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Έσφοαγισμένου τοῦ μνήματος, ἡ Ζωὴ ἐκ τάφου ἀνέτειλας, Χοιστὲ ὁ Θεός· καὶ τῶν θυοῶν κεκλεισμένων, τοῖς Μαθηταῖς ἐπέστης ἡ πάντων ἀνάστασις, Πνεῦμα εὐθές, δι' αὐτῶν ἐγκαινίζων ἡμῖν, κατὰ τὸ μέγα σου ἔλεος.

Κοντάκιον Ήχος πλ. δ'

Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφω κατῆλθες ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν, καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς νικητής, Χριστὲ ὁ Θε-ός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις φθεγξάμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοὶς σοὶς ἄποστόλοις εἰρήνην δωρούμενος ὁ τοὶς πεσοῦσι παρέχων ἀνάστασιν

15th April 2018
Sunday of Thomas (Antipascha)
1st Morning Gospel
Memory of Saint Crescens the Martyr

Apolytikion of St Thomas Tone 7

Christ our God, You are the Life that dawned from the grave, though the tomb was sealed. Through closed doors You came to the Apostles. You are the Resurrection of all. And, You renewed us through them with an upright spirit, according to Your great mercy.

Kontakion Tone 8

Even though You went down into the tomb, You destroyed Hades' power, and You rose the victor, Christ God, saying to the myrrh-bearing women, "Hail!" and granting peace to Your disciples, You who raise up the fallen.

Ο ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΑΝΤΙΠΑΣΧΑ

Ποοκείμενον. Ήχος γ'.

Μέγας ὁ Κύριος ἡμῶν, καὶ μεγάλη ἡ ἰσχὺς αὐτοῦ

Στίχ. Αἰνεῖτε τὸν Κύριον, ὅτι ἀγαθὸς Κύριος: ψάλατε τῷ ὀνόματι αὐτοῦ, ὅτι καλόν.

Ποάξεων τῶν Ἀποστόλων τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα (5:12-20)

Έν ταῖς ἡμέραις ἐκείναις, διὰ τῶν χειρῶν τῶν ἀποστόλων ἐγίνετο σημεῖα καὶ τέρατα ἐν τῷ λαῷ πολλὰ · (καὶ ἦσαν ὁμοθυμαδὸν ἄπαντες ἐν τῆ Στοᾳ Σολομῶντος. Τῶν δὲ λοιπῶν οὐδεὶς ἐτόλμα κολλᾶσθαι αὐτοῖς, άλλ' ἐμεγάλυνεν αὐτοὺς ὁ λαός μᾶλλον δὲ προσετίθεντο πιστεύοντες τῷ Κυρίῳ πλήθη ἀνδοῶν τε καὶ γυναικῶν ιώστε κατὰ τὰς πλατείας ἐκφέρειν τοὺς ἀσθενεῖς καὶ τιθέναι ἐπὶ κλινῶν καὶ κραβάττων, ἵνα έρχομένου Πέτρου κἂν ή σκιὰ ἐπισκιάση τινὶ αὐτῶν. Συνήρχετο δὲ καὶ τὸ πλῆθος τῶν πέριξ πόλεων Ίερουσαλήμ, φέροντες ἀσθενεῖς καὶ ὀχλουμένους ὑπὸ πνευμάτων ἀκαθάρτων, οἵτινες ἐθεραπεύοντο ἄπαντες. Άναστὰς δὲ ὁ ἀρχιερεὺς καὶ πάντες οἱ σὺν αὐτῷ, ἡ οὖσα αἵρεσις τῶν Σαδδουκαίων, ἐπλήσθησαν ζήλου καὶ ἐπέβαλον τὰς χεῖρας ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀποστόλους καὶ ἔθεντο αὐτοὺς ἐν τηρήσει δημοσία. Άγγελος δὲ Κυρίου διὰ νυκτὸς ἤνοιξε τὰς θύρας τῆς φυλακῆς ἐξαγαγών τε αὐτοὺς εἶπε. Πορεύεσθε καὶ σταθέντες λαλεῖτε ἐν τῷ ἱεοῷ τῷ λαῷ πάντα τὰ ἡήματα τῆς ζωῆς ταύτης.

Άλληλούϊα. Ἡχος πλ. δ΄. Ψαλμὸς ζΔ΄ (94) Δεῦτε ἀγαλλιασώμεθα τῷ Κυρίῳ, ἀλαλάξωμεν τῷ Θεῷ τῷ Σωτῆρι ἡμῶν. Στίχ. Ὅτι Θεὸς μέγας Κύριος καὶ Βασιλεὺς μέγας ἐπὶ πᾶσαν τὴν γῆν.

