

AT THE HOLY LITURGY

The Typica: at the Beatitudes the troparia from the third and sixth Canticles of the Canon of the Saint.

The Lesson
Prokeimenon: Tone 7

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

V. What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?

The Reading is from the Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Ephesians.

(Chapter 5, verses 8-19)

BRETHREN: Walk as children of light: (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;) proving it is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith. Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.

Alleluia: Tone 1

Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness; and let thy saints shout for joy.

V. For the Lord hath chosen Zion; he hath desired it for his habitation.

The Gospel
The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

(Chapter 4:25 to Chapter 5:12)

AT that time: There followed Jesus great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decapolis, and from Jerusalem, and from Judaea, and from beyond Jordan. And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him: and he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying. Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for

they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my name's sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven.

Communion Verse

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not be afraid of evil tidings. **Alleluia.**

Megalynaria

Thou hast shewn thyself unto the Church a new luminary in the last times by thy holy life: wherefore with spiritual rays thou illuminest the minds of the faithful, O Father Nectarius.

By Christ wast thou glorified in splendour with the gift of miracles upon thy blessed end: wherefore thy shrine wellet all manner of healings, O Father, unto the afflicted. Preserve and shelter thy monastery, O Father Nectarius, that devoutly honoureth thee; and ever bless the island of Aegina and the whole of Greece with thy help and succour.

Couplet

Nectarius, secure remission of sins Unto Gerasimus, singer of thy praise.