

LITURGICAL VARIABLES – SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2025

*Venerable Makarios the Great of Egypt, the Anchorite
Venerable Makarios of Alexandria*

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 5)

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father
and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure
in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead
by His glorious Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. MAKARIOS OF EGYPT (TONE 1)

Thou didst prove to be a citizen of the desert, an angel in the flesh, and
a wonderworker, O Makarios, our God-bearing Father. By fasting, vigil,
and prayer thou didst obtain heavenly gifts, and thou healest the sick
and the souls of them that have recourse to thee with faith. Glory to Him
that hath given thee strength. Glory to Him that hath crowned thee.
Glory to Him that worketh healings for all through thee.

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 THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST (TONE 1)

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's
womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come
to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou
didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

THE EPISTLE

*Thou, O Lord, shalt preserve us and keep us from this generation.
Save me, O Lord, for the godly man hath disappeared.*

Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians (3:4-11)

Brethren, when Christ, Who is our life, appears, then you also will
appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you:
fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is
idolatry. On account of these, the wrath of God is coming upon the sons
of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But
now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from
your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the
old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is
being renewed in knowledge after the image of its Creator. Here there
cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian,
Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

THE GOSPEL

Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (17:12-19)


At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus said, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

COMMUNION HYMN OF THE RESURRECTION (TONE 8)

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

THE SYNAXARION

On January 19, we commemorate our righteous Father Makarios the Great of Egypt, the Anchorite; and our righteous Father Makarios of Alexandria. Both men were the contemporaries of Anthony the Great. Makarios the Great withdrew into the wilderness where he spent 60 years in labor and struggle, both internally and externally for the Kingdom of Heaven. So much did he succeed in cleansing his mind and heart of evil that God bestowed upon him the abundant gift of miracle-working; he even raised the dead. Makarios often told his disciple Paphnutius: "Do not judge anyone and you will be saved." Nine days before his death, St. Anthony, St. Pachomius and a cherub revealed to him that he would enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Makarios lived to be 97 years old and died in the year 390. The younger Makarios also entered the monastic life to fight demonic temptations. Once, a brother saw him fill a basket with sand, carry it uphill and empty it. Astonished, the brother asked him, "What are you doing?" Makarios answered, "I am tormenting my tormentor," that is, the devil. He died in the year 393, well past the age of 100.



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