be found in the Menaion at the end of the service of today or in the Priest's service book. This water is used to bless the church, the parish office and the faithful's homes.

**6 WEDNESDAY**

**Holy Theophany.** Follow Menaion. Monday evening: **Great Compline** at which is sung: "God is with us". After the first "Holy God", sing the Theophany tropar. After the second "Holy God", sing the Theophany Kontak. After the reading of the Doxology, begin the **Litia**, which includes the Aposticha, St. Simeon's Prayer and censing around the breads, singing the Festal tropar 3 times, and the Dismissal. In parishes, **Matins** is celebrated in the morning, but in monasteries the vigil continues with the 6 Psalms, the Great Litany, "God is the Lord", the Festal Tropar (3 times), the Polyeleos and Megalitaria, the Festal Antiphons. Gos. Mark 1:9-11. Katavasia of Theophany. Little Litany after Odes 3, 6, 9. In place of "More honorable", sing the Irmos of Ode 9. Praises and Great Doxology, after which begins the Liturgy of St. John in parishes, and in monasteries Matins ends with the 2 Litanies, the Dismissal and the 1st Hour. **Liturgy:** Festal Antiphons. In place of "Holy God", sing "All baptized". Epis. Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7. Gos. Matthew

3:13-17. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon. After the Prayer behind the Ambon, the priest goes in procession out of the altar to the middle of the church for the **Great Blessing of Waters**. The Liturgy ends with “Blessed be the name...” and the dismissal. Until the leave-taking of the feast (January 14), the faithful drink the blessed water before receiving antidoron.

## 7 THURSDAY

**St. John the Baptizer.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers** on Wednesday evening: After the Entrance, sing the Great Prokeimenon: “Who is so great a God as our God”. No Old Testament readings. After the Aposticha, sing the tropar for the Saint and end with Theophany tropar. Litany of Fervent Supplication and Dismissal. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Gospel reading only if it is the feast day of the particular church. Katavasia of Theophany. Praises and Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons and “Holy God”. Epis. Acts 19:1-8. Gos. John 1:29-34. Axion of Feast, which is sung for 8 days, until the leave-taking of Theophany. All dismissals begin with “May He who was baptized in the Jordan by John...” Today ends the period of dispensation from fasting which began on Christmas day. We fast every Wednesday and Friday until the Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee.

## 10 SUNDAY

**Sunday after Theophany.** Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 9. Combine Octoechos with Feast from Menaion. **Saturday evening: Great Vespers** with Entrance. “Glory” before the Entrance from Feast, followed by “Now and ever”: Dogmatikon of Tone 6. At the end of Vespers, as at the beginning of Matins, begin with the Resurrection Tropar of the tone and end with the Festal Tropar. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Theophany. At the 9th Ode, sing “More honorable”. Small litany after Odes 3, 6, 9. Exapostilar of the Tone and of the Feast. Praises and Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 4:7-13. Gos. Matthew 4:12-17. Axion: Irmos of 9th Ode of Festal Canon.

## 17 SUNDAY

**29th Sunday after Pentecost. St. Anthony the Great.** Tone 7. Mat. Gos. 10. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** At *Lord I have called...*, 10 Sticheras: the first four from the Octoechos, and six from the Menaion for St. Anthony. *Glory...*, for the Saint, *Now and ever...*, Dogmatikon Tone 8. Entrance. Three Old Testament readings for the Saint. Litia. At the Aposticha, Sticheras from the Octoechos, *Glory...*, for the Saint, *Now and ever...*, for the Birthgiver of God, Tone 8. At the blessing of the bread, Troparion of the Saint (once) and the Troparion *Birthgiver of God...* (twice). After *Our Father...*, Troparion of the Resurrection, *Glory...*, for the Saint, *Now and ever...*, for the Birthgiver – Resurrectional. **Matins:** At *God is the Lord...*, Troparion of Resurrection (twice), *Glory...*, for the Saint, *Now and ever...*, for the Birthgiver. Polyeleos. Megalitaria of the Saint. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Kathismata for the Saint. Resurrectional Antiphons. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Presentation. After Ode 3, the Kontakion and Ikos of the Saint (twice), *Glory...Now and ever...*, for Birthgiver. After Ode 6, Kontakion of Resurrection. After Ode 9, Exapostilarion of Resurrection, *Glory...* for the Saint, *Now and ever...*, for the Birthgiver. Praises with 8 Sticheras: 4 from the Octoechos and 4 for the Saint, *Glory...*, Stichera of of the Gospel (11), *Now and ever...*, *You are most blessed*,

*Birthgiver of God and Virgin....* Great Doxology. Tropar: *You arose from the dead....*, Tone 8.  
**Liturgy:** Epis. Colossians 1:12-18; Hebrews 13:17-21. Gos. Luke 17:12-19; Luke 6:17-23.  
Axion: *It is truly right....*

**24 SUNDAY**

**31st Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 11. **Great Vespers.** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymn of Ascents of the tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Presentation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Timothy 1:15-17. Gos. Luke 18:35-43. Axion: *It is truly right....*

**25 MONDAY**

**St. Gregory the Theologian (Nazianzus).** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament Readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Hymn of Ascents (1<sup>st</sup> Antiphon of Tone 4). Gos. John 10:1-9. Katavasia of Presentation. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 12:7-11. Gos. John 10:9-16. Axion: *It is truly right....*

**27 WEDNESDAY**

**Translation of the Relics of St. John Chrysostom.** Follow Menaion (see January 27). **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Hymn of Ascents (1<sup>st</sup> Antiphon of Tone 4). Gos. John 10:1-9. Katavasia of Presentation. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 12:7-11. Gos. John 10:9-16. Axion: *It is truly right....*

