



5th Saturday of the Great Fast of the Akathistos Hymn

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Where it is the custom, we sing the Typica (Psalms 102 and 145) and the Beatitudes. With the Beatitudes we sing troparia from Canticle Three and Canticle Six of the Canon of the Theotokos.

Troparion of the Akathist, tone 8: When the bodiless angel learned the secret command * he hastened and stood before the house of Joseph * and said to her who had not known wedlock, * “The One who has bowed the heavens by His condescension * is wholly contained in you without change. * In your womb I see Him taking the form of a slave. * Therefore I cry to you in fearful awe: * Rejoice, O Bride and Virgin.”

† Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, * now and forever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion of the Akathist, tone 8 (special melody): To you, O Mother of God, the invincible leader, we, your servants, ascribe these victory hymns in thanksgiving for our deliverance from evil. With your invincible power free us from all dangers that we may cry out to you: “Rejoice O Bride, and pure Virgin!”

Prokimenon, tone 3, Song of the Theotokos: My soul magnifies the Lord, * and my spirit has rejoiced in God, my Saviour. (*Lk. 1:46-47*)

Verse: Because He has regarded the humility of His handmaid; for behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. (*Lk. 1:48*)

Epistle: Hebrews (9:24-28) pericope 322.

And for the Theotokos: Hebrews (9:1-7) pericope 320.

Alleluia, tone 8: Rise up, Lord, to the place of Your rest, You and the ark of Your holiness. (*Ps. 131:8*)

Verse: O Lord, remember David and all his meekness. (*Ps. 131:1*)

Gospel: Mark (8:27-31) pericope 35.

And for the Theotokos: Luke (10:38-42; 11:27-28) pericope 54.

Communion verse: I will take the chalice of salvation; * and I will call upon the name of the Lord. (*Ps. 111:6-7*)

