

APRIL, 2012

**Sunday, April 29 Sunday of the Paralytic.**

The Nine Martyrs of Cyzica. Venerable Memnon, wonderworker. Paschal Order. Service for Sunday of the Paralytic. Matins Gospel IV. Sunday Tropar (Tone 3); Glory: Kondak of the Paralytic; Now: Kondak of Pascha. Prokeimenon and Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Sunday of the Paralytic. Dismissal with the Cross. Scripture readings for the Fourth Sunday. **Epistle:** Acts §23 [9:32-42]. **Gospel:** John §14 [5:1-15].

**Paschal Order after Thomas Sunday**

With Thomas Sunday we revert to the proper order of Antiphons. The Typica on Sundays and stipulated days; Festal Antiphons when proper, and Daily Antiphons on all other days. The final Kondak of Easter (except in Thomas Week and during the Feast of Mid-Pentecost); Himnos: *The angel exclaimed*.

**Monday, April 30**

Apostle James, Brother of St. John the Theologian. Sunday Tropar (Tone 3); Tropar of St. James; Glory: Kondak of St. James; Now: Kondak of the Feast. Prokeimen, Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Feast and the Saint. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings for Saint James: **Epistle:** Acts §29 [12:1-11]. **Gospel:** Luke §17 [5:1-11].

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**Tuesday, May 1**

The Holy Prophet Jeremiah. The Passing of Blessed Clement Sheptytsky. Paschal Order. Service for Sunday of the Paralytic. Scripture readings for the Fourth Tuesday: **Epistle:** Acts §25 [10:21-33]. **Gospel:** John §25 [7:1-13].

**Wednesday, May 2 MID-PENTECOST**

Our Father among the Saints Athanasius the Great. Tropar of the Feast; Glory/Now: Kondak of the Feast. Prokeimen, Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Feast. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Mid-Pentecost (only on the Feast itself and its Apodosi). Paschal Dismissal with the Cross. Scripture readings for the Mid-Pentecost: **Epistle:** Acts §34 [14:6-18]. **Gospel:** John §26 [7:14-36].

**Thursday, May 3 Post Feast of Mid-Pentecost**

The Holy Martyrs Timothy and Maura. The Death of Our Venerable Father Theodosius, abbot of the Monastery of Caves and initiator of the Common life. Tropar of the Feast; Tropar of St. Theodosius; Glory: Kondak of St. Theodosius; Now: Kondak of the Feast. Prokeimen, Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Feast and the Saint. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings for Saint Theodosius: **Epistle:** Hebrew §334 [13:7-16]. **Gospel:** Luke §24 [6:17-23].

**Friday, May 4**

The Holy Martyr Pelagia of Tarsus. Tropar of the Feast; Glory/Now: Kondak of the Feast. Prokeimen, Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Feast. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings for the Fifth Friday: **Epistle:** Acts §27 [10:44-11:10]. **Gospel:** John §30 [8:21-30].

**Saturday, May 5**

The Holy and Glorious Martyr Irene. Our Venerable Father Nicophorus, hegumen of the Medicium monastery. Tropar of the Feast; Glory/Now: Kondak of the Feast. Prokeimen, Alleluia Verses and Communion hymn of the Feast. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings for the Fifth Saturday: **Epistle:** Acts §29 [12:1-11]. **Gospel:** John §31 [8:31-42].

**Sunday, May 6 Sunday of the Samaritan Woman Post Feast of the Mid-Pentecost**

The Holy and Righteous Job the Much-suffering. Paschal Order. Service for Sunday of the Samaritan Women. Matins Gospel VII. Sunday Tropar (Tone 4); Tropar of the Feast; Glory: Kondak of the Samaritan Woman; Now: Kondak of the Feast. Prokeimen, and Alleluia verses of Sunday only. Communion hymn of Pascha and of Sunday. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Paschal Dismissal with the Cross. Scripture readings for the Fifth Sunday: **Epistle:** Acts §28 [11:19-26, 29-30]. **Gospel:** John §12 [4:5-42].

**Monday, May 7 Post Feast of Mid-Pentecost**

Commemoration of the Appearance of the Sign of the Holy Cross; the Holy Martyr Acacius the Centurion. Tropar of the Feast; Glory: Now: Kondak of the Feast. Prokeimen, Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Feast. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings for the Fifth Monday: **Epistle:** Acts §30 [12:12-17]. **Gospel:** John §32 [8:42-51].

**Tuesday, May 8 Post Feast of Mid-Pentecost**

The Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian. Tropar of the Feast; Tropar of St. John; Glory: Kondak of St. John; Now: Kondak of the Feast. Prokeimen, Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Feast and the Saint. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings for St. John the Apostle: **Epistle:** 1 John §68 [1:1-7]. **Gospel:** John §61 [19:25-27; 21:24-25].

**Wednesday, May 9 Apodosi of Mid-Pentecost**

The Holy Prophet Isaiah; the Holy Martyr Christopher; Translation of the Relics of Our Holy Father Nicholas from Myra to Bari. Tropar of the Feast; Tropar of Translation of the relics (May 9); Glory: Kondak of

Translation of the relics; Now: Kondak of the Feast. Prokeimen, Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Feast and the Saint. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha.

