February 7, 2021 / 35th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 2)

TODAY’S SAINTS

Afterfeast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple. St. Parthenius, Bishop of Lampsacus; St. Luke of Hellas; St. Richard the Pilgrim, King and Confessor (father of Ss. Willibald, Wunnibald, and Walburga); 1,003 Martyrs of Nicomedia; Hieromartyr Chrysolius the Armenian (beheaded at Wambrechies, France); St. Juliana of Bologna; St. Anatolius, Bishop of Cahors; St. Laurence, Bishop of Siponto; St. Fidelis, Bishop of Mérida; St. Amulwinus, Bishop of Lobbes (in Belgium)

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE TWO

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, / Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. / And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, / all the powers of heaven cried out: // “O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!”

FESTAL TROPARION IN TONE ONE

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Full of Grace! / From thee shone the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God, / enlightening those who sat in darkness. / Rejoice and be glad, O righteous Elder, / thou didst accept in thine arms the Redeemer of our souls, // Who grants us the Resurrection!

TROPARION OF ST. PARTHENIUS IN TONE FOUR

In truth thou wast revealed to thy flock as a rule of faith, / an image of humility and a teacher of abstinence; / thy humility exalted thee; / and thy poverty enriched thee. / O Hierarch Father Parthenius, / entreat Christ our God // that our souls may be saved!

• Choir sings the troparion of Apostles Peter and Paul
• Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE TWO

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, / seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! / The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee, // and the world, my Savior, praises Thee forever.

• Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

FESTAL KONTAKION IN TONE ONE

By Thy Nativity Thou didst sanctify the Virgin’s womb / and didst bless Simeon’s hands, O Christ God. / Now Thou hast come and saved us through love. / Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, // O only Lover of Man!
PROKEIMENON IN TONE TWO

The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation.

v. The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.

Prokeimenon in Tone Three: My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

THE EPISODE

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to Timothy (1:15-17)

Brethren, my son Timothy, this is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

ALLELUIA IN TONE TWO

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. May the Lord hear thee in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect thee!

v. Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!

v. Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (15:21-28)

And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and cried, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon.” But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” And he answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

FESTAL MEGALYNARION IN TONE THREE

O Virgin Theotokos, hope of all Christians, protect, preserve, and save those who hope in thee!

In the shadow and letter of the Law, / let us the faithful discern a figure: / every male child that opens the womb is holy to God. / Therefore, we magnify the firstborn Word of the Father Who has no beginning, // the Son firstborn of a Mother who had not known man.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the Name of the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PARASTAS

Parastas in memory of Archimandrite Athanasy Mastalski and Archpriest John Udics, offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer, and in memory of Stephen Cimbolic and Eva Hannon, offered by Margaret Cimbolic, after today’s Divine Liturgy.

TODAY’S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Altar Vigils offered by Andrea & Russell Wyskanycz in memory of Juliana & Andrew Bacsik; Sanctuary Lamp offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer in memory of Archimandrite Athanasy Mastalski (5th anniversary of repose); St. John’s Cross offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer in memory of Fr. John Udics (5th anniversary of repose).
NEXT WEEK’S SERVICES

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers
9:20 AM (Sunday) – Third Hour
9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

“Almighty and everlasting God, we humbly beseech Thy Majesty, that as Thine only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so Thou wouldst cause us too to be presented unto Thee with purified hearts.”

– From the Collect for the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary