

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17
32nd Sunday after Pentecost
Venerable and Godbearing Father Anthony the Great

TONE 7

"Lord I Call..." Tone 7

Lord, I call upon You, hear me!
Hear me, O Lord!
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Receive the voice of my prayer,
when I call upon You!//
Hear me, O Lord!

Let my prayer arise
in Your sight as incense,
and let the lifting up of my hands
be an evening sacrifice!//
Hear me, O Lord!

v. (10) Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Your name!

Tone 7 *(for the Resurrection)*

Come, let us rejoice in the Lord,
Who destroyed the dominion of death!
Let us sing to Him with the bodiless hosts,
for He enlightened the race of man!//
O our Maker and Savior, glory to You!

v. (9) The righteous will surround me; for You will deal bountifully with me.

You endured the Cross and burial for our sake.
By Your death, You destroyed death as God.
We fall down before Your Resurrection on the third day,//
O Savior, glory to You!

v. (8) Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!

When the Apostles beheld the Resurrection of the Maker,
they were amazed and sang the angelic praise.
This is the glory of the Church.
This is the richness of the Kingdom.//
O Lord, crucified for our sake, glory to You!

v. (7) Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

(Resurrection stichera by Anatolius)

You were held by lawless men, O Christ,
but to me, You are God, and I am not ashamed.
You were smitten on the cheek, but I do not deny You.
You were nailed to the Cross and I do not conceal it,
for I glory in Your Resurrection: Your death is my life.//
O Almighty Lord and Lover of man, glory to You!

v. (6) If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.

Fullfilling the prophecy of David,
Christ manifested His greatness in Zion to the disciples.
He is praised and always glorified,
together with the Father and the Holy Spirit.
At first as the Word, He was bodiless,
but then He took flesh and was slain for our sake.//
He rose in power as the Lover of man!

v. (5) For Your Name's sake I wait for You, O Lord. My soul has waited for Your word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.

You descended into hell as You willed, O Christ,
overthrowing death as God, and rising on the third day as Master!
With Yourself You raised Adam from the bonds of hell and from corruption!//
Glory to Your Resurrection, only Lover of man!

v. (4) From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!

You were placed in the tomb, O Lord, as one asleep.
On the third day You rose in power,
raising Adam with Yourself from the corruption of death//
as the Almighty One!

v. (3) For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.

Tone 4 *(for St. Anthony) (Called from on high)*

Burning with divine love and radiant with the Spirit,
your soul rose to desire truly infinite love.
You despised flesh and blood and lived apart from the world,
yet you were united to it by great silence and abstinence.
Therefore you were fulfilled as you desired, //
and as a star radiant with blessings, O Anthony, you illumine our souls.

v. (2) Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!

You were radiant with divine light by the grace of the Holy Spirit,
O Father Anthony.
You shattered the flying weapons of the demons.
By your godly teachings you exposed their evil snares.
You were a radiant light for monks:
the first to adorn the desert;
a prayerful and skilled physician of the sick, //
and the first clear example of the ascetic life.

v. (1) For His mercy is confirmed on us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.

O Anthony, pure in heart and soul,
an earthly angel and a heavenly man,
a teacher of chastity, a clear measure of abstinence;
now you live with your Master, O blessed saint.
You offer Him unceasing praise,
as do the Angels, all holy monastics, and martyrs. //
Set free from sin and danger those who ever keep your holy memory!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Tone 6 *(for St. Anthony, by Sykeotes)*

You set your mind as master over the deadly passions,
keeping the image unharmed through the ascetic life.
Thus you rose into the perfect likeness,
for, bravely curbing nature, you hastened to subject to that which is better:
and made the body servant to the spirit.
Therefore you were revealed as the chief of those living the monastic life,
a citizen of the desert,
a master teaching those who came to you,

a perfect example of virtue.

Now the shadows have been set aside, O Anthony,
and in heaven you behold in purity the Holy Trinity,//
as you pray with boldness for those who honor you with faith and love.

