

MOLEBEN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD

Priest: Blessed is our God always, now and ever, and forever.

People: Amen

(During the Easter Season)

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(All other times)

Priest: Glory be to You, our Lord, glory to You!

People: Heavenly King, Advocate, Spirit of Truth, Who are everywhere present and fill all things, Treasury of Blessings, Bestower of Life, come and dwell within us, cleanse us of all that defiles us, and O Good One, save our souls.

Holy God, Holy and mighty One, Holy and immortal, have mercy on us. (three times)

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

Trinity most holy, have mercy on us. Cleanse us of our sins, O Lord; pardon our transgressions, O Master; look upon our weaknesses and heal them, O Holy One; for the sake of Your name.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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

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.

Priest: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

People: Amen

Tropar (Tone 4)

Let us sinners humbly and diligently have recourse to the Mother of God. Prostrate in repentance, let us cry out from the depths of our soul: O Queen, in your compassion, come to our aid! Hasten, for we are perishing from the multitude of our sins. Do not turn away your servants empty-handed, for we have no protection besides you.

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

Unworthy as we are, we shall never cease to proclaim your power, O Mother. If you no longer intercede for us, who will deliver us from so many misfortunes? Who will keep us free? We shall never leave you, O Queen: O blessed Lady, you always save your servants from every calamity.

Priest: Let us be attentive! Peace + be with all. Wisdom! Let us be attentive.

People: I shall remember your name from generation to generation.

Priest: Listen, daughter, look and incline your ear to us.

People: I shall remember your name from generation to generation.

Priest: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord have mercy!

Priest: For you, our God, are holy, and we give glory to you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

People: Amen. Let everything that breathes give praise to the Lord.

Verse: Praise God in his holy places, praise him in the establishment of his power.

Priest: That we may be become worthy of hearing the Holy Gospel, in peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy! (3)

Priest: Wisdom! Let us stand and listen to a reading of the holy Gospel. Peace + be with all.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Wisdom! Let us stand and listen to a reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (Luke 1: 39-46, 56)

People: Glory be to You, O Lord, glory be to You!

Priest: Let us be attention!

At that time Mary set out and went quickly to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and said in a loud voice, "You are the most blessed of all women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honored with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt with joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled." And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my Saviour, because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid. Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed, for the

Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is His name. Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

Priest: Glory be to you, O Lord, glory be to You!

PETITIONS TO THE VIRGIN MARY

Priest: Rejoice, Most Holy virgin Mary, ever-merciful Mother of God, and save all those who place their trust in you.

People: O most Holy Mother of God, save us.
(or) Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.

Priest: Rejoice, Mother of Christ our God, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mother of Eternal Love, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mother of God's grace, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Virgin Immaculately conceived, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Virgin more honorable than the Cherubim, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Virgin more glorious than the Seraphim, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mary, untainted Dove, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mary, fragrant Flower of incorruption, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mary, gracious Example of virgins, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mary, Canopy more boundless than the heavens, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mary, our Intercessor before the just Judge, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mary, Comfort to those in sorrow, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mary, Refuge of sinners, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mary, Advocate who did not abandon us after your Dormition, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Priest: Rejoice, Mary, the only chaste and most-blessed one, and save all those who place their trust in you.

Stichera

Gracious Lady, you pray for all those who with faith take refuge in your powerful protection* we sinners ever in misery and affliction have no other recourse to God than you* we are burdened by many sins, O Mother of God,* we bow down before you: save your servants from every calamity.

Verse: I shall remember your name from generation to generation.

O Joy of all the afflicted, patroness of the persecuted;* Sustainer of the hungry, Consolation of those in exile,* Haven to the storm-tossed, comfort to the sick;* Protectress and Patroness of the weak; Staff of the