# THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

*Priest:* Blessed be the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

Choir: Amen.

#### Great Ektenia

Lord, have mercy, To You, O Lord, Amen.

# The First Antiphon

**V:** Shout to the Lord, all the earth, sing now to His name, give glory to His praise

**R:** Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

**V:** Say unto God: "How awesome are your works! Because of the greatness of Your strength Your enemies will flatter You.

**R:** Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

**V:** Let all the earth worship You and sing to You. Let it sing to Your name, O Most High.

**R:** Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

## Hymn to Christ Incarnate

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen. Only-begotten Son and Word of God, You are immortal, and You willed for our salvation to be made flesh of the holy Mother of God and evervirgin Mary, and without change You became man. You were crucified, O Christ our God, and trampled death by death. You are one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

## Small Ektenia

Lord, have mercy, To You, O Lord, Amen.

# The Third Antiphon

**V:** Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God our Saviour.

**R:** Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

**V:** Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms.

**R:** Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

**V:** For God is the great Lord, and the great King over all the earth.

**R:** Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

#### The Little Entrance

**V:** Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God our Saviour.

**R:** Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

#### Changeable Parts (Propers)

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#### The Trisagion Hymn

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. *x*<sub>3</sub>

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen. Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.

#### Prokeimenon

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#### Epistle Reading & Alleluia

## **Proclamation of the Gospel**

And with your spirit. Glory be to You, O Lord, glory be to You. x2

# The Insistent Ektenia

Lord, have mercy (two times) then, Lord, have mercy (x3).

# The Cherubic Hymn

Let us who mystically represent the cherubim and sing the thrice-holy hymn to the life-giving Trinity now lay aside all cares of life. (*Repeated as necessary*).

## The Great Entrance

That we may receive the King of all, escorted invisibly by ranks of angels. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### The Ektenia for the Gifts

Lord, have mercy, To You, O Lord, Amen. Then...

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, the Trinity one in being and undivided.

# The Symbol of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. Light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit He was born of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontus Pilate: He suffered, died, and was buried. On the third day He rose again in fulfilment of the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Anaphora

**R:** The mercy of peace, the sacrifice of praise.

**R:** And with your spirit.

**R:** We have lifted them to the Lord.

**R:** It is right and just to worship the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, the Trinity one in being and undivided.

**R:** Holy, holy, holy, Lord of Sabaoth. Heaven and earth are full of Your glory! Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Priest: Take, eat... Choir: Amen. Priest: Drink of it... Choir: Amen. **R:** We sing of You, we bless You, we thank You, O Lord, and we pray to You our God.

#### The Irmos

It is truly right to bless you, O God-bearing one, as the ever-blessed and immaculate Mother of our God. More honourable that the cherubim, and by far more glorious than the seraphim, ever a virgin, you gave birth to God the Word. O true Mother of God, we magnify you.

R: And remember all men and all women

R: Amen.

**R:** And with your spirit.

#### The Ektenia of Supplication

Lord, have mercy. Then... Grant this, O Lord. (x6) To You, O Lord.

## The Lord's Prayer

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.

R: Amen.

**R:** And with your spirit.

**R:** To You, O Lord.

R: Amen.

#### **Holy Communion**

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

V: Praise the Lord from the heavens. Praise Him in the highest. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



## **Prayer before Communion**

I believe, O Lord, and confess that You are truly Christ, the Son of the living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. Accept me this day, O Son of God, as a partake of Your Mystical Supper. I will not tell the mystery to Your enemies, nor will I give You a kiss as did Judas, but like the thief, I confess to you;

- + Remember me, O Lord, when You come into Your kingdom.
- + Remember me, O Master, when You come into Your kingdom.
- + Remember me, O Holy One, when You come into Your kingdom.

May the partaking of Your Holy Mysteries, O Lord, be unto me not for judgement or condemnation, but for the healing of soul and body.

- + God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- + God, cleanse me of my sins, and have mercy on me.
- + I have sinned without number, forgive me O Lord.

## An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in these Holy Gifts! I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot receive You now, I place before You my whole life and hope, O loving Master; and I ask, pray, and entreat You; Make me worthy to partake in a mystical way and with a pure conscience of Your awesome and heavenly Mysteries; for forgiveness of sins, for the pardon of offences, for communion of the Holy Spirit, for the inheritance of the kingdom of heaven, for confidence before you, and not for judgement or condemnation. I embrace You as You enter and abide in me, and I unite myself completely to You. Permeate my soul and body, and never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## Blessing with the Holy Gifts

We have seen the true light. We have received the heavenly Spirit. We have found the true faith. We worship the undivided Trinity for having saved us.

# Thanksgiving Hymn

Amen. May our mouths be filled with Your praise, O Lord, that we may sing of Your glory. For You made us worthy to partake of Your holy,

divine, immortal, and life giving Mysteries. Preserve us in Your holiness that we may meditate all the day upon Your justice. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## The Ektenia of Thanksgiving

Lord, have mercy, To You, O Lord, Amen.

# The Ambo Prayer

**R:** In the name of the Lord.

R: Lord, have mercy.

**R:** Amen. Blessed be the name of the Lord, now and forever.

#### The Dismissal

R: Amen.

**R:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen. Lord have mercy (x<sub>3</sub>). Give the blessing.

R: Amen.

