

Order of Services for Sunday, January 26, 2025

31st Sunday after Pentecost

Synaxis of the Holy New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia

NOTE: The rubrics presented below are the commonly accepted order. However, practices may vary with local practices or dioceses. The ruling bishop should be consulted for any specific questions regarding the accepted order of services.

NOTE: Bracketed items are commonly omitted in parish practice.

Vigil

(Great Vespers at a Vigil)

(If Great Vespers is served alone, not at a Vigil, begin with the Typical Beginning, which can be found at <https://www.oca.org/liturgics/rubrics/horologion>.)

Priest: "Glory to the holy consubstantial..."

"Amen. Come, let us worship..."

Psalm 103/104

Great Litany

[First Kathisma, or] "Blessed is the Man..."

Little Litany

Lord, I Call, Tone 6 (Ps. 140/141)

4 stichera of the Resurrection, Tone 6

6 stichera of the New Martyrs, Tone 5 and Tone 6

Glory... New Martyrs, Tone 5

Now and ever... Resurrectional Dogmatic Theotokion, Tone 6

Gladsome Light

Saturday Evening Prokeimenon, "The Lord is King..."

Readings

Acts 4:6-32

2 Timothy 4:1-8

Hebrews 11:33-40

Augmented Litany

"Vouchsafe, O Lord..."

Evening Litany

[Litya]

[1 Sticheron of the Church]

[Sticheron of the New Martyrs, Tone 6]

[Glory... New Martyrs, Tone 8]

[Now and ever... Theotokion, Tone 8]

Aposticha

Resurrectional Stichera, Tone 6
Glory... New Martyrs, Tone 2
Now and ever... Theotokion (for the New Martyrs), Tone 8
“Lord, Now Lettest...”
Trisagion Prayers

Concluding Troparia and Dismissal:

If a Vigil is Served:

“Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos...”, Tone 4 (2x)
Troparion of the New Martyrs, Tone 4 (1x)
[Blessing of the Loaves]
“Blessed be the Name...” (3x)
[Psalm 33/34:1-10]
Priest: “The blessing of the Lord...”
“Amen.” *And begin Matins with the Six Psalms, as outlined below.*

Or, if Great Vespers alone is served:

Resurrectional Troparion, Tone 6
Glory... Troparion of the New Martyrs, Tone 4
Now and ever... Resurrectional Dismissal Theotokion, Tone 4
Vespers Dismissal

(Sunday Matins at a Vigil)

(If Matins is served alone, begin with the Typical Beginning, which can be found at <https://www.oca.org/liturgics/rubrics/horologion>.)

Six Psalms

Great Litany

“God is the Lord...,” Tone 6

Resurrectional Troparion, Tone 6 [(2x)]

Glory... Troparion of the New Martyrs, Tone 4

Now and ever... Resurrectional Dismissal Theotokion, Tone 4

[Kathisma 2]

[Little Litany]

[Kathisma Hymns from the Octoechos, Tone 6]

[Kathisma 3]

[Little Litany]

[Kathisma Hymns from the Octoechos, Tone 6]

Polyeleos

Magnification

Evlogitaria: “Blessed art Thou, O Lord...”

[Little Litany]

[Ypakoe]

[Kathisma Hymns of the New Martyrs, Tone 1 and Tone 3]

[Hymn of Degrees, Tone 6]

Prokeimenon, Tone 6: "O Lord, stir up Thy might..."

"Let everything that breathes..."

9th Matins Gospel: (65) John 20:19-31

"Having Beheld the Resurrection..."

Psalm 50

Post-Gospel Stichera

Prayer of Intercession, "O God, save Thy people..."

Canons (*NOTE: in common parish practice, after the Irmos, only two troparia from each Canon are used. Before the final troparion, "Glory... now and ever..." is used as the refrain.*)

Irmos: Resurrection, Tone 6

Refrain: "Glory to Thy holy Resurrection, O Lord!"

3 additional troparia from the Canon of the Resurrection, Tone 6

Refrain: "Glory to Thy holy Resurrection, O Lord!"

2 troparia from the Canon of the Theotokos, Tone 6

Refrain: "Most holy Theotokos, save us!"

8 troparia from the Canon of the New Martyrs, Tone 6

Refrain: "O New Martyrs and Confessors, pray to God for us!"

Katavasia: From the Meeting of the Lord, Tone 3

[After the Third Ode:]

[Little Litany]

[Kontakion of the New Martyrs, Tone 3]

[Ikos of the New Martyrs]

[Kathisma Hymns of the New Martyrs, Tone 8 and Tone 1]

After the Sixth Ode:

[Little Litany]

Kontakion of the Resurrection, Tone 6

Ikos of the Resurrection

After the Eighth Ode:

The Magnificat is sung

After the Magnificat, continue with the Ninth Ode.

Little Litany
"Holy is the Lord...", Tone 6

Exapostilaria:
9th Resurrectional Exapostilarion, Tone 2
Glory... New Martyrs, Tone 2
Now and ever... 9th Resurrectional Exapostilarion Theotokion, Tone 2

Psalms 148-150: "Let everything that breathes..." Tone 6
4 stichera of the Resurrection, Tone 6
4 stichera of the New Martyrs, with verses, Tone 6
Glory... 9th Gospel Sticheron, Tone 5
Now and ever... "Thou art most blessed...", Tone 2

Great Doxology
"By rising from the tomb..."

Augmented Litany
Morning Litany
Matins Dismissal

NOTE: The First Hour follows immediately. A small dismissal concludes the First Hour. See below for the Troparion and Kontakion.

The Hours

Troparia: Resurrection; Glory... New Martyrs
Kontakion: Resurrection (1st and 6th Hours) or New Martyrs (3rd and 9th Hours)

Divine Liturgy

NOTE: Listed below are only the variable portions of the Liturgy

At the Beatitudes:
6 troparia of the Resurrection, Tone 6
4 troparia of the New Martyrs, Tone 6

Troparia and Kontakia:
Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone 6
Troparion of the Church (if of Theotokos)
Troparion of the New Martyrs, Tone 4
Kontakion of the Resurrection, Tone 6

Glory... Kontakion of the New Martyrs, Tone 3

Now and ever... Kontakion of the Church (if of Theotokos), or "Steadfast Protectress...", Tone 6

Trisagion

Prokeimenon: Resurrection, Tone 6: "O Lord, save Thy people..." and New Martyrs, Tone 7: "God is our refuge and strength..."

Epistle: (280-ctr) 1 Timothy 1:15-17 and (99) Romans 8:28-39

Alleluia: Resurrection, Tone 6 and New Martyrs, Tone 4

Gospel: (62) Matthew 15:21-28 and (105-106) Luke 21:8-19

Communion Hymn: "Praise the Lord from the heavens..." and "Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous..."

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