

## LITURGICAL VARIABLES – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024

*Commemoration of the Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica;  
Procla (Claudia) the wife of Pontius Pilate*

### FIRST ANTIPHON

It is good to give praise unto the Lord, and to chant unto Thy Name, O Most High!

**Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!**

To proclaim in the morning Thy mercy and Thy truth by night. *(Refrain)*

Upright is the Lord our God, and there is no unrighteousness in Him. *(Refrain)*

Glory...Both now...*(Refrain)*

### SECOND ANTIPHON

The Lord is King; He is clothed with majesty! The Lord is clothed with strength and hath girt Himself.

**Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee: Alleluia!**

For He established the world which shall not be shaken. *(Refrain)*

Holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord, unto length of days. *(Refrain)*

Glory...Both now...O Only-begotten Son...

• *During the Little Entrance, chant the Apolytikion of the Resurrection, then the following Entrance Hymn:*

### ENTRANCE HYMN OF THE RESURRECTION

Come let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, **Who art risen from the dead**; who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

• *After the Entrance, sing the hymns in the following order below:*

### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (TONE 1)

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

### APOLYTIKION OF ST. NICHOLAS (TONE 4)

In truth you were revealed to your flock, as a rule of faith, a model of meekness and a teacher of self-control. Therefore, you have won the heights by humility, riches by poverty. Holy Father, Bishop Nicholas, intercede with Christ our God that our souls may be saved.

### KONTAKION OF REGULAR SUNDAYS (TONE 2)

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

### THE EPISTLE

*Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.*

***Reading from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (9:6-11)***

Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

### THE GOSPEL

***Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (8:41-56)***

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As Jesus went, the people pressed round Him. And a woman, who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind Him, and touched the fringe of His garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround Thee and press upon Thee! And Thou savest. 'Who touched Me?'"

*(continued...)*


But Jesus said, "Someone touched Me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from Me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before Him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched Him, and how she had been immediately healed. And Jesus said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While Jesus was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher anymore." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when Jesus came to the house, He permitted no one to enter with Him, except Peter and James and John, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but Jesus said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand Jesus called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and Jesus directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

#### COMMUNION HYMN OF THE RESURRECTION (TONE 8)

Praise the Lord from the Heavens, praise Him in the highest!

#### THE SYNAXARION

On October 27, we commemorate the companion of Great-Martyr Demetrios the Myrrh-Streamer: Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica. Nestor learned the Christian Faith from St. Demetrios himself. At that time, Christ's enemy, Emperor Maximian, highly prized a Vandal fighter named Lyaeus, a man of Goliath-like size and strength. He defeated all challengers and threw them to their deaths onto a forest of spears. Christians were arrested and forced to duel with Lyaeus. Nestor's heart was torn with pain, and he decided to duel Lyaeus. But first, he went to prison to see St. Demetrios and sought a blessing from him. St. Demetrios made the sign of the Cross on his chest and forehead and prophesied to him, "You will defeat Lyaeus, but you will suffer for Christ." Thus, young Nestor of David-like size went to duel with Lyaeus. Maximian was present with a great crowd. Everyone pitied and feared for Nestor, but he crossed himself and said: "O God of Demetrios, help me!" With God's help, he defeated Lyaeus, knocked him down, and threw him to his death onto the sharp spears. Then all the people cried out: "Great is the God of Demetrios!" But the humiliated emperor commanded that Nestor be beheaded and Demetrios run through with lances. Thus, both Christian heroes took up habitation in the Kingdom of their Lord in the year 306.



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