

4th Sunday after Pentecost
Commemoration of the Holy Apostles Bartholomew & Barnabas

VESPERS: Tone 3

P. Regular Beginning

C. Lord I have cried... (Tone 3)

1. The **power** of death has been **destroyed** by Thy Cross/ and the **wiles** of the devil have been set to naught, O Christ our **Saviour**,/ **while** mankind, **saved** by faith,// offers Thee hymns of praise forever.
2. The **whole** inhabited earth has been enlightened by Thy Resurrection, O Lord,/ **and** the paradise of old has been reopened;/ **while** it extols Thee,// all creation offers Thee hymns of praise forever.
3. I **glorify** the might of the **Father**/ **and** of the Son and the power of the Holy **Spirit**;/ **and** I praise the dominion of the undivided, uncreated **Godhead**//--the consubstantial Trinity that reigns unto the **ages** of ages.
4. We **worship** Thy precious **Cross**, O Christ,/ and **praise** and glorify Thy Resurrection:// For by Thy wounds have we **all** been healed.

Stichera for the Holy Apostle Bartholomew (Tone 4)

5. **With** the net of thy words, O divinely eloquent **apostle**,/ thou didst draw the ends of the world forth from the abyss of vainglory and wicked **ungodliness**,/ and didst **bring** them with faith unto Christ God Who had given thee **such** grace,/ in that thou art His divine **disciple**// and the recounter of His mysteries, O apostle **Bartholomew**.
6. Jesus our **God**, the Sun of **righteousness**,/ caused thee to shine upon the fullness of the world like a ray of light, O all-**glorious** one,/ mightily **dispelling** the gloom of **ungodliness**/ and illumining all who sit in the darkness of **ignorance**,// whom thou hast made heirs of the Light, O divinely wise **Bartholomew**.
7. **Submitting** to the will of Him Whose will all **things** obey,/ and emulating Him as a teacher of **righteousness**,/ **rejoicing**, thou didst drain the cup of death because of His suffering **on** the Cross,/ and thou standest before thine **ultimate** Desire,/ joining chorus with the angels and the **apostles**,// O glorious **Bartholomew**.

Stichera for the Holy Apostle Barnabas (Tone 4)

8. Thou hast **received** invincible authority and power over the demons, O apostle, in the **name** of Christ,/ to drive away the princes of **darkness**;/ and thou didst **travel** over the earth, shedding light **like** the sun,/ and, being the first to arrive in **glorious** Rome,// thou didst preach the salvific advent of Christ, O **glorious** one.
9. **Emulating** the primal goodness and the essential and all-**divine** life,/ thou becamest a man good in essence, O **Barnabas**,/ and, **receiving** a

name signifying son of consolation,/ by the goodness of thy character and the purity **of** thy mind// thou didst show thyself to be a true **disciple** of Christ.

10. **Being** an instrument well tuned by the action of the Spirit, O **Barnabas**,/ thou didst commit thyself to summon the **nations**,/ **guiding** them to the knowledge of Christ by thy **words** and deeds,/ and thou hast enlightened all to confess the true divinity of **Jesus**,// the Saviour **of** our souls.

Glory... (Tone 6)

O all-praised **Barnabas**,/ thou radiant vessel of the Holy Spirit and son of consolation,/ even before Paul thou wast the foremost of the seventy **disciples**,/ and with Paul thou didst preach the Gospel to the **ends** of the earth./ Wherefore, fulfilling thy discourse of grace **with** thy deeds,/ thou didst offer thyself up as a pure wholeburnt offering to Christ thy **Teacher**./ Beg thou ever, O glorious **apostle**,// that our souls be saved in **peace**, we pray.

Both now & ever... Dogmatikon (Tone 3)

How can we refrain from wonder, O all-hallowed **Virgin**,/ at thy **bearing** God and **man** in One?/ For **thou**, without blemish and who hast never **known** a man,/ hast brought **forth** without father a **Son** in the flesh,/ begotten of the Father without mother before all **ages**,/ Who suffered no **change**, confusion nor **division**,/ but kept in **full** what is proper to each **nature**;/ our **Lady**, thou Virgin and **Mother**,/ **entreat** Him to **save** the souls// of those who in the true faith confess thee to be the Theotokos.

P. Wisdom. Aright!

C. O Joyful Light...

P. Prokimenon. The Lord is King...

P. Wisdom!

- R. Reading from the General Epistle of Peter [I Pet. 1: 3-9]

Brethren: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: that the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: Whom having not seen, ye love; in Whom, though now ye see Him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

- R. Reading from the General Epistle of Peter [I Pet. 1: 13-19]

Beloved: Gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; as obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: but as He who hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; because it is written, Be ye

holy; for I am holy. And if ye call on the Father, Who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear: forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

R. Reading from the General Epistle of Peter [I Pet. 2: 11-24]

Beloved: I beseech you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; having your conversation honest among the gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto those who are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of those who do well. For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloak of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king. Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the forward. For this is thank-worthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? But if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps: Who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth: Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered, He threatened not; but committed Himself to Him Who judgeth righteously: Who His own self bore our sins in His own body on the Tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.

P. Augmented Litany

R. Vouchsafe...

P. Litany of Fervent Supplication

C. Litya - *one sticheron of the temple and then the following:*

(Tone 1)

Your proclamation of salvation/ hath gone forth into all the earth, O apostles, seers of God,/ and hath illumined the souls of the lost/ and brought unto Christ men enlightened by grace.// Wherefore, pray ye, that He grant unto our souls peace and great mercy.

O all-radiant beacons of Christ,/ most precious vessels, all-wise ones,/ who through faith have come to contain the effulgence of the Spirit,/ pillars of the Church, all-glorious heavens declaring the glory of God:// entreat Him, that He grant unto our souls peace and great mercy.

O blessed one, ye brought to Christ God the nations,/ delivered by the blood of Him Who was well pleased to be born on earth/ and Who of His own will endured the Cross and death,/ O glorious ones. Entreat Him now,// that He grant unto our souls peace and great mercy.

Glory... Your proclamation of salvation/ hath gone forth into all the earth, O apostles, seers of God,/ and hath illumined the souls of the lost/ and brought unto Christ men enlightened by grace.// Wherefore, pray ye, that He grant unto our souls peace and great mercy.

Both... (Tone 1)

Behold, the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled:/ Virgin, hast thou brought forth and after, as before, hast thou remained **Virgin**./ For **God** it was Who was born, and the nature of man was **thereby** restored./ O Mother of God, despise not the supplications of thy **servants**/ that are **offered** to **thee** in thy Church,/ but do thou, who hast held in thine arms the **compassionate** Lord,/ be **merciful** towards us who **serve** thee,// and pray that our **souls** may be saved.

P. *Litya prayers in back of Church.*

APOSTICHA: (Tone 3)

1. **Thou** hast darkened the sun by Thy **Passion**, O Christ;/ **by** Thy Resurrection hast Thou given **all** things light.// Accept our evening hymn, O Thou Who **lovest** mankind.

V. The Lord is King,/ and hath put on glorious **apparel**.

2. **Thy** life-giving Resurrection, O Lord,/ has brought **light** to all the **inhabited** earth/ and **called** up Thy creation that lay in **corruption**,/ so that **we**, released from the curse of Adam, **cry** aloud:// Glory unto Thee, O **Almighty** Lord.

V. He hath made the world so sure/ that it **cannot** be moved.

3. **Suffering** in the fl-esh, **Thou**, O God/ Who by **nature** cannot be changed, hast **changed** Thyself,/ and the creation unable to bear the sight of Thee hanging was bowed **down** by fear/ and it **groaned** as it sang the praises of Thy long-**suffering**./ And **Thou**, descending into hell, hast risen on the **third** day,// giving the world life and great **mercy**.

V. Holiness becometh Thine house/ O Lord, **forever**.

4. **Thou** hast suffered **death**, O Christ,/ **to** deliver our **kind** from death:/ **And**, risen the third day **from** the dead,/ **Thou** hast raised up with Thyself those who **acknowledge** Thee to be God/ and **Thou** hast **enlightened** the world.// O Lord, **glory** to Thee.

Glory... (Tone 8)

O all-praised Barnabas, apostle of the **Saviour**,/ receptacle of faith, son of consolation, calm of the **tempest-tossed**,/ as thou hast boldness, pray thou **unceasingly**,// that our souls be preserved in peace on the day of thy **commemoration**.

Both... (Tone 8)

O **Virgin** unwedded, O Mother of **God** on high,/ thou hast ineffably conceived **God** in the flesh;/ and being beyond reproach, thou hast granted us

all purification of our transgressions./ Accept the supplications of thy servants,/ and do thou, who now receivest our entreaties,// pray for us **all** to be saved.

C. St. Symeon's Prayer
 R. Trisagion
 C. Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos x3

P. Blessing of the loaves
 C. Amen. Blessed be the Name of the Lord... x3
 Psalm 33:1-10

MATINS: Tone 3

P. Regular Beginning
 P. Great Ectenia
 C. God is the Lord... (Tone 3)

C. Sunday Troparia (Tone 3) x2
 Let the heavens rejoice!/ Let the earth be glad!/ For the Lord has shown strength with His arm!/ He has trampled down death by death!/ He has become the firstborn of the dead!/ He has delivered us from the depths of hell,// and has granted to the world great mercy.

Glory... Troparion for the Apostles (Tone 3)
 O holy apostles/ entreat the merciful God,// that He grant to our souls remission of transgressions.

Both... Theotokion (Tone 3) (see music Vigil Book)
 We sing thy praises, O Virgin Theotokos,/ who dost intercede for the salvation of our kind;/ for thy Son and our God by taking flesh of thee/ and accepting to suffer through the Cross/ has delivered us from corruption// because He lovest mankind.

Lord Have Mercy 3x
 Glory...

R. Now...
 R. Kathisma II
 P. Small Ectenia

R. Sessional Hymns:
 Christ hath arisen from the dead, the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep, the firstborn of creation, the Creator of all that existeth; and in Himself He hath restored the nature of our race which had become corrupt. No longer dost thou have dominion, O death, for the Master of all hath destroyed thy realm!

V. Arise, O Lord my God, let Thy hand be lifted high; forget not Thy paupers to the end.

Having tasted the fruit of death, O Lord, Thou didst cut off the bitterness of death by Thine arising, and hast strengthened man against it, revoking the defeat of the primal curse. O Lord, Defender of our life, glory be to Thee!

G/B... Awed by the beauty of thy virginity and thine all-radiant purity, Gabriel, marveling, cried out to thee, O Theotokos: "What praise can I bring which is worthy of thee? What shall I call thee? I am at a loss and filled with awe! Wherefore, as I have been commanded, I cry unto thee: 'Rejoice, O thou who art full of grace!'"

R. Kathisma III
P. Small Ectenia

R. Sessional Hymns:

Terrified of Thine immutable divinity and voluntary suffering, O Lord, hell lamented to itself, saying: "I tremble before a Being of incorrupt flesh; I behold One invisible, Who mystically contendeth against me. Wherefore, I hold fast to those who cry: Glory to Thy resurrection, O Christ!"

V. I will confess Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart, I will tell of all Thy wonders.

O ye faithful, let us theologize concerning the incomprehensibility of the crucifixion, the ineffability of the resurrection, the unspeakable mystery; for today death and hell have been made captive, and the human race hath been clothed in incorruption. Wherefore, giving thanks, we cry unto Thee: Glory to Thine arising, O Christ!

G/B... O Theotokos, thou didst mystically contain in thy womb the Unapproachable and Uncircumscribable One, Who is consubstantial with the Father and the Spirit, and through thy birthgiving we have learned to glorify in the world the one and unconfused power of the Trinity. Wherefore, with thanksgiving we cry out to thee: Rejoice, O thou who art full of grace!

C. Polyeleos

P/C. Magnification

We magnify you,/ O holy apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas,/ and we honour the pangs and labors/ whereby ye struggled// in the proclamation of the Gospel of Christ.

V. The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaimeth the work of His hands.

We magnify you,/ O holy apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas,/ and we honour the pangs and labors/ whereby ye struggled// in the proclamation of the Gospel of Christ.

V. The heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord.

We magnify you,/ O holy apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas,/ and we honour the pangs and labors/ whereby ye struggled// in the proclamation of the Gospel of Christ.

Do NOT sing Alleluia... but go directly to the following:

C. Evlogitaria (Blessed art Thou, O Lord...)
 P. Small Ectenia

R. Ypakoe:

Amazing the myrrh-bearing women by the sight of Him, and refreshing them by his words, the radiant angel said to them: "Why seek ye the Living in the tomb? He Who hath emptied the graves hath arisen! Understand the Changer of corruption to be immutable! Say ye unto God: How awesome are Thy works, for Thou hast saved the human race!"

R. Sessional Hymns for the Apostles:

The spiritual choir of the apostles was mystically sent into the world by God Most High, and they were unwittingly shown forth as physicians of the suffering, calling upon the Unity in three Hypostases, and wisely described the divine incarnation of the Lord Emmanuel.

Like stars do ye enlighten the ends of the earth with splendid radiance, the divine doctrines of your holy preaching, O apostles of the Lord, initiates of the mysteries of heaven.

Glory... Dragging up the nations out of the depths of ignorance in godly manner with the net of the Word, thou didst draw them forth with faith; and as a wellspring of spiritual waters thou hast watered the whole world with grace. Wherefore, saved by thee, O divinely eloquent Bartholomew, we bless thee as the close friend of Christ, crying out to thee: Entreat Christ God, that He grant remission of offenses unto those who honour thy holy memory with love.

Both... All of us, the generations of men, bless thee as the Virgin who, alone among women, without seed gavest birth to God in the flesh; for the fire of the Godhead dwelt within thee, and thou didst nurture the Creator and Lord with milk as a babe. Wherefore, we, the generation of angels and men, glorify thine all-holy birthgiving as is meet, and together we cry out to thee: Entreat Christ God, that He grant remission of offenses unto those who worship thine all-holy birthgiving with faith.

Hymn of Degrees: (Antiphon One)

Thou didst move the captivity of Sion away from Babylon, O Word. Draw me also forth from the passions unto life.

They who sow in the south with tears divine shall joyfully reap the grain of life everlasting.

G/B... Unto the Holy Spirit, as to the Father and the Son, shineth all thanksgiving, wherein all things live and move.

Hymn of Degrees: (Antiphon Two)

If the Lord buildeth not the house of the virtues, in vain do we labor; and when the Spirit protecteth it, no one will destroy our city.

Through the Spirit are the saints ever adopted by Thee, O Christ, as the fruit of Thee and the Father.

G/B... Through the Holy Spirit are all holiness and wisdom perceived. For He bringeth every created thing into existence. Him do we worship, for He is God, like the Father and the Word.

Hymn of Degrees: (Antiphon Three)

Blessed are they who fear the Lord, who walk the path of the commandments; for they shall eat of all the fruits of life.

Be Thou glad, O Chief Shepherd, beholding Thine offspring round about Thy table, bearing the branches of goodly works.

G/B... From the Holy Spirit are all the riches of glory; from Him are grace and life for every creation: for He is hymned with the Father and the Word.

P. Prokimenon: (Tone 3)

Say among the nations that the Lord is king;/ for He hath established the world, which shall not be shaken.

V. O sing unto the Lord a new song.

C. Let every breath praise the Lord.

P. GOSPEL #4

C. Having Beheld the Resurrection of Christ...

R. Psalm 50

C. Glory... Now... Have mercy on me... Jesus having risen...

P. Save, O God, Thy People...

Anointing.

Canticle One

Irmos: He Who of old gathered the waters into one at His divine behest/ and parted the sea for the people of Israel,/ is our God and is most glorious.// To Him let us chant, for He hath been glorified.

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

Our God is He Who cursed the earth to bring forth as fruit thorns through the sweat of the transgressor, and in the flesh receiveth a crown of thorns from the hands of the transgressors of the law. He hath abolished the curse, in that He hath been glorified.

He of Whom death was afraid hath appeared as the vanquisher and victor over death; for having assumed animate flesh subject to sufferings, and contended against the tyrant, He hath raised all up with Himself. He is our God, for He hath been glorified.

Theotokion

All nations glorify thee as the true Theotokos who gave birth without seed; for He is our God Who, having descended into thy sanctified womb, became of our essence. God and Man was born of thee.

Most Holy Theotokos, Save us.

Every heavenly being fittingly bendeth its knee, with those of earth and those in the nethermost parts, before Him Who became incarnate of thee, O Virgin; He hath been glorified.

O the reconciliation which took place within thee! For He Who abundantly bestoweth gifts hath as God given us the divine Spirit, having received flesh of thee, O Maiden, in that He hath been glorified.

Holy Apostle of Christ Bartholomew, pray to God for us!

God Who seeth all things beforehand, perceiving thy mind in manner divine, chose thee and enrolled thee in the choir of the apostles, O most lauded Bartholomew, illumining thy heart with grace.

Ascending to the summit of the virtues, O thou who art most rich, as an apostle of Christ thou wast enriched with the cloven tongue of fire breathed forth by the Spirit, and thou dost burn up the tinder of impiety and ignorance.

Thou wast truly shown to be a God-bearing coal afire with the radiance of the divine Spirit, O all-praised Bartholomew, consuming the chaff of falsehood and enlightening the hearts of those who hymn thee with faith.

Theotokion

O pure one, tell us how it is that thou givest suck? How camest thou to be a mother, resplendent with the seals of thy virginity intact? "To the one God and Lord of all, Who transcendeth nature and Who, testing, plumbeth the depths, did I give birth!"

Holy Apostle of Christ Barnabas, pray to God for us!

As thou art a good man and hast been shown to be a son of consolation, dispel the affliction of my soul and the soul-destroying grief of sin, that, full of gladness, I may hymn thee.

Surrounded by the pure radiance of Christ the King of all, Who sprang forth from the tribe of Judah and came from the sacred Levitic kinship, O blessed one who art most rich, thou didst preach the supplanting of the law by grace.

Glory... Thy splendid life of pristine goodness and natural essence showed thee to be a secondary god, rendered blessed by graces derived therefrom, O all-wise and glorious Barnabas, thou offspring of divine consolation.

Both... O Mistress Theotokos, the divine choir of maidens doth divinely hymn thee as the good one among women who hast been adorned with the beauties of divinity; for in manner past recounting thou gavest birth to the Word, our Benefactor.

C. Katavasia (Tone 4)

I shall open my mouth/ and the Spirit will inspire it,/ and I shall utter the words of my song to the Queen and Mother:/ I shall be seen radiantly keeping feast// and joyfully praising her wonders.

Canticle Three

Irmos: O Most High, Thou Ruler of all,/ Who out of non-existence/
hast brought all things, which are fashioned by Thy Word/ and
made perfect by the Spirit; // Confirm me in Thy love!

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

The ungodly one was confounded by Thy Cross, for he fell into the pit
which he dug; but in Thy resurrection, O Christ, Thou didst raise up the
lowly.

The preaching of piety to the nations covered them like the water of
the sea, O Thou Who lovest mankind; for having risen from the tomb, Thou
didst reveal the light of the Trinity.

Theotokion

All-glorious things have been said of thee, O animate city of Him Who
reigneth forever; for through thee, O Mistress, did God come to dwell with
those on earth.

Most Holy Theotokos, Save us.

The Virgin, having sprung forth as the rod of the root of Jesse, as
said the prophets, put Thee forth as a flower for us, O Christ. Holy art
Thou, O Lord!

That Thou mightest cause mortals to partake of the divine, Thou didst
abase Thyself, receiving our flesh from the Virgin. Holy art Thou, O Lord!

Holy Apostle of Christ Bartholomew, pray to God for us!

Like rain from heaven, thou hast watered the whole world, which had
grown dry under the darkness of ungodliness, O all-wise and right wondrous
God-seer.

Thou didst put forth a stream of the drink of salvation, O most
honoured Bartholomew, and didst bring forth manifold fruit of salvation for
the nations, O right wondrous one.

With the salt of grace thou didst put an end to the putrefaction of
idolatry, O most wise one, delighting the hearts of those who honour thee
with the sweet discourse of faith.

Theotokion

We honour thee, the only Virgin Mother, as the mediatrix of our
salvation who hast delivered the world by thy supplications, O immaculate
one.

Holy Apostle of Christ Barnabas, pray to God for us!

O glorious Barnabas, thou wast seen to be a willing cloud bearing rain
for us from the wellspring of grace and dropping a torrent of nourishment
down upon us.

The authority of the omnipotent Spirit, seeing thee to be a minister of the mysteries of Christ gifted with diverse splendors, set thee apart, O all-praised one.

Glory... Barnabas and Paul, the divinely wise and right glorious apostles, enlightened by the grace of Thy Cross, through faith brought the nations to Thee, O Master.

Both... Thou wast shown to be like a lily in thy purity, shining forth amid thorns in the radiance of thy virginity, O most pure Theotokos.

C. Katavasia (Tone 4)

O **M**other of God,/ thou living and **p**lentiful fount,/ give **s**trength to those united in spiritual **f**ellowship,/ who sing hymns of **p**raise to thee:/ And in thy divine **g**lory// vouchsafe unto them crowns of **g**lory.

P. Small Ectenia

C. Kontakion for the Apostle Bartholomew (Tone 4)

Thou hast been shown to be a great sun for the whole world,/ shining with the radiance of doctrines and awesome miracles,// and illumining those who honour thee, O Bartholomew, apostle of the Lord.

R. Ikos for the Apostle Bartholomew

Thou wast seen to be like heaven, declaring the glory of God through the Holy Spirit, O apostle whose eyes beheld God, and wast shown to be like a radiant sun for the world, dispelling the gloom of deception by divine grace. Wherefore, I pray to thee and offer entreaty: With thy divine rays enlighten the blind eyes of my soul, O thou who art most rich, and grant me discourse, that I may open my mouth and sing on the day of thy commemoration, whereon all the faithful praise thee in gladness, O Bartholomew, apostle of the Lord.

C. Kontakion for the Apostle Barnabas (Tone 2)

Thou wast a most true servant of the Lord,/ and, as the foremost of the seventy apostles,/ didst shine forth in thy preaching with Paul,/ proclaiming Christ the Saviour unto all;// wherefore, with songs we hymn thy divine memory, O Barnabas.

R. Ikos for the Apostle Barnabas

The Son of God, Who is equally eternal with the Spirit, Who in His good pleasure became incarnate on earth as a man, granting dispassion through His honoured suffering, ordained thee an apostle, a herald of the Faith wise in discourse and right wondrous, and a true worshiper of the Trinity, O blessed one. Wherefore, the precious and radiant morning-star hath shone forth upon the faithful, illumining thy divine memory, which we celebrate as is meet.

R. Sessional Hymns

Dragging the nations up out of the depths of ignorance in godly manner with the net of the Word, thou didst haul them in with faith; and as a wellspring of spiritual waters thou hast watered the whole world with grace. Wherefore, saved by thee, O divinely eloquent Bartholomew, we bless thee as the close friend of Christ, crying out to thee: Entreat Christ God,

that He grant remissions of offenses unto those who honour thy holy memory with love.

Glory... Thou wast shown to be endowed with reason, like the heavens declaring the glory of God, dispelling the night of ignorance with the effulgence of miracles, with rays of power and grace, and illumining the ends of the earth with beams of divine knowledge. Wherefore, today we, the faithful, glorify thy splendid and holy memory, and we cry out to thee: O most lauded Barnabas, entreat Christ God, that He grant remission of sins unto those who honour thy holy memory with love.

Both... All of us, the generations of men, bless thee as the Virgin who, alone among women, without seed gavest birth to God in the flesh; for the fire of the Godhead dwelt within thee, and thou didst nurture the Creator and Lord with milk as a babe. Wherefore, we, the generation of angels and men, glorify thine all-holy birthgiving as is meet, and together we cry out to thee: Entreat Christ God, that He grant remission of offenses unto those who worship thine all-holy birthgiving with faith.

Canticle Four

Irmos: Thou hast shown us constant love, O Lord,/ for Thou didst give Thine only-begotten Son over to death for us./ Wherefore, in thanksgiving we cry to Thee:// Glory to Thy power, O Lord.

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

In Thy mercy, Thou didst withstand wounds and stripes, O Christ, enduring the malice of blows to Thy cheeks; and with long-suffering deigning to be spit upon, Thou didst thereby accomplish salvation for me. Glory to Thy power, O Lord.

Thou didst partake of death in a mortal body, O Life, for the sake of the suffering of the poor and the groans of Thy paupers; and having brought corruption upon the corrupter, O All-glorious One, Thou didst resurrect all with Thyself, in that Thou hast been glorified.

Theotokion

Remember, O Christ, the flock which Thou hast acquired by Thy suffering; and accepting the merciful entreaties of Thine all-glorious Mother, deliver it by Thy power, O Lord, visiting it in its affliction.

Most Holy Theotokos, Save us.

O Master, Who set the mountains in the scales of divine understanding, Thou wast cut from the stone of the Virgin without the aid of men's hands. Glory to Thy power, O Thou Who lovest mankind.

Thou hast healed our infirm nature, O Master, within the Virgin uniting to it Thine all-pure divinity, a most speedy remedy, O Word.

Holy Apostle of Christ Bartholomew, pray to God for us!

Protected by the Cross of the Lord, O most excellent Bartholomew, thou didst set at naught the savagery of the demons, and by thy preaching didst dispel their soul-destroying deception.

Christ showed thee forth as a light to the world, a divine effulgence of glory, O God-pleasing Bartholomew; for thou hast enlightened all creation with divine knowledge, O most blessed one.

Like a most excellent steed, the chariot of the Word, thou didst roil the pagan seas; and with faith thou didst consume the uttermost parts of bitter ungodliness.

Theotokion

Healing the ancient transgression of Eve, O all-pure one, the All-divine One made His abode within thee and hath restored me, a fallen man.

Holy Apostle of Christ Barnabas, pray to God for us!

Following the commandments of the Master, O all-praised apostle Barnabas, thou didst distribute all thy property among the poor, becoming an eloquent preacher of Christ.

Passing over the ends of the world like the sun in thy radiant effulgence, O most honoured Barnabas, following Paul thou didst illumine all with thy discourse of grace.

Glory... Having shared in the sufferings of the Saviour, O all-praised Barnabas, thou art glorified with Him in the mansions of heaven in manner past understanding, delighting in gladness.

Both... By thee hath the curse of Eve our first mother been abolished, O most immaculate one; for thou gavest birth to the eternal Word incarnate, Who hath crowned the world with blessings.

C. Katavasia (Tone 4)

He Who sits in glory upon the throne of the **Godhead**,/ Jesus the **true** God,/ is **come** in a **swift** cloud,/ and with His pure hand He has saved **those** who cry:// Glory to Thy **power**, O Lord.

Canticle Five

Irmos: I rise at dawn unto Thee, the Creator of all,/ Who passest all worldly understanding;/ for Thy commandments are light,// wherein do Thou direct me.

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

Through the envy of the Jews Thou wast given over to an unjust judge, O Beholder of all. And Thou Who judgest the whole earth with justice hast delivered ancient Adam from condemnation.

O Christ Who hast risen from the dead, grant Thy peace unto Thy Churches through the invincible power of Thy Cross, and save Thou our souls.

Theotokion

O only Ever-virgin, thou hast been shown to be the holy tabernacle and more spacious than the heavens, in that thou didst receive the Word of God, Whom all creation cannot contain.

Most Holy Theotokos, Save us.

Thy Son, the Word of God, O Virgin, the Creator of Adam the first-formed, is not a created being, even though He fashioned animate flesh for Himself out of thee.

Thy Son, the Lord Jesus, the Word of God, O Virgin, a Hypostasis perfect in two natures, is perfect God and perfect man.

Holy Apostle of Christ Bartholomew, pray to God for us!

To Christ, the uncreated Light Who appeared unto us among created things, didst thou first converse, coming to Him, O apostle; and thou wast enlightened by Him with divine rays.

Thou didst live in the world like a divine dew, granting healing to men, O all-blessed Bartholomew, and with prophecy didst lay waste to the land of ungodliness.

Approaching the primal Light, thou wast a secondary luminary, illumined with the radiance and effulgence emitted by Him, in that thou thyself didst see the Word, O most wise Bartholomew.

Theotokion

Mindful of thy words, we now call thee blessed; for through thee, O immaculate one, have we found blessedness, and have been enriched with a truly honourable life.

Holy Apostle of Christ Barnabas, pray to God for us!

Having passed through the shadow of the law shining with grace, thou didst illumine the fullness of the nations, publishing glad tidings by preaching Christ.

Manifestly arrayed in the mighty dominion of the Holy Spirit, O apostle, thou didst cast down the evil spirits, delivering the world from their malice.

Glory... Thou wast the voice of one crying among the barren nations, O wise Barnabas who art most rich, proclaiming to all the unapproachable mystery of the divine incarnation.

Both... Behold, as Isaiah foretold, O all-pure Theotokos, in manner past recounting thou didst contain Christ God within thy womb, and gavest birth to Him supernaturally, O Theotokos.

C. Katavasia (Tone 4)

The whole **world** was amazed at thy divine **glory**,/ for **thou**, O Virgin who hast not known **wedlock**,/ hast **held** in thy womb the **God** of all,/ and hast

given birth to an **et**ernal Son, // Who rewards with salvation all who sing thy **p**raises.

Canticle Six

Irmos: The uttermost abyss of sins hath engulfed me, / and my spirit doth perish. / But, stretching forth Thine upraised arm, O Master, // save me as Thou didst Peter, O Helmsman!

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

An abyss of mercy and compassion hath surrounded me through Thy compassionate descent; for having become incarnate and taken on the form of a servant, O Master, Thou didst deify me, glorifying me with Thyself.

The slayer underwent death, beholding Him Who was dead alive again. These were images of Thy resurrection, O Christ, and of Thine all-pure, vanquishing sufferings.

Theotokion

O all-pure one who alone dost mediate before the Creator and men, in manner past understanding: entreat thy merciful Son, and be thou a champion for thine all-sinful servants.

Most Holy Theotokos, Save us.

He Who shareth no form receiveth our form from the incorrupt Virgin, becoming man in form and matter without changing in His divinity.

O all-pure one, deliver me from the abyss of sins and the tempest of the passions, for thou art a haven and an abyss of miracles for those who have recourse unto thee with faith.

Holy Apostle of Christ Bartholomew, pray to God for us!

Having received the grace to work miracles and been enriched with the ability to accomplish healings, O most wise Bartholomew, thou didst tend the flock of the nations.

Thy fiery tongue hath burned up all falsehood like chaff, O all-glorious one, and hath illumined the hearts of the faithful with divine preaching.

Having thy Teacher, the Word Who is without beginning, as a wellspring of wisdom, O all-glorious preacher of God, with grace thou didst show the wisdom of the world to be foolish.

Theotokion

Thou gavest birth in manner transcending nature, O Virgin, and remainest eternally virgin, revealing the true divinity, thy Son and God, in images.

Holy Apostle of Christ Barnabas, pray to God for us!

Shining forth upon the world resplendent with rays of light, O Christ God, Thou Sun of righteousness, Thou didst illumine Barnabas and Paul.

Thou wast a scythe which severed weeds at the root, cutting down inveterate falsehood with thy miracles, in manner past describing, O wondrous and divinely eloquent Barnabas.

Glory... Thou wast shown to be a law-giver of grace, applying the images of the Old Testament to the true divine manifestation, O God-pleasing Barnabas.

Both... He Who stretched out the heavens by His will hath shown thee to be another, earthly, heaven, O all-pure Mother of God, and appeared, shining forth from thee.

C. Katavasia (Tone 4)

As we **celebrate**/ this sacred and solemn feast of the **Mother** of God,/ **let** us come, **clapping** our hands,/ O people **of** the Lord,/ and give **glory** to God// Who was **born** of her.

P. Small Ectenia

C. Kontakion, Tone 3

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb/ O Merciful One/ leading us from the gates of death./ On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices;/ with the Prophets and Patriarchs they unceasingly praise// the divine majesty of Thy power.

R. Ikos

Let heaven and earth join chorus today and with one mind hymn Christ God, for He hath raised the prisoners up from the graves. All creation rejoiceth, offering worthy hymns to our Deliverer, the Creator of all; for having led men up from hell today, in that He is the Bestower of life, He exalteth them to the heavens with Him, doth cast down the arrogance of the enemy, and breaketh down the gates of hell by the divine might of His authority.

Canticle Seven

Irmos: As of old Thou didst bedew the three pious children/ in the Chaldaean flame,/ with the radiant fire of Thy divinity/ illumine us who cry:// Blessed is the God of our fathers.

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

The splendid veil of the temple was rent in twain at the crucifixion of the Creator, revealing the truth hidden in the Scripture unto the faithful who cry: O God of our fathers, blessed art Thou!

When Thy side was pierced, O Christ, with the drops of Thy divinely flowing and life-creating blood, which fell upon the ground according to Thy design, Thou didst restore those on earth, who cry: O God of our fathers, blessed art Thou!

Triadicon

Let us glorify the good Spirit with the Father and the only-begotten Son, O ye faithful, worshipping the one Godhead and Sovereignty in three, crying: O God of our fathers, blessed art Thou!

Most Holy Theotokos, Save us.

O Thou Who art the Lord of glory, Who ruleth the heavenly hosts, Who sittest with the Father, and art borne in the Virgin's arms: O Lord God of our fathers, blessed art Thou!

Harsh is death, yet when Thou didst unite Thyself to it, having become divinely hypostatic flesh through the Virgin, Thou didst destroy it. Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers!

Holy Apostle of Christ Bartholomew, pray to God for us!

Thou didst reveal to the world the great mystery of the divine incarnation, which is infinite and beyond all understanding, O Bartholomew, and which, though ineffable, is accessible and credible to the faithful alone.

Rolling like a stone, O all-holy Bartholomew, in pure manner thou didst mightily overturn the foundation of falsehood; and, shown to be an insuperable foundation for the Church, thou dost preserve it unshaken.

Thou didst portray the divine likeness using the virtues as paints, O all-blessed Bartholomew; wherefore, as a divine apostle, thou didst preach the greatly hymned advent of Christ to all.

Theotokion

Without being subject to cultivation, O pure one, thou gavest rise to the ripe Cluster of grapes; and, seeing Him suspended upon the Tree, thou didst cry out: "O my sweet Child, pour forth the sweet new wine whereby the drunkenness of the passions is dispelled!"

Holy Apostle of Christ Barnabas, pray to God for us!

In holiness, O Barnabas, didst thou preach the Son Who resteth in the saints, Who is equally without beginning and enthroned with the Father, and Who, having become man, wrought salvation for us.

The preachers of Christ, the most honored Barnabas and the God-pleasing Paul, shining forth divine radiance in beams, issued forth like light, illumining the full inheritance of the nations with their discourse of grace.

Glory... He who nurtured thee, O divinely blessed Barnabas, who caused the word of grace to blossom forth, rejoiceth today, having put thee forth as a shoot for Christ. And having become his scion, by thy supplications deliver us from our present captivity.

Both... Directing my life, O most pure one, guide it to thy right tranquil haven, having given birth to God, the Source of good things, Who granteth abundant goodness to all the faithful.

C. Katavasia (Tone 4)

The **Holy** Children bravely trampled upon the **threatening** fire,/ preferring not to worship created things rather than the Creator,/ and they **sang** in joy:/ 'Blessed art Thou and **praised** above all,// O Lord God of our **fathers.**'

Canticle Eight

Irmos: United in the unbearable fire,/ yet unharmed by its flame,/ the pious youths chanted a divine hymn in intercession:/ Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord,// and exalt Him supremely for all ages!

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

The splendor of the temple was rent in twain when Thy Cross was planted on Golgotha, and creation fell down in fear, singing: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord! Hymn and exalt Him supremely forever!

Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Christ, and by Thy divine power didst set aright him who fell, deceived into eating of the tree; and he crieth and saith: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord! Hymn and exalt Him supremely forever!

Theotokion

Thou hast been shown to be the temple of God, an animate habitation, and the ark; for thou, O all-pure Theotokos, hast reconciled the Creator with men, and all of us, His works, hymn thee fittingly and exalt Him supremely for all ages.

Most Holy Theotokos, Save us.

As the Mother of God and one close to Him, thou didst surpass the noetic ranks. We bless thine Offspring, O blessed Virgin, and exalt Him supremely for all ages.

Thou didst show forth a natural beauty, most comely, which illumineth the flesh of the Divinity. We bless thine Offspring, O blessed Virgin, and exalt Him supremely for all ages.

Holy Apostle of Christ Bartholomew, pray to God for us!

Most wisely didst thou teach the Gospel of the Saviour to great and small, to the many and the few, O divinely wise Bartholomew, and through thy discourses thou didst work great and all-glorious signs for all.

Issuing forth from Sion like a river, O thou who art most rich, thou dost water the assemblies of the Church, and hast most manifestly caused a stream of spiritual food to flow, crying out: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord!

As an apostle thou hast manifestly been divinely adorned with the most splendid and great gifts of God. O blessed one, in grace thy rank doth transcend all glory in the sight of men.

Theotokion

The dispassionate Mind alone abode within thy womb, beyond the understanding of men, O most pure one. He Who transcendeth all time came under time by taking upon Himself the coarseness of the flesh. Wherefore, with faith and love we glorify thee, O Theotokos.

Holy Apostle of Christ Barnabas, pray to God for us!

As our Benefactor, O Bestower of life, thou didst summon thy steeds, the glorious Barnabas and the wondrous Paul, to bestir the sea of the nations, driving out the falsehood of polytheism by the doctrines of piety.

As God, O all-accomplishing Spirit and Comforter, thou didst set within Thy Church shining beacons, proclaiming Thy power, and crying out to the Son and the Father: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord!

Let us bless Father, Son, Holy Spirit, the Lord!

Having illumined the whole earth with thy teachings, as is meet thou didst obtain blessedness past understanding, receiving from the Master a crown of splendor in the mansions of heaven, O most honorable Barnabas.

Both... That Thou mightest abolish the primal curse and condemnation to death of our first mother, O Word of God, Thou wast born of the Virgin Mother of God and hast granted all imperishable immortality.

We praise, we bless, we worship the Lord, praising and supremely exalting Him unto all ages.

C. Katavasia (Tone 4)

The **Off**spring of the Theotokos/ saved the holy Children in the **furnace**./ He Who was then prefigured has since been **born** on earth,/ and He gathers together all the creation to sing:/ O all ye **works** of the Lord,// bless ye the Lord and exalt Him above all fore**ever**.

P. Magnificat

C. Song of the Most Holy Theotokos.

Canticle Nine

Irmos: A wonder new and divine:/ the Lord manifestly passeth through the closed door of the Virgin,/ naked at His entry;/ and God doth reveal Himself as corporeal as He issueth forth;/ and yet the gate remaineth shut.// Ineffably let us magnify her as the Mother of God.

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

Awesome is it to behold Thee, the Creator, O Word of God, uplifted upon the Tree: God suffering in the flesh for His servants, and lying in the tomb, bereft of breath, and releasing the dead from hell. Wherefore, O Christ, we magnify Thee as omnipotent.

Placed dead in the tomb, Thou didst save the forefathers from the corruption of death; and, raising up the dead, Thou didst cause life to

blossom forth, guiding human nature to the light and clothing it in divine incorruption. Wherefore, we ever magnify Thee as the Light of life.

Theotokion

Thou hast been shown to be the temple and throne of God, wherein He Who is in the highest dwelt, born of thee who knewest not man, O most pure one, without in any wise opening the gates of thy flesh. Wherefore, O pure one, by thine unceasing supplications quickly and utterly subdue the barbaric nations.

Most Holy Theotokos, Save us.

The pious and faithful can never have enough of thy praises, O Virgin; for, ever receiving divine and spiritual desire through desire, we magnify thee as the Mother of God.

Thou hast appointed for us an unashamed advocate, her who gave Thee birth, O Christ. Through her entreaties Thou givest us the merciful Spirit, the Bestower of goodness, Who through Thee proceedeth from the Father.

Holy Apostle of Christ Bartholomew, pray to God for us!

As a servant of the Word who beheld Him with thine own eyes, as His disciple and godly preacher, thou hast now truly been counted worthy to live where the Word doth dwell, as the All-good One Himself promised in truth.

Standing now before the throne of thy Master, illumined by the rays emitted thereby, O divinely wise Bartholomew, looking down, thou dost deliver those who hymn thee from sufferings and divers evil circumstances.

Vouchsafed to become a son of God because of thy faith, thou wast an heir to the treasures of the Father. O His hands which bestow such great gifts! O the generosity of our supremely exalted Christ, Who hath glorified thee, O most blessed God-seer!

Theotokion

All the prophets, perceiving thee from afar with clairvoyant eyes, proclaimed thee to be the one who would become the Mother of the Creator and Master of all. Wherefore, we declare thee the most hymned Theotokos.

Holy Apostle of Christ Barnabas, pray to God for us!

O apostles who, having become light through virtue, stand now before the great Light, beseech the Master to grant peace to the world and to save our Church, which ye have formed.

Thou didst manifestly consume the rhetors' malice with the flame of thy wisdom, O divinely revealed Barnabas, in that thou hast within thee a wellspring of divine radiance. Wherefore, we honour thy most sacred feast.

Glory... Celebrating thy memory now with faith, O apostle, we set thee before the Master as our intercessor, O most honoured Barnabas, sacred preacher of God, praying that, through thy mediation, we may obtain remission of our offenses.

Both... Thou wast found to be like the dawn of the morning, shining forth with rays of virginity within the night of life and revealing to us the East, the noetic Sun of righteousness, O most pure Mother of God.

C. Katavasia (Tone 4)

Let every mortal **born** on earth,/ radiant with light, in spirit **leap** for joy;/ and **let** the hosts of the angelic powers **celebrate**/ and honor the holy feast of the **Mother** of God,/ and **let** them cry:// Hail! Pure and blessed ever-Virgin, who gavest **birth** to God.

P. Small Ectenia

C. Holy is the Lord our God...

R. Exapostilarion Four, (Luke 24:1-12)

Lightning-bright with the virtues, we see standing upon the life-bearing tomb a man in shining garments while the women bearing myrrh bowed down their faces to the earth. Let us learn of the rising of Him Who reigns over heaven and let us hasten with Peter to Life in the tomb and wondering at that which has happened let us stay to behold Christ.

Glory... Exapostilarion for the Apostles

Come, ye people, let us hymn the apostles of Christ, the godly Bartholomew and the wise Barnabas, the preachers of the Faith, for they pray to Christ in behalf of our souls.

Both... Theotokion

Uttering loud and clear the sound: Hail! Thou, O Lord, hast changed the sorrow of the forefathers, bringing to the world in its stead the joy of Thy Resurrection. Then, O Giver of life, through her who brought Thee forth, Light that has enlightened hearts, do Thou send down the light of Thy mercies that we may cry aloud to Thee: Glory to Thy Resurrection, O God and Man Who lovest mankind.

C. Lauds: Tone 3 Stichera

Let every bre-ath **praise** the Lord/
Praise the Lord from the **Heavens**/
Praise Him in the **highest**/
 To **Thee** is due a **hymn**, O God/
Praise Him, all ye His **Angels**;/
Praise Him, all **ye** His hosts.//
 To Thee is due a **hymn**, O God.

R. (The following may be read or sung antiphonally)

Praise Him, O sun and moon; praise Him, all ye stars and light.
 Praise Him, ye heavens of heavens, and thou water that art above the heavens.
 Let them praise the name of the Lord; For He spake, and they came to be; He commanded, and they were created.
 He established them forever, yea, forever and ever; He hath set an ordinance, and it shall not pass away.
 Praise the Lord from the earth, ye dragons and all ye abysses,
 Fire, hail, snow, ice, blast of tempest, which perform His word,
 The mountains and all the hills, fruitful trees, and all cedars,

The beasts and all the cattle, creeping things and winged birds,
Kings of the earth, and all peoples, princes and all judges of the earth,
Young men and virgins, elders with the younger; let them praise the name of
the Lord, for exalted is the name of Him alone.

His praise is above the earth and heaven, and He shall exalt the horn of
His people.

This is the hymn for all His saints, for the sons of Israel, and for the
people that draw nigh unto Him.

Sing unto the Lord a new song; His praise is in the church of the saints.
Let Israel be glad in Him that made him, let the sons of Sion rejoice in
their king.

Let them praise His name in the dance; with the timbrel and the psaltery
let them chant unto Him.

For the Lord taketh pleasure in His people, and He shall exalt the meek
with salvation.

The saints shall boast in glory, and they shall rejoice upon their beds.
The high praise of God shall be in their throat, and two-edged swords shall
be in their hands.

To do vengeance among the heathen, punishments among the peoples,
To bind their kings with fetters, and their nobles with manacles of iron,

V. To do among them the judgment that is written/ This glory shall be
to **all** His saints.

1. O **come** all ye **nations**,/ **perceive** the might of this awful **mystery**./ Our
Saviour Who in the **beginning** was the Word,/ has been **crucified** for us
and of His own Will suffered **burial**,/ on the third **day** He rose again
that He might **save** us all.// Therefore let us **worship** Him.

V. Praise ye God in His saints,/ praise Him in the firmament of His
power.

2. The **watch** that **guarded** Thee, O Lord,/ **related** all the wonders that had
come to pass,/ but the vain **assembly** of the Sanhedrin filled their
hands with gifts,/ thus **thinking** to hide Thy Resurrection that the
whole world **glorifies**.// Have **mercy** upon us.

V. Praise Him for His mighty acts,/ praise Him according to the
multitude of His **greatness**.

3. All **things** were filled with joy at receiving the tidings of Thy
Resurrection,/ **for** Mary Magdalene, when she **went** to Thy tomb,/ found an
angel in shining raiment seated upon the **stone** who said:/ 'Why do ye
seek the living **among** the dead?/ He is not **here**, but risen, **as** He
said,// and He goes before you into **Galilee**.'

V. Praise Him with the sound of trumpet,/ praise Him with **psaltery**
and harp.

4. O **Master** Who **lovest** mankind,/ in Thy **light** do we **see** light./ For **Thou**
art risen **from** the dead/ and hast **bestowed** salvation on **mankind**./ Let
all the **creation** give glory to Thee Who alone art without sin// and do
Thou have **mercy** upon us.

V. Praise Him with timbrel and dance,/ praise Him with **strings** and flute.

Stichera for the Apostles (Tone 4)

5. Jesus our **God**, the Sun of **righteousness**,/ sent thee forth as a ray of great **brilliance**/ unto **all** the fullness of the world, O divinely wise **apostle**,/ dispelling the gloom of malice and enlightening hearts made dark by **ignorance**/ and the assaults of the **passions**,// O Bartholomew who art **most** rich.

V. Praise Him with tuneful cymbals, praise Him with cymbals of jubilation./ Let every breath praise the Lord.

6. **Thou** wast a pure vessel of the **Trinity**,/ lustrous with the splendors of the virtues, O **Barnabas**;/ and, **receiving** in thy heart the radiance thereof and the most splendid light **of** the Sun,/ thou didst radiantly reflect it upon the **ends** of the earth,/ illumining those who sit in the darkness of **ignorance**,// O God-**pleaser**.

V. Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

7. Like **clouds**, O **blessed** ones,/ ye let drop the rain of heaven upon the **ends** of the earth/ and **water** the souls of the faithful with **grace** divine,/ drowning the tares of grievous **ungodliness**/ and rendering fruitful the **souls** of men.// Wherefore, we honour you in praise, O **apostles** of the Lord.

V. The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaimeth the work of His hands.

(Tone 5)

8. **As** the Wisdom of God, the eternal Word of the Father, foretold in the **Gospels**:/ ye are fruitful vines, O all-praised **apostles**,/ bearing ripe and beautiful grapes in your **orations**./ And, eating of them, we, the **faithful**,/ delight in gladness for the **taste** thereof,/ O God-pleasing Bartholomew, and Barnabas, thou son of **consolation**.// Pray ye earnestly in **behalf** of our souls.

Glory... Gospel Sticheron, (Tone 4)

It is very early in the **morning**/ and the women went to Thy **tomb**, O Christ,/ but the **Body** desired by them was **not** to be found./ Therefore two men stood by them in shining **garments**/ and said to them as they were **much** perplexed:/ "Why seek ye the living **among** the dead?/ He is risen as He **beforehand** said./ Why remember ye **not** His words?"/ And believing the things they had seen they **proclaimed** them/ but it was thought that the good tidings were **idle** tales./ So dull still were the **disciples**.// But Peter ran and beholding, gave Thee glory in himself for the **wonders**.

Both now and ever... (Tone 2)

Most Blessed art Thou, O Virgin **Theotokos**,/ for through Him Who became incarnate of thee is hades led **captive**,/ **Adam** recalled, the curse annulled, Eve set free, **death** slain,/ and we are given life. Wherefore, we cry **aloud**

in praise:/ Blessed art Thou, O **Christ** God, // Who hast been thus well-pleased, **glory** to Thee.

The Great Doxology

Dismissal Tropar:

Today is salvation come unto the world; let us sing to Him Who arose from the tomb, and is the Author of our life. For having destroyed death by death, He hath given us the victory and great mercy.

P. Litanies
Dismissal

R. Hours:
Tropar: Resurrection & Apostles
Kontak: Ap. Bartholomew/Resurrection/Ap. Barnabas/Resurrection

At Liturgy:

Order of Troparia & Kontakia as per the following (Temple)

Tropar Sunday

Tropar Temple

Tropar Apostles

Kontak Sunday

Kontak Ap. Bartholomew

Glory... Kontak Barnabas

Both... O Unfailing Intercessor

Prokimenon for Tone 3

O chant unto our God, chant ye; chant unto our King, chant ye!

V. Clap your hands, all ye nations; shout unto God with a voice of rejoicing.

Prokimenon for the Apostles (Tone 8)

Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

Epistle(s): Rom 6:18-23 & Acts 11:19-26, 29-30)

Alleluia for Tone 3

V. In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me not be put to shame in the age to come.

V. Be Thou unto me a God to defend me and a house of refuge to save me.

Alleluia for the Apostles (Tone 1)

Gospel(s): Matt 8:5-13 & Luke 10:16-21

Communion Verse: Praise ye & Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.