

TYPICON - March 27th - April 24th, 2011

March, 2011

Sunday, March 27 Third Sunday of Lent Veneration of the Precious Cross.

Our Venerable Father Hilarion the Younger, and the Holy Stephen, Wonderworker.
Tone 3. Matins Gospel VI.

Note: Either during the Matins or prior to the Divine Liturgy, the decorated Cross is placed on the tetrapod for veneration (cf. Dolnytsky, *Typikon*, pp. 121-122, 362-364).

Burgundy or dark vestments. Liturgy of St. Basil the Great. Resurrection Tropar (Tone 3); Tropar of the Triod (Third Sunday/Cross); Glory/Now: Kondak of the Triod; In place of *Syat'j Bozhe...*, take *Khrestu Tvojemu...*, Prokimen, Alleluia Verses of the Triod. Instead of *Dostojno yest take O Tebi radujetsja*, Communion Hymn of the Triod.

Scripture readings for the Third Sunday of Lent:

Epistle: Hebrews §311 [4:14-5:6].

Gospel: Mark §37 [8:34-9:1].

Note: Veneration of the precious Cross after the Liturgy today and after every service until Friday evening. Three full prostration with the singing of *Khrestu Tvojemu ...* are made following every service during this week.

Note: All weekdays of Lent are aliturgical and the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom is not prescribed. On Wednesdays and Fridays of Lent, the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is to be celebrated (See Dolnytskyj *Typikon* p. 349).

In the evening: Lenten Vespers.

Monday, March 28

Our Venerable Father Hilarion the Younger; the Holy Stephen, Wonderworker.

Tuesday, March 29

Our Venerable Father Mark, bishop of Arethusa; Cyril the Deacon and others martyred under Julian.

Wednesday, March 30 Mid-Lent

Our Venerable Father John Climacus, author of "The Ladder".

Dark vestments. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts. Readings for the Fourth Wednesday of Lent:

Note: In the Dismissal at a Presanctified Liturgy, commemorate the saint of the following day.

Genesis 9:18-10:1; Proverbs 12:23-13:9.

Thursday, March 31

Our Venerable Father Hypatius, bishop of Gangara.

April

Friday, April 1

Our Venerable Mother Mary of Egypt. Dark vestments. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts. Scripture readings for the Fourth Friday of Lent: Genesis 12:1-7; Proverbs 14:14-26.

Saturday, April 2 Fourth Memorial Saturday

The Venerable Father and Confessor Titus Wonderworker.

Dark vestments. Service for the Fourth Memorial Saturday, including Typical Antiphons. Scripture readings for the Fourth Saturday or for the deceased:

Epistle: Hebrew §313 [6:9-12] (Fourth Saturday); or 1 Corinthians §163 [15:47-57] (Deceased).
Gospel: Mark §31 [7:31-37] (Fourth Saturday); or John §16 [5:24-30] (Deceased).

Note: Panakhyda 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 Ambo Prayer and distributed to the faithful following the Dismissal, in memory of the deceased. [See *Trebnyk* (Zhovkva Edition, 1926), p. 620].

Sunday April 3 Fourth Sunday of Great Lent

The Venerable John Climacus, our Venerable Father and Confessor Nicetas, Hegumen of the Medikion Monastery.

Tone 4. Matins Gospel VII.

Bright vestments. Liturgy of St. Basil the Great. Resurrection Tropar (Tone 4); Tropar of St. John; Glory/Now: Kondak of St. John; Prokimen and Alleluia Verses of St. John. Instead of *Dostojno yest take O Tebi radujetsja*. Communion hymn of the Triod. Scripture readings for the Fourth Sunday of Lent:

Epistle: Hebrew §314 [6:13-20].

Gospel: Mark §40 [9:17-31].

In the evening: Lenten Vespers.

Note: Three full prostration with the singing of *Preterpiv'j ...* are made following every service during Lent, except those services which are celebrated from Friday evening to the start of Sunday Vespers; those celebrated on the eve and the morning of a holy day; and the week beginning with the Third Sunday of Lent (when *Khrestu Tvojemu ...* is sung, with prostration).

Monday, April 4

Our Venerable Fathers Joseph the hymnographer, and George of Maleon.

Tuesday, April 5

The Holy Martyrs Theodulus and Agathapodus and their companions.

Wednesday, April 6

Our Father among the Saints Eutychius, Archbishop of Constantinople; the falling asleep of our Father Methodius, Bishop and Teacher of the Slavs. Dark vestments. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts. Scripture readings for the Fifth Wednesday of Lent: Genesis 17:1-9; Proverbs 15:20-16:9.

Note: In the Dismissal at a Presanctified Liturgy, commemorate the saint of the following day.

Thursday, April 7

Our Venerable Father George, bishop of Mitylene.

At Matins: The Great Canon of Our Holy Father Andrew of Crete

Friday, April 8

The Holy Apostles Herodion, Agabus, Rufus, Asyncritus, Phlegon, and Hermas.

Dark vestments. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts. Scripture readings for the Fifth Friday of Lent: Genesis 22:1-18; Proverbs 17:17-18:5.

Saturday, April 9 Akathist Saturday

The Holy Martyr Euphychius.

Blue vestments. Typical Psalm.

Service and Scripture readings for the Fifth Saturday (Akathist Saturday):

Epistle: Hebrew §322 [9:24-28].

Gospel: Mark §35 [8:27-31].

Note: The prescribed Matins Office may be omitted and the Akathist sung by itself, in which case it is celebrated in an epitrahil and phelon at the altar with the holy doors open.

Sunday, April 10 First Sunday of Lent

Commemoration of St. Mary of Egypt. Holy Martyrs Terence, Pompeius and those with them. Tone 5. Matins Gospel VIII.

Bright vestments. Liturgy of St. Basil the Great. Resurrection Tropar (Tone 5); Tropar of St. Mary;

Glory/Now: Kondak of St. Mary; Prokimen and Alleluia Verses of Tone 5 and St. Mary. Instead of *Dostojno yest take O Tebi radujetsja*. Communion hymn of the Fifth Sunday and St. Mary.

Scripture readings for the Fifth Sunday of Lent:

Epistle: Hebrew §321 [9:11-14].

Gospel: Mark §47 [10:32:45].

In the evening: Lenten Vespers.

Monday, April 11

The Holy Hieromartyr Antipas, bishop of Pergamum in Asia.

Tuesday, April 12

Our Venerable Father and Confessor Basil, bishop of Parium.

Wednesday, April 13

The Hieromartyr Artemon and his companions. Dark vestments. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts. Scripture readings for the Sixth Wednesday of Lent: Genesis 43:25-45:16; Proverbs 21:23-22:4.

Note: In the Dismissal at a Presanctified Liturgy, commemorate the saint of the following day.

Thursday, April 14

Our Father among the Saints Martin, Confessor, pope of Rome; and The New Martyrs Anthony, John and Eustathius.

Friday, April 15

The Holy Apostles Aristarchus, Pudens and Trophimus.

Dark vestments. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts. Scripture readings for the Second Friday of Lent: Genesis: 49:33-50:26; Proverbs 31:8-31.

Saturday, April 16 Lazarus Saturday

The Holy Virgin Martyr Agapia, Irene and Chionia. Bright vestments. Service and Scripture readings for the Lazarus Saturday:

Epistle: Hebrew §Mid-333 [12:28-13:8].

Gospel: John §39 [11:1-45].

In the evening: Vespers with Litija.

Sunday, April 17 Palm/Willow Sunday

Our Venerable Father Simeon of Persia. The Venerable Acacius, bishop of Melitene.

Note: From today until Thomas Sunday only service from the Triodion may be taken; services from Meneon are to be omitted (cf. Dolnytsky *Typikon* p. 373). Memorial services for the deceased (except for funerals) are forbidden in church. Funerals on Great Monday through Great Wednesday may be celebrated in church using the Service of Burial of the Deceased as prescribed by the *Trebnyk*. Bodies of the deceased may never be brought into church from Great Thursday through Easter Sunday. In the latter case, funerals must take place at the funeral home chapels.

