Matins Propers Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast. St. Mary of Egypt.

on the Forty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost in the Fourth Tone with the First Resurrection Gospel

Hexapsalmos

The reader chants only **Psalm 3** on page 2 followed by "Glory... on page 6.

Matins then continues with the Litany of Peace on page 7.



The repetition of the Troparion is omitted.





Kathismata (page 10)

People:Lord, have mercy (three times)Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

Reader: Now and ever and forever. Amen.

From the Second Kathisma: Psalm 13

The fool has said in his heart: "There is no God above." Their deeds are corrupt, depraved; not a good man is left. From heaven the Lord looks down on the sons of men to see if any are wise, if any seek God. All have left the right path, depraved, every one; there is not a good man left, no, not even one. Will the evil-doers not understand? They eat up my people as though they were eating bread: they never pray to the Lord. See how they tremble with fear without cause for fear: for God is with the just. You may mock the poor man's hope, but his refuge is the Lord. O that Israel's salvation might come from Zion! When the Lord delivers his people from bondage, then Jacob will be glad and Israel rejoice.

Reader: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

People:Now and ever and forever. Amen.Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Glory to you, O God! (three times)

The rest of the Kathismata are omitted & Matins continues with the Small Litany on p. 10.

Sessional Hymn (page 11)

the Theotokion of the 1st set of Sessional Hymns (Podoben: Udivisja Josif):



The rest of the Sessional Hymns are omitted. Matins continues with Ps. 118 (p. 17) and then Hosts of Angels (p. 18).



Stepenna (page 21)

The Stepenna (Gradual Hymns) are omitted. Matins continues with the Prokeimenon ("Let us be attentive…") on page 22.



Deacon: We heard with our own ears, O God; Our fathers have told us the story of the things you did in days long ago

Matins then continues with the Preparation for the Gospel ("Let us pray...") on p. 22.



The Preparation for the Gospel continues with "That we may be deemed..." on page 23. The 1st Resurrection Gospel is read (Matthew 28:16-20). Matins continues with the Hymn of the Resurrection on page 24. After Psalm 50, the Penitential Stichera are sung (p. 29).

The Ganon (page 32)

The faithful come forward to venerate the Gospel Book on the tetrapod. The Canons of the Resurrection, of the Theotokos, and of the Saint are omitted.



I am like the rich man who daily took delight in the abundance of pleasures; deliver me, I pray you, O Savior, as you did Lazarus from the fire. *Refrain*

Even though I am clothed in sensual pleasures, O Savior, and adorned in purple, brocade and fine clothing as the rich man, do not throw me into the fire like him. *Refrain*

The rich man led a splendid and luxurious life in this world which passes and disappears; therefore, he was condemned to punishment, while the poor Lazarus was refreshed with dew.



The choir of angels and the company of mortals unceasingly praise you, O Virgin Mother; for you have carried in our arms as a child the Creator of the universe.

Katavasia - Tone 4 samopodoben





You spared Lazarus from the fire; also draw up your unworthy servant from Hades, O Christ. *Refrain*

I am rich in pleasures and passions, but poor in virtues; save me, O Lord, as you did Lazarus. *Refrain*

The purple and fine linen in which the rich man was clothed represent pleasures and sins; it is for this reason that he burns in the fire.



Through your prayers, O most pure Virgin, come to our aid by turning back the dangers that surround us.

Katavasia



Matins continues with the Small Litany on page 33. The Sessional Hymns & Odes 4-6 are omitted and then the Kontakion and Ikos of St. Mary of Egypt are sung:



Ikos: We now praise you with our hymns, O lamb and daughter of Christ; for you came forth from the stock of the Egyptians, and you have become a precious flower for the Church, struggling in temperance and prayer beyond the measure of mortals; thus, you were exalted in Christ by the merits of your life and deeds; therefore, the venerable Mary has become a bride of the kingdom.



Ode 7 is omitted and the Canon continues with Ode 8.

Once the rich man was pompously adorned, clothing himself in purple, scarlet, and fine silk; at his gate lay the poor Lazarus in his misery, longing to eat the crumbs that fell from the well-laden table; but no one gave him any. Therefore, Christ has welcomed him into his kingdom. *Refrain*

Lazarus was completely covered with sores and wounds as he lay before the gate of the rich man, in days of old; he longed to satisfy his hunger, but no one gave him anything to eat; in their compassion, the dogs licked his sores and wounds with their tongues. Therefore, he was invited to share in the delights of Paradise. *Refrain*

I have prospered in pleasures like the rich man of old, clothed in purple every day; O God of mercy, I too am condemned by the softness of my life, for I have strayed through my gratifications. Therefore, I pray you, O Lord, always deliver me from the eternal fire.



Like a triple flame, the Divinity shines with one light, of one nature in three Persons; the Father who eternally begets, the consubstantial Son, and the Spirit who reigns with him. O Youths, bless your Creator and Redeemer; praise him, you priests; and all you people, exalt him for all ages.





The people stand,

& Matins continues with "Let us greatly extol..." & the Canticle of the Theotokos on p. 34.



Grant me the poverty of Lazarus, O Christ; in your power, restrain my drives for pleasure; grant me the rich abundance of virtue, that I may praise and extol you. *Refrain*

Like the merciless rich man, I have scorned your commandments, O Lord; and now, in my misery, I lie beofer your gate; but in your love and compassion, raise me up from the abyss like Lazarus your friend. *Refrain*

We all know the parable of the Lord; let us detest the heartlessness of the rich man, that we may avoid the same punishment; and then, in the bosom of Abraham, we shall rejoice with an unending joy.



You have carried the invisible God in your arms, the One whom the angels glorify in heaven, and whom all creation praises; through you, he grants us salvation, and in faith, we extol him.





Matins continues with the Small Litany on page 36.



Hymn of Light (page 37)

The Hymn of the Light of the Resurrection Gospel is omitted.

In you we have a model of conversion. Implore Christ, O Mary, that in this time of the Fast, we may praise you in faith and love.

Glory... Now and ever...

O sweetness of the angels and consolation of the afflicted, O protectress of Christians, O Virgin Mother of the Lord, deliver us and save us from eternal punishment.

Matins continues with the Psalms of Praise.



The Psalms of Praise continue with "Praise him, sun and moon..." on page 38.

Stichera (page 40)

the 1st & 2nd of the 8 Stichera of the Resurrection from the Octoechoes:





The Stichera continue with the following from the Triodion:



Doxastikon - Tone 1 samohlasen



Matins continues with "Now and ever..." & the Theotokion for normal Sundays on p. 41.