Scripture readings for the Fifth Wednesday:

**Epistle:** Acts §32 [13:13-24].

**Gospel:** John §18 [6:5-14].

**Thursday, May 10**

Holy Apostle Simon the Zealot. Paschal Order. Sunday Tropar (Tone 4); Tropar of the St. Simeon; Glory: Kondak of the St. Simeon; Now: Kondak of the Samaritan Woman. Prokeimenon, Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Samaritan Woman and of the Saint. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings for the Saint: **Epistle:** 1 Corinthians §131 [4:9-16]. **Gospel:** Matthew §56 [13:54-58].

**Friday, May 11**

Holy Apostles Cyril and Methodius, Apostles of the Slavs. Paschal Order. Sunday Tropar (Tone 4); Tropar of the Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Glory: Kondak of the Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Now: Kondak of the Samaritan Woman. Prokeimenon, Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Samaritan Woman and of the Saints. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings for the Saints: **Epistle:** Hebrew §335 [13:17-21]. **Gospel:** John §36 [10:9-16].

**Saturday, May 12**

Our Holy Fathers Epiphanius, Bishop of Syprus, and Germanus, Patriarch of Constantinople. Paschal Order. Sunday Tropar (Tone 4); Glory: Kondak of the Samaritan Woman; Now: Kondak of the Pascha. Prokeimen, and Alleluia verses of Communion hymn of the Samaritan Women. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings of the Fifth Saturday: **Epistle:** Acts §37 [15:35-41]. **Gospel:** John §38 [10:27-38].

**Sunday, May 13 Sunday of the Man Born Blind. Mothers' Day**

The Holy Martyr Glyceria. Paschal Order. Sunday of the Man Born Blind. Matins Gospel VIII. Sunday Tropar (Tone 5); Glory: Kondak of the Man Born Blind; Now: Kondak of Pascha. Prokeimen and Alleluia verses of the Man Born Blind. Communion hymn of Pascha and of Sunday. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings for the Sixth Sunday: **Epistle:** Acts §38 [16:16-34]. **Gospel:** John §34 [9:1-38].

**Monday, May 14**

The Holy Martyr Isidore. Paschal Order. Sunday Tropar (Tone 5); Glory: Kondak of the Man Born Blind; Now: Kondak of Pascha. Prokeimen and Alleluia verses of the Man Born Blind. Communion hymn of Pascha and of Sunday. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Scripture readings for the Sixth Monday: **Epistle:** Acts §39 [17:1-15]. **Gospel:** John §40 [11:47-56].

**Tuesday, May 15**

Our Venerable Father Pachomius the Great. Follow the Paschal Order. Scripture readings for the Sixth Tuesday: **Epistle:** Acts §40 [17:19-28]. **Gospel:** John §42 [12:19-36].

**Wednesday, May 16 Apodosi of Pascha.**

Our Venerable Father Theodore the Sanctified, disciple of Pachomius. Paschal Order. Sunday Tropar (Tone 5); Glory: Kondak of the Man Born Blind; Now: Kondak of Pascha. Prokeimen and Alleluia verses of the Man Born Blind. Communion hymn of Pascha and of Sunday. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of Pascha. Paschal Dismissal with the Cross. Scripture readings for the Apodosi of Pascha: **Epistle:** Acts §41 [18:22-28]. **Gospel:** John §43 [12:36-47].

**Note:** Following the Liturgy, the Shroud is removed from the altar and taken to its usual place.

**In the Evening:** Vespers with Vigil.

**Thursday, May 17**

**ASCENSION OF OUR LORD AND GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.**

The Holy Apostles Andronicus and others with him.

**Note:** Holy day of obligation.

Festal Service for Ascension, including proper Antiphons, Entrance Hymn and Immos. Instead of *We have seen the true light...*, and *May our mouths be filled...* – *Be exalted, O God, above the Heavens* (until Apodosi of Ascension).

Scripture readings for the Feast:

**Epistle:** Acts §1 [1:1-12].

**Gospel:** Luke §114 [24:36-53].

**Note:** The prayer *Heavenly King...* is not said until Pentecost.

**After Liturgy:** Anointing of the faithful and distribution of prosfora.

**Friday, May 18 Post Feast of Ascension**

The Holy Martyrs Theodotus of Ancyra; and the Holy Martyrs Peter and Dionisius, and others with him. First Antiphon of the Feast; regular Third Antiphon and Entrance Hymn with refrain of the Feast. Tropar of the Feast; Glory/ Now: Kondak of the Feast; Prokeimen, Alleluia verses and Communion Hymn of the Feast. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of the Feast. Scripture readings for the Sixth Friday: **Epistle:** Acts §42 [19:1-8]. **Gospel:** John §47 [14:1-11].

