

TYPIKA AT HOME: AUGUST 29, 2021  
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
FEAST OF THE BEHEADING OF THE HOLY BAPTIST AND FORERUNNER JOHN

**Opening Hymns:**

**Troparion, Tone 5:**

O faithful, let us praise and adore the Word eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation. For he chose to ascend the cross in the flesh and to suffer death, and to raise the dead by his glorious resurrection.

**Troparion, Tone 2:**

The memory of the righteous is celebrated with praise, but for you, O Forerunner, the Lord's testimony is enough. You were shown to be more honorable than the prophets, since you were deemed worthy to baptize in the waters the Lord you had proclaimed. Therefore, you fought for the truth and with joy proclaimed the good news to those in Hades, that God has appeared in the flesh to take away the sins of the world and to grant us great mercy.

*Leader:* Through the prayers of our holy fathers, O Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy on us.

*Response:* Amen.

Glory to you, our God, glory to you.

Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth, everywhere present and filling all things, Treasury of blessings and Giver of Life, come and dwell within us, cleanse us of all stain, and save our souls, O gracious One.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. (*Three times*)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us; Lord, cleanse us of our sins; Master, forgive our transgressions; Holy One, come to us and heal our infirmities for your name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. (*Three times*)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

*Leader:* Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us.

*Response:* Amen.

Lord, have mercy. (*Twelve times*)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen

Come, let us worship our King and God.

Come, let us worship Christ, our King and God.

Come, let us worship and bow before the only Lord Jesus Christ the King and our God.

*We chant the Typical Psalms:*

**Psalm 102:**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all my being, bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and never forget all his blessings.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,

who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion,

who fills your life with good things,  
renewing your youth like an eagle's.

The Lord does deeds of justice,  
gives judgment for all who are oppressed.

He made known his ways to Moses  
and his deeds to Israel's sons.

The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.

His wrath will come to an end;  
he will not be angry forever.

He does not treat us according to our sins  
nor repay us according to our faults.

For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is his love for those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.

As a father has compassion on his sons,  
the Lord has pity on those who fear him;

for he knows of what we are made,  
he remembers that we are dust.

As for man, his days are like grass;  
he flowers like the flower of the field;

the wind blows and he is gone  
and his place never sees him again.

But the love of the Lord is everlasting  
upon those who hold him in fear;

his justice reaches out to children's children  
when they keep his covenant in truth,  
when they remember his commands and do them.

The Lord has set his throne in heaven  
and his kingdom is ruling over all.

Bless the Lord, all his angels,  
mighty in power, fulfilling his word,  
who heed the voice of his word.

Bless the Lord, all his hosts,  
his servants who do his will.

Bless the Lord, all his works,  
in every place where he rules.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
now and ever and forever. Amen.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!  
and all my being, bless his holy name.

Blessed are you, O Lord.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit.

Praise the Lord, O my soul.  
I will praise the Lord all my life.

I will make music to my God while I live.

Put no trust in princes,  
in mortal men in whom there is no help.

Take their breath, they return to clay  
and their plans that day come to nothing.

He is happy who is helped by Jacob's God,  
whose hope is in the Lord his God,

who alone made heaven and earth,  
the seas and all they contain.

It is the Lord who keeps faith forever,  
who is just to those who are oppressed.

It is he who gives bread to the hungry,  
the Lord, who sets prisoners free,

the Lord who gives sight to the blind,  
who raises up those who are bowed down,

the Lord, who protects the stranger  
and upholds the widow and orphan.  
It is the Lord who loves the just  
but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign forever,  
Zion's God, from age to age.

Now and ever and forever. Amen.

### **Hymn of the Incarnation**

O only-begotten Son and Word of God, who, being immortal, deigned for our salvation to become incarnate of the holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and became man without change; you were also crucified, O Christ our God, and by death have trampled Death, being One of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

### **Troparia at the Beatitudes**

In your kingdom, remember us, O Lord, when you come in your kingdom.

**12.** Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**11.** Blessed are they who mourn,

for they will be comforted.

**10. *Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the land.***

(Tone 5) The thief on the cross, believing you to be God, O Christ, professed you sincerely from his heart, crying out, "Remember me, O Lord, in your kingdom."

**9. *Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for  
righteousness, for they will be satisfied.***

- With one accord let us praise in song as Savior and Creator the one who made life blossom for the human race by the tree of the cross, and withered the curse of the tree.

**8. *Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.***

- By your death, O Christ, you destroyed the power of death, raising with you the dead from ages past who sing hymns to you, our true God and Savior.

**7. *Blessed are the pure of heart, for they will see God.***

- The pious women came to your tomb, O Christ, seeking to anoint you, the Giver of life, and an angel appeared, crying out to them, "The Lord is risen."

**6. *Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.***

- O Christ, when you were crucified between two convicted thieves, one blasphemed you and was justly condemned, while the other confessed you and went to Paradise.

**5. *Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.***

- The pious women came to the apostles and cried out, "Christ is risen." Let us worship him as Master and Creator

**4. *Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you  
and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me.***

(Tone 8) As mediator standing between the old and the new covenant of the Gospel, you denounced the iniquitous union of the tyrant, and, with joy accepted a glorious death.

**3. *Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.***

- Instructed beforehand by her iniquitous mother, the girl said to Herod, befuddled with drunkenness: Give me the head of John on a platter, that I may present to my mother the gift she desires!

**2. *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.***

- The shameless tyrant, unable to endure the reproof of your God-bearing tongue, O glorious prophet, gave your precious martyr's head to the girl as a reward for her dancing

**1. *Now and ever and forever. Amen.***

- May we be delivered from grievous transgressions through your supplications, O pure Theotokos, and may we receive divine radiance from the Son of God ineffably incarnate of you, O all-pure one.

### **Prokeimenon, Tone 5:**

You, O Lord, will keep us and preserve us forever from this generation.

*Verse:* Save me, O Lord, for the righteous have vanished.

### **Prokeimenon, Tone 7:**

The just man will rejoice in the Lord, and will put his trust in him.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4 and Acts 13:25-33

*Leader:* A reading from the Second Letter of St. Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians.

Brothers and Sisters: the one who gives us security with you in Christ and who anointed us is God; he has also put his seal upon us and given the Spirit in our hearts as a first installment. But I call upon God as witness, on my life, that it is to spare you that I have not yet gone to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; rather, we work together for your joy, for you stand firm in the faith. For I decided not to come to you again in painful circumstances. For if I inflict pain upon you, then who is there to cheer me except the one pained by me? And I wrote as I did so that when I came I might not be pained by those in whom I should have rejoiced, confident about all of you that my joy is that of all of you. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you with many tears, not that you might be pained but that you might know the abundant love I have for you.

In those days: as John was completing his course, he would say, ‘What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet.’ “My brothers, children of the family of Abraham, and those others among you who are God-fearing, to us this word of salvation has been sent. The inhabitants of Jerusalem and their leaders failed to recognize him, and by condemning him they fulfilled the oracles of the prophets that are read sabbath after sabbath. For even though they found no grounds for a death sentence, they asked Pilate to have him put to death, and when they had accomplished all that was written about him, they took him down from the tree and placed him in a tomb. But God raised him from the dead, and for many days he appeared to those who had come up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem. These are now his witnesses before the people. We ourselves are proclaiming this good news to you that what God promised our ancestors he has brought to fulfillment for us, their children, by raising up Jesus, as it is written in the second psalm, ‘You are my son; this day I have begotten you.’

**Alleluia, Tone 5:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

*Verse:* I shall sing forever of your mercies, O Lord; through all generations my mouth will proclaim your truth.

*Verse:* For you have said: Mercy is built to last forever. Your truth is firmly established in heaven.

**Alleluia, Tone 4:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

*Verse:* The just man will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar of Lebanon.

*Leader:* A reading from the gospel of the holy apostle and evangelist Matthew. (Matthew 22:1-14 and Mark 6:14-30)

*Response:* Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you.

*Leader:*

The Lord told this parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come. A second time he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those invited: “Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast.”’ Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. The rest laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, ‘The feast is ready, but those who were invited

were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.’ The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to meet the guests he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. He said to him, ‘My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?’ But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, ‘Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.’ Many are invited, but few are chosen.”

At that time: King Herod heard about Jesus, for his fame had become widespread, and people were saying, “John the Baptist has been raised from the dead; that is why mighty powers are at work in him.” Others were saying, “He is Elijah”; still others, “He is a prophet like any of the prophets.” But when Herod learned of it, he said, “It is John whom I beheaded. He has been raised up.” Herod was the one who had John arrested and bound in prison on account of Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip, whom he had married. John had said to Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother’s wife.” Herodias harbored a grudge against him and wanted to kill him but was unable to do so. Herod feared John, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man, and kept him in custody. When he heard him speak he was very much perplexed, yet he liked to listen to him. She had an opportunity one day when Herod, on his birthday, gave a banquet for his courtiers, his military officers, and the leading men of Galilee. Herodias’s own daughter came in and performed a dance that delighted Herod and his guests. The king said to the girl, “Ask of me whatever you wish and I will grant it to you.” He even swore many things to her, “I will grant you whatever you ask of me, even to half of my kingdom.” She went out and said to her mother, “What shall I ask for?” She replied, “The head of John the Baptist.” The girl hurried back to the king’s presence and made her request, “I want you to give me at once on a platter the head of John the Baptist.” The king was deeply distressed, but because of his oaths and the guests he did not wish to break his word to her. So he promptly dispatched an executioner with orders to bring back his head. He went off and beheaded him in the prison. He brought in the head on a platter and gave it to the girl. The girl in turn gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb. The apostles gathered together with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught.

*Response:* Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you.

*Then:*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
now and ever and forever. Amen.

Remember us, O Lord,  
when you come in your kingdom.

Remember us, O Master,  
when you come in your kingdom.

Remember us, O Holy One,  
when you come in your kingdom.

The heavenly choir praises you and says,  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts;  
heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Look towards him and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.

The heavenly choir praises you and says,  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts;  
heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit.

The choir of holy angels and archangels, with all the heavenly powers, praises you and says,  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts;  
heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Now and ever  
and forever. Amen.

### **Profession of Faith**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, the only-begotten, born of the Father before all ages. Light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in essence with the Father; through whom all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven and was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became man. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried. 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 is coming again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Creator of Life, who proceeds from the Father. Together with the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified; he spoke through the prophets. In one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I profess one baptism for the remission of sins. I expect the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Remit, pardon, and forgive our transgressions, voluntary and involuntary, in deed and in word, with knowledge and in ignorance, in thought and in desire, by night and by day, forgive them all, O God, for you are good and love us all.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.



*Leader:* Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us.

*Response:* Amen.

**Kontakion, Tone 5:**

O Savior, you descended into Hades. You crushed its gates as the Almighty. You raised the dead and destroyed the sting of Death as the Creator. You delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of us all; therefore, all cry out to you, O Lord, save us.

Lord, have mercy. (*Twelve times*)

*Leader:* Most holy Trinity, Consubstantial Power, Indivisible Kingdom, Cause of all good things, look favorably upon me, a sinner, at this present hour. Take away all the defilement of my mind and enlighten my understanding that I may always praise, glorify, and say:

*Response:* One is holy, one is Lord Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

*The Leader bows his head and together with the faithful makes a spiritual Communion praying aloud:*

O Lord, I believe and confess that you are truly Christ,  
who came into the world

To save sinners of whom I am the first.

*Although I cannot be a partaker now of your mystical supper, O Son of God,*

Come at least spiritually into my heart by Your Divine Grace  
for the healing of my soul and body.

For I will not reveal your mystery to your enemies,

Nor will I give you a kiss as did Judas,

But like the thief I profess to you:

+ Remember me, O Lord, when you come in your kingdom.

+ Remember me, O Master, when you come in your kingdom.

+ Remember me, O Holy One, when you come in your kingdom.

O Lord, I also believe and profess, that this,

Which I would receive, and which is now here present with us in Mystery,

Is truly your most precious Body, and your life-giving Blood,

Which, I pray, I may one day receive again

For the remission of all my sins and for life everlasting. Amen

*Then immediately:*

**Psalm 33**

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
his praise always on my lips;

In the Lord

my soul shall make its boast

The humble shall hear

and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me.  
Together let us praise his name.

I sought the Lord and he answered me;  
from all my terrors he set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.

This poor man called, the Lord heard him  
and rescued him from all his distress.

The angel of the Lord is encamped,  
around those who revere him, to rescue them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.  
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

Revere the Lord, you his saints.  
They lack nothing, those who revere him.

Strong lions suffer want and go hungry  
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

Come, children, and hear me  
that I may teach you the fear of the Lord.

Who is he who longs for life and many days,  
to enjoy his prosperity?

Then keep your tongue from evil  
and your lips from speaking deceit.

Turn aside from evil and do good;  
seek and strive after peace.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked  
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.

The Lord turns his eyes to the just  
and his ears to their appeal.

The just cried out and the Lord heard them,  
and rescued them from all their distress.

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;  
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.

Many are the trials of the just,  
but from them all the Lord will rescue them.

He will keep guard over all their bones,  
not one of their bones shall be broken.

Evil brings death to the wicked;  
those who hate the good are doomed.

The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.  
Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

More honorable than the cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious than the seraphim;  
who, a virgin, gave birth to God the Word, you, truly the Theotokos, we magnify.

**Leader:** Through the prayers of our holy fathers, O Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy  
on us.

**Response:** Amen.

**Closing Hymn:**

**Kontakion, Tone 5**

The glorious beheading of the Forerunner was part of God's saving plan that the coming of  
the Savior might be announced even to those in Hades. Let Herodias mourn, for she sought a  
lawless murder, because she loved neither the Law of God nor eternal life, but only this  
false and fleeting life.