



# SAINT NEKTARIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

SUNDAY MISSAL FOR SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM



## **Resurrectional Apolytikion. 1st Mode.**

The stone having been sealed on the Tomb by the Judeans, and as soldiers kept watch and guarded Your pure and spotless Body, You rose on the third day, Savior Christ, bestowing on the world eternal life; therefore, all of Heaven's Powers, beholding this, cried out to You, O Life-Giver: 'Glory to Your Arising, O Christ God; Glory to Your eternal Rule; Glory to Your dispensation, O Lover of humankind.'

## **Apolytikion of the Indiction 2<sup>nd</sup> Mode.**

O MAKER of all creation, Who has established the times and the seasons in Your own power: Bless the crown of this year with Your goodness, O Lord, and keep our rulers and Your flock in peace, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, and save us.

## **For the Devout Man. 1<sup>st</sup> Mode.**

You became a pillar of patience, O devout one, emulating the forefathers, Job in his sufferings and Joseph in his temptations, and the manner of the bodiless, though you were still in body. O devout father Symeon, intercede with Christ God, to save our souls.

## **For the Theotokos. Grave Mode.**

Rejoice, O Full of Grace, Virgin Theotokos, haven and protection of the human race! For from you did the Redeemer of the world become incarnate. You alone are Mother and Virgin, ever blessed and glorified. Intercede with Christ our God, that he may grant peace to all the world.

## **For St. Nektarios. 1st Mode.**

Let us faithful show honor to that son of Selyvria, Aegina's protector, who appeared in these latter years: Nektarios, the virtue-loving saint, and God-

inspired servant of the Lord. He pours forth abundant healings to those who pray and cry out with a reverent voice: "Glory to Christ, who glorified you! Glory to him for your miracles! Glory to him for all the cures that he works through you!"

As we joyfully commemorate the welcome arrival of your sacred Relics, holy Hierarch Nektarios, we call upon the grace of God in you, which sanctifies our bodies and our souls. You alleviate our suffering and you cure the illnesses afflicting us. Glory to Christ, who glorified you! Glory to Him for your miracles! Glory to Him for all the cures that He works through you.

## **For the Holy Unmercenaries.**

O HOLY Unmercenaries and wonderworkers, visit our infirmities; freely you received, freely give to us.

## **Kontakion of Indiction 4<sup>th</sup> Mode.**

O God of all, Who are beyond all in essence, Who have created and rule over the ages, look down and bless the start of this new calendar year. As the only master, Lord, in Your limitless mercy, save all those who worship You, and who reverently cry out: "O our Redeemer, grant that there may be good in abundance throughout the whole year, O Lord!"

## **APOSTOLIC READING · 1Tim. 2:1-7**

Timothy, my son, first of all I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all men, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, godly and respectful in every way. This is good, and it is acceptable in the

sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, the testimony to which was borne at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and apostle (I am telling the truth in Christ, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

#### **GOSPEL READING · Lk. 4:16–22**

AT THAT TIME, Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up; and he went to the synagogue, as his custom was, on the sabbath day. And he stood up to read; and there was given to him the book of the prophet Isaiah. He opened the book and found the place where it was written, “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.” And he closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant, and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. And he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” And all spoke well of him, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth.

#### **THE NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages; Light of Light, true God of true God, begotten, not created, of one essence with the Father, through Whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became man. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried; And He rose on the third day, according to

the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom shall have no end. And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Creator of life, Who proceeds from the Father, Who together with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke through the prophets. In one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the age to come.

#### **COMMUNION PRAYERS**

*(Read aloud by the Congregation)*

I believe and confess, Lord, that You are truly the Christ, the Son of the living God, Who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. I also believe that this is truly Your pure Body and that this is truly Your precious Blood. Therefore, I pray to You, have mercy upon me, and forgive my transgressions, voluntary and involuntary, in word and deed, known and unknown and make me worthy, without condemnation, to partake of Your pure Mysteries for the forgiveness of sins and for life eternal. Amen. How shall I, who am unworthy, enter into the splendor of Your saints? If I dare to enter into the bridal chamber, my clothing will accuse me, since it is not a wedding garment; and being bound up, I shall be cast out by the angels. In Your love, Lord, cleanse my soul and save me. Loving Master, Lord Jesus Christ, my God, let not these Holy Gifts be to my condemnation because of my unworthiness, but for the cleansing and sanctification of soul and body and the pledge of future life and Kingdom. It is good for me to cling to God and to place in Him the hope of my salvation. Receive me today, Son of God, as a partaker of Your mystical supper. I will not reveal your mystery to Your adversaries. Nor will I give You a kiss as did Judas. But as the thief, I confess to You: Lord, Remember me in Your Kingdom.