

ALL SAINTS OF NORTH AMERICA – Served on the 2nd Sunday After Pentecost

Great Vespers

Four stichera of the Resurrection—Tone 1, and the following six stichera of the Saints:

Tone 2

Come, let us praise the Saints of North **America**, /
Holy **hierarchs**, ven'erable monastics and glorious **martyrs**, /
Pious **men**, women and children, both known and **unknown**. /
Through their words and deeds in various **walks** of life, /
By the grace of the Spirit they achieved true **holiness**. /
Now standing before Christ who **glorified** them, ///
They pray for us who celebrate their **memory** in love.

Come, let us **assemble** today, /
And glorify the luminaries of the North **American** lands, /
The **noble** martyrs and holy bishops who **confirmed** our Faith, /
The righteous dwellers in the **wilderness**, and guides of the **spiritual** life. /
Let us cry out to **them** in joy: ///
O All Saints of North America, known and unknown, pray to **God** for us!

As the brightest sun, as the brilliance of the **morning** star, /
The precious Feast of the Saints of North America has **dawned** for us, /
To **illumine** us and set our **hearts** on fire, /
That we may imitate their **Godly** lives, ///
And follow their example of **zeal** for God.

Come, let us **assemble** today, /
And praise the elect of North **America**: /
Having **fought** the good fight you **persevered** in the Faith, /

Receiving your crowns of **vict'ry** from God. /
Beseech Him to deliver from every calamity and **sorrow**, ///
All who keep your holy mem'ry in **faith** and love.

Tone 6 —Special Melody: “Having set all our hope...”

Let heaven and earth **rejoice** today, /
O ven'erable Saints of **America**, /
Praising your **labors** and lives, /

Your spiritual fortitude and **purity** of heart. /
By driving away a multitude of **demons** /
And illumining many people with the light of the **Orthodox Faith**, ///
You have **confirmed** our land.

Rejoice, O mountains of Pennsylvania, /
Leap for joy, O waters of the **Great Lakes**, /
Rise up, O fertile plains of **Canada**, /
For the elect of Christ who dwelt in you are **glorified**, /
Men and women who left their homes for a **new** land. /
With faith, hope and patience as their **armor**, /
They courageously **fought** the good **fight**. /
Comforted by the beauty of the **Orthodox Faith**, /
They labored in mines and mills, they **tilled** the land, /
They braved the challenges of the great **cities**, /
Enduring many hardships and **sufferings**. /
Never failing to worship God in **spirit** and truth, /
And unyielding in devotion to His most pure **Mother**, /
They erected many temples to His **glory**. /
Come, O assembly of the **Orthodox**, /
And with love let us praise the holy women, men and **children**, /
Those known to us and those known **only** to God, /
And let us cry **out** to them: /
Rejoice, All Saints of North **America**, ///
And pray to **God** for us.

Glory...in Tone 5:

Rejoice, O lands of North **America**, /
Illumined by the Holy **Gospel**. /
Rejoice, every province, state, **city**, and town, /
Which **raised** up citizens of the kingdom of **heaven**. /
Rejoice, ven'erable Father Herman, first **saint** of our **land**. /
Rejoice, O Martyrs Juvenaly and **Peter**, /
For your **blood** has watered the seed of Faith planted in **Alaska**. /
Rejoice, O holy Hierarchs: Innocent, Tikhon and **Nikolai**, /
Rejoice, O holy Father Alexis and you **righteous** priests. /

Rejoice, Righteous Wonderworker Mother **Olga**,
Rejoice, All Saints of North **America**, /
For your **light** hath shone forth to the **ends** of the **earth**. ///
We beseech you to pray to Christ our **God** that our **souls** may be **saved**.

Dogmatikon - Tone 1: Now and ever...

Let us **praise** the Virgin Mary, /
The Gate of heaven, the **Glory** of the world; /
The Song of the angels, the Beauty of the **faithful**. /
She was born of **man**, yet gave **birth** to God. /
She was revealed as heaven, as the temple of the **Godhead**. /
She destroyed the wall of **enmity**. /
She commenced the peace, she opened the **kingdom**. /
Since she is **our** **confirmation** of faith, /
Our **defender** is the Lord, whom **she** bore. /
Courage, courage, O **people** of God! /
For **Christ** will destroy our **enemies**, ///
Since He is all-**powerful**.

Entrance

Saturday Evening Great Prokeimenon (“The Lord is King...”)

3 Readings from the Old Testament:

The reading from the Prophecy of Isaiah (43:9–14)

^{43:9}Thus 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. ¹⁰ Be 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. ¹¹ I am God; and beside Me there is no Savior. ¹² I 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, ¹³ even from the beginning; and there is none that can deliver out of My hands. I will work, and who shall turn it back?” ¹⁴ Thus saith the Lord God that redeems you, the Holy One of Israel.”

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

^{3:1} The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. ² In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die: and their departure is

taken for misery, ³ and their going from us to be utter destruction: but they are in peace. ⁴ For though they be punished in the sight of men, yet is their hope full of

immortality. ⁵ And having been a little chastised, they shall be greatly rewarded: for God proved them, and found them worthy for Himself. ⁶ As gold in the furnace hath He tried them and received them as a burnt offering. ⁷ And in the time of their visitation they shall shine, and run to and fro like sparks among the stubble.

⁸ They shall judge the nations, and have dominion over the people, and their Lord shall reign forever. ⁹ They 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(5:15-6:3):

^{5:15} ...The righteous live for evermore; their reward also is with the Lord, and the care of them is with the Most High. ¹⁶ Therefore 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. ¹⁷ He shall take to him His zeal for complete armor and make the creation His weapon for revenge upon his enemies. ¹⁸ He shall put on righteousness as a breastplate and indifferent judgment instead of a helmet. ¹⁹ He shall take holiness for an invincible shield. ²⁰ His severe wrath shall he sharpen for a sword, and the creation shall fight with him against the unwise. ²¹ Then shall the right aiming thunderbolts go abroad; and from the clouds, as from a well-drawn bow, and

they shall fly to the mark. ²² And hail-stones 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. ²³ Yea, 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. ² Give ear, ye that rule the people, and glory in the multitude of nations. ³ For power is given to you of the Lord, and sovereignty from the Highest, who shall try your works, and search out your counsels.

Litya

*One sticheron of the temple and the following of the Saints, in **Tone 5**:*

Rejoice, O faithful Church in the North **American** lands! /
Rejoice, O ven'erable Father Herman of **Alaska**, /
For **thou** wast the first to inter**cede** in our land, /
Guiding our people to the **True** Faith. /
Through thy miracles and **wonders** /
The **Light** of Christ hath illumined all the **ends** of our land. /
We **implore** thee to pray to **Christ** our God ///

To grant our **souls** great **mercy**.

Rejoice, All Saints of North **America**, /
Precious **a**dornments of our lands; /
Un**sh**akeable **p**illars of our Church; /
The **g**lory of Orthodoxy, the fountains of **w**onders; /
Inexhaustible streams of love and **v**irtue; /
Brilliant lights and humble instruments of the Holy **S**pirit; /
Heavenly people, earthly angels, and true **f**riends of Christ. /
Fervently entreat His **m**ercy to those who **h**onor you.

Glory...now and ever... in the same tone:

Most **g**lorious saints and guardians of North **America**, /
Spiritual and heavenly city of **S**ion on high; /
Beacons of light for those despairing in **d**arkness; /
Precious **p**earls of virtue and sacred coals of **r**epentance; /
Defenders of widows, orphans, and **a**ll the oppressed; /
Exemplary followers of the **t**eachings of the Church; /
And **j**oyful keepers of **a**bstinence: /
Pray without **c**easing to Christ, /
Implo**r**ing Him to grant **s**tability to our Church, ///
And peace and great **m**ercy **t**o our land.

Aposticha: All to the Resurrection - Tone 1

Glory...in Tone 4:

Today, as we celebrate the **m**emory /
Of All Saints of North **America**, /
Let us **p**raise them as is **f**itting, /
For they lived all of Christ's **B**eatitudes. /
Deprived of material wealth, they became rich in **s**pirit. /
Meek, they **i**nherited the earth. /
Mourning, they were **c**omforted. /
Thirsting for righteousness, they were **s**atisfied. /
Merciful, they obtained **m**ercy. /
Pure in heart, they beheld the **i**mage of God. /
As peacemakers, they became **c**hildren of God. /
Persecuted and tortured for **r**ighteousness' sake, /
They now rejoice in **h**eaven; ///
Praying fervently that the Lord will have **m**ercy on our souls.

Now and ever...in Tone 5:

Let us **sound** a hymn on the **trumpet** /
And praise with one accord the **Protectress** of our land, /
Our **Theotokos** and Queen. /
Rejoice, thou who hast crowned our land with thy **favor**, /
Pouring out abundant **grace** upon it. /
Therefore, the Church in America joyously celebrates thy precious **protection** /
And **commemorates** the multitude of thy **miracles**. /
Deprive us not of thy mercies now, O **Lady**. /
Look favorably upon us in our adversities and **afflictions**, ///
And raise us up by thy **powerful intercession**.

Blessing of the Loaves

“Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos...” twice, then:

Troparion - Tone 8

As the bountiful harvest of Thy sowing of **salvation**, /
The lands of North America offer to Thee, O Lord, all the saints who
have **shone** in them. /
By their prayers, keep the Church and our land in **abiding** peace ///
Through the Theotokos, O most **merciful** One.

If Great Vespers (with Litya) is served separately from Matins then “Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos...” twice; Glory...now...; Troparion of the Saints.

If Great Vespers (without Litya) is served separately from Matins then the Resurrectional Troparion; Glory...; Troparion of the Saints; Now and ever...; Theotokion (same tone as the Troparion of the Saints— Tone 8).

Matins

“God is the Lord...” - Tone 1

Resurrectional Troparion twice; Glory... ; Troparion of the Saints; Now and ever...; Resurrectional Theotokion.

Kathisma reading

Resurrectional Kathisma Hymns—Tone 1

Polyeleos

Magnification:

We magnify you, All Saints who have shone forth in North **America**, /
And we honor your **holy** memory, ///
For you pray to **Christ** our **God** for us.

*V.: Hear this, all peoples; give ear, all the in**h**abited earth.¹*

The Evlogitaria of the Resurrection —“Blessed art Thou, O Lord...”

The Little Litany

Hypakoe - Tone 1

Sessional Hymns to the Saints, in Tone 8:

Illumined by the brilliant **rays** of the Saints, /
We are bathed in the **warmth** of their light, /
As if **entering** into **paradise**. /
And beholding their valor in **wonder**, /
Let us strive to imitate their **virtues**, /
Calling **out** to the **Savior**: ///
Through their prayers, O God, make us partakers of Thy **kingdom**.

Glory...in the same tone:

The faithful of North **America** /
Join in the commemoration of Thy **Saints**, O Lord. /
All our lands re**joice** with the **heavens**, and cry: ///
Through the prayers of Thy Saints, grant our souls great **mercy**.

Now and ever...in the same tone:

Look down from on high, O all-merciful **Master**, /
And attend to our **infirmities**. /
Visit us who have been **corrupted** by sinfulness, /
And through the prayers of the Theotokos and all the Saints of North **America**, ///
Grant our souls great **mercy**.

Gradual Hymns—Tone 1

¹ For the complete list of Magnification verses, see “The Common for the Commemoration of a Holy Hierarch” in *The Liturgical Psalter*, Sergei D. Arhipov & Daria Cortése, eds. (Newtown: Aorist Press, 2023), pp. 386-387.

Resurrectional Prokeimenon—Tone 1

Resurrectional Gospel Post-Gospel Stichera: “Having Beheld the Resurrection...”

“O God, save Thy people...”

Canon

The Resurrectional Canon with its Irmos—on 4; and of the Theotokos—on 2; and of the Saints—on 8; Katavasia: Canon to the Theotokos.

Ode I - Tone 2

Irmos: Come, you people, let us sing a song to Christ our God, who parted the sea and through it led His people whom He had brought out of the bondage of Egypt; for He has been glorified.

REFRAIN: *All Saints of North America, pray to God for us.*

Come, all Orthodox believers, and let us praise in song the Saints of our Church in America, and let us glorify Christ who has glorified them.

Come, let us with one accord sing hymns of praise to all the Saints who have shone forth in virtue throughout our land, spiritually nourishing the Church on the North American continent.

Come, all Orthodox believers; let us praise the wonderworkers Herman and Olga, the holy martyrs Juvenaly and Peter, and all who labored in the Alaskan vineyard of Christ — these Northern Lights of the American Church and ever-shining beacons of piety.

Come, all ye who love the saints; let us remember our instructors in the Faith: the holy bishops Innocent and Tikhon, and the righteous priest Alexis, for by their teachings they have freed us from the bonds of ignorance.

Glory...now and ever...

Theotokion: Accept our songs of thanksgiving, O Virgin Full of Grace, and deliver us from all tribulation, evil and distress, for we place our hope in thee as the mighty Protectress of the Orthodox Church in the New World.

Katavasia, in Tone 4 (from the General Canon to the Theotokos)²

Irmos 1: *I shall open my mouth, and it shall be filled with the Spirit; I shall utter a word to the Queen and Mother. I shall be seen radiantly keeping festival, and with rejoicing I shall sing of her wonders.*

Ode 3

Irmos: The Church of the Gentiles was like a desert, barren in its pagan ways, but now it has blossomed by Thy coming, O Lord; in that same coming my heart is established.

Rejoice, land of Alaska, for the Orthodox Faith has been planted in thee and now bears the fruit of salvation throughout North America.

Let us praise in sacred hymns our father Herman of Alaska, who has bestowed his blessing upon the New World and has left us his holy relics as a source of healing for many who honor his memory.

Iliamna and Kenai rejoice, and all America is filled with gladness as we trust in the power of your intercessions, O holy martyrs Juvenaly and Peter.

We entreat you to intercede for your people, O Hieromartyr Juvenaly and Peter the Aleut, who struggled for the Faith unto the shedding of your blood. Teach us to boldly confess the Orthodox Faith and to have no fear of the enemy.

Glory...now and ever...

Theotokion: Grant us the help of thy prayers, O Most Holy Lady, for our enemies have overwhelmed us; but thou, O All-pure One, art our Protection and sure Deliverance. Intercede with thy Son that our souls may be saved.

Katavasia Irmos 3: *O Theotokos, living and abundant fountain, spiritually strengthen thy singers, the choirs assembled in thy divine splendor, and grant them crowns of glory.*

After the Third Ode, the Kontakion, Ikos and Sessional Hymns:

² Katavasiae for all Odes are given here. However, in common contemporary parish practice Katavasiae are sung after Odes 3, 6, 8 and 9.

The Kontakion of the Feast, in Tone 3 (Podoben melody: “Today the Virgin...”):

Today the choir of Saints who were pleasing to God in the lands of North America /
Now stands before us in the Church and invisibly prays to God for us. /
With them the angels glorify Him, /
And all the saints of the Church of Christ keep festival with them; ///
And together they all pray for us to the Pre-eternal God.

Ikos: The Saints are as the beautiful and fruitful trees of Eden, putting forth the fragrant flowers of their doctrines and the fruit of their labors. By them our souls are nourished and our spiritual hunger satisfied. Come, therefore; let us run to the protection of their guidance and bless them as the joy and adornment of our land, and as the image and example of our lives, for they have received incorruptible crowns from the Pre-eternal God.

Sessional Hymns, in Tone 4:

Christ, the Sun of Righteousness, /
Has sent you forth as beams of light /
To illuminate the North American lands, /
O holy hierarchs, martyrs, monastics and all the righteous. /
O Blessèd of God, enlighten then my darkened soul ///
By your fervent supplications to Him.

