

SUNDAY, JULY 10

TONE 3

4th Sunday after Pentecost

Ven. Anthony of the Kiev Caves, Founder of Monasticism in Rus'

"Lord I Call..." Tone 3

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 3 *(for the Resurrection)*

By Your Cross, O Christ our Savior,
death's dominion has been shattered;
the devil's delusion destroyed.

The race of man, being saved by faith,//
always offers You a song.

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

All has been enlightened by Your Resurrection, O Lord.

Paradise has been opened again.

All creation, praising You,//
always offers You a song.

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

I glorify the power of the Father and the Son.

I praise the authority of the Holy Spirit:

the undivided, uncreated Godhead,//

the consubstantial Trinity which reigns forever.

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

(Resurrection stichera by Anatolius)

We bow down in worship before Your precious Cross, O Christ,
and we glorify and praise Your Resurrection,//
for by Your wounds we have all been healed.

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

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

When divine desire fell upon you, O venerable one,
you considered passionate attachments to the world to be harmful;
therefore, you forsook your homeland and arrived on the Holy Mountain.
There, in the midst of the Fathers, O Anthony,
you shone forth in virtue like a beacon.
Entreat Christ, Whom you have served from your youth,//
that He save and enlighten our souls!

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.

When you were set afire by the love of Christ, O venerable one,
you despised the wisdom and glory of this world as things that pass away.
Therefore, you made a cave for yourself,
and in it you struggled like an incorporeal being.
As a result you were granted from on high the honors of the bodiless ones.
Standing with them before the throne of Christ,//
pray that He save and enlighten our souls!

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

When you received divine love in your heart, O father,
you entered a dark cave as though it were an all-splendid bridal chamber,
and there you were enriched with the understanding of ineffable things,
to behold the things of the future as though they were present,
which you then explained to all.
Entreat Christ, Whom you have served from your youth,//
that He save and enlighten our souls!

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 5 *(for St. Anthony) (O venerable father)*

O venerable Father Anthony,
you illumined your mind with the grace of the Holy Spirit,
and with foresight you prophetically predicted the wrath of God
that would fall upon the Orthodox.
Therefore, you entrusted to Simon the defense against the enemies,
and before the construction of the church you foretold that he would be laid to
rest therein.
Therefore, we praise you as a mediator of good things for all, //
and ask that through you we may receive great mercy from God.

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

O venerable Father Anthony,
you fulfilled the commandments of Christ, the true Shepherd and Teacher,
and showed forth love even after your departure.
By your prayers you transformed the deadly illness of the slothful Erasmus,
giving him time for repentance,
and guiding others to chastity. //
Entreat Christ that our souls may be saved!

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

O venerable Father Anthony,
with God's help you steered the ship of your mind with chastity,
and safely sailed across the passion-laden deep of the sea of this life.
You attained the calm haven of Paradise,
where the saints dwell and the righteous rest. //
We beseech you to pray with them that we may also obtain rest therein.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Tone 6 *(for St. Anthony)*

Your way of life and your labors for God were difficult,
as the fathers of the Holy Mountain learned.
Therefore, in accordance with God's providence,
they sent you back to your homeland, saying:
"Go, child, that through you God may be known there by those who did not
know Him!"
When you arrived, you enlightened your native land

and became a leader, bringing a multitude of monastics to Christ.
Therefore, pray that we who celebrate your falling-asleep
may be preserved unharmed by the Enemy,//
and that our souls may be saved!

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

Tone 3 *(Theotokion – Dogmatikon)*

How can we not wonder
at your mystical childbearing, O exalted Mother?
For without receiving the touch of man,
you gave birth to a Son in the flesh, O immaculate Virgin.
The Son born of the Father before eternity
was born of you at the fullness of time, O honored Lady.
He underwent no mingling, no change, no division,
but preserved the fullness of each nature.
Entreat Him, O Lady and Virgin and Mother,
to save the souls of those who, in the Orthodox manner, confess you//
to be the Theotokos.

