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## **SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 / TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (TONE 3)**

### RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE THREE

Let the heavens rejoice! / Let the earth be glad! / For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. / He has trampled down death by death. / He has become the first born of the dead. / He has delivered us from the depths of hell, / and has granted to the world // great mercy.

### TROPARION OF PROPHET MOSES IN TONE TWO

Thou didst ascend to the heights of the virtues, O Prophet Moses; / therefore, thou wast deemed worthy to see the glory of God. / Having received the grace-filled tablets of the Law, / and bearing the grace of the writing within thyself, / Thou wast the honorable praise of prophets, // and a great mystery of piety.

### TROPARION OF HIEROMARTYR BABYLAS IN TONE FOUR

By sharing in the ways of the Apostles, / thou didst become a successor to their throne. / Through the practice of virtue, thou didst find the way to divine contemplation, O inspired one of God; / by teaching the word of truth without error, thou didst defend the Faith, even to the shedding of thy blood. // O Hieromartyr Babýlas, entreat Christ God to save our souls!

- *Sing the troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

### RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE THREE

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, / leading us from the gates of death. / On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; / with the Prophets and Patriarchs // they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

### PROKEIMENON IN TONE THREE

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!  
*v. Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!*

### THE EPISTLE

#### **The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (15:1-11)**

Brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you – unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He

was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time. For I am the least of the apostles, who am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. Therefore, whether it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

### ALLELUIA IN TONE THREE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*v. In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!*

*v. Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me!*

### THE GOSPEL

#### **The Reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (19:16-26)**

Now behold, one came and said to Him, “Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?” So He said to him, “Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. But if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments.” He said to Him, “Which ones?” Jesus said, “‘You shall not murder,’ ‘You shall not commit adultery,’ ‘You shall not steal,’ ‘You shall not bear false witness,’ ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ and, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’” The young man said to Him, “All these things I have kept from my youth. What do I still lack?” Jesus said to him, “If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.” But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. Then Jesus said to His disciples, “Assuredly, I say to you that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. And again, I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God. When His disciples heard it, they were greatly astonished, saying, “Who then can be saved?” But Jesus looked at them and said to them, “With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

### COMMUNION HYMN

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

### TODAY’S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

**Sanctuary Lamp** offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer in memory of Rt. Rev. Protopresbyter Vladimir Shishkoff.

### TODAY’S SAINTS

Saints commemorated on September 4th: Prophet Moses the God-seer; Hieromartyr Babylas, Bishop of Antioch, and Companions; Martyr Gorazd of Prague; Martyr Hermione of Ephesus (daughter of St. Philip the Deacon); Martyr Babylas of Nicomedia and 84 children; St. Candida the Elder; St. Boniface I, Pope of Rome; St. Ida of Herzfeld; Martyrs Theodore, Mianus, Julian, Kion, and Centurionus of Nicomedia; Uncovering of the Relics of St. Joasaph, Bishop of Belgorod; 2nd finding of the Relics of St. Metrophanes, Bishop of Voronezh; “Unburnt Bush” Icon of the Virgin Mary.

### UPCOMING SERVICES

6:00 PM (Wednesday) – Great Vespers w. Lity [*Nativity of BVM*]

9:30 AM (Thursday) – Divine Liturgy [*Nativity of BVM*]

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:20 AM (Sunday) – Third Hour & Divine Liturgy

## PARISH EVENTS

(1) The parish council is meeting on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 5:00 PM in the church hall. (2) For the next three Sundays, there shall be a special collection for the benefit of St. Tikhon's Monastery, to help pay off the debt of the new monastery residence. This fundraising project was approved at the 2021 Diocesan Assembly, obligating all parishes in the Diocese of New York & New Jersey.

*"God is always coming to you in the Sacrament of the Present Moment. Meet and receive Him there with gratitude in that sacrament."*

— Evelyn Underhill (1875-1941)