Come, O ye faithful, /
And let us hasten to the Cross of our God and Savior. /
Of His own will, he put on a garment of flesh /
And poured out His sacred Blood, /
Redeeming us from bondage to the enemy. /
Let us thankfully cry out to Him: /
Save our Orthodox bishops and our communities. /
Defend all Thy people by Thy holy Cross, ///
and save our souls, for Thou lovest mankind.

Ode 4

Irmos: Thou hast come from a Virgin not as an ambassador nor an angel, but as the Lord Himself incarnate; Thou hast saved me, the whole man, so I cry to Thee: Glory to Thy power, O Lord!

Along with thy monastic brethren, thou didst come to Alaska to spread the word of the Christ, the Word. Immediately upon thy arrival, O Hieromartyr Juvenaly, thou didst zealously begin thine apostolic mission among the native peoples.

Having proclaimed the Orthodox Faith to the heathen, you have taken up your abode in the eternal mansions, O martyrs Juvenaly and Peter. Standing now before the King of Kings,

you pray for us who honor your holy memory.

Holy Father Herman, by deed and word thou didst teach us to love God above all else and to do His holy will. Pray that we may heed thy wise counsel.

Intercede for our land, O Father Herman of Alaska, for thou hast taught us to confess the Orthodox Faith with boldness without fearing the threats of the adversary.

O righteous mother Olga, wonderworker of all Alaska, thou wast divinely revealed as an icon of Christ's love, pouring forth compassion upon those in need. Thy poverty of spirit enriched thee; thy humility exalted thee. Pure of heart while on the earth, thou didst behold God with thy spiritual eyes, and now thou standest before His glorious heavenly throne. Therefore we entreat thee to pray that our souls may be saved.

Glory...now and ever...

Theotokion: **T**he holy mountain of Athos is illumined by thine images, O blessed Theotokos, and the cities of America are likewise adorned and sanctified, receiving from thee miraculous aid and consolation. Open to us also, O Lady, the doors of paradise.

Katavasia Irmos 4: *He who sits in glory on the throne of Divinity, Jesus, truly divine, came on a light cloud, and saved with an incorrupt hand those who cry aloud: Glory to Thy power, O Christ!*

Ode 5

Irmos: **G**iver of light and sovereign Creator of the world, guide us in the light of Thy Commandments, for we know no other God than Thee.

Let Innocent and Tikhon, the holy enlighteners of North America, be praised in sacred hymns, along with the divinely-wise Archpastor Nikolai of Zhicha, and our father and teacher Alexis, for they are all sacred vessels of the Spirit.

Although thy sojourn in the New World was brief, thou didst accomplish much, baptizing many in the name of the Triune God. Yet, O Hieromartyr Juvenaly, thine apostolic ministry and thine earthly life were cut short by the hands of those whom thou didst labor to lead into Christ's heavenly kingdom.

By the weapon of your prayers, O holy martyrs Juvenaly and Peter, defend our land and its Orthodox people from all calamity and sorrow.

Shine like a star in heaven, Holy Father Herman, North Star of Christ's Holy Church, guiding us toward the Master and His heavenly kingdom.

Glory...now and ever...

Theotokion: Christ has shone forth from thee, O Virgin, to enlighten those in darkness and to reconcile God and man.

Katavasia Irmos 5: *All things were amazed at thy divine glory, for thou, O Virgin who knewest no wedlock, didst bear in thy womb the God over all, and thou gavest birth to the Eternal Son, granting peace to all who sing thy praises.*

Ode 6

Irmos: Encompassed in the depths of sin, I entreat the unfathomable depths of Thy compassion: bring me out of corruption, O Lord!

We praise thee, O Holy Hierarch Innocent, for like Cyril and Methodius, the Apostles to the Slavs, thou didst leave thy homeland to journey to a foreign land. Following their example, thou didst enlighten thy new flock by translating the Holy Scriptures into their own language.

O Holy Hierarch Tikhon, thou didst provide for the spiritual well-being of the Church in the New World by establishing the monastic tradition. Through thy prayers, may the monastery thou didst found in the mountains of Pennsylvania, named after thy heavenly patron, St. Tikhon of Zadonsk, be a haven for many who give all in their love of Christ.

O Holy Hierarch Nikolai, thou didst inspire spiritual renewal in thy native land. The Lord led thee to the shores of America to continue thine apostolic ministry, instructing in theology and preaching the beauty of the kingdom of God.

We beseech you, O Bishops of Christ, Innocent, Tikhon and Nikolai, to dissipate the soul-destroying tempests that assail us. Through your prayers, O holy hierarchs, may we be granted spiritual tranquillity.

Glory...now and ever...

Theotokion: As thou hast continually interceded for our land, at the prayers of the North American Saints, look upon us now, O Most Pure Theotokos, and, as the hope of the hopeless and helper of those in distress, grant us a sign of thy compassion, O Lady.

Katavasia Irmos 6: *Come, let us clap our hands, O divinely-wise ones, celebrating the divine, all-precious feast of the Mother of God, and let us glorify God who was born of her.*

Kontakion and Ikos of the Resurrection —Tone 1

Ode 7

Irmos: The wise children did not adore the golden idol, but went themselves into the flame and defied the pagan gods. They prayed in the midst of the fire and an angel bedewed them, saying: The prayer of your lips has been heard.

Knowing that the Lord guides a man safely in the way that he should go, thou didst leave thy comfortable life in Irkutsk, O Holy Hierarch Innocent, to live a rigorous one in Unalaska among the Aleuts in order to spread the Gospel of Christ.

Though thy years were few in number, O Holy Martyr Peter, thy wisdom was great, for thou didst wisely choose to endure the tortures of those ungodly men who commanded thee to renounce thy Faith. Intercede with Christ our God that we too may endure all assaults against us.

Abhorring the abuse of the Alaskan lands and its people, thou didst seek to protect them, for thou hast made them thine own, O Holy Father Herman, and didst unceasingly intercede before God and the civil authorities in their behalf. Now, as then, intercede for us all before the Lord.

Having thee as our sure anchor of hope and immovable rampart, O Holy Father Herman of Alaska, we are delivered from the hostile assaults of the enemy by thy powerful intercessions before the throne of God.

Glory...now and ever...

Theotokion: By thine all-honorable Icon in Sitka, which we have received as a divine gift from on high, O Theotokos, may we ever increase in love for thy Son and our God, and may we be delivered from every hostile assault of the enemy.

Katavasia Irmos 7: *The divinely-wise ones would not serve created things more than Him who created them, but bravely trampling on the fiery threat, they rejoiced, singing: "Blessèd art Thou, O most-hymned Lord and God of our fathers!"*

Ode 8

Irmos: The three youths would not obey the decree of the tyrant; when cast into the furnace they sang: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord!

Through your prayers to the all-merciful Lord, O holy Hierarchs Innocent, Tikhon and Nikolai, may we be delivered from the tempestuous passions that assail us, and may we always cry: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord!

As archpastor of thy North American flock, thou didst lead the procession to the site where

the monastery dedicated to the memory of thy heavenly patron now stands. O holy Hierarch Tikhon, we the faithful give thanks to thee and joyfully accept this gift to us as we cry: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord!

As the three youths chose to defy the tyrant, thou, O holy Martyr Peter, didst choose physical death over the spiritual death of apostasy. Pray that we also may give ourselves fully to the Lord as we cry: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord!

O holy Father Herman, glory of Alaska and all America, cease not to pray for us who cry: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord!

We bless the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the Lord, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Theotokion: Just as the three youths were not consumed by the flames, thou wast not consumed by the Divine Fire which dwelt in thy virginal womb. Therefore, O Theotokos, we exalt thee throughout all ages.

Katavasia verse: We praise, bless and worship the Lord, singing and exalting Him throughout all ages.

Katavasia Irmos 8: *The Offspring of the Theotokos saved the God-fearing children in the furnace. He who was then prefigured now is acting, and He raises up all the universe to sing: "Praise the Lord, all ye His works; highly exalt Him throughout all ages!"*

The Magnificat is sung.

Ode 9

Irmos: The Son of the Eternal Father, God the Lord, incarnate of the Virgin, has appeared to us, to give light to those in darkness and to gather those who had gone astray; therefore, we magnify thee, O Theotokos.

Rejoice, O Saints of the New World, both revealed and hidden, known and unknown, who have been glorified by the Lord. Entreat Him to grant us consolation in sorrow, and to confirm our land in piety and our people in the Orthodox Faith, and accept as our humble gift this hymn of praise and thanksgiving.

Rejoice, O Saints of the New World on this day of your holy feast, for as flowers you have adorned the True Vine which has budded forth in our land.

Rejoice, Saints of the New World, all of you who have reached the heavenly Sion and now stand before the throne of the King of Glory; intercede with our merciful God to grant unity to the Church, so that with one mind and voice we may unceasingly witness to the Truth and

praise the Consubstantial Trinity.

Glory...

Triadicon: **O** Most Holy Trinity, accept the American Church which has been offered to Thee as choice incense. Through the prayers of those who have served and pleased Thee, confirm this land in peace and preserve her people from all assaults of the enemy.

Now and ever...

Theotokion: **W**e on earth, together with the heavenly hosts, magnify Thy Son and our God, O Theotokos, and we glorify Thee as the Protectress of the Church in America.

Katavasia: *Let all the earthborn leap for joy, enlightened by the Spirit, and let the nature of the bodiless ones make festival; let them cry aloud: "Rejoice, all-blessèd and pure Theotokos, Ever-Virgin!"*

Exapostilaria, in Tone 2:

Beholding the empty tomb with the stone rolled away, the myrrhbearing women rejoiced, for they saw a young man seated upon the sepulchre, and he said to them: "Tell the disciples, with Peter, that Christ has risen! Hasten to the mountain of Galilee; there He will appear to you as He promised His friends."

Glory...in the same tone:

Christ, the Sun of Righteousness, sent you out as rays of light to illumine those in darkness and shadow. Therefore, through you, All Saints of North America, we have found the Truth.

Now and ever... in the same tone:

An angel brought the Virgin the salutation before Thy conception, O Christ; and an angel also rolled away the stone from Thy tomb. The first, instead of sorrow, brought signs of ineffable joy, and the other, instead of death, proclaimed and magnified Thee, the Bestower of life, declaring the Resurrection to the women and to those who knew the mystery.

The Praises

Four stichera of the Resurrection in the first tone. Four stichera of the Saints, in Tone 8 (Podoben melody: "What shall we call thee..."):

What shall we call you, O Saints of North **A**merica? /
Beloved servants of **C**hrist our God? /

Tireless workers in His **v**ineyard? /
True preachers of His **G**ospel? /
Faithful friends, who love Him more than **l**ife itself? /
Now that you stand before the throne of the **K**ing of **G**lory, /
Do not fo**r**get your spiritual **ch**ildren ///
And pray that our **s**ouls may be saved.

What shall we call you, O Saints of North **A**merica, /
Who were pleasing to **G**od in our land? /
Shepherds, who seek **th**ose who have **g**one astray? /
Guides, who lead those blind in their no**e**tic eyes? /
Wonderworkers, who heal both souls and **b**odies? /
Now that you are **n**umbered with the **ch**osen of God, /
Remember us who glorify your **m**emory, ///
And pray that our **s**ouls may be saved.

V: Blessèd are all who fear the Lord, who walk in His ways.

How shall we praise you, O Saints of North **A**merica, /
Greatly favored by the **M**other of God? /
No hymns can tell of **a**ll your **w**onders; /
No books can contain all you endured for the **M**aster. /
But you labored not for earthly **g**ain or glory, /
Only to feed the hungry and provide for **th**ose in need, /
To visit the sick and teach **th**ose in **i**gnorance, ///
And to pray that our **s**ouls may be saved.

V: Their steps are ordered by the Lord; He establishes those in whose way He delights.

How shall we thank you worthily, O Saints of North **A**merica, /
Who illumined us with the **l**ight of Christ? /
For you led us from **d**arkness and **sh**adow, /
Guiding us toward the Un**cr**eated Light, /
Along the way nourishing us with the Food of the **K**ingdom. /
So today, **w**e who have been en**l**ightened, /
Gather and celebrate your sacred **m**emory, ///
And we pray that our **s**ouls may be saved.

Glory...

The Gospel Sticheron, in Tone 2:

The women who were with Mary came carrying sweet **sp**ices, /
And in wonder saw the stone **r**olled away. /

A young **man** sent from God calmed the **tumult** in their souls, /
Saying, “The Lord Jesus is **risen**! /
Proclaim, then, to His preachers and **disciples** /
That they should hasten to Galilee and behold Him **risen** from the dead, ///
For He is the Lord and **Giver** of Life.”

Now and ever... in the same tone:

Thou art most blessèd, O Virgin Theotokos, /
Through the God-man who was **born** of thee, /
Hell hath been captured and **Adam** recalled. /
The curse has been annulled and **Eve** set free. /
Death has been slain, so we are **given** Life! /
Blessèd is Christ our God, whose good **will** it was. ///
Glory to Thee!

Great Doxology

Litanies

First Hour

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Beatitudes

1. We offer Thee the cry of the thief, and we pray: Remember us in Thy kingdom, O Savior.
2. For the forgiveness of transgressions we offer unto Thee the Cross which Thou didst accept for our sake, O Thou who lovest mankind.
3. We bow down in worship, O Master, before Thy burial and rising, whereby Thou hast delivered the world from corruption, O Thou who lovest mankind.
4. By Thy death hath death been slain, O Lord, and by Thy Resurrection hast Thou saved the world, O Savior.
5. Risen from the tomb, Thou didst meet the myrrhbearing women; and Thou didst tell Thy disciples to announce Thine arising.
6. Those who slept in darkness, beholding Thee, the Light, in the nethermost parts of Hades, O Christ, were raised from the dead.

7. Let us praise in sacred hymns our father Herman of Alaska, who hath bestowed his blessing upon the New World and hath left us his holy relics as a source of healing for many who honor his memory.
8. We entreat you to intercede for your people, hieromartyr Juvenaly and youth Peter, whose struggle for the Faith included the shedding of your blood. Teach us to confess with boldness the Orthodox Faith and to have no fear of the enemy.
9. We praise John the Wonderworker of San Francisco, boast of the saints, who didst bring forth to the faithful the glory of the wonderworkers John of Kronstadt and Herman of Alaska: O thou who didst bring forth the knowledge of these great saints and didst pave the way for their glorification in the Holy Church, we beseech thee, O great wonderworker: help us in these last times!
10. *Theotokion*: Grant us the help of thy prayers, all-holy lady, for our enemies have overwhelmed us. But through thee, O all-pure One, can we be delivered. Intercede with thy Son that we may be saved.

Troparia

Resurrection - Tone 1; Church (if of Theotokos); Saints

Kontakia

Resurrection - Tone 1; Glory...; Saints; Now and ever...; Church (if of Theotokos, if not, then "Steadfast Protectress..."

Prokeimena

Resurrection - Tone 1: Let Thy mercy, O Lord be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee. [Ps 32:22, LXX]

V.: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! [Ps 32:1, LXX]

Saints — Tone 7: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. [Ps 115:6, LXX]

Epistles

Romans 2:10–16; Hebrews 11:33–12:1 (Saints)

Alleluia

Resurrection - Tone 1: God gives vengeance to me, and subdues people under me. [Ps 17:48, LXX]

V.: He magnifies the salvation of the king, and deals mercifully with His Christ, with David and his seed forever. [Ps 17:51, LXX]

Saints - Tone 1: Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, O you righteous. [Ps 31:11, LXX]

Gospels

Matthew 4:18–23; Matthew 4:25–5:12 (Saints).

Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the Heavens, praise him in the highest. [Ps 148:1]

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! [Saints, Ps 32:1, LXX].

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.