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 7 *(Theotokion – Dogmatikon)*

No tongue can speak of your wonderful childbearing,
for the order of nature was overruled by God.
You were revealed to be a Mother above nature,
for you remained a Virgin beyond reason and understanding.
Your conception was most glorious, O Theotokos!
The manner of your giving birth was ineffable, O Virgin!
Knowing you to be the Mother of God,
devoutly we pray to you://
“Beseech Him to save our souls!”

Old Testament Readings

Wisdom of Solomon 5:15-6:3

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9

Wisdom of Solomon 4:7-15

Aposticha

Tone 7 *(for the Resurrection)*

As the Savior of the world You arose from the tomb.
As God You resurrected the race of man with Your flesh.//
O Lord, glory to You!

V. The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty!

Come, let us worship the One Who rose from the dead,
and enlightened all creation!
By His death, He saved us from the torments of hell.//
By His Resurrection He has granted us eternal life and great mercy.

V. For He has established the world, so that it shall never be moved.

You descended into hell, capturing death, O Christ.
In three days You arose again,
resurrecting us who glorify Your Resurrection, //
O Lord and Lover of man.

v. Holiness befits Your house, O Lord, forevermore!

When You were placed in the tomb as one asleep,
the sight was great and awesome.
But when You rose on the third day as almighty God,
You resurrected Adam with Yourself. //
Glory to Your Resurrection, only Lover of man!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Tone 8

We honor you, O Anthony our father,
as the instructor of a multitude of monks.
We have indeed learned to walk rightly in your footsteps.
Blessed are you, for having labored for Christ,
you denounced the power of the enemy.
You were a converser with the Angels and a companion of Paul of Thebes. //
Together with them, entreat the Lord that He grant mercy to our souls!

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 8 *(Theotokion)*

O unwedded Virgin,
who ineffably conceived God in the flesh,
O Mother of God most high,
accept the cries of your servants, O blameless One!
Grant cleansing of transgressions to all! //
Receive our prayers and pray to save our souls!

(at Great Vespers)

Tone 7 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

By Your Cross You destroyed death.
To the thief You opened Paradise.
For the Myrrhbearers You changed weeping into joy.
And You commanded Your disciples, O Christ God,
to proclaim that You are risen,//
granting the world great mercy.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

Tone 4 Troparion *(St. Anthony)*

You imitated the ways of zealous Elijah,
and followed the straight path of John the Baptist.
You became a desert-dweller,
strengthening the world by your prayers.//
O Father Anthony, intercede with Christ God that our souls may be saved!

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 4 Resurrectional Dismissal Theotokion

The mystery of all eternity,
unknown even by Angels,
through you, Theotokos, is revealed to those on earth:
God incarnate by union without confusion.
He voluntarily accepted the Cross for us,
by which He resurrected the first-created man,//
saving our souls from death.

(at the Divine Liturgy)

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Tone 7 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive,
for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers.
Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry:
“The Savior has come to those in faith;//
enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!”

Tone 2 Kontakion *(St. Anthony)*

You rejected the tumult of this life
living your life to the end in solitude, imitating the Baptist in every way.
With him we honor you, most venerable Anthony,//
the foundation of the Fathers.

Tone 7 Prokeimenon *(Resurrection)*

The Lord shall give strength to His people. / The Lord shall bless His people with peace. *(Ps. 28:11)*

V. Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord! (Ps. 28:1a)

Tone 7 Prokeimenon *(St. Anthony)*

Precious in the sight of the Lord / is the death of His saints. *(Ps. 115:6)*

Epistle

(250) Colossians 1:12-18

(335) Hebrews 13:17-21 *(St. Anthony)*

Tone 7

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High. (Ps. 91:1)

V. To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night. (Ps. 91:2a)

Tone 6

V. Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments. (Ps. 111:1)

Gospel

(91) Luke 18:18-27

(24) Luke 6:17-23 *(St. Anthony)*

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *(Ps. 148:1)*

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. *(Ps. 111:6)*

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