

5th Sunday of Great Lent
St Mary of Egypt
Hebrews 9: 11 – 14 Mark 10: 32 – 45

Beatitude Verses
8 from Octoechos for Resurrection

- People:** In Your kingdom remember us, O Lord, when You come into Your kingdom.
Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted!
Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth!
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled!
Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy!
- Reader:** O Christ, believing You to be God, the robber on the cross confessed You in a pure manner, crying out from the depths of his heart: O Lord, remember me in Your kingdom!
- People:** Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God!
- Reader:** Let us all praise as Savior and Creator, Him who on the Cross sprouted life for our race and caused the condemnation which originated from the tree to wither up.
- People:** Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God!
- Reader:** O Christ, through Your own death You have destroyed the power of death, and You raise up with Yourself the dead from the past, who now praise You as our true God and Savior.
- People:** Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven!
- Reader:** O Christ the Giver of Life, the honorable women arriving at Your tomb, wanted to anoint You with myrrh; but an angel appeared to them, crying out: The Lord is risen!
- People:** Blessed are you when people revile you, persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for my sake!
- Reader:** O Christ, when You were crucified between two condemned robbers, one of them blasphemed You and was justly damned, while the other confessed You and now lives in paradise.
- People:** Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven!

Reader: When they had come to the choir of the apostles, the honorable women cried out: Christ is risen! Let us worship Him as Master and Creator.

People: **Glory** to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Reader: O indivisible Trinity, all-effecting and all-powerful Unity: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: We praise as our true God and Savior!

People: **Now** and ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Reader: Rejoice, O living temple of God and impassable gate! Rejoice, O fiery throne which burns yet is not consumed! Rejoice, O Mother of Emmanuel, Christ our God!

Troparia & Kontakia

Resurrection Troparion Tone 1

People:

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, /
And the soldiers were guarding Your immaculate Body. /
You rose on the third day O Saviour, /
Granting Life to the world. /
Therefore the Heavenly Powers cried to You O Giver-of-Life: /
Glory to Your Resurrection O Christ, //
Glory to Your Kingdom, //
Glory to Your Dispensation, O only Lover-of-mankind!

Troparion of St Mary of Egypt Tone 8

People:

O holy mother Mary, the image of God was truly preserved in you, /
for you took up the Cross and followed Christ. /
by doing this, you taught us to disregard the flesh, for it passes away; /
and to care instead for the soul, since it is immortal. //
Therefore, O mother your spirit rejoices with angels.

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

**Kontakion of St Mary of Egypt
Tone 3**

People:

O most glorious Mary, /
having been a sinful woman, /
you became a Bride of Christ through repentance. /
Having attained angelic life, /
you defeated demons with the weapon of the Cross; //
Therefore, you are a Bride of the Kingdom!

People: Now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

**Kontakion of the Resurrection
Tone 1**

People:

As God, You arose from the tomb in glory, /
And You raised the world together with Yourself. /
Mortal nature praises You as God, /
And death is vanished. /
Now Adam exults, O Master, /
Eve rejoices, being freed from chains, and cries: /
Glory to You O Christ our God, //
Who grants resurrection to all.

**Resurrection Prokeimenon
Tone 1**

Deacon: Let us attend.

Priest: Peace be to all.

Reader: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the 1st Tone: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, just as we hope in You.

People: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, just as we hope in You.

Reader: Rejoice greatly in the Lord, O righteous ones; praise is fitting for the upright.

People: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, just as we hope in You.

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People: Just as we hope in You.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading is from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews.

Deacon: Let us attend.

Epistle
Hebrews 9: 11 – 14

Reader: Brethren, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things to come, He entered through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation. It was not through the blood of goats and calves but through His own blood that He entered into the Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. Indeed, if the blood of bulls and goats, and the ashes of a heifer (sprinkling those who have been defiled) could sanctify to restore the purity of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to offer divine service to the living God?

Priest: Peace be to you the reader.

Reader: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Alleluiarion Tone 1

Reader: Alleluia in the 1st Tone.

People: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Reader: The God who vindicates me, and who subdued the peoples under me.

People: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Reader: He who magnifies the salvation of His king and shows mercy to His anointed, to David and his seed forever.

People: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Deacon: Bless Master, him who proclaims the Holy Gospel of the Holy, Apostle and Evangelist Mark.

Priest: May God, through the intercessions of the holy, glorious, all praised Apostle and Evangelist Mark, enable you to proclaim the Good News with great power, for the fulfillment of the Gospel of His Beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Deacon: Amen.

Priest: Wisdom! Arise! Let us listen to the Holy Gospel. Peace be to all.

People: And to your spirit.

Deacon: The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.

People: Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You.

Priest: Let us attend.

Deacon: **Mark 10: 32 – 45**

People: Glory to You, Lord, glory to You.

The Hymn to the Theotokos

Instead of "It is truly right..." we sing *All Creation Rejoices...*

People:

All of creation rejoices in you, O full of grace: /
the assembly of angels and the race of men. /
O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, /
the glory of virgins, /
from whom God was incarnate and became a child, /
our God before the ages. /
He made your body into a throne, /
and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. /
All of creation rejoices in you, O full of grace. //
Glory to you.

Communion Verse (Koinonikon)

People:

Sunday: Praise the Lord in the heavens, praise Him in the highest!

Monastic: The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. They shall not be afraid because of an evil report.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.