**30 SATURDAY**

**Three Hierarchs: Basil, Gregory and John.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Hymn of Ascents (1<sup>st</sup> Antiphon of Tone 4). Gos. John 10:9-16. Katavasia of Presentation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 13:7-16. Gos. Matthew 5:14-19. Axion: *It is truly right....*

**31 SUNDAY**

**32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Zacchaeus).** Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 1. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessing. Hymn of Ascents of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Presentation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Timothy 4:9-15. Gos. Luke 19:1-10. Axion: *It is truly right....*

**THE TIPIC FOR  
FEBRUARY**

**2 TUESDAY**

**Presentation of Our Lord.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Hymn of Ascents (1<sup>st</sup> antiphon of Tone 4). Gos. Luke 2:25-32. Ps. 50. Festal Canon. Katavasia of Presentation. After Ode 8, do not sing *More honorable....*, but rather the sticheras of the Feast from Ode 9. Exapostilarion of Feast (3 times). Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Festal Antiphons. At the Entrance, in place of *Come, let us*

worship..., sing: *The Lord has made known his salvation, and he has revealed his righteousness before the nations. O Son of God, who were carried in the arms of the Righteous Simeon, save us who sing to you. Alleluia.* Troparion of Feast, *Glory..., Now and ever...,* Kontakion of Feast. *Holy God....* Prokeimenon. Epis. Hebrews 7:7-17. Gos. Luke 2:22-40. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon. For 8 days, until the leave-taking, all Dismissals begin with *May He who was carried in the arms of the Righteous Simeon....*

**7 SUNDAY**

**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** (*Parable of the Talents*). Tone 2. Mat Gos. 2. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessing. Hymn of Ascents of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Presentation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Corinthians 6:1-10. Gos. Matthew 25:14-30. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Canon of Presentation.

**14 SUNDAY**

**17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** (*Canaanite Woman*). Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 3. **Great Vespers.** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessing. Hymn of Ascents of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Annunciation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1. Gos. Matthew 15:21-28. Axion: *It is truly right....*

**21 SUNDAY**

**33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost.** (*Publican and Pharisee - Triodion begins*). Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 4. Combine Triodion and Octoechos. (*General Rule: On all Sundays of the Triodion and Pentecostarion, the service of the saint of the day is left out except for Annunciation*). **Great Vespers.** Entrance. **Matins:** After Resurrectional Gospel and Psalm 50, sing *Open the doors of repentance....*, which is sung until the 5th Sunday of Great Lent inclusive. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Timothy 3:10-15. Gos. Luke 18:10-14. Axion: *It is truly right....*

**24 WEDNESDAY**

**Finding of the Head of St. John the Baptist.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Hymns of Ascent (1<sup>st</sup> Antiphon of Tone 4). Gos. Luke 17:17-29. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Corinthians 4:6-15. Gos. Matthew 11:2-15. Axion: *It is truly right....*

**28 SUNDAY**

**34<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost.** (*Prodigal Son*). Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 5. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. *Beside the streams of Babylon...* (*Observation: This Psalm is sung on 2 Sundays only - the Prodigal Son and the Last Judgement*). Resurrectional Hymns of Blessing. Resurrectional Gospel. *Seeing the Resurrection of Christ....* After Psalm 50, sing *Open the doors of repentance....* Katavasia from Triodion. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 6:12-20. Gos. Luke 15:11-32. Axion: *It is truly right....*

**THE TIPIC FOR  
MARCH**

Presanctified Holy Liturgy: 17, 19, 24, 26, 31

**6 SATURDAY**

**Memorial Saturday.** Follow Triodion. **Vespers:** In place of the Prokeimenon, sing *Alleluia*... three times with sticheras from the Memorial Service No Entrance. Troparion for the Dead. **Matins:** In place of *God is the Lord*... sing *Alleluia*... with sticheras and Troparion for the Dead. Kathisma 17 in two stases. After the first stasis: Litany for the Dead, and after the second stasis: "Funeral Hymns of Blessings" followed by the Litany for the Dead. No Gospel reading. Canon and Katavasia for the Dead. After Ode 3: Little Litany, and after Ode 6: Litany for the Dead followed by the Kontakion and Icos from the Memorial Service (*With the saints O Christ*... etc.). The Doxology and the rest of Matins is read. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 10:23-38; Thessalonians 4:13-17. Gos. Luke 21:8-9, 25-27, 33-36; John 5:24-39. Axion: *It is truly right*.... After the Liturgy, **General Memorial Service** for all the departed.

**7 SUNDAY**

**35<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Last Judgement. Farewell to Meat. Martyrs of Communist Persecution.** Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 6. Combine Octoechos and Triodion. **Great Vespers.** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. *Beside the streams of Babylon*.... Resurrectional Hymns of Blessing. Resurrectional Gospel. Seeing the Resurrection of Christ.... After Psalm 50, sing *Open the doors of repentance*.... Katavasia from Triodion. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 8:8-13; 9:1-2. Gos. Matthew 25:31-46. Axion: *It is truly right*.... After Liturgy, **Memorial Service for the martyrs of communist persecution.**

**9 TUESDAY**

**Holy 40 Martyrs of Sebaste.** If it is the patronal feast day of the church and it is Saturday or Sunday, celebrate the **Liturgy of St. John**. If Liturgy is celebrated: Epis. Hebrews 12:1-10. Gos. Matthew 20:1-16. The Liturgy of St. John is celebrated only if the feast falls on Saturday or Sunday, because during Cheese Week, no Liturgy is allowed on Wednesday and Friday. If it is not the patronal feast, combine the service for the Martyrs with the service from the Triodion as with each saint marked with red in the calendar, and celebrate the service on Tuesday as indicated in the February Menaion.

**14 SUNDAY**

**36<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Farewell to Dairy. Expulsion of Adam from Paradise. Forgiveness Sunday.** Tone 7. Mat. Gos. 7. **Vespers.** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessing. After Psalm 50, *Open the doors of repentance*.... Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia from Triodion. **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4. Gos. Matthew 6:14-21. Axion: *It is truly right*.... **In the evening, Forgiveness Vespers** with prostrations and the Prayer of St. Ephraim.

**15 MONDAY**

**Great Lent Begins.** The Great Typikon prescribes the celebration of the **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts** 5 days per week, not only on Wednesdays and Fridays. From Monday until Thursday, we read **Great Compline with the Canon of St. Andrew of Crete**. The Prayer of St. Ephraim the Syrian is said with 4 great prostrations and 12 small prostrations during the Hours and whenever the Triodion prescribes.

**20 SATURDAY**

**St. Theodore of Tyre.** Follow Triodion. **Vespers** was celebrated on Friday morning, together with the **Presanctified Holy Liturgy**. On Friday evening, we read only **Great Compline** without prostrations. Canon of St. Theodore. **Blessing of coliva (wheat)**. **Liturgy of St. John:** Epis. Hebrews 1:1-12; 2 Timothy 2:1-10. Gos. Mark 2:23-3:5; John 15:17-27; 16:1-2. Axion: *It is truly right....* After the Liturgy, the **Blessing of coliva** is repeated.

**21 SUNDAY**

**1st Sunday of Great Lent: Orthodoxy.** Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 8. Combine Triodion and Octoechos. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Resurrectional Troparion and Troparion of the Icons: *Your most pure Body....* **Matins:** After Ps. 50, *Open the doors of repentance....* Katavasia from Triodion. **Liturgy of St. Basil:** Epis. Hebrews 11:24-26; 32-40. Gos. John 1:43-51. Axion: *In you O woman full of grace....*

**25 THURSDAY**

**Annunciation.** Dispensation to eat fish. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Lita. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Gos. Luke 1:39-56. Combine Festal Canon with Canon from Triodion. At *God is the Lord...* do not sing *Alleluia* and the three Tropars as on other days during Lent, but sing *God is the Lord...* and the Festal Tropar (3 times). Katavasia of Annunciation. In place of *More honorable...* sing the Irmos of 9th Ode. Read the Small Doxology. **Vesperal Liturgy of St. John:** 5 Old Testament readings: 2 from Triodion & 3 from Feast. *Holy God....* Epis. Hebrews 2:11-18. Gos. Luke 1:24-38. Axion of Feast.

**28 SUNDAY**

**2nd Sunday of Great Lent: St. Gregory Palamas.** Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 9. Follow the Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Resurrectional Tropar of the Tone and the Tropar of the Saint. **Matins:** After Ps. 50, *Open the doors of repentance....* Katavasia from Triodion. **Liturgy of St. Basil:** Epis. Hebrews 1:10-14; 2:1-3; Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2. Gos. Mark 2:1-12; John 10:9-16. Axion: *In you o woman full of grace....*



**THE TIPIC FOR  
APRIL**

Presanctified Holy Liturgy: 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30

**4 SUNDAY**

**3rd Sunday of Great Lent: The Cross.** Tone 2. Mat. Gos. 10. Combine Octoechos & Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Before beginning Vespers, the priest gives the blessing, the cantor reads the opening prayers, and during the Tropar of the Cross (“O Lord save your people...”), the priest moves the Cross, decorated with flowers, from the Proskomedion to the Holy Table. Then he gives the blessing to begin Vespers. **Matins:** Resurrectional Gospel. Psalm 50. “Open the doors of repentance”. Katavasia from Triodion. At the Great Doxology, the priest, in full vestments, censes 3 times around the Holy Table, and during the 3rd “Holy God” he takes the Cross in procession from the Altar to a stand in the middle of the church for veneration by the faithful. During the time of the procession, we sing the Tropar and Kontak of the Cross. The Cross *is not raised and lowered* toward the four cardinal points as on the day of the Lifting Up of the Holy Cross (Sept. 14), but it is placed on a stand, and we bow down in front of it. Then we venerate the Cross with great prostrations, singing the hymn: “Before your Cross”. **Liturgy of St. Basil:** In place of “Holy God,” sing “Before your cross.” Epis. Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:1-6. Gos. Mark 8:34-9:1. Axion: “In you o woman full of grace.”

**11 SUNDAY**

**4th Sunday of Great Lent: St. John of the Ladder.** Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 11. Combine the Octoechos and Triodion as on the 2nd Sunday. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. No Old Testament readings. **Matins:** After Psalm 50, “Open the doors of repentance.” Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy of St. Basil:** Epis. Hebrews 6:13-20; Ephesians 5:8-19. Gos. Mark 9:17-32; Matthew 4:25; 5:1-12. Axion: “In you o woman full of grace”.

**14 WEDNESDAY**

**Canon of St. Andrew of Crete** (See the Triodion)

**16 FRIDAY**

**Akathist to the Mother of God** (See the Triodion)

**18 SUNDAY**

**5th Sunday of Great Lent: St. Mary of Egypt.** Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 1. **Vespers. Matins:** After Psalm 50, “Open the doors of repentance.” Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy of St. Basil:** Epis. Hebrews 9:11-14; Galatians 3:23-29. Gos. Mark 10:32-45; Luke 7:36-50. Axion: “In you o woman full of grace”.

**23 FRIDAY**

**Great Martyr and Trophy Bearer George.** *Observation: Because the celebration of the Feast of Pascha is variable, the celebration of the service for St. George varies and changes as follows: When it falls during Great Lent, the Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts is*

*celebrated with all of the readings from Lent and with prostrations, except when it falls on Saturday or Sunday. Parishes that have St. George as their patron should follow the tipic at the end of the service for St. George in the Menaion.* Combine Menaion and Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Lord I have called: 8 sticheras (3 from Triodion; 5 for the Saint); Glory...Saint; Now and ever...Birthgiver (of the day), Tone 6. Entrance. Prokeimena & readings for the day from Triodion, followed by those for the Saint. Lita. At the Aposticha, 2 daily stichera from Triodion, then repeat the first stichera; “Glory...” for the Saint, “Now and ever...” for Birthgiver (Resurrection, Tone 4). **Matins:** “God is the Lord.” Tropar for the Saint (2x), Glory...Now and ever... for Birthgiver (Resurrection, Tone 4). Polyeleos and Megalitaria of the Saint. 1<sup>st</sup> Antiphon (Tone 4). Prokeimenon from Menaion. Gos. Luke 21:12–19 (Saint). Katavasia of Annunciation. Small Doxology (read). **Typika with Beatitudes** (not sung). **Presanctified Liturgy:** Entrance with Gospel. Prokeimena and Readings of the day from Triodion. “Let my prayer arise...”. Epis. Acts 12: 1–11. Gos. John 15:17–27; 16:1–2.

## 24 SATURDAY

**Raising of Lazarus.** Follow the Triodion. **Vespers** for Lazarus is celebrated on the eve (Friday) together with the Presanctified Holy Liturgy. **Matins:** No Polyeleos, Megalitaria or Gospel reading. Sing Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings and “Seeing the Resurrection of Christ”. Katavasia from Triodion. In place of “More honorable” sing the Irmos of Ode 9. “Holy is the Lord” without Exapostilar. Praises and Great Doxology. **Liturgy of St. John:** Regular Antiphons. In place of “Holy God” sing “All baptized in Christ”. Epis. Hebrews 12:28-13:8. Gos. John 11:1-45. Special Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Canon of St. Lazarus.

## 25 SUNDAY

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent. Entrance of the Lord into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday).** Follow the Triodion. The Octoechos is not needed until the Sunday of All Saints (June 6). **Great Vespers:** Lita and Old Testament readings. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Gos. Matthew 21:1-11, 15-17. After the Gospel, read immediately Ps. 50, and the priest blesses the palms, sprinkling them with holy water and reading a prayer. Sing the whole Palm Sunday Canon. **Liturgy of St. John:** Festal Antiphons. “Holy God”. Epis. Philippians 4:4-9. Gos. John 12:1-18. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Palm Sunday Canon. Dispensation to eat fish. Holy Week begins with the celebration of Bridegroom Matins on Sunday evening.

## 26-28 GREAT AND HOLY MONDAY to GREAT AND HOLY WEDNESDAY

**Holy Week. Presanctified Holy Liturgy** is celebrated in the morning, and each evening **Bridegroom Matins** with Gospel readings, the hymn “Behold the Bridegroom comes” and the Exapostilar “Your Bridal Chamber”. In monasteries, in the mornings we read the Hours and the whole text of the four Gospels until the episodes of the Passion.



Wednesday morning ends the saying of the Prayer of St. Ephraim with the great prostrations. In the parishes, on Wednesday afternoon/evening, we celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Unction**.

## 29 **GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY**

**Commemoration of the Last Supper. Vespertal Liturgy of St. Basil** with readings. The Liturgy begins with the Trisagion hymn. Entrance with Gospel. Epis. 1 Corinthians 11:23-32. Gos. Matthew, but in actuality a combination from all the Evangelists - Matthew 25:2-20; John 13:3-17; Matthew 26:21-39; Luke 22:43-44; Matthew 26:40; 27:1-2 (see the Gospel book). In place of the Cherubic Hymn and "Let our mouths be filled", sing "At your Mystical Supper". Axion from Triodion: "Come o faithful, let us feast at the Master's banquet". Eucharist for the sick is prepared. **Evening: Matins of Holy Friday with the reading of the 12 Passion Gospels**. Between the reading of the 5th and 6th Gospels, the Cross is carried out from the Altar to the middle of the church.

## 30 **GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY**

Follow the Triodion. **Royal Hours** with Gospel readings. **Vespers:** Gospel readings. Entrance with Gospel book. Taking the Body down from the Cross. Bringing out of the Holy Shroud (Epitaphion). According to the Byzantine tradition, the Shroud is brought out of the Altar at the time of the "Glory" at the Aposticha; according to the Slavic practice, at the time of the Troparia. **Evening: Matins of Holy Saturday. Lamentations**. Follow Triodion. According to the Byzantine tradition, the Lamentations are sung after the Praises, immediately before the Great Doxology, after which the priest does not enter into the Altar but goes in procession around the church with the Epitaphion. After entering the church, the Epitaphion is taken directly into the altar and placed on the Holy Table where it remains until the Ascension of Our Lord. In the Slavic tradition, the Lamentations are sung after the troparia, and the Epitaphion, after the procession, remains in the middle of the church until Pascha night; then it is placed on the Holy Table. Matins ends with a reading from the Old Testament, the Epistle and the Gospel, the Litanies and Dismissal.

## **THE TIPIC FOR MAY**

### 1 **GREAT AND HOLY SATURDAY**

**Liturgy of St. Basil combined with the Hours, Typika and Vespers**. In place of "Holy God" sing "All baptized in Christ". Epis. Romans 6:3-11. Gos. Matthew 28:1-20. In place of "Alleluia", Cherubic Hymn and usual Axion, see Triodion for special texts. Last day of the Triodion. From now until the Sunday of All Saints, the Pentecostarion is the guide for all the services.

### 2 **RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD (PASCHA)**

Follow Pentecostarion. **Resurrection Service with Matins:** Procession with candles around the church three times, followed by Matins of Pascha. The Gospel is read outside:

Matthew 28:1-15. During all of Bright Week, Matins begins as on the Pascha night: “Glory to the holy...”, then the censuring around the Holy Table with the Paschal sticheras. The remainder of Matins is celebrated in the church. **Liturgy of St. John:** Until Pentecost, the priest begins the Liturgy with the regular blessing, “Christ is risen” (3 times) in place of “Heavenly King”. Until Thomas Sunday, he then censes the Holy Table singing “Christ is risen” interspersed with the Pascal sticheras (“Let God arise”). Great Litany. From Thomas Sunday until the Ascension, he no longer censes the Holy Table while singing the Paschal sticheras, but he sings only “Christ is risen” 3 times. The prayer “Heavenly King” is not said again until Pentecost. The Liturgy is served as on Pascha night until Thomas Sunday. In place of “Holy God”, sing “All baptized”. Epis. Acts 1:1-8. Gos. John 1:1-17. Axion: “The angel cried out”. **After Liturgy, blessing of the Artos (Paschal bread), meats, eggs and dairy products.** In the evening, **Agape Vespers:** Entrance with Gospel. Reading of Gospel in many languages. All the doors of the Altar remain open until Thomas Sunday. During Bright Week, Vespers, Matins, Hours and Liturgy are the same as on Pascha, changing only the tone, Epistle and Gospel readings. Until the Ascension of our Lord, all services begin with “Christ is risen”, sung 3 times, followed by “Holy God”. In place of “Blessed is he that comes”, “We have seen the true Light”, “Let our mouths be filled” and “Blessed be the name of the Lord”, sing “Christ is risen”.

### **3 BRIGHT MONDAY**

**Vespers, Matins and Liturgy:** See Pentecostarion. Epis. Acts 1:12-17, 21-26. Gos. John 1:18-28. Katavasia and Axion of Pascha until Ascension.

### **4 BRIGHT TUESDAY**

**Matins and Liturgy as on Pascha day.** Epis. Acts 2:14-21. Gos. Luke 24:12-35.

### **7 FRIDAY**

**Life-giving Fountain of the Birthgiver of God.** Follow Pentecostarion for the services of Vespers, Matins and Liturgy.

### **9 SUNDAY**

**2nd Sunday after Pascha: St. Thomas Sunday.** Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 1. Beginning today, all the services start with “Holy God” until Pentecost. Until Ascension, Matins begins with “Glory to the Holy, Consubstantial...” and “Christ is risen” 3 times, during which time the whole church is censed. See Pentecostarion. **Great Vespers:** Lita. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Katavasia of Pascha. At the 9th Ode sing “More honorable”. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. “Holy God”. Epis. Acts 5:12-20. Gos. John 20:19-31. Axion: “The angel cried out”.

- 16 SUNDAY**  
**3rd Sunday after Pascha: The Myrrhbearing Women.** Tone 2. Mat. Gos. 4. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Katavasia of Pascha. At the 9th Ode sing “More honorable”. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 6:1-7. Gos. Mark 15:43-16:8. Axion: “The angel cried out”.
- 21 FRIDAY**  
**Sts. Constantine and Helen.** **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Katavasia of Pascha. **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 9:19-31. Gos. John 10:1-9. Axion: “The angel cried out.”
- 23 SUNDAY**  
**4th Sunday after Pascha: The Paralytic. Holy Fathers of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ecumenical Council.** Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 5. Follow same order as previous Sunday. **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 9:32-42. Gos. John 5:1-15. Axion: “The angel cried out”.
- 26 WEDNESDAY**  
**Midfeast of Pentecost.** Follow the Pentecostarion. **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 14:6-18. Gos. John 7:14-30. Axion of the Midfeast .
- 30 SUNDAY**  
**5th Sunday after Pascha: The Samaritan Woman.** Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 7. **Great Vespers.** **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of the tone. Katavasia of Pascha. Great Doxology and Litanies. 1st Hour (in monasteries). In parishes, after the Doxology begins the **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. “Holy God”. Epis. Acts 11:19-30. Gos. John 4:5-43. Axion: From Midfeast of Pentecost.

**THE TIPIC FOR  
 JUNE**

- 6 SUNDAY**  
**6th Sunday after Pascha: The Man Born Blind.** Follow the same order of service as for the 3rd and 4th Sundays after Pascha, changing only the Tone, Mat. Gos. & Exapostilar, Epistle and Gospel. Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 8. **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 16:16-34. Gos. John 9:1-38. Axion: “The angel cried out”.
- 10 THURSDAY**  
**Ascension of the Lord.** On Wednesday evening, celebrate **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. At the Litia and at Matins sing the Tropar of Ascension 3 times. The services no longer begin with “Christ is risen”, but with “Holy God” until Pentecost. Follow the Pentecostarion. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Hymns of Ascent of the Feast. Gos. Mark 16:9-20. Katavasia of Pentecost. Exapostilar and Praises are combined from the Menaion and Pentecostarion as explained in the Menaion. Great Doxology followed by Liturgy, or go to the end of Matins as in monasteries. **Liturgy:**

Festal Antiphons. "Holy God". Epis. Acts 1:1-12. Gos. Luke 24:36-53. Axion: Irmos of 9th Ode of Festal Canon.

**13 SUNDAY**

**7th Sunday after Pascha: Holy Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council.** Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 10. Combine the service for the Ascension with that of the Holy Fathers. Follow the Pentecostarion for the order of service. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Gospel for Matins is only for the Resurrection. **Katavasia of Pentecost.** **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 20:16-18, 28-36. Gos. John 17:1-13. Axion: Irmos of 9th Ode of Ascension Canon.

