

2023

THE TIPIC FOR JANUARY

1 SUNDAY

Circumcision of Our Lord. Sunday before Theophany. St. Basil the Great. Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 7. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria of the Feast and the Saint. Gos. John 10:9–16. Katavasia of Theophany. In place of “More Honorable” sing Ode 9 from Menaion. Great Doxology. Tropar of Saint (Tone 1), “Glory... Now and Ever...” Tropar of Feast. **Liturgy of St. Basil:** Regular Antiphons. “Holy God.” Epis. Colossians 2:8–12; Hebrews 13:17-21; 2 Timothy 4:5-8. Gos. Luke 2:20–21; 40–52; Mark 1:1-8. Axion: “In you o woman full of grace”. **After the Divine Liturgy, Thanksgiving Service for the New Year.**

5 THURSDAY

Eve of Theophany. Royal Hours. Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil. After the final Old Testament reading, Little Litany with exclamation: “For holy is our God...” and enter the Liturgy with “Holy God.” Axion: “In you o woman full of grace.” **Great Blessing of Waters. Thursday evening: Great Compline with Litia.**

6 FRIDAY

Holy Theophany. Follow Menaion. **Matins:** Gos. Mark 1:9–11. Katavasia of Theophany. In place of “More honorable,” sing Irmos of Ode 9. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy of St. John:** Festal Antiphons. Special Entrance hymn. In place of “Holy God,” sing “All baptized in Christ”. Epis. Titus 2:11–14; 3:4–7. Gos. Matthew 3:13–17. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Theophany Canon. **Great Blessing of Waters.**

7 SATURDAY

St. John the Forerunner and Baptizer. Saturday after Theophany. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** After Entrance, sing Great Prokeimenon: “Our God in heaven and on earth has done everything He willed.” Old Testament readings of Feast of Theophany. After Aposticha, sing Tropar of Saint and end with the Tropar of Feast. **Matins:** No Polyeleos except where St. John is the patronal feast of the parish. Gos. Mark 1:7-11. Katavasia of Theophany. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy of St. John:** Regular Antiphons. “Holy God”. Epis. Acts 19:1–8; Ephesians 6:10-17. Gos. John 1:29–34; Matthew 4:12-17. Axion: Irmos of 9th Ode of Theophany Canon. All dismissals begin with “May he who was baptized in the Jordan by John...”.

8 SUNDAY

Sunday after Theophany. Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 8. Combine Octoechos with Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Theophany. At Ode 9, sing “More honorable.” **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 4:7-13. Gos. Matthew 4:12-17. Axion: Irmos of 9th Ode of Theophany Canon.

15 SUNDAY

29th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 9. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Presentation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Colossians 1:12-18 (*Note: the Epistle of the 28th Sunday is read*). Gos. Luke 17:12–19. Axion: “It is truly right.”

22 SUNDAY

32nd Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 7. Mat. Gos. 10. **Great Vespers.** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Presentation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Timothy 4:9–15. Gos. Luke 19:1–10 (*Zacchaeus*). Axion: “It is truly right”.

29 SUNDAY

17th Sunday after Pentecost (Canaanite woman). Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 11. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Presentation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Corinthians 6:16–7:1. Gos. Matthew 15:21–28. Axion: “It is truly right.”

30 MONDAY

Three Holy Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian & John the Golden-mouth. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Gospel: John 10:9–16. Katavasia of Presentation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 13:7–16. Gos. Matthew 5:14–19. Axion: “It is truly right.”

THE TIPC FOR FEBRUARY

2 THURSDAY

Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Hymns of Ascent: 1st Antiphon of Tone 4. Gos. Luke 2:25–32. Katavasia of Presentation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. Special Entrance hymn. “Holy God.” Epis. Hebrews 7:7–17. Gos. Luke 2:22–40. Axion: Irmos of 9th Ode of Presentation Canon. Until the leave-taking (February 9), all Dismissals begin with “May He who was carried in the arms of the Righteous Simeon...”.

5 SUNDAY

33rd Sunday after Pentecost. Publican and Pharisee. Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 1st. Combine Triodion and Octoechos. (*General Rule:* On all Sundays of Triodion and Pentecostarion, service of saint of day is not observed except on Annunciation). **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. “Beside the streams of Babylon...”. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. After Ps. 50, sing “Open the doors,” “Guide my steps,” “Reflecting on the multitude”. Katavasia from Triodion. **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Timothy 3:10–15. Gos. Luke 18:10–14. Axion: “It is truly right”.

12 SUNDAY

34th Sunday after Pentecost. Prodigal Son. Tone 2. Mat. Gos. 2. Follow Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. “Beside the streams of Babylon...”. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. After Ps. 50, “Open the doors.” Katavasia from Triodion. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 6:12-20. Gos. Luke 15:11-32. Axion: “It is truly right.”

18 SATURDAY

Memorial Saturday. Follow Triodion. **Vespers:** In place of the Prokeimenon, sing “Alleluia” (3 times) in Tone 8 with the verses from the Memorial Service. No Entrance. Tropar for the Dead. **Matins:** In place of “God is the Lord” sing “Alleluia” with verses and the Tropar for the Dead. Kathisma 17 is divided into two stases with Litany for the Dead in between. After the second stasis, “Funeral Hymns of Blessings” followed by the Litany of the Dead. No Gospel. Canon and Katavasia for the Dead. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 10:23–28; 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, we celebrate a **General Memorial Service** for **all** the departed.

19 SUNDAY

35th Sunday after Pentecost. Farewell to Meat. Sunday of Last Judgement. Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 3. Combine Octoechos and Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. “Beside the streams of Babylon.” Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. After Ps. 50, “Open the doors.” Katavasia from Triodion. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 8:8–13; 9:1–2. Gos. Matthew 25:31–46. Axion: “It is truly right.”

26 SUNDAY

36th Sunday after Pentecost. Farewell to Dairy. Expulsion of Adam from Paradise. Forgiveness Sunday. Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 4. Combine Octoechos and Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. After Ps. 50, “Open the doors.” 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:** Prostrations. Prayer of St. Ephraim.

27 MONDAY

Great Lent Begins. Clean Monday. Great Typikon prescribes celebration of **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts** 5 days per week, not only on Wednesdays and Fridays. From Monday until Thursday of the first week, read **Great Compline with the Canon of St. Andrew of Crete.** The Prayer of St. Ephraim the Syrian with 4 great prostrations and 12 small prostrations during the Hours and whenever the Triodion prescribes. **On Monday and Tuesday of this week, no liturgy is to be celebrated. On Wednesday, March 1, the first Presanctified Liturgy is celebrated.**

**THE TIPIC FOR
MARCH**

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts: 1,3,8,10,15,17,22,24,29,31

4 SATURDAY

St. Theodore of Tyre. Follow Triodion. Vespers was celebrated on Friday morning, together with the **Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts**. Friday evening, read only **Great Compline** without prostrations. **Canon of St. Theodore. Blessing of coliva (wheat).** **Liturgy of St. John:** Epis. Hebrews 1:1–12. Gos. Mark 2:23 –3:5. Axion: “It is truly right.” After Liturgy, **Memorial Service and Blessing of Coliva.**

5 SUNDAY

1st Sunday of Great Lent - Orthodoxy. Tone 5. Mat. Gos.5. Combine Triodion and Octoechos. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Tropar of Resurrection and of Holy Icons. **Matins:** After Ps. 50, “Open the doors.” 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.”

9 THURSDAY

Holy 40 Martyrs of Sebaste. Combine Menaion and Triodion. Where it is the patronal feast day of the parish, celebrate the Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts, at which the Epistle (Hebrews 12:1-10) and Gospel (Matthew 20:1-16) is inserted after “Let my prayer arise...”. Liturgy of St. John celebrated only when the feast falls on Saturday or Sunday.

12 SUNDAY

2nd Sunday of Great Lent - St. Gregory Palamas. Martyrs of Communist Persecution. Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 6. Follow Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. No Old Testament readings. Resurrectional Tropar of Tone and Tropar of the Saint. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. After Ps. 50, “Open the doors.” 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.” **Memorial Service for the Martyrs of the Communist Persecution.**

19 SUNDAY

3rd Sunday of Great Lent - The Cross. Tone 7. Mat. Gos. 7. Combine Octoechos and Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Resurrectional Gospel. Psalm 50. “Open the doors of repentance.” Katavasia from Triodion. At 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 procession, sing the Tropar and Kontakion of the Cross. Then 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 8:34–38; 9:1. Axion: “In you o woman full of grace.”

25 SATURDAY

Annunciation of the Most Holy Birthgiver of God & Ever-Virgin Mary. Follow the Menaion. **Vespers** was already celebrated as part of the **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Friday morning, March 24.** If the **Presanctified Liturgy** is not celebrated on Friday morning, then **Great Vespers** is done on Friday evening with **Litia** as prescribed in the Menaion. **Matins on Saturday morning:** Follow the Menaion; nothing is said from the Triodion. “God is the Lord...”. Festal Tropar. Polyeleos. Megalynaria for Feast. Prokeimenon of Feast. Gos. Luke 1:39-56. Katavasia of Annunciation. At the 9th Ode sing “More honorable...”. Great Doxology. **Liturgy of St John:** Festal Antiphons from the Menaion. Special verse at the Small Entrance: “Proclaim from day to day the salvation of our God...”. Festal Tropar and Kontakion. Epis. Hebrews 2:11–18, Gos. Luke 1:24–38. Axion of the Feast: Irmos of 9th Ode of Annunciation Canon.

