

**Sunday, January 8, 2023 – Sunday after Theophany.
Our Venerable Father George the Chosebite (610-41). Our
Venerable Mother Dominica (474-91). Emilian the Confessor.**

Antiphon 1 When Israel came forth from Egypt, the house of Jacob from an alien people. *Through the prayers of the Mother of God, * O Savior, save us.*

Judah became His sanctuary, Israel His dominion. *Through the prayers of the Mother of God, * O Savior, save us.*

The sea beheld this and fled,* the Jordan turned back on its course. *Through the prayers of the Mother of God, * O Savior, save us.*

Why was it, O sea, that you fled,* that you, O Jordan, turned back on your course? *Through the prayers of the Mother of God, * O Savior, save us.*

+Glory... Now... Only-Begotten Son...

Antiphon 3 Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior. *Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.*

Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms. *Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.*

For God is the great Lord, and the great king over all the earth. *Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.*

Entrance Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. *Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.*

Troparia and Kontakia *Troparion, Tone 6:* Angelic powers were upon Your tomb* and the guards became like dead men;* Mary stood before Your tomb* seeking Your most pure body.* You captured Hades without being overcome by it.* You met the Virgin and granted life.* O Lord, risen from the dead,* glory be to You!

Troparion, Tone 1: When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan,* worship of the Trinity was revealed;* the voice of the Father bore witness to You,* naming You the beloved Son,* and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the word's certainty.* Glory to You, O Christ God,* who appeared and enlightened the world.

+Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 4: Today, You have appeared to the world* and Your light, O Lord, has been signed on us,* who with knowledge sing Your praises.* You have come, You have appeared, O unapproachable Light.

Prokeimenon, Tone 1 Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us* as we have hoped in you.
verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous. (*Psalm 32:2,1*)

Epistle - A reading of Paul to the Ephesians: Ephesians 4:7-13 (NRS)

“Brothers and Sisters, each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ’s gift. Therefore it is said,

“When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.”

(When it says, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

Alleluia, Tone 5 *verse:* Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing for ever; from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth.

verse: For You have said: Mercy shall be built up for ever; in the heavens Your truth shall be prepared. (*Psalm 88:2,3*)

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-17 (NRSV)

At that time when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles - the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death, light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

Hymn to the Mother of God

O my soul, magnify Christ the King, baptized in the Jordan. *and the Irmos:* Every tongue is at a loss to praise you as is your due, O Mother of God. Even a spirit from above is filled with dizziness when seeking to sing your praises. But since you are good accept our faith, for you know well our love inspired by God. For it is you who protect all Christians; therefore, we magnify you.

Communion Hymn

The grace of God has appeared* bringing salvation to all.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (*Titus 2:11*)

According to Galician usage, we sing the following:

Instead of “We have seen the true light...” we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is baptized in the Jordan.

Instead of “May our mouths...” and “Blessed be the Name...” we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is baptized in the Jordan. (3)