

On the Second Sunday which occurs after the Commemoration of All-Saints, we celebrate the Memory of all the Saints who have shone forth in the Lands known as the British Isles.

Evening Service

At “Lord, I call...,” 10 stikhera: 4 stikhera of the Resurrection in Tone 2, and 6 stikhera, of the Saints, in Tone 1: *The composition of the monk Joseph (Lambertsen).*

Come, all ye faithful, /
And let us praise all the saints of the blessed Isles of the Sea: /
The right-believing princes, the holy hierarchs, and ven’rable monastics; /
The great company of holy women and the assembly of martyrs; /
Those known by name and those unknown,
For truly, by their words and deeds, and their manifold gifts from God, /
They were sanctified by Him and He glorified their blessed graves with wonders. /
And now, standing before Christ who hath so glorified them, ///
They fervently pray for us who lovingly celebrate the splendor of their holy memory.

In Tone 2:

How shall we praise the divinely wise saints of these Islands fair? /
As the true splendor and adornment of the Church of Christ; /
The crown of the priesthood, the rule of piet^y; /
The ever-flowing wellsprings of divine healing; /
The precious source of the gifts of the Spirit; /
The river of wonders which gladden the hearts of all who search for God, ///
For whose sake Christ, the all-merciful, cast down the might of the enemy.

In Tone 8:

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, /
As we praise your labors and struggles, /
For by your spiritual courage and purity of mind, /
Ye overcame the laws of nature and temptations of evil. /
O holy and divine assembly of God’s ven’rable ones, ///
Ye are truly the strength of these beautiful Isles.

And, in Tone 8: *To the melody, “O most glorious wonder...”*

O ye blesséd monarchs, divine princesses and queens, /
Ye, divine princes and kings, /
Who shone forth with Orthodox truth and love; /
You enlightened all by your virtues and faith, /

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Driving away the ancient darkness of idolatry. /
Therefore, we honor you as the partakers of unfading grace ///
And the unashamed preservers of your inheritance, O rightly wondrous ones.

O all-blessed martyrs of Christ, /
Ye hallowed the green and sceptered Isles /
With the scarlet blood of your sacrifice, /
Bringing splendor e'en to the blues skies by your repose; /
And now, beholding the heavenly light that knows no setting, ///
You pray before God for the salvation of our souls.

O ye righteous who have shone forth in these Isles of the saints, /
You edify the faithful and enlighten their minds and their hearts, /
For you truly know the needs of us all. /
Who cannot marvel at your forbearance and humility? /
You were true models of meekness and piety, /
Comforting the grieving and swiftly helping those in need; /
Providing safe haven for those stranded upon the sea, /
Giving shelter to those lost on the land, /
And receiving your eternal crowns by the almighty hand of God. ///
Beseech Him now that our souls may be saved.

Glory..., in Tone 5:

Rejoice, O faithful Church of these fair and beautiful Isles! /
Rejoice, O first-martyrs Alban, Aaron and Julius! /
Rejoice, O Ninian, apostle of the North! /
Rejoice, divine Patrick, come to the Irish lands with the Gospel of Christ! /
Rejoice, O David, enlightener of Wales! /
Rejoice, Columba, thou brilliant star of the Scots! /
Rejoice, O Gregory, who with thy disciple Augustine saw not Angles but angels! /
Rejoice, all ye intercessors with the Maker of all, /
Rejoice, for you brought the Orthodox Faith guiding all to the true and timeless Light! /
Rejoice, for every hamlet and town is nurtured by you, dwelling now in heaven! /
Rejoice, for all ye saints have been revealed as guiding lights for our souls! /
With the brilliance of your signs and deeds, you shine mystic'ly to all the ends of
the earth, ///
Beseeching Christ our God for the salvation of our souls!

Now and ever..., Dogmatic Theotokion, in Tone 2:

The shadow of the Law passed when grace came; /

As the bush burned, yet it was not consumed, /
So the Virgin gave birth, yet remained virgin. /
The righteous Sun hath risen instead of a pillar of fire; ///
Instead of Moses, Christ, the salvation of our souls.

The Entrance and the Prokeimenon of the Day.

Three Readings:

The Reading from the Prophecy of Isaiah: (Chapter 43:9-14)

^{43:9} **T**hus saith the Lord: “All the nations are gathered together, and princes shall be gathered out of them: who will declare these things, or who will declare to you things from the beginning? Let them bring forth their witnesses and be justified; and let them hear and declare the truth. ¹⁰Be ye My witnesses, and I too am a witness,” saith the Lord God, “and My servant whom I have chosen; that ye may know and believe and understand that I am He. Before Me there was no other God, and after Me

there shall be none. ¹¹I am God; and beside Me there is no Savior. ¹²I have declared, and have saved; I have reproached, and there was no strange god among you. Ye are My witnesses, and I am the Lord God, ¹³even from the beginning; and there is none that can deliver out of My hands. I will work, and who shall turn it back?” ¹⁴Thus saith the Lord God that redeems you, the Holy One of Israel.”

The Reading from the Wisdom of Solomon: (Chapter 3:1-9)

^{3:1} **B**ut the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. ²In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die, and their departure is taken for misery, ³and their going from us to be utter destruction, but they are in peace. ⁴For though they be punished in the sight of men, yet is their hope full of immortality; ⁵and having been a little chastised they shall be greatly rewarded, for God proved them and found them worthy for Himself. ⁶As gold in the furnace hath He tried them, and

received them as a whole burnt offering; ⁷And in the time of their visitation they shall shine and run to and fro like sparks among the stubble. ⁸They shall judge the nations and have dominion over the people, and their Lord shall reign forever. ⁹They that put their trust in Him shall understand the truth, and such as be faithful in love shall abide with Him, for grace and mercy is to His saints, and He hath care for His elect.

The Reading from the Wisdom of Solomon: (Chapter 5:15 — Chapter 6:3)

^{5:15} **B**ut the righteous live for evermore; their reward also is with the Lord, and the care of them is with the most High. ¹⁶Therefore shall they receive a glorious

kingdom and a beautiful crown from the Lord’s hand, for with His right hand shall He cover them, and with His arm shall He protect them. ¹⁷He shall take to

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him His zeal for complete armor, and make the creation His weapon for revenge upon his enemies. ¹⁸He shall put on righteousness as a breastplate, and indifferent judgment instead of a helmet. ¹⁹He shall take holiness for an invincible shield. ²⁰His severe wrath shall he sharpen for a sword, and the creation shall fight with him against the unwise. ²¹Then shall the right-aiming thunderbolts go abroad; and from the clouds, as from a well-drawn bow, shall they fly to the mark. ²²And hailstones full of wrath shall be cast out as a stone bow,

and the water of the sea shall rage against them, and the floods shall cruelly drown them. ²³Yea, a mighty wind shall stand up against them, and like a storm shall blow them away; thus iniquity shall lay waste the whole earth, and ill-dealing shall overthrow the thrones of the mighty. ^{6:1}Hear therefore, O ye kings, and understand; learn, ye that be judges of the ends of the earth. ²Give ear, ye that rule the people, and glory in the multitude of nations; ³for power is given to you of the Lord, and sovereignty from the Highest.

[The Litya and Apostikha are incomplete as of 7/2021]

The Troparion in Tone 8:

The Isles of the Sea offer to Thee all the saints who have shone forth in them, /
Having gathered there from all the ends of the earth to offer Thee the fair fruit of Thy
saving splendor. /

By their intercessions and the prayers of the Theotokos, preserve Thy Church and Thine
Isles in abiding peace, ///

And save our souls, O most merciful One.

Morning Service

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The Kontakion in Tone 3: To the melody "Today the Virgin..."

Today the choirs of the God-loving saints of the Isles of the Sea /

Stand in the Church and invisibly pray to God for us, /

With them the angels in heaven glorify Him, /

And all the saints keep a joyous festival with them, ///

Interceding before the pre-eternal God for us.