**Saturday, May 19 Post Feast of Ascension**

The Holy Hieromartyr Patritius, Bishop of Prussa. Follow the *Typikon* for the Post Feast of Ascension. Scripture readings for the Sixth Saturday: **Epistle:** Acts §43 [20:7-10]. **Gospel:** John §48 [14:10-21].

**Sunday, May 20**

**Sunday of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council**

The Holy Martyr Thalateus. Post-Feast of Ascension. Bright vestments. Tone 6. Sunday Antiphons. Sunday Tropar (Tone 6); Tropar of the Feast; Tropar of the Fathers; Glory: Kondak of the Fathers; Now: Kondak of the Feast. Prokeimen and Alleluia verses of the Fathers. Communion Hymn of Sunday and of the Fathers. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of the Feast. Sunday Dismissal. Scripture readings for the Sunday of the Fathers: **Epistle:** Acts §44 [20:16-18, 28-36]. **Gospel:** John §56 [17:1-13].

**Monday, May 21 Post Feast of Ascension**

The Holy Emperor Constantine and His Mother, Helen, Equals to the Apostles. First Antiphon of the Feast; regular Third Antiphon and Entrance Hymn with refrain of the Feast. Tropar of the Feast; Tropar of the Saints; Glory: Kondak of the Saints; Now: Kondak of the Feast; Prokeimen, Alleluia verses and Communion hymn of the Feast and of the Saints. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of the Feast. Readings for the Saints: **Epistle:** Acts §49 [26:1-5; 12-20]. **Gospel:** John § Mid-35 [10:1-9].

**Tuesday, May 22 Post Feast of Ascension**

The Holy Martyr Basiliscus. Follow the *Typikon* for the Post Feast of Ascension. Scripture readings for the Seventh Tuesday: **Epistle:** Acts §46 [21:26-32]. **Gospel:** John §53 [16:2-13].

**Wednesday, May 23 Post Feast of Ascension**

Our Venerable Father and Confessor Michael, bishop of Synada, the Venerable Euphrosyne of Polotsk, hegumena of the Monastery of the Holy Savior. Follow the *Typikon* for the Post Feast of Ascension. Scripture readings for the Seventh Wednesday: **Epistle:** Acts §47 [23:1-11]. **Gospel:** John §54 [16:15-23].

**Thursday, May 24 Post Feast of Ascension**

Our Venerable Father Simeon of Wondrous Mountain; and Our Venerable Father Nicetas the Stylite, wonderworker of Perejaslav. Follow the *Typikon* for the Post Feast of Ascension. Scripture readings for the Seventh Thursday: **Epistle:** Acts §48 [25:13-19]. **Gospel:** John §55 [16:23-33].

**Friday, May 25 Apodosi of Ascension**

**The Third Finding of the Precious Head of the Holy and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptizer of Our Lord, John**

First Antiphon of the Feast; regular Third Antiphon and Entrance Hymn with refrain of the Feast. Tropar of the Feast; Tropar of the Third Finding; Glory: Kondak of the Third Finding; Now: Kondak of the Feast; Prokeimen, Alleluia Verses and Communion hymn of the Feast and of the Third Finding. Instead of *It is truly right* – Immos of the Feast. Scripture readings for the Third Finding of the Precious Head of St. John: **Epistle:** 2 Corinthians §176 [4:6-15]. **Gospel:** Matthew §40 [11:2-15].

**Saturday, May 26 Fifth All Souls Saturday**

The Holy Apostle Carpus, One of the Seventy. Dark vestments. Services for the Fifth All Souls Saturday, including Typical Antiphons. Reading for the Fifth All Souls Saturday or for the Deceased: **Epistle:** Acts §51 [28:1-31] (Saturday); or 1 Thessalonians §270 [4:13-17] (Deceased). **Gospel:** John §67 [21:15-25] (Saturday); or John §16 [5:24-30] (Deceased).

**In the Evening:** Vespers with Vigil. **Sunday, May 27**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (PENTECOST).**

**Note:** Panakhya with general commemoration of the deceased is celebrated following the Ambon Prayer; beginning with the Tropar *So duchy pravednykh*. Following the "Amen" of the Exclamation, the celebrant returns to the ambon from which he imparts the Final Blessing and the Dismissal proper to the Divine Liturgy. Close with *Vichnaya Pam'yat*.

**Note:** In keeping with the ancient tradition of our church – still observed in Ukraine – Kolyvo/kutia may be blessed after the Ambon Prayer and distributed to the faithful following the Dismissal, in memory of the deceased. [See *Trebnyk* (Zhovkva Edition, 1926), p. 620].

Green Vestments (throughout the week).

Festal Service for Pentecost, including proper Antiphons, Entrance Hymn and Immos. Instead of Trisagion – *All you who have been baptized* (this day only).

Scripture readings for the Pentecost Sunday:

**Epistle:** Acts §3 [2:1-11].

**Gospel:** John §27 [7:37-52; 8:12].

**After the Liturgy:** Anointing of the faithful and distribution of prosfora. Vespers with the Kneeling Prayers.

**Note:** There is no fasting this week.