THE EPISTLE

SUNDAY OF ANTIPASCHA

Prokeimenon. Tone 3

Great is our Lord, and great is His strength.

V: Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing to His name, for it is good.

The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles (5:12-20)

In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

Allilouia Tone pl. 4. Psalm 94 (95).

Come, let us greatly rejoice in the Lord; let us shout aloud to God our saviour **Verse:** For the Lord is a great God, a great King over all the Earth

ΤΟ ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ

ΤΗ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΑΝΤΙΠΑΣΧΑ ήτοι ΤΟΥ ΑΓΙΟΥ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΥ ΘΩΜΑ

Έκ τοῦ κατὰ Ἰωάννην κ΄ 19 – 31

Οὔσης ὀψίας τῆ ἡμέρα ἐκείνη τῆ μιᾶ σαββάτων, καὶ τῶν θυρῶν κεκλεισμένων ὅπου ἦσαν οί μαθηταὶ συνηγμένοι διὰ τὸν φόβον Ίουδαίων, ἦλθεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς καὶ ἔστη εἰς τὸ μέσον, καὶ λέγει αὐτοῖς. Εἰρήνη ὑμῖν. καὶ τοῦτο εἰπὼν ἔδειξεν αὐτοῖς τὰς χεῖ*ο*ας καὶ τὴν πλευοὰν αὐτοῦ. ἐχάρησαν οὖν οἱ μαθηταὶ ἰδόντες τὸν Κύοιον. εἶπεν οὖν αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς πάλιν· Εἰρήνη ύμῖν. καθὼς ἀπέσταλκέ με ὁ πατήρ, κἀγὼ πέμπω ύμᾶς. καὶ τοῦτο εἰπὼν ἐνεφύσησε καὶ λέγει αὐτοῖς· Λάβετε Πνεῦμα ἄγιον· ἄν τινων ἀφῆτε τὰς ἁμαρτίας, ἀφίενται αὐτοῖς, ἄν τινων κρατῆτε, κεκράτηνται. Θωμᾶς δὲ εἶς ἐκ τῶν δώδεκα ὁ λεγόμενος Δίδυμος, οὐκ ἦν μετ' αὐτῶν ότε ἦλθεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς. ἔλεγον οὖν αὐτῷ οἱ ἄλλοι μαθηταί: Έωράκαμεν τὸν Κύριον. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Ἐὰν μὴ ἴδω ἐν ταῖς χερσὶν αὐτοῦ τὸν τύπον τῶν ἥλων, καὶ βάλω τὸν δάκτυλόν μου εἰς τὸν τύπον τῶν ἥλων, καὶ βάλω τὴν χεῖρά μου εἰς τὴν πλευρὰν αὐτοῦ, οὐ μὴ πιστεύσω. Καὶ μεθ ήμέρας ὀκτὼ πάλιν ἦσαν ἔσω οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ καὶ Θωμᾶς μετ' αὐτῶν. ἔρχεται ὁ Ἰησοῦς τῶν θυρῶν κεκλεισμένων, καὶ ἔστη εἰς τὸ μέσον καὶ εἶπεν Εἰρήνη ὑμῖν. εἶτα λέγει τῷ Θωμᾶ Φέρε τὸν δάκτυλόν σου ὧδε καὶ ἴδε τὰς χεῖράς μου, καὶ φέρε τὴν χεῖρά σου καὶ βάλε εἰς τὴν πλευράν μου, καὶ μὴ γίνου ἄπιστος, ἀλλὰ πιστός. καὶ ἀπεκρίθη Θωμᾶς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ. Ὁ Κύριός μου καὶ ὁ Θεός μου. λέγει αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς. Ότι ἑώρακάς με, πεπίστευκας μακάριοι οί μη ιδόντες και πιστεύσαντες. Πολλὰ μὲν οὖν καὶ ἄλλα σημεῖα ἐποίησεν ό Ἰησοῦς ἐνώπιον τῶν μαθητῶν αὐτοῦ, ἃ οὐκ ἔστι γεγραμμένα ἐν τῷ βιβλίῳ τούτῳ· ταῦτα δὲ γέγραπται ἵνα πιστεύσητε ὅτι Ἰησοῦς ἐστιν ὁ Χριστὸς ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ ἵνα πιστεύοντες ζωὴν ἔχητε ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι αὐτοῦ.

THE GOSPEL

SUNDAY OF THOMAS / ANTIPASCHA

John 20: 19-31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them: "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them: "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him: "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them: "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe." Eight days later, His disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said: "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to Him: "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

Fasting / Νηστεία

Normal fasting Wed. & Friday / Νηστεία Τετάρτη και Παρασκευή

ΣΥΝΑΞΑΡΙΟΝ

Κυριακή τοῦ Θωμᾶ

Τελείωση τῆς ἑβδόμης μέρας εἶναι ἡ ὄγδοη ήμέρα, ή Κυριακή κατά την όποία ἔγινε ή ανάσταση τοῦ Κυρίου. Δὲν εἶναι μόνο ὄγδοη ήμέρα, *ἀλλὰ* καὶ ή πρώτη τῶν ἔπειτα ἀπὸ αὐτή, γι' αὐτὸ καὶ ὁ Μωϋσῆς τὴν ὀνόμασε ὄχι «πρώτη», ἀλλὰ «μία» ὡς ανώτερη από τὶς ἄλλες καὶ ώς προοίμιο τῆς μιᾶς καὶ ἀνέσπερης ἡμέρας τοῦ μέλλοντος αἰῶνος. Γι' αὐτὸ καὶ ὁ Κύριος ἐμφανίσθηκε τὴν Κυριακή, τὴν ἡμέρα τῆς ἀναστάσεώς του, στοὺς μαθητές του, ἐνῶ ἀπουσίαζε ὁ Θωμᾶς. Καὶ πάλι στὴν ὄγδοη ήμέρα, δηλαδή τὴν Κυριακή, (ποὺ τιμᾶμε σήμερα) στὸ ἴδιο σπίτι μὲ κλειστὲς τὶς πόρτες ἐμφανίζεται στὸ διστακτικὸ Θωμᾶ γιὰ νὰ τὸν ὁδηγήσει στὴ πίστη. Ἀπὸ τότε διαρκῶς ἡ Ἐκκλησία τοῦ Χριστοῦ ἐπιτελεῖ τὶς συνάξεις, κυρίως τὶς Κυριακές. Καὶ γι' αὐτὸ δὲν πρέπει κανεὶς νὰ ἀπουσιάζει ἀπὸ τὶς ἱερὲς καὶ θεοπαράδοτες συνάξεις καὶ ἐγκαταλειφθεῖ δίκαια ἀπὸ τὸν Θεὸ καὶ πάθει κάτι παρόμοιο μὲ τὸν Θωμᾶ, ποὺ δὲν ἦλθε στὴν ὤρα του. Ὁ Θωμᾶς ὅταν ἦταν ἀπῶν ἀπὸ τὴ σύναξη,

απων απο τη συναξη, ἔγινε ἄπιστος, ὅταν δὲ ἐπανῆλθε μὲ τοὺς πι στεύοντας, τότε δὲν ἀστόχησε στὴ πίστη του. Ἑπομένως νὰ ἐπισκεπτόμαστε συχνὰ τὴν Ἐκκλησία τὶς Κυ ριακὲς σχολάζοντας ἀπὸ τὰ ἐπίγεια ἔργα μας, χωρὶς ἀπουσίες γιὰ νὰ λαβαίνουμε τὴν εἰρήνη καὶ νὰ αὐξάνου με τὴν πίστη μας.

SYNAXARION

SUNDAY OF THOMAS

The events involving St. Thomas happened as follows. When Christ appeared to the Disciples in the evening of the day on which He arose, Thomas was absent, not yet having assembled with the others, for fear of the Jews. When he returned after a short while and heard about Christ's appearance, he did not just disbelieve the Disciples, when they said that they had seen Him risen, but he did not believe that He had risen at all, even though he was one of the twelve. In His ingenuity and mighty Providence, God, came again to the Disciples, so that St. Thomas' desire might be stimulated to the utmost, especially in view of his unbelief, and so as to bestow on all a more precise belief in the Resurrection. With the doors being closed as before, and Thomas being present, Christ entered &, greeting them, as usual, with "Peace be unto you," He turned towards Thomas and told him to put his finger in His hand, and his hand in His side. This indicates that the wound in His side was wide enough for a hand to go inside it. Thomas investigated carefully, & receiving faith through touch he cried out: "My Lord and my God."



He said the first with reference to Christ's flesh, and the second with reference to His Divinity. And Christ said to him: "Because you have seen Me, you believed; blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed."