

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

TONE 7

16th Sunday after Pentecost (2nd of Luke)

Hieromartyr Cyprian, Virgin-Martyr Justina, Martyr Theoctist, of Nicomedia

"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!

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

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

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

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

(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. (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.

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. (4) From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope 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, O only Lover of man!

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 the Saints)* *(As one valiant among the martyrs)*

Through the anointing of the priesthood
and the blood of martyrdom,
you drew near to God, O most perfect and all-glorious Cyprian.
You are the flower of nature;
the adornment of preaching,
the summit of wisdom and a rule of true dogmas,
a most harmonious rightness of the canons.//
and the splendor of the Churches.

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

O most honorable Cyprian,
glory of athletes and crown of martyrs,
by your sermons you persuaded the divinely wise
to maintain their courage with nobility
in the face of imprisonment, bondage, and varied tortures,
nakedness, binding, and bitter cold,//
with wounding and death at the end.

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

You are the splendor of virgins and martyrs, O Justina.
You opposed the spells of demons with hymns to the Spirit.
By the sign of the Cross, you preserved your virginity,
offering yourself to Christ as a most holy sacrifice.
You are an unconquered martyr,//
who received the crowns of victory.

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

Tone 2 *(for the Saints)*

O most blessed Cyprian,
you turned aside indeed from the falsehood and lore of idolatrous teaching.
You armed yourself for salvation with the sword of the Cross,
throwing away the books of sorcery
as you put off the old man.
The knowledge of the consubstantial Trinity lived within you.//
With the angels, ever beseech Him, O Bishop, that we may be saved!

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!”

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 2 *(for the Saints)*

Let us praise Cyprian,
the divinely shining lamp,
the converser with Paul and sharer of his labors.
Having received an incorruptible crown from the one God,
he dwells with the angels.//
and he ever prays that our souls may be saved.

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Tone 2 *(Theotokion)*

A new miracle surpasses all ancient miracles!
Who knows of a Mother who gave birth without a man,
who carried in her arms her Creator?
This birth is the will of God!
Since you carried Him as an infant in your arms, O most pure one,
and since you possess motherly boldness before Him,
do not cease praying for us who honor you, //
that He may be bountiful and 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. Cyprian)*

By sharing in the ways of the Apostles,
you became a successor to their throne.
Through the practice of virtue, you found the way to divine contemplation, O
inspired one of God;
by teaching the word of truth without error, you defended the Faith, even to the
shedding of your blood. //
O Hieromartyr Cyprian, entreat Christ God to save our souls!

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 1 Kontakion *(St. Cyprian)*

You turned from the art of sorcery to the knowledge of God,
and were shown forth as a skillful healer for the world, Cyprian, inspired by
God.
Together with Justina you grant cures to those who honor you;//
with her, pray to the Master Who loves mankind that He may save our souls!

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)

Epistle

(181) 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

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)

Gospel

(26) Luke 6:31-36

Communion Hymn

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

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