Bright vestments. Resurrection service is omitted. Festal Gospel at Matins: Matthew §83 [21:1-11, 15-17].

Note: Willow branches may be blessed at the Matins, before the Divine Liturgy, or after the Ambo Prayer of the Liturgy.

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom. Service and Reading for Palm/Willow Sunday, including proper antiphons, introit and himnos.

Epistle: Philippians §247 [4:4-9].

Gospel: John §41 [12:1-18].

Note: Willows may be distributed at Matins or before the Liturgy (the custom in Ukraine is for the faithful to hold a willow during the Liturgy). Following the Liturgy, anointing with the holy oil (*myrovannia*) of the faithful and distribution of blessed prosfora.

Monday, April 18

Our Venerable Father John, disciple of Saint Gregory the Decapolite.

Dark vestments. Vespers with the Liturgy of the Pre-sanctified Gifts. Entrance with the Gospel. Readings for Monday of the Passion Week: Exodus 1:1-20; Job 1:1-12. After "Let my prayer rise...", reading of the Gospel – Matthew §98 [24:3-35].

Tuesday, April 19

Our Venerable Father John of the Ancient Caves. Dark vestments. Vespers with the Liturgy of the Pre-sanctified Gifts. Entrance with the Gospel. Readings for Tuesday of the Passion Week: Exodus 2:5-10; Job 1:13-22. After "Let my prayer rise...", reading of the Gospel – Matthew §102 [24:36-26:2].

Wednesday, April 20

Our Venerable Father Theodore Trichinas. Dark vestments. Vespers with the Liturgy of the Pre-sanctified Gifts. Entrance with the Gospel. Readings for Wednesday of the Passion Week: Exodus 2:11-22; Job 2:1-10. After "Let my prayer rise...", reading of the Gospel – Matthew §108 [26:6-16].

Note: Dolnytskyj (p. 383) prescribes the *Preterpivij*... be sung for the final time following the Pre-sanctified Liturgy. However, he states that it is customary to sing *Preterpivij* until the exposition of the Holy Shroud on Good Friday, at which time the hymn "Noble Joseph" is sung until Resurrection Matins.

Thursday, April 21

The Holy Priest-Martyr Januarius and others. Bright vestments. Vesper-Liturgy of S. Basil the Great. Proper Cherubikon and Communion Hymn.

Note: This is Vesper-Liturgy and properly should be celebrated in the afternoon or early evening. Dolnytskyj's *Typik*, referencing the Synod of Lviv, reminds us that only one Liturgy is permitted in each church today; also, recited Liturgies are forbidden (p. 385). Concelebration by the clergy of a parish or institution is proper, as the Sacrament of the Priesthood was instituted today.

Readings for the Great Holy Thursday: Exodus 19:10-19; Job 38:1-23; 42:1-5; Isaiah 50:4-11.

Note: Small litany with the Trisagion, and, from that point, the Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, at which we take everything of Great Thursday Liturgy only, including proper Cherubikon (sung also instead of "That we may receive...", the Communion hymn and "May our mouths be filled...") and Immos.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians §149 [11:23-32].

Gospel: Matthew §107 [26:2-20]; John §Mid-44 [13:3-17]; Matthew §Mid-108 [26:21-39]; Luke §Mid-109 [22:43-45]; Matthew §Mid-108 [26:40-27:2].

Later in the evening: Anticipated matins of the Great Friday (Passion Gospels/Strasty)

At the Service of the Lord's Passion: Dark Vestments. Twelve Gospel readings: John §46 [13:31-18:1]; John §58 [18:1-28]; Matthew §109 [26:57-75]; John §59 [18:28-19:16]; Matthew §111 [27:3-32]; Mark §67 [15:16-32]; Matthew §113 [27:33-54]; Luke §111 [23:32-49]; John §61 [19:25-37]; Mark §69 [15:43-47]; John §62 [19:38-42]; Matthew §114 [27:62-66].

Note: By custom, vestments of all colors are worn for the reading of the twelve Gospels, starting and ending with the dark color.

Friday, April 22

Our Venerable Father Theodore of Sykeota.

Note: Today is a day of fasting and strict abstinence: meat and dairy products are forbidden and we should limit the amount of food we consume.

Dark vestments.

Before noon: Royal Hours.

In the afternoon: Vespers and procession with the Holy Shroud.

In the evening: Anticipated Matins of the Holy and Great Saturday: Jerusalem Matins.

Saturday, April 23

The Holy and Glorious Great Martyr George the Triumphant, Wonderworker.

Dark vestments, however, we change to bright vestments at the epistle of the Vesper-Liturgy.

Note: Today we abstain from meat.

In the afternoon or early evening Vesper-Liturgy of St. Basil the Great.

At Vespers with Liturgy of St. Basil:

Readings: Genesis 1:1-13; Isaiah 60:1-16; Exodus 12:1-11; Jonah (whole book); Joshua 5:10-15; Exodus 13:20-15:19 and Troparion (tone 5) with verses; Zephaniah 3:8-35; 3 Kings 17:8-24; Isaiah 61:10-62:5; Genesis 22:1-18; Isaiah 61:1-9; 4 Kings 4:8-37; Isaiah 63:11-64:5; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Daniel 3:1-56 and verses with a refrain.

Small litany with the Trisagion, and, from that point, the Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, at which we take everything of Great Saturday Liturgy only, including proper Cherubikon and Immos. Instead of Alleluia – special verses, during the singing of which the priest changes from dark to bright (silver white) vestments.

Instead of Trisagion – "All you who have been baptized."

Readings for the Great Saturday:

Epistle: Romans §91 [6:3-11].

Gospel: Matthew §115 [28:1-20].

Note: After the Ambo Prayer blessing of the prosfora, without the vigil litija (Dolnytskyj's *Typik*, p. 403). The blessing of Easter foods may be anticipated today, although, properly, it is done following Resurrection Matins on Easter.

Before midnight or early Easter Sunday Morning:

Midnight Office (Nadhrobnoe), removal of the holy Shroud to the altar. (The *Typik* prescribes dark vestments for this service, but if it is held immediately before Paschal Matins, bright vestments may be worn, especially since they have already been worn earlier in the day at the Vesper-Litrgy).

Sunday, April 24

HOLY AND GREAT SUNDAY OF THE PASCH RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.

Note: There is no fasting this week. Bright vestments are worn throughout the Pentecostal season.

At Paschal Matins: Procession around the church; chanting of Paschal Troparion with verses and everything else as in Horologion. Priests are in full vestments.

Note: The Holy Doors as well as the side doors of the Iconostasis are left open throughout Bright Week.

At the Liturgy: Festal Service for Pascha, including proper Antiphons, Entrance Hymn and Immos. Instead of Trisagion – "All those who have been baptized...".

Gospel is read in various languages. Paschal Dismissal with the Cross.

After the Ambo Prayer: Blessing of the Artos. Readings for the Holy and Great Easter Sunday:

Epistle: Acts §1 [1:1-8].

Gospel: John §1 [1:1-17].

Note: Dismissal with the Cross is also taken throughout Bright Week, and (only after the Liturgy) on all Sundays until the Apodosis of Pascha, on Wednesday of Mid-Pentecost, and on the Apodosis itself. It may also be taken whenever people are present in church in large numbers.

The Paschal Order:

The Tropar of Easter, *Christ is Risen...* is sung thrice following the opening exclamation of the priest and following each service; this Troparion is also sung in place of the following: "Blessed is He...", "We have seen the true Light...", "May our mouths be filled..." (thrice), "Blessed be the name of the Lord..." (thrice), and, before the Dismissal, instead of "Glory be to the Father...". Instead of "It is truly right" – Immos of Pascha (except on Mid-Pentecost and its apodosis). First and Third Antiphons of Sunday; final Kondak of Easter (except in the Thomas Week); in place of the Holy God..., *All you who have been baptized...*

Note: Today the priest blesses Paschal foods (after Matins or following the Liturgy). However, this blessing is not performed in church.