Old Testament Readings *(St. Anthony)*

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9

Wisdom of Solomon 5:15-6:3

Wisdom of Solomon 4:7-15

Aposticha

Tone 3 *(for the Resurrection)*

The sun was darkened by Your Passion, O Christ,
but all creation was enlightened by the light of Your Resurrection.//
Accept our evening song, O Lover of man!

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

Your life-bearing Resurrection, O Lord,
enlightened the whole universe, recalling Your creation.
Delivered from Adam's curse, we sing://
O Almighty Lord, glory to You!

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

You are the changeless God,
Who, suffering in the flesh, were changed.
Creation could not endure seeing You on the Cross.
It was filled with fear while praising Your patience.
By descending to hell and rising on the third day, //
You have granted to the world life and great mercy.

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

You endured death, O Christ,
to deliver the race of men from death.
You rose from the dead on the third day,
raising with Yourself those who knew You as God //
and enlightening the world. Glory to You!

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

Tone 6 *(for St. Anthony)*

Wondrous is the influence and great the faith
that you have acquired, O venerable Anthony,
emulating the Prophet Elijah;
for he drew down fire from heaven to consume the sacrifice,
while you drew down fire from heaven by your supplications,
to consume and cleanse the place where you desired to build the all-glorious
temple of the Sovereign Lady and Theotokos.
Therefore, blessing you as one who dwells with the venerable and emulates the
Prophets, //
we pray that you entreat Christ that our souls be saved.

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

Tone 6 *(Theotokion)*

My Maker and Redeemer, Christ the Lord,
was born of you, O most pure Virgin.
By accepting my nature, He freed Adam from his ancient curse.
Unceasingly we magnify you as the Mother of God!
Rejoice, O celestial Joy!
Rejoice, O Lady: //
the Protection, Intercession and Salvation of our souls!

(at Great Vespers)

Tone 3 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

Let the heavens rejoice!
Let the earth be glad!
For the Lord has shown strength with His arm.
He has trampled down death by death.
He has become the first born of the dead.
He has delivered us from the depths of hell,
and has granted to the world//
great mercy.

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

Tone 4 Troparion *(St. Anthony)*

Having left the turmoil of the world,
you renounced the world to follow Christ in accordance with the Gospel.
Living a life equal to the Angels,
you reached the quiet haven of the Holy Mountain of Athos.
With the blessing of the Athonite fathers, you came to the hills of Kiev,
where you labored with love and illumined your homeland.
There you led a multitude of monastics to Christ
showing them the path that leads to the Kingdom of Heaven.//
Venerable Anthony, pray to Him that our souls may be saved!

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Tone 4 Resurrectional Dismissal Theotokion

The mystery of all eternity,
unknown even by Angels,
through you, O 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 3 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

On this day You rose from the tomb, O Merciful One,
leading us from the gates of death.
On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices;
with the Prophets and Patriarchs//
they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Your power.

Tone 8 Kontakion *(St. Anthony)*

Having loved God above all from your childhood, O ven' rable one,
you surrendered yourself to Him and followed Him with all your soul.
Despising the material things of this world,
you made a cave in the earth, where you fought the good fight against the
invisible Enemy.
Like a brilliant sun you illumined all the ends of the earth,
and with rejoicing you passed into the heavenly chambers.
Now as you stand with the Angels before the Throne of the Master,
remember us who honor your memory as we cry to you://
"Rejoice, our Fa-ther Anthony!"

Tone 3 Prokeimenon *(Resurrection)*

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! / Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
(Ps. 46:6)

V. Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! (Ps. 46:1)

Tone 7 Prokeimenon *(St. Anthony)*

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

Epistle

(93) Romans 6:18-23

(213) Galatians 5:22-6:2 *(St. Anthony)*

Tone 3

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. In You, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame! (Ps. 30:1a)

V. Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me! (Ps. 30:2b)

Tone 6

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

Gospel

(25) Matthew 8:5-13

(10) Matthew 4:25-5:12 *(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)*
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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