26 SUNDAY

4th Sunday of Great Lent - St. John of the Ladder. Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 8. Combine Octoechos and Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. No Old Testament readings. In addition to Resurrectional Troparion, include also the Troparion of St. John of the Ladder at Vespers, Matins and Liturgy. **Matins:** Polyeleos, Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. 7th Matins Gospel, After Ps. 50, “Open the doors.” Katavasia from Triodion. **Liturgy of St. Basil:** Epis. Hebrews 6:13–20; Ephesians 5:8-19. Gos. Mark 9:17–32 and Matt. 4:25-5:1-12. Axion: “In you o woman full of grace.”

29 WEDNESDAY

Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete. Follow Triodion.

31 FRIDAY

Akathist Hymn to the Most Holy Birthgiver of God. Follow Triodion.

THE TIPIC FOR APRIL

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts: 5,7,10,11,12

2 SUNDAY

5th Sunday of Great Lent - St. Mary of Egypt. Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 9. Combine Octoechos and Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. No Old Testament readings. In addition to Resurrectional Troparion, include also the Troparion of St. Mary of Egypt at Vespers, Matins and Liturgy. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Resurrectional Gospel. Ps. 50. “Open the doors.” 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.”

8 SATURDAY

Raising of Lazarus. Follow Triodion. **Vespers** for Lazarus celebrated on the eve (Friday morning) together with the **Presanctified Holy Liturgy**. **Matins:** No Polyeleos, no Megalitaria nor Gospel reading. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. “Seeing the Resurrection...”. Katavasia from Triodion. In place of “More honorable” sing Irmos of Ode 9. “Holy is the Lord” without Hymn of Light. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy of St. John:** Regular Antiphons. At Small Entrance with the Gospel we sing, “Come let us worship... Save us O, Son of God risen from the dead...” Tropar of the Feast. In place of “Holy God...” sing “All baptized...”. Epis. Hebrews 12:28–13:8. Gos. John 11:1–45. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Lazarus Canon: “Let us honor and glorify, O peoples...”. Instead of “We have seen the true light” sing the Tropar of the Feast. Dismissal: “May He who is risen from the dead...”.

9 SUNDAY

Entrance of the Lord into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday). Follow Triodion. **Great Vespers:** Litia. Old Testament readings. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Gos. Matthew 21:1–11, 15–17. Read Ps. 50 immediately of the Gospel, and the priest blesses and distributes the palms. Palm Sunday Canon. **Liturgy of St. John:** Festal Antiphons. Special Entrance Hymn. “Holy God...”. Epis. Philippians 4:4–9. Gos. John 12:1–18. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Palm Sunday Canon. Dispensation for fish. **Evening: With Bridegroom Matins, Holy Week begins.**

10– GREAT AND HOLY MONDAY to GREAT AND HOLY WEDNESDAY

12 Holy Week. Follow Triodion. **Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts** each morning. Each evening, **Bridegroom Matins** with Gospel readings, “Behold the Bridegroom comes” and “Your Bridal Chamber.” Wednesday morning we cease the recitation of the prayer of St Ephraim and the ritual of the great prostrations. **Wednesday evening: Holy Unction service** commemorating the anointing of the Savior by the sinful woman about which the Gospel and hymns of the service for this day remind us.

13 GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY

Commemoration of the Last Supper. Follow Triodion. **Vespertal Liturgy of St. Basil.** Entrance with Gospel. Old Testament readings. After the final Old Testament reading, Little Litany with exclamation: “For holy is our God...” and enter the Liturgy with “Holy God.” Epis. 1 Corinthians 11:23–32. Gos. (see Gospel book for combined readings from all Evangelists): Matthew 26:2–20 ; John 13:3–17; Matthew 26:21–39; Luke 22:43–44; Matthew 26:40; 27:1–2. In place of the Cherubic Hymn and “Let our mouths be filled,” sing “At your Mystical Supper.” Axion of Holy Thursday: “Come o faithful, let us feast at the Master’s banquet.” Eucharist for the sick is prepared. **Evening: Matins of Holy Friday with 12 Passion Gospels** - between the 5th and 6th Gospels, the Cross is carried out from the Altar to the middle of the church.