**19 SATURDAY**

**Memorial Saturday.** The order of service is the same as that for Saturday, March 5, only the content is different. Follow the Pentecostarion. **Daily Vespers & Matins:** At Matins, sing the Funeral Hymns of Blessings, as at the Memorial Service. **Liturgy:** Acts 27:1-44; 28:1. Gos. John 21:15-25; John 5:24-39. Axion: "It is truly right".

**20 SUNDAY**

**8th Sunday after Pascha: Pentecost - Descent of the Holy Spirit.** From now on, all services begin with "Heavenly King". No Tone or Exapostilar is indicated, because everything is from the Feast in the Pentecostarion. **Great Vespers:** Old Testament readings. Lita. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. No Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings or Hymns of Ascent of the Tone even though it is Sunday, but sing the Hymns of Ascent of the Feast. Gos. John 20:19-23. Do not sing "Seeing the Resurrection". Ps. 50. **Katavasia of Pentecost.** **Liturgy:** Festal Antiphons. In place of "Holy God", sing "All baptized". Epis. Acts 2:1-11. Gos. John 7:37-52; 8:12. Axion: Irmos of 9th Ode of Pentecost Canon. **After Liturgy, Great Vespers with Kneeling Prayers.**

**21 MONDAY**

**Holy Trinity. Daily Vespers. Matins:** No Polyeleos or Gospel. **Katavasia of Pentecost.** Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 5:8-19. Gos. Matthew 18:10-20. Axion of the Feast.

**24 THURSDAY**

**Birth of St. John the Baptizer.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Lita. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Gos. Luke 1:24-25, 57-68, 76, 80. **Katavasia of Annunciation.** **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4. Gos. Luke 1:1-25, 57-68, 76, 80. Axion: "It is truly right".

**27 SUNDAY**

**1st Sunday after Pentecost: All Saints.** Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 1. Usual order of service as for all Sundays throughout the year. The last day when the Pentecostarion is used. From this day on, the Octoechos and Menaion are used. From today we sing at **Matins** the

Katavasia of Annunciation until August 1, when we change to the Katavasia of the Cross.  
**Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 11:32-12:2. Gos. Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30. Axion: "It is truly right".

**29 TUESDAY**

**Holy Apostles Peter and Paul. Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Gos. John 21:1-14. Katavasia of Annunciation.  
**Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Corinthians 11:21-33; 12:1-9. Gos. Matthew 16:13-19.

**THE TIPIC FOR  
JULY**

**4 SUNDAY**

**2nd Sunday after Pentecost. American and Romanian Saints.** Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 2. Combine service of Resurrection from Octoechos with service of Saints from Menaion.  
**Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria, immediately followed by Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings and Gospel of Resurrection, not of the Saints. Katavasia of Annunciation. Praises: "Glory" - Saints, "Now and ever" - "You are most blessed". **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 2:10-16. Gos. Matthew 4:18-23. Axion: "It is truly right".

**11 SUNDAY**

**3rd Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 2. Mat. Gos. 3. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. No Old Testament readings. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of the Tone. Katavasia of Annunciation. At the 9th Ode: "More honorable". Great Doxology.  
**Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 5:1-10. Gos. Matthew 6:22-33. Axion: "It is truly right".

**18 SUNDAY**

**4th Sunday after Pentecost. Holy Fathers of 4<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council.** Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 4. **Great Vespers. Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 6:18-23; Titus 3:8-15. Gos. Matthew 8:5-13; John 17:1-13. Axion: "It is truly right".

**20 TUESDAY**

**Holy Prophet Elijah the Tishbite. Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Gos. Luke 4:22-30. Katavasia of Annunciation.  
**Liturgy:** Epis. James 5:10-20. Gos. Luke 4:22-30. Axion: *It is truly right...*

**25 SUNDAY**

**5th Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 5. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of the Tone. "Seeing the Resurrection". Ps. 50. Katavasia of Annunciation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 10:1-10. Gos. Matthew 8:28-34; 9:1. Axion: "It is truly right".

**27 TUESDAY**

**Great Martyr and Healer Panteleimon. St. Jacob of Alaska.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Gos. Luke 21:12-19. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Timothy 2:1-10. Gos. John 15:17-24, 16:1-2. Axion: "It is truly right."

**THE TIPIC FOR  
AUGUST**

**1 SUNDAY**

**6th Sunday after Pentecost. Procession of the Cross. 7 Maccabean Youths.** (*Fast of the Dormition of the Mother of God begins*). Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 6. Follow Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** 6 Sticheras. No Old Testament readings. **Matins:** Katavasia of the Cross until September 22. After the Great Doxology, the priest in full vestments, brings the Holy Cross in procession to the middle of the church for veneration. **Lesser Blessing of Water. Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 12:6-14; Acts 20:16-18, 28-36. Gos. Matthew 10:16-22; Matthew 9:1-8. Axion: "It is truly right". After Liturgy, the Cross is taken back into the Altar while the tropar of the Cross is being sung. Until August 15, the **Paraclis of the Birthgiver of God** is read each evening.

**6 FRIDAY**

**Transfiguration of Our Lord.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Gos. Luke 9:28-36. Katavasia of Cross. Sing Irmos of Ode 9 of the Festal Canon in place of "More honorable". **Liturgy:** Festal Antiphons. "Holy God". Epis. 2 Peter 1:10-19. Gos. Matthew 17:1-9. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon. After the Prayer behind the Ambon, the **Blessing of New Fruits.** Dispensation to eat fish.

**8 SUNDAY**

**7th Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 7. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalitaria. Katavasia of Cross. **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 15:1-7. Gos. Matthew 9:27-35. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Transfiguration Canon..

**15 SUNDAY**

**8th Sunday after Pentecost. Dormition of the Birthgiver of God.** Tone 7. Mat. Gos. 8. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Gos. Luke 1:39-49; 56. Katavasia of Dormition. **Liturgy:** Festal Antiphons. Epis. 1 Corinthians 1:10-17; Philippians 2:5-11. Gos. Matthew 14:14-22; Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Dormition Canon.



**22 SUNDAY**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 9. Combine service of the Dormition from Menaion with the Tone from Octoechos. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. No readings. **Matins:** No Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessing. Katavasia of Dormition. Great Doxology. Resurrectional Gospel. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 3:9-17. Gos. Matthew 14:22-34. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Dormition Canon.

**29 SUNDAY**  
**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Beheading of St. John the Baptizer.** (*Strict Fast*). Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 10. Combine Octoechos with Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Cross. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 4:9-16; Acts 13:25-32. Gos. Matthew 17:14-23; Mark 6:14-30. Axion: *It is truly right...*

### THE TIPIC FOR SEPTEMBER

**1 WEDNESDAY**  
**Beginning of the Ecclesiastical Year.**

**5 SUNDAY**  
**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 2. Mat. Gos. 11. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Antiphon of the Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Cross. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. Beatitudes. "Holy God". Epis. 1 Corinthians 9:2-12. Gos. Matthew 18:23-35. Axion: *It is truly right...*

**8 WEDNESDAY**  
**Birth of the Virgin Mary.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Gos. Luke 1:39-49, 56. Katavasia of Cross. In place of "More honorable", sing the Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Philippians 2:5-11. Gos. Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon.

**12 SUNDAY**  
**Sunday before the Lifting of the Holy Cross.** Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 1. Combine Octoechos with Menaion. **Vespers.** **Matins:** Katavasia of Cross. **Liturgy:** Epis. Galatians 6:11-18. Gos. John 3:13-17. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon.

**14 TUESDAY**  
**Lifting of the Holy Cross** (*Strict Fast*). Follow the Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. Before the beginning of Vespers, the Cross is moved from the Proskomedia table to the Holy Table. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Hymns of Ascent of Feast. Gospel of Feast: Gos. John 12:28-36. Sing "Seeing the Resurrection" according to a special melody. Katavasia of Cross. In place of "More honorable" sing Ode

9 of Festal Canon. Exapostilar. Praises. During the Great Doxology, the priest, fully vested, censes around the Holy Table, and when "Holy God" is sung, he takes the Cross in procession through the south Deacon's door and stops before the Royal Doors and says: "Wisdom, Let us be attentive". Sing the Tropar of the Cross 3 times, during which time the priest places the Cross on a stand in the middle of the church, and censes around the Cross 3 times. The priest raises the Cross toward the north, south, east and west, saying the litanies prescribed in the Menaion, while the faithful sing "Lord have mercy". After the final prayer of the litany, the priest puts the Cross back on the stand. During the singing of the tropar "We venerate your cross", everyone makes 3 prostrations and venerates the Cross. The Cross stays on the stand for 8 days, until the leave-taking of the Feast on September 21. **Liturgy:** Festal Antiphons. In place of "Holy God" sing "We venerate your Cross". Epis. 1 Corinthians 1:18-24. Gos. John 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 31-35. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon. This is a strict fast day, regardless of what day the Feast falls upon.

**19 SUNDAY**

**Sunday after the Lifting of the Holy Cross.** Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 2. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** No Litia. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Katavasia of Cross. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. "Holy God". Epis. Galatians 2:16-20. Gos. Mark 8:34-38; 9:1. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon.

**26 SUNDAY**

**18th Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 3. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of the Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Corinthians 9:6-11. Gos. Luke 5:1-11. Axion: "It is truly right".

**THE TIPIC FOR  
OCTOBER**

**1 FRIDAY**

**Protection of the Mother of God.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Gos. Luke 1:39-49, 56. Katavasia of Annunciation. At the 9th Ode, sing "More honorable". **Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 9:1-7. Gos. Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28. Axion: "It is truly right".

**3 SUNDAY**

**19th Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 4. **Matins:** Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Corinthians 11:31-33; 12:1-9. Gos. Luke 6:31-36. Axion: "It is truly right".

**10 SUNDAY**

**20th Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 7. Mat. Gos. 5. Usual Sunday. **Liturgy:** Epis. Galatians 1:11-19. Gos. Luke 7:11-16. Axion: "It is truly right".

**14 THURSDAY**

**St. Parascheva.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Gos. Matthew 25:1-13. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 9:2-12. Gos. Luke 7:36-50. Axion: "It is truly right".

**17 SUNDAY**

**21st Sunday after Pentecost. Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council.** Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 6. Combine Menaion (October 11) with Octoechos for the Tone. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings and Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Galatians 2:16-20; Titus 3:8-15. Gos. Luke 8:5-15; John 17:1-13. Axion: "It is truly right".

**24 SUNDAY**

**23rd Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 7. **Great Vespers. Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Annunciation. At Ode 9, sing "More honorable". **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 2:4-10. Gos. Luke 8:26-39. Axion: "It is truly right".

**26 TUESDAY**

**St. Demetrius the Great Martyr.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Gos. Matthew 10:16-22. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Timothy 2:1-10; Hebrews 12:11-13, 25-27. Gos. Matt. 8:23-27; John 15:17-27; 16:1-2. Axion: "It is truly right."

**27 THURSDAY**

**St. Dimitrie Basarabov.** The same order of service as for October 26. **Liturgy:** Ephesians 4:7-13. Gos. Luke 10:16-22. Axion: *It is truly right...*

**31 SUNDAY**

**22nd Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 2. Mat. Gos. 8. Same order of service as on a regular Sunday. **Matins:** Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Galatians 6:11-18. Gos. Luke 16:19-31. Axion: "It is truly right". (The 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost always falls between October 30 and November 5).

**THE TIPIC FOR  
NOVEMBER**

**7 SUNDAY**

**24th Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 9. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 2:14-22. Gos. Luke 8:41-56. Axion: "It is truly right".

**8 MONDAY**

**Synaxis of Archangels Michael & Gabriel.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Gos. Matthew 13:24-30; 34-43. Katavasia of Annunciation. At Ode 9 of the Canon, sing “More honorable.” **Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 2:2-10. Gos. Luke 10:16-21. Axion: “It is truly right”.

**13 SATURDAY**

**St. John Chrysostom.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Gos. John 10:1-9. Katavasia of Annunciation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2. Gos. John 10:9-16. Axion: “It is truly right”.

**14 SUNDAY**

**25th Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 10. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Annunciation. At Ode 9, “More honorable”. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 4:1-7. Gos. John 10:9-16. Axion: “It is truly right”.

**15 MONDAY**

**Beginning of Fast for Nativity of the Lord. St. Paisie of Neamtz.**

**21 SUNDAY**

**26th Sunday after Pentecost. Entrance of the Birthgiver of God in the Temple.** Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 11. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Gos. Luke 1:39-49, 56. Beginning today, sing Katavasia of Birth of Christ. In place of “More honorable...,” sing Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 5:8-19; Hebrews 9:1-7. Gos. Luke 12:16-21; Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28. Axion of the Feast.

**28 SUNDAY**

**30th Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 1. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Hymns of Ascent. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. **Liturgy:** Epis. Colossians 3:12-16. Gos. Luke 18:18-27. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of feast of Presentation of Mother of God in the Temple.

**30 TUESDAY**

**Holy Apostle Andrew, the First-Called. Holy Hierarch Andrei Saguna, Metropolitan of Transylvania.** Follow the Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. 1<sup>st</sup> Antiphon (Tone 4). Prokeimenon Tone 4. Gos. Matthew 4:18-23. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** 1 Corinthians 4:9-16; 2 Timothy 5:1-10. Gos. John 1:35-51; Luke 7:20-25.

## THE TIPIC FOR DECEMBER

### 5 SUNDAY

**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost.** Tone 7. Mat. Gos. 2. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent from the Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 6:10-17. Gos. Luke 13:10-17. Axion: "It is truly right".

### 6 MONDAY

**Holy Hierarch and Wonderworker Nicholas, Archbishop of Mira in Lycia.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Antiphons of the Tone. Gos. John 10:9-16. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Ep. Hebrews 13:17-21. Gos. Luke 6:17-23. Axion: "It is truly right."

### 12 SUNDAY

**28<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: Sunday of the Forefathers.** Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 3. Combine Octoechos and Menaion (between December 11-17). **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. No Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. No Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. See Menaion for proper combination of Sticheras, Tropars, Kathismas, etc. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. Resurrectional Gospel. **Liturgy:** Epis. Colossians 1:12-18. Gos. Luke 14:16-24. Axion: "It is truly right".

### 19 SUNDAY

**Sunday before the Birth of Christ: The Genealogy of Christ the Savior.** Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 4. Combine Octoechos and Menaion (December 17). Same order of service as for the preceding Sunday, except that beginning with December 20 in the Menaion is the Forefeast of the Birth of Christ which has its own "Glory", Sticheras and a special Tropar (see the rubrics in Menaion). **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. **Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 11:9-10, 32-40. Gos. Matthew 1:1-25. Axion: "It is truly right".

### 24 FRIDAY

**Eve of Birth of Christ.** Follow Menaion. (*Strict fast*). **Royal Hours**, each with an Old Testament reading, Epistle and Gospel. **Typika and Vespertine Liturgy of St. Basil:** Epis. Hebrews 1:1-12. Gos. Luke 2:1-20. Axion: "In you o woman full of grace". **Evening - Great Compline with Litia combined with Festal Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Hymns of Ascent for Feast days. Gos. Matthew 1:18-24. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. At Ode 9, in place of "more honorable", sing Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon. Praises. Great Doxology.

**25 SATURDAY**

**Birth of Our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ.** Follow Menaion (Octoechos is not used). Great Matins for the Feast: Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Antiphon for feast days. Gos. Matthew 1:18-25. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. At the 9<sup>th</sup> Ode, in place of More honorable..., since the 9<sup>th</sup> Ode of the Festal Canon. Hymns of Ascent and Praises of the Feast. Great Doxology. **Liturgy of St. John:** Festal Antiphons. Special Entrance Hymn. In place of *Holy God*... sing *All baptized*.... Epis. Galatians 4:4-7. Gos. Matthew 2:1-12. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon.

**26 SUNDAY**

**Sunday after the Birth of Our Lord. Synaxis of the Holy Birthgiver of God. St. Nicodim of Tismana. Joseph the Betrothed. David the King. James the Brother of the Lord.** Combine Octoechos with service for Virgin and St. Nicodim from the Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Great Prokeimenon. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. In place of "More honorable," sing Irmos of Ode 9 of Canon for Birth of Christ. **Liturgy of St. John:** Regular Antiphons. Epis. Galatians 1:11-19; Hebrews 2:11-18. Gos. Matthew 2:13-23; Matthew 11:27-30. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon.

**27 MONDAY**

**St. Stephen, the Apostle, First Martyr and Archdeacon.** Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalitaria. Hymns of Ascent (1<sup>st</sup> antiphon of Tone 4). Gos. Luke 21:12-19. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. In place of "More honorable" sing Irmos of Ode 9 of Canon for Birth of Christ. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. "Holy God". Epis. Acts 6:8-15; 7:1-5, 47-60. Gos. Matthew 21:33-44. Axion of Birth of Christ.

**31 FRIDAY**

**Leave-taking of the Birth of Christ.**