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**Typicon of the Divine Liturgy  
For Sundays and Main Feasts**

**March, 2010**

**Abbreviations & References:**

Gospel Book, English: Bishop Joseph Raya, Alleluia Press, 1978  
Gospel Book, Arabic: Paulist Fathers, Harissa, 1960  
Epistle Book, English (Apostolos): Bishop Joseph Raya, Alleluia Press, 1980  
Epistle Book, Arabic: Paulist Fathers, Harissa, 1967  
BDW: Byzantine Daily Worship: Bishop Joseph Raya, Alleluia Press, 1980  
CT: CyberTypicon - Version 4, Fr. Peter Boutros, Phoenix, AZ  
ED: Prayer Book, Arabic: Bishop N. Edelby of Aleppo, 1962  
PLC: Patriarchal Liturgical Commission : *Holy and Divine Liturgies*, Arabic, 2006 - Prayers translated by Rev. Alam Alam

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***Acathist Hymn on Friday, from February 19, to March 19, 2010***

**Missing Troparion in the BDW Acathist Hymn:**

Please go to p. 966 of the BDW and before Glory be to the Father... insert the following Troparion which is missing from Ode 8:

*O most Holy Theotokos, save us!*

*We had been stripped of our innocence by the first deceit. But by your giving birth to the Word we were vested with immortality. We who sat in the darkness of sin saw light through you, O Virgin, dwelling of Light. Therefore we praise you forever.*

*Sunday, March 7, 2010*  
*Third Sunday of Lent – Sunday of the Holy Cross*

**Tone 7 - Orthros Gospel 7** - Page 271 (English) – Page 177 (Arabic)

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**Liturgy of St. Basil the Great**

**Antiphon Prayer** (PLC p. 441)

O Christ God, You chose of your own free will to be raised on the Cross for the sake of mankind. Have mercy on your people called after your name. Grant to the Church, your Mystical Body, to rejoice in your might. Safeguard all the peoples that You reconciled by your crucifixion. As for us, who have been sealed by the sign of your Cross, grant that we may not be proud of anything but of your Cross, bearing at all time in our hearts and our minds, the marks of your Holy Passion. For You are our Light and our Sanctification, O Christ our God, and to You we render glory, and to your Eternal Father, and your All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

**Antiphons of the Feast** (BDW p. 803), (PLC p. 442), (ED p. 552)

**Hymns** Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone 7  
 Troparion of the Holy Cross, (PLC p. 443)

**Troparion of the Holy Cross, as modified by the Holy Synod:**

“O Lord save your people and bless your inheritance, granting peace to the world; and protect your community by the power of your Cross.”

Troparion of the patron of the church  
 Kondakion of the Annunciation, (BDW p. 794), (PLC p. 439), (ED p. 542)

**Instead of the Trisagion** We bow in worship before Your Cross, O Master, and we give praise to Your Holy Resurrection.

Arabic: Li-sa-lee-bi-ka ya Say-yi-da-na nas-jud, wa-li-qi-yaa-ma-ti-kal-mu-qad-da-sa nu-maj-jid.

Greek: Ton Stav-ron su pros-ki-noo-men Dhes-po-ta, ke tin a-gi-an su A-na-sta-sin dho-xa-zo-men.

**Epistle** Hebrews 4:14-5:6, Page 356 (English) – Page 404 (Arabic)

**Gospel** Mark 8: 34-9:1, Page 213 (English) – Page 137 (Arabic)

**Hymn to the Theotokos** In you, O Full of grace... (BDW p. 331, ED p. 421)

**Kinonikon** Let the light of your Face shine on us, O Lord. Alleluia!

**Apolysis** ... and our Father among the Saints Basil the Great, Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia etc...

**At the end of the Divine Liturgy, Procession of the Holy Cross**

*Sunday, March 14, 2010*  
*Fourth Sunday of Lent – Sunday of our Father John Climacus*

**Tone 8 - Orthros Gospel 8** - Page 272 (English) – Page 177 (Arabic)

**Liturgy of St. Basil the Great**

**Antiphon Prayer** (PLC p. 444)

O Lord, Lover of mankind, You saved the people of Niniva as they repented, fasting and weeping. Have mercy on us, for we fall short of any defense. And since You are compassionate, strengthen in our hearts our faith in your name and steady our footsteps in the way of your Commandments. For You are good and forbearing, O our God, and to You we render glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

**Hymns**

Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone 8  
 Troparion of Father John Climacus, (BDW p. 808), (PLC p. 445), (ED p. 559)  
 Troparion of the patron of the church  
 Kondakion of the Annunciation, (BDW p. 794), (PLC p. 439), (ED p. 542)

**Epistle** Hebrews 6: 13- 20, Page 359 (English) – Page 407 (Arabic)

**Gospel** Mark 9: 17-31, Page 215 (English) – Page 137 (Arabic)

**Hymn to the Theotokos** In you, O Full of grace... (BDW p. 331, ED p. 421)

**Apolysis** ... and our Father among the Saints Basil the Great, Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia etc...

**At the end of the Divine Liturgy, Procession of the Holy Relics**

*Thursday, March 18, 2010*  
*Thursday of Repentance*

**Recitation of the Canon of Andrew of Crete** - Lenten Triodion (Volume 4) Page 78  
 See instruction in the Lenten Triodion (Volume 4) Page 58

*Saturday, March 20, 2010*  
*Saturday of the Acathist Hymn*

**Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Hymns** Troparion of the Acathist, (BDW p. 811), (PLC p. 445), (ED p. 564) (Three times)  
Kondakion of the Annunciation, (BDW p. 794), (PLC p. 439), (ED p. 542)

**Epistle** Hebrews 9:24-28, Page 362 (English) – Page 410 (Arabic)

**Gospel** Mark 8:27-31, Page 216 (English) – Page 138 (Arabic)

**Hymn to the Theotokos** (BDW p. 811), (PLC p. 446), (ED p. 565)

*Sunday, March 21, 2010*  
*Fifth Sunday of Lent – Sunday of our Venerable Mother Mary of Egypt*

**Tone 1 - Orthros Gospel 9** - Page 272 (English) – Page 177 (Arabic)

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**Liturgy of St. Basil the Great**

**Antiphon Prayer** (PLC p. 444)

O Lord God, You examine the inner heart. You know our concerns before they emerge into being. You saved Mary of Egypt from the tribulations of this earth, for she had recourse to You. We implore You to purify our hearts and to make us temples of your Holy Spirit and rich in virtues, so that we may glorify You by hymns of praise and good works.

For You are our God and to You are due all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

**Hymns**

Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone 1

Troparion of our Mother Mary of Egypt, (BDW p. 812), (PLC p. 447), (ED p. 566)

Troparion of the patron of the church

Kondakion of the Annunciation, (BDW p. 794), (PLC p. 439), (ED p. 542)

**Epistle** Hebrews 9:11-14, Page 364 (English) – Page 412 (Arabic)

**Gospel** Mark 10:32-45, Page 217 (English) – Page 138 (Arabic)

**Hymn to the Theotokos** In you, O Full of grace... (BDW p. 331, ED p. 421)

**Apolytis** ... and our Father among the Saints Basil the Great, Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia etc...

*Thursday, March 25, 2010*  
**FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION**

**Orthros Gospel** - Page 279 (English) – Page 183 (Arabic), (September 8)

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**Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Antiphon Prayer** (PLC p. 359)

O Christ God, Who are before Eternity, your all-holy Virgin Mother, Mary, conceived You as she accepted the peaceful message of the Annunciation. That event was the beginning of our Salvation. Wherefore, we joyfully cry out to You: O God Who were incarnate of the Virgin without undergoing change, grant your peace and your great mercy to the world.

For You are our light, our peace and our salvation, O Christ our God, and to You we render glory, and to your Eternal Father, and your All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

**Antiphons of the Feast** (BDW p. 661), (PLC p. 360), (ED p. 1375)

**Entrance hymn of the Annunciation** Proclaim from day to day the salvation of our Lord. O Son of God who were incarnate of the Virgin, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

**Hymns** Troparion of the Annunciation, (BDW p. 658), (PLC p. 361), (ED p. 1370) (Three times)  
 Kondakion of the Annunciation, (BDW p. 794), (PLC p. 439), (ED p. 542)

**Epistle** Hebrews 2:11-18, Page 485 (English) – Page 555 (Arabic)

**Gospel** Luke 1:24-24, Page 321 (English) – Page 214 (Arabic)

**Hymn to the Theotokos** Hirmos of the 9<sup>th</sup> Ode of the Annunciation (BDW p. 663), (PLC p. 363), (ED p. 1379)

**Kinonikon** “The LORD has chosen Zion, He has desired it for his dwelling” (Psalm 132:13)

**Apolysis** May Christ our true God, Who was incarnate of the Virgin for our salvation, have mercy ...

*Saturday, March 27, 2010*  
*Lazarus Saturday*

**Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Antiphon Prayer** (PLC p. 448)

O Christ God, You prefigured for us your glorious Resurrection when You raised your friend Lazarus from the tomb. Wherefore, we your beloved people, offer You praise with pure mouths, praying You to make us worthy participants in your Holy Passion and your glorious Resurrection.

For it belongs to You to have mercy on us, O Christ our God, and to You we render glory, thanksgiving and worship, and to your Eternal Father and your All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

**Entrance hymn of Sunday**... O Son of God, Who are risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

**Hymns** Troparion of Lazarus, (BDW p. 814), (PLC p. 448), (ED p. 571) (Three times)  
 Kondakion of the Annunciation, (BDW p. 815), (PLC p. 448), (ED p. 571)

**Instead of the Trisagion** All of you who have been baptized...

**Epistle** Hebrews 12:28-13:8, Page 366 (English) – Page 414 (Arabic)

**Gospel** John 11:1-45, Page 218 (English) – Page 139 (Arabic)

**Hymn to the Theotokos** (BDW p. 815), (PLC p. 450), (ED p. 575)

**Kinonikon** “Out of the mouths of infants you have drawn praise. Alleluia!”

**Post-communion** Troparion of Lazarus, (BDW p. 814), (PLC p. 448), (ED p. 571)

**Apolysis** ..., Who are risen from the dead, ...

*Sunday, March 28, 2010*  
*Palm Sunday*

**Orthros Gospel** - Page 220 (English) – Page 140 (Arabic)

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**Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Antiphon Prayer** (PLC p. 448)

O Christ God, You prefigured for us your glorious Resurrection when You raised your friend Lazarus from the tomb. Wherefore, we your beloved people, offer You praise with pure mouths, praying You to make us worthy participants in your Holy Passion and your glorious Resurrection.

For it belongs to You to have mercy on us, O Christ our God, and to You we render glory, thanksgiving and worship, and to your Eternal Father and your All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

**Antiphons of the Feast** (BDW p. 818), (PLC p. 451), (ED p. 584)

**Entrance hymn of the Annunciation** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. The Lord is God and He has appeared to us. O Son of God, Who entered Jerusalem in great Glory, save us ... (PLC p. 452)

**Hymns** Troparion of Palm Sunday (First Tone), (BDW p. 816), (PLC p. 448), (ED p. 577) (Twice)  
Troparion of Palm Sunday (Fourth Tone), (BDW p. 816), (PLC p. 452), (ED p. 577)  
Kondakion of Palm Sunday, (BDW p. 816), (PLC p. 452), (ED p. 577)

**Epistle** Philippians 4:4-9, Page 368 (English) – Page 419 (Arabic)

**Gospel** John 12:1-18, Page 221 (English) – Page 141 (Arabic)

**Hymn to the Theotokos** (BDW p. 820), (PLC p. 454), (ED p. 588)

**Kinonikon** “Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. The Lord is God and He has appeared to us. Alleluia!” (BDW p. 820), (PLC p. 454), (ED p. 588)

**Post-Communion** Troparion of Palm Sunday (First Tone), (BDW p. 816), (PLC p. 448), (ED p. 577)

**Apolysis** ...Who entered Jerusalem in great Glory...(PLC p. 454)

**At the end of the Divine Liturgy, Blessings and Procession of the Palms**

**Deacon:** Let us pray to the Lord

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

**Priest:** Lord our God, You are seated upon the throne of the Cherubim, and by your sublime power You have sent your Only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to save the world by his Crucifixion, Burial and Resurrection. When He entered Jerusalem to suffer the Crucifixion of his own free will, the

people sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death took branches of olive and palm trees as the symbols of victory and proclaimed beforehand his Resurrection.

Therefore, O Lord, as we imitate these same people, preserve and keep us while we carry in our own hands palms and branches of trees on this vigil of the feast. Like the crowds and children who shouted to You “ Hosanna!”, make us worthy through our praises, chants and spiritual hymns of the glorious Resurrection on the third day of the same Jesus Christ our Lord, with Whom You are blessed together with your All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

(Melkite Euchologion, Fr. Joe Haggar’s translation)

**People: Amen**

Procession of the Palms

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