**APRIL 13**

**Fourth Saturday of Great Lent – Memorial Saturday**

**Hieromartyr Artemon, Presbyter, of Laodicea in Syria**

**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts (sung on Friday)**

**"Lord I Call..." Tone 7**

Lord, I call upon Thee, hear me!

Hear me, O Lord!

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Receive the voice of my prayer,

when I call upon Thee!//

Hear me, O Lord!

Let my prayer arise

in Thy sight as incense,

and let the lifting up of my hands

be an evening sacrifice!//

Hear me, O Lord!

V. (10) *Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Thy Name.*

**Tone 7** *Idiomelon**(from the Lenten Triodion)*

My soul’s nobility has been enslaved to passions.

Like a beast, I cannot lift up my eyes to Thee, O Most High.

But bowing down, O Christ, I pray like the Publican and cry://

“Have mercy on me, O God, and save me!”

V. (9) *The righteous will surround me, for Thou wilt deal bountifully with me.*

(Repeat: “My soul’s nobility…”)

V. (8) *Out of the depths I cry to Thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!*

**Tone 3** *(for the Martyrs, in the Tone of the week)*

Contending strongly and with courage,

the valiant martyrs endured both wounds and the pain of fetters, as well as exile.

By their sufferings they attained//

the inheritance that is truly blessed and free of suffering.

V. (7) *Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!*

Great is the power of Thy Cross, O Lord,

for it was fixed in one place, yet acts throughout the world.

It made fishermen into Apostles and Gentiles into martyrs,//

so that they might pray for our souls.

V. (6) *If Thou, O Lord, shouldst mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee.*

Great is the power of Thy martyrs, O Christ,

for, though they lie in their tombs, they drive out demons.

They fight in defense of true piety,//

subduing the Enemy’s dominion by faith in the Trinity.

V. (5) *For Thy Name’s sake I wait for Thee, O Lord. My soul has waited for Thy word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.*

The Prophets, Apostles, and martyrs of Christ

have taught mankind to praise the consubstantial Trinity.

They have given light to the nations that had gone astray//

and have made the sons of men companions of the Angels.

V. (4) *From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!*

**Tone 1** *(from the Menaion, for St. Artemon) (Joy of the Heavenly Hosts)*

Thou didst live on earth, yet didst unite thyself to the bodiless ones.

Together with them thou dost minister without ceasing to the Trinity.

O divinely blessed Artemon,

since thou dost live as a heavenly man,//

thou dost teach mortals the divine wonders of heaven!

V. (3) *For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.*

(Repeat: “Thou didst live…”)

V. (2) *Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!*

Thou wast enlightened with the radiance of God

and thy body was wasted with many tortures.

Thou hast passed over to the immaterial radiance.

By this thou dost dispel the dark night of the passions//

with thy prayers enlightening our souls!

V. (1) *For His mercy is confirmed on us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.*

O Hieromartyr, never cease to pray

for those who celebrate thy memory with faith,

and sing hymns to the many struggles of thy martyrdom

that we may be preserved from misfortunes and tribulations//

and from future corruption, Martyr Artemon, the preacher of God!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*

**Tone 3**  *(for the Departed, by St. John of Damascus)*

All human things are vain.

They do not endure after death.

Our wealth will not remain.

Our glory will not go with us on our way.

When death comes, all these things will vanish.

Therefore let us cry out to Christ the Immortal One:

“Give rest to the ones who have departed from us//

in the abode of those who rejoice in Thee!”

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Tone 3** *(Theotokion – Dogmatikon)*

How can we not wonder

at thy mystical childbearing, O exalted Mother?

For without receiving the touch of man,

thou gavest birth to a Son in the flesh, O immaculate Virgin.

The Son born of the Father before eternity

was born of thee at the fullness of time, O honored Lady.

He underwent no mingling, no change, no division,

but preserved the fullness of each nature.

Entreat Him, O Lady and Virgin and Mother,

to save the souls of those who, in the Orthodox manner, confess thee//

to be the Theotokos.

**Tone 4 Prokeimenon**

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, / Thou that leadest Joseph like a flock! *(Ps. 79:1)*

V. *Thou Who art enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth! (Ps. 79:2a)*

**Reading from Genesis (12:1-7)**

**Tone 4 Prokeimenon**

Rejoice in God, / our helper! *(Ps. 80:1a)*

 V. *Raise a song, sound the timbrel! (Ps. 80:2a)*

**Reading from Proverbs (14:15-26)**

***(and the rest of the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts)***

***(at the Divine Liturgy on Saturday morning)***

**Tone 2 Troparion**

O Apostles, Martyrs, and Prophets,

Hierarchs, Holy Monks, and Righteous Ones,

who completed well the fight and kept the faith,

you have boldness before the Savior.

We pray: “Intercede for us with Him, as He is good,//

that He may save our souls!”

**Tone 2 Troparion**

Remember Thy servants, O Lord, since Thou art good,

and forgive the sins they have committed in life!

For none is sinless but Thee,//

Who givest rest to the departed.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*

**Tone 8** **Kontakion**

With the saints give rest, O Christ,

to the souls of Thy servants,

where there is neither sickness nor sorrow, and no more sighing,//

but life everlasting!

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Tone 8 Theotokion**

We have thee as a wall and a haven

and an intercessor well-pleasing to God, Whom thou hast borne,//

O Virgin Theotokos, the salvation of the faithful.

 **Tone 8** **Prokeimenon**

Be glad in the Lord / and rejoice, O you righteous! *(Ps. 31:11a)*

V. *Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sins are covered. (Ps. 31:1)*

**Tone 6** **Prokeimenon** *(Departed)*

Their souls shall dwell / with the blessed. *(Ps. 24:13a)*

**Epistle**

 (313) Hebrews 6:9-12

 (163) 1 Corinthians 15:47-57 *(Departed)*

**Tone 4**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. *The righteous cried and the Lord heard them, and delivered them out of all their troubles. (Ps. 33:17)*

V. *Many are the afflictions of the righteous; the Lord will deliver them out of them all. (Ps. 33:19)*

**Tone 6**

V. *Blessed are they whom Thou hast chosen and taken, O Lord.* *Their memory is from generation to generation.* *(Ps. 64:4a; 101:12b)*

 **Gospel**

 (31) Mark 7:31-37

 (16) John 5:24-30 *(Departed)*

**Communion Hymn**

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the just! *(Ps. 32:1)*

Blessed are they whom Thou hast chosen and taken, O Lord. Their memory is from generation to generation. *(Ps. 64:4a; 101:12b)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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