

Sunday, December 15

Fish, Wine & Oil

25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — TONE 8 (13TH OF LUKE). SUNDAY OF THE FOREFATHERS. Hieromartyr Eleutherius, Bishop of Illyria, and his mother, Martyr Anthia (2nd c.). Ven. Paul of Latros (955). St. Stephen the Confessor, Archbishop of Surozh in the Crimea (8th c.). Ven. Tryphon, Abbot of Pechenga (Kol'sk), and his martyred disciple, Jonah (1583). Martyr Eleutherius at Constantinople (3rd c.). Ven. Pardus, Hermit, of Palestine (6th c.). New Hieromartyr Hilarion (Troitsky), Archbishop of Vereiya (1929).

ALL-NIGHT VIGIL

3rd Matins Gospel: (71) Mark 16:9–20

Liturgy of St. John: (257) Col. 3:4–11

(Forefathers)

(76) Luke 14:16–24 (Forefathers—from 24th Sunday)

NOTE: The Service to the Saint is sung whenever the Superior wishes.

GREAT VESPERS (ALL-NIGHT VIGIL)

“Blesséd is the man...” (1st Kathisma). At “**Lord, I call...**” Stikhera on 10, Tone 8: Resurrection—6 and Forefathers—4. Glory... Forefathers; Now and

ever... Dogmatic, Tone 8. Entrance and Prokeimenon of the Day.

Litya: Stikhera of the church or monastery. Glory... Forefathers; Now and ever... Theotokion.

Apostikha: All Resurrection. Glory... Forefathers; Now and ever... Resurrectional Theotokion (Tone 3). **Troparia:** “Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos...” (twice) and Forefathers (once).

MATINS

After “The Lord is God...” (Tone 8), **Troparia:** Resurrection (twice); Glory..., Now and ever... Forefathers. Usual Kathismas. Kathisma Hymns: Resurrection. Polielely and the rest, as usual. After the Polielely: Ypakoe: Resurrection. Kathisma Hymn: Forefathers; Glory..., Now and ever... Theotokion. Antiphons: Resurrection. Prokeimenon, Tone 8:

The Lord shall reign forever, / thy God, O Zion, from generation to generation. (145:10)
V. Praise the Lord, O my soul. I will praise the Lord for as long as I live. (145:1)

“Let every breath....” **Gospel:** (71) Mark 16:9–20 “Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ....” Psalm 50, and the rest, as usual. “O God, save Thy people....”

Canons: Resurrection—4; Three Holy Youths—4; Forefathers—6. **Irmos:** Resurrection. **Katavasia:** “Christ is born....” After the 3rd Ode: Ypakoe—Forefathers. After the 6th Ode: Kontakion and Ikos—Forefathers. The Magnificat is sung. After the 9th Ode: “Holy is the Lord...” (Tone 8). **Exapostilaria:** Resurrection—3; Glory... Forefathers; Now and ever... Theotokion—Forefathers.

Praises: Tone 8, on 8: Resurrection—4; Forefathers—4; Glory... Forefathers; Now and ever... “Thou art most-blessèd, O Theotokos...” (as usual). **Great Doxology.** **Troparion:** “By rising....” Usual Litanies and Dismissal. “Glory..., Now and ever...” Gospel Stikheron—3.

HOURS

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory... Forefathers. **Kontakion:** Forefathers.

DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

After the Entrance: Troparia: Resurrection and Forefathers; Glory..., Now and ever... Kontakion—Forefathers. **Prokeimenon,** Tone 4 (Song of the Fathers):

Blessèd art Thou, O Lord God of our Fathers /

and praised and glorified is Thy Name forever! (Song of the Three, V. 3) V. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us! (V. 4)

Epistle: (257) Col. 3:4–11 (Forefathers). **Alleluia,** Tone 4 (Forefathers):

Moses and Aaron were among His priests; Samuel also was among those who called on His Name. (98:6) V. They called to the Lord and He answered them. (98:6)

Gospel: (76) Luke 14:16–24 (Forefathers—*from the 23rd Sunday*). **Communion Hymns:**

Praise the Lord from the heavens.... Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous! Praise befits the just! Alleluia....

Monday, December 16

Fast day

Prophet Haggai (Aggæus — 500 B.C.).
Martyr Marinus of Rome (3rd c.).
Bl. Empress Theophano (Theophania)—(893–4).

(278) 1 Tim. 1:1–7 (42) Mark 9:42–10:1

VESPERS (SUNDAY EVENING)

Usual Beginning. No Kathisma. At “**Lord, I call...**” Stikhera on 6, Tone 8: Theotokos—3 and Prophet—3. Glory..., Now