14 GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY

Follow Triodion. **Royal Hours. Vespers with the Bringing out of the Holy Shroud:** Entrance with Gospel. Joyous Light. Old Testaments readings. Epistle and Gospel readings. Take the Body down from the Cross during the mid-point of Gospel reading. Bring Shroud (Epitaphion) out of altar at “Glory” of Aposticha. **Evening: Matins of Holy Saturday, Lamentations and Entombing.** The priest vests with all his vestments. At “God is the Lord...”, sing the troparion and other hymns while the priest censes the whole church, then remaining in the middle of the church in front of the Epitaphion, beginning the Lamentations. At the Great Doxology, the priest goes in front of the Epitaphion and censes around it three times, after which it is taken in procession around the church with four stops and corresponding litanies. Coming back into the church, in front of the Royal Doors, the priest raises the Epitaphion gently and says: “Wisdom. Arise,” after which he enters the Holy Altar through the Royal Doors and places the Epitaphion on the Holy Table, where it remains until Ascension. Matins ends with readings from the Old Testament, an Epistle, Gospel, the Litanies and Dismissal.

15 GREAT AND HOLY SATURDAY

Follow Triodion. **Liturgy of St. Basil combined with Hours, Typika and Vespers.** “All baptized in Christ” in place of “Holy God.” Epis. Romans 6:3–11. Gos. Matthew 28:1–20. We sing a special Cherubic Hymn and a special Axion, as prescribed in the Triodion. The use of the Triodion ceases after this service, and we start using the Pentecostarion until the Sunday of All Saints.

16 RESURRECTION OUR LORD (PASCHA)

Follow Pentecostarion. **Midnight Office with Canon. Resurrection Service with Matins:** Procession with candles around church three times followed by Matins of Pascha. Gospel read outside: Matthew 28:1-15. Remainder of Matins celebrated in church. **Liturgy of St. John:** “Christ is risen” said in place of “Heavenly King”, followed by “Holy God”, until Ascension. At Liturgy after “Blessed is the Kingdom,” Liturgy begins with “Christ is risen” (3 times) until Leave-taking of Pascha (6th Wednesday after Pascha). Until Thomas Sunday, the priest then censes the Holy Table singing “Christ is risen” interspersed with Paschal sticheras (“Let God arise...”) followed by the Great Litany. From Thomas Sunday until Ascension, the priest sings “Christ is risen” (3 times) without the censing and Paschal sticheras. Liturgy served as on Pascha night until Thomas Sunday. In place of “Holy God”, sing “All baptized in Christ.” Epis. Acts 1:1-8. Gos. John 1:1-17. Axion: “The angel cried out”. Instead 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.” **After Liturgy, blessing of the Artos (Paschal bread), meats, eggs and dairy products.** (All the doors of the altar remain open until “Lord I have called” at Thomas Sunday Vespers.). The royal doors remain open until Bright Saturday. In the afternoon or evening: **Agape Vespers:** Begins with “Glory to the Holy Consubstantial...” Christ is Risen (3 times) with censing and the Paschal sticheras and Christ is Risen, Entrance with Gospel. Gladsome Light, Prokimenon, Reading of Gospel (John 20: 19-25) in many languages. During Bright Week, Vespers, Matins, Hours and Liturgy are the same as on Pascha, changing only the Tone, Epistle and Gospel readings.

17 BRIGHT MONDAY

Vespers, Matins and Liturgy: Follow Pentecostarion. Epis. Acts 1:12-17, 21-26. Gos. John 1:18-28. Katavasia and Axion of Pascha until Ascension. All services during this week begin as shown above on the night of Pascha.

18 BRIGHT TUESDAY

Vespers, Matins and Liturgy as on Pascha day. Epis. Acts 2:14-21. Gos. Luke 24:12-35. Axion: "The angel cried out."

21 BRIGHT FRIDAY

Lifegiving Fount of the Mother of God. Vespers, Matins and Liturgy as on Pascha day. Epis. Acts 3:1-8. Gos. John 2:12-22. Axion of Pascha. **Small Blessing of water.**

23 SUNDAY

2nd Sunday after Pascha - St. Thomas Sunday. Holy and Great Martyr George. Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 1. Beginning today, all the services begin with "Christ is risen" (3 times), followed by "Holy God" until the Leave-taking of Pascha. 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: We combine the Pentecostarion with the Menion for the service of St George.** Entrance. Litia. Aposticha of Pascha, *Glory... of the Saint, Now and ever...* "The Day of Resurrection...". **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Katavasia of Pascha. Read the Canon of the Saint. At 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." Special dismissal: "May He who through closed doors..."

30 SUNDAY

3rd Sunday after Pascha - Myrrhbearing Women. Tone 2. Mat. Gos. 4. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Katavasia of Pascha. At 9th Ode, sing "More honorable." Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 6:1-7. Gos. Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8. Axion: "The angel cried out..."

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7 SUNDAY

4th Sunday after Pascha - Paralytic. Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 5. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Katavasia of Pascha. At 9th Ode, sing "More honorable..." Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 9:32-42. Gos. John 5:1-15. Axion: "The angel cried out..."

10 WEDNESDAY

Mid-Pentecost. Follow Pentecostarion. **Great Vespers:** *Christ is risen...*(3x). At *Lord I have called...*, 6 sticheras for Mid-Pentecost, *Glory...*, *Now and ever...*, for the Feast. Entrance. Prokeimenon of the day. Old Testament readings. **Matins.** *Christ is risen...*(3x). At *God is the Lord...*, Tropar of the Feast (3x). Gos. John 7:14-30. Katavasia: Irmoi of second Canon. Do not sing *More honorable....* At the 9th Ode, sing the Irmos of the 9th Ode of each Canon two times, and then sing the Irmos of the second Canon: *Virginity is foreign to mothers....* Exapostilar of Feast (3x). Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. After the Entrance, Festal Troparion, *Glory...Now and Ever...Kontakion. Holy God....* Prokeimenon Tone 3: *Great is our Lord and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure!* Epis. Acts 14:6-18 and for the departed, of Wednesday (2 Corinthians 5:1-10). Gos. John 7:14-30, and for the departed, of Wednesday (John 6:35-39). Axion of Pascha. Communion Hymn: *He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. Alleluia....*

14 SUNDAY

5th Sunday after Pascha - Samaritan Woman. Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 7. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Antiphons of the Tone. Katavasia of Pascha. At 9th Ode, sing “More honorable.” Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. “Holy God.” Epis. Acts 11:19–30. Gos. John 4:5–42. Axion: “The angel cried out.”

21 SUNDAY

6th Sunday after Pascha - Man Born Blind. Sts. Constantine and Helen. Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 8. Combine the Pentecostarion with the Menion for the service of the Saints. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Antiphons of the Tone. Katavasia of Pascha. At 9th Ode, sing “More honorable.” Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 16:16–34. Gos. John 9:1–38. Axion: “The angel cried out.”

25 THURSDAY

Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ (Day of Heroes). Follow Pentecostarion. No more singing of *Christ is Risen*; all services begin with “Holy God” until Pentecost (we don’t say “Heavenly King”). **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. Tropar of Ascension (3x). **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Antiphons of the Feast. Hymns of Ascent of Feast. Gos. Mark 16:9-20. Katavasia of Ascension. Exapostilar and Praises combined from Pentecostarion and Menaion as explained in Menaion. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Festal Antiphons. Special Entrance hymn. “Holy God.” Epis. Acts 1:1-12. Gos. Luke 24:36-53. Axion: Irmos of 9th Ode of Ascension Canon. In place of “We have seen the true light”, sing Tropar of Ascension.

28 SUNDAY

7th Sunday after Pascha – Holy Fathers of 1st Ecumenical Council. Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 10. Follow Pentecostarion. Combine service of Ascension with that of the Holy Fathers. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalynaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Resurrectional Gospel. Resurrectional Canon (4), Ascension Canon (4), and of Holy Fathers (6). Katavasia of Pentecost. At 9th Ode, sing “More honorable...”. Great Doxology. Resurrectional Troparion after *Holy God*.... **Liturgy:** *Only on this Sunday, at the beginning of the Liturgy, we do not recite “Christ is Risen” or “Heavenly King,” but we say only “Glory to God in the highest...” (twice) and “O Lord open my lips...”*. After entrance: Tropar of the Resurrection, of the Ascension and of the Fathers, *Glory*...Kontakion of the Fathers, *Now*...Kontakion of the Feast. Epis. Acts 20:16-18, 28-36. Gos. John 17:1-13. Axion: Irmos of 9th Ode of Ascension Canon. Communion Hymn: *God has gone up with a shout; the Lord with the sound of a trumpet! Alleluia*.... In place of “We have seen the true light”, sing Tropar of Ascension.

THE TIPIC FOR JUNE

3 SATURDAY

Memorial Saturday. On Friday at Vespers and Saturday at Matins and Liturgy, we sing the service for the dead, as it was shown above on the Saturday of Souls, February 18. Follow Pentecostarion. **Vespers.** **Matins:** “Funeral Hymns of Blessings” like at the memorial service. **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 28:1-31 and of the dead: 1 Thess. 4:13-17. Gos. John 21:15-25 and of the dead: John 5:24–30. Axion: “It is truly right.” After the Liturgy, we celebrate a **General Memorial Service** for all the departed.

4 SUNDAY

8th Sunday after Pascha – Pentecost: Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles. Follow Pentecostarion. Everything is of the feast. All services begin from now on with “Heavenly King.” **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. No Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings or Hymns of Ascent of Tone – instead, sing Hymns of Ascent of Feast. Gos. John 20:19-23. Do **not** sing “Seeing the Resurrection.” Ps. 50. Katavasia of Pentecost. **Liturgy:** Festal Antiphons. Special Entrance Hymn. “All baptized in Christ” in place of “Holy God.” Epis. Acts 2:1-11. Gos. John 7:37-53; 8:12. Axion: Irmos of 9th Ode of Pentecost Canon. **After Liturgy, Great Vespers with Kneeling Prayers.**

5 MONDAY

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

11 SUNDAY

1st Sunday after Pentecost – All Saints. Follow Pentecostarion. Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 1. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. **Matins:** Katavasia of Annunciation sung until August 1. **Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2. Gos. Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30. Axion: “It is truly right.” On Monday, June 12, the fast of the Holy Apostles Peter & Paul begins.

18 SUNDAY

2nd Sunday after Pentecost – All Saints of America & Romania. Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 2. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings from the Sunday of All Saints. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Annunciation. Praises – “Glory” for Saints, “Now and ever” – “You are most blessed”. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 2:10-16. Gos. Matthew 4:18-23. Axion: “It is truly right.”

24 SATURDAY

Nativity of St. John the Forerunner and Baptizer. Follow the Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. 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.”

25 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 Tone, Katavasia of Annunciation. At 9th Ode: “More honorable.” Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 5:1-10; Gos. Matthew 6:22-33; Axion: “It is truly right.”

29 THURSDAY

Holy Apostles Peter & Paul. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Gos. John 21:1-14. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Corinthians 11:21-33; 12:1-9. Gos. Matthew 16:13-19. Axion: “It is truly right.”

THE TIPIC FOR JULY

2 SUNDAY

4th Sunday after Pentecost. Holy and Great Prince Stephen of Moldavia. Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 4. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalynaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Ps. 50. Katavasia of Annunciation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 6:18-23. Gos. Matthew 8:5-13. Axion: “It is truly right.”

9 SUNDAY

5th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 5. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. “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.”

16 SUNDAY

6th Sunday after Pentecost. Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council. Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 6. Combine Octoechos and Menaion (see July 13-19). **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Prokeimenon of the day. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Annunciation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 12:6-14; Titus 3:8-15. Gos. Matthew 9:1-8; John 17:1-13. Axion: “It is truly right.”

20 THURSDAY

Holy Prophet Elijah the Tishbite. Follow Menaion. **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.”

23 SUNDAY

7th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 7. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. “Seeing the Resurrection.” Ps. 50. Katavasia of Annunciation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Romans 15:1-7. Gos. Matthew 9:27-35. Axion: “It is truly right.”

27 THURSDAY

Holy and Great Martyr Panteleimon. 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 15:17-27; 16:1-2. Axion: “It is truly right.”

30 SUNDAY

8th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 7. Mat. Gos. 8. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. “Seeing the Resurrection.” Ps. 50. Katavasia of the Cross. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 1:10-17. Gos. Matthew 14:14-22. Axion: “It is truly right.”

THE TIPIC FOR AUGUST

1 TUESDAY

Procession of the Cross. 7 Maccabean Youths. (*Beginning of Dormition Fast*). Follow Menaion. **Vespers:** Lord I have called - 6 Sticheras. No Entrance. No Old Testament readings. **Matins:** No Polyeleos. No Gospel. Katavasia of Cross until September 22. After Great Doxology, the priest (in full vestments) brings the cross in procession to the middle of the church for veneration. **Lesser Blessing of Water. Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 20:16-18, 28-36. Gos. Matthew 10:16-22, 32-36; 11:1. 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 **Vespers and Paraclis of the Birthgiver of God** is read each evening.

6 SUNDAY

Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Follow the Menaion for all the services. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Gos. Luke 9:28-36. Katavasia of Cross. Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon in place of "More honorable". Exapostilarion of the Feast. **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 Prayer behind the Ambon. **Blessing of new fruits.** Dispensation to eat fish.

13 SUNDAY

10th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 10. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. "Seeing the Resurrection." Ps. 50. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Cross. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 4:9-16. Gos. Matthew 17:14-23. Axion of the Transfiguration being the leave-taking of the Feast.

15 TUESDAY

Falling Asleep of the Birthgiver of God. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalitaria. Gos. Luke 1:39-49, 56. Katavasia of Dormition. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. "Holy God." Epis. Philippians 2:5-11. Gos. Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Dormition Canon.

20 SUNDAY

11th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 2. Mat. Gos. 11. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalitaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. "Seeing the Resurrection." Ps. 50. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Dormition. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 9:2-12. Gos. Matthew 18:23-35. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Dormition Canon.

27 SUNDAY

12th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 1. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Megalynaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. “Seeing the Resurrection.” Ps. 50. Katavasia of Cross. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 15:1-11. Gos. Matthew 19:16-26. Axion: “It is truly right.”

29 TUESDAY

Beheading of St. John the Baptizer (*Strict Fast*). Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Gos. Matthew 14:1-13. Katavasia of Cross. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. “Holy God.” Epis. Acts 13:25-33. Gos. Mark 6:14-30. Axion: “It is truly right.”

THE TIPIC FOR SEPTEMBER

1 FRIDAY

Beginning of the Ecclesiastical Year. Follow Menaion.

3 SUNDAY

13th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 2. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Cross. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 16:13–24. Gos. Matthew 21:33–44. Axion: “It is truly right.”

8 FRIDAY

Nativity of Birthgiver of God and Ever-Virgin Mary. Follow of Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Gos. Luke 1:39–49, 56. Katavasia of Cross. In place of “More honorable,” sing 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.

10 SUNDAY

Sunday before the Lifting of the Holy Cross. Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 3. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Cross. **Liturgy:** Epis. Galatians 6:11-18. Gos. John 3:13-27. Axion: “It is truly right.”

14 THURSDAY

Lifting of the Holy Cross (*Strict fast*). Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. Before beginning of Vespers, Cross is moved from Proskomedion table to Holy Table. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Hymns of Ascent of Feast. Gospel of Feast: John 12:28-36. We sing especially “Seeing the Resurrection”. Katavasia of Cross. In place of “More honorable,” sing Ode 9 of Festal Canon. Exapostilar. Praises. During Great Doxology, the priest in full vestments censes around Holy Table, and at “Holy God”, 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”. Tropar of Cross (3 times), during which priest places Cross on stand in middle of church, and censes around it 3 times. The priest then 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. Fasting day, no matter on which day the feast occurs.

17 SUNDAY

Sunday after the Lifting of the Holy Cross. Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 4. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. 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.

24 SUNDAY

18th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 7. Mat. Gos. 5. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** 2 Corinthians 9:6-11. Gos. Luke 5:1-11. Axion: “It is truly right.”

26 TUESDAY

Falling Asleep of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Gos. John 21:15-25. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 John 4:12-19. Gos. John 19:25-27; 21:24-25. Axion: “It is truly right.”

THE TIPIC FOR OCTOBER

1 SUNDAY

19th Sunday after Pentecost. Protection of the Mother of God Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 6. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos and Megalynaria. Matins Gospel of the Resurrection. Katavasia of Annunciation. At 9th Ode, sing “More honorable.” **Liturgy:** Epis. 2 Corinthians 11:31-33; 12:1-9 and of the Feast: Philipians 2:5-11. Gos. Luke 6:31-36 and Gos of the Feast: Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28. Axion: “It is truly right.”

8 SUNDAY

20th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 7. Combine Octoechos and Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Galatians 1:11-19. Gos. Luke 7:11-16. Axion: “It is truly right.”

14 SATURDAY

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

15 SUNDAY

21st Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council. Tone 2. Mat. Gos. 8. Combine Octoechos with the service of the Holy Fathers from the Menaion found between October 11-17. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. 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.”

22 SUNDAY

23rd Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 9. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 2:4-10. Gos. Luke 8:26-39. Axion: “It is truly right.”

26 THURSDAY

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

27 FRIDAY

St. Dimitrie the New (Basarabov). Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 4:7-13. Gos. Luke 10:16-22. Axion: “It is truly right.”

29 SUNDAY

24th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 10. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Regular Antiphons. “Holy God.” Epis. Ephesians 2:14-22. Gos. Luke 8:41-56. Axion: “It is truly right.”

THE TIPIC FOR NOVEMBER

5 SUNDAY

22nd Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 11. Follow Octoechos. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Galatians 6:11-18. Gos. Luke 16:19-31. Axion: “It is truly right.”

8 WEDNESDAY

Synaxis of Archangels Michael and Gabriel. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. 1st Antiphon of Tone 4. Katavasia of Annunciation. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 2:2-10. Gos. Luke 10:16-21. Axion: “It is truly right.”

12 SUNDAY

25th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 6. Mat. Gos. 1. Follow Octoechos. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 4:1–7. Gos. Luke 10:25–37. Axion: “It is truly right.”

13 MONDAY

St. John Chrysostom. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. 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.”

15 WEDNESDAY

Beginning of Fast for Nativity of the Lord.

19 SUNDAY

26th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 7. Mat. Gos. 2. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Annunciation. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 5:8-19. Gos. Luke 12:16-21. Axion: “It is truly right.”

21 TUESDAY

Entrance of Birthgiver of God in the Temple. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Gos. Luke 1:39-49, 56. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. At Ode 9, in place of “More honorable”, sing Irmos from Ode 9. **Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 9:1-7. Gos. Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Entrance Canon.

26 SUNDAY

30th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 8. Mat. Gos. 3. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Polyeleos. No megalinaria. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of the Birth of Christ. **Liturgy:** Epis. Colossians 3: 12-16, Gos. Luke 18:18-27. Axion: “It is truly right.”

30 THURSDAY

Holy Apostle Andrew the First-Called. Holy Hierarch Andrei Saguna, Metropolitan of Transylvania. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Readings: 1 Peter 1:1-25; 2:1-6; 1 Peter 2:21-25; 3:1-9; 1 Peter 4:1-11. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Gos. Matthew 4:18-23. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 and 1 Timothy 5:1-10 (of Monday of the 27th week after Pentecost). Gos. John 1:35-51 and Luke 7:20-25. Axion: “More honorable”.

THE TIPIC FOR DECEMBER

3 SUNDAY

31st Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 1. Mat. Gos. 4. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Hymns of Ascent of Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. 1 Timothy 1:15–17. Gos. Luke 18:35–43. Axion: “It is truly right.”

6 WEDNESDAY

St. Nicholas the Bishop-Wonderworker. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalinaria. Gospel: John 10:9-16. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. **Liturgy:** Epis. Hebrews 13:17-21. Gos. Luke 6:17-23. Axion: “It is truly right.”

10 SUNDAY

27th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 2. Mat. Gos. 5. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. **Matins:** Hymns of Ascent from Tone. Resurrectional Gospel. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. **Liturgy:** Epis. Ephesians 6:10-17. Gos. Luke 13:10-17. Axion: “It is truly right.”

17 SUNDAY

28th Sunday after Pentecost – Forefathers of the Lord. Tone 3. Mat. Gos. 6. Combine Octoechos with the service of the Forefathers from Menaion between December 11-17. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. No Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. No Megalinaria. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. **Liturgy:** Epis. Colossians 3:4-11. Gos. Luke 14:16-24. Axion: “It is truly right”.

22 FRIDAY

Royal Hours: When the Feast of the Nativity of the Lord falls on Monday, on the Friday before (Dec. 22) we recite the service of the Royal Hours, each has Old Testament reading, Epistle and Gospel. No Liturgy is celebrated. **Evening:** Vespers.

24 SUNDAY

Sunday before Birth of Christ: Ancestors of the Lord/Eve of the Nativity. Tone 4. Mat. Gos. 7. Combine Octoechos and Menaion with the service of the Ancestors with that of the eve of the Nativity. **Great Vespers:** Entrance, follow Menaion. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Resurrectional Hymns of Blessings. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. **Liturgy of St John:** Epis. Hebrews 11:9-10, 32-40. Gos. Matthew 1:1-25. Axion: "It is truly right."

25 MONDAY

Birth of Our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ. Everything is from the Menaion. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Festal Antiphons. Gos. Matt. 1: 18-25. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. At Ode 9, in place of "More honorable", sing Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Nativity Canon. Praises. Great Doxology. **Liturgy of St. Basil the Great:** 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 TUESDAY

Synaxis of the Holy Birthgiver of God. St. Nicodemus of Tismana. Follow Menaion. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** No Polyeleos or Gospel. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. In place of "More honorable" sing Irmos of Ode 9 of Canon for Birth of Christ. **Liturgy:** Epis. Galatians 1:11-19; Hebrews 2:11-18. Gos. Matthew 2:13-23. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon.

27 WEDNESDAY

St. Stephen the Apostle, First Martyr and Archdeacon. Follow Menaion: combine service of the Saint with service of the Feast. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. 1st Antiphon of Tone 4. Gos. Luke 21:12-19. Katavasia of Birth of Christ. At Ode 9, instead of "More honorable", sing the troparia from Ode 9 of Canon for Birth of Christ. Great Doxology. **Liturgy:** Epis. Acts 6:8-15; 7:1-5, 47-60. Gos. Matthew 21:33-44. Axion of Birth of Christ.

31 SUNDAY

Sunday after the Birth of Christ: Holy Fathers – David the King, Joseph the Betrothed, and James the Brother of the Lord. Leave-taking of the Birth of Christ. Tone 5. Mat. Gos. 8. Follow Menaion. No Polyeleos or Gospel. **Great Vespers:** Entrance. Old Testament readings. Litia. **Matins:** Polyeleos. Megalynaria. Hymns of Ascent of Feast (1st Antiphon of Tone 4). Gospel of Saint: Luke 6:17-23. 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. "Holy God." Epis. Galatians 1:11-19. Gos. Matthew 2:13-23. Axion: Irmos of Ode 9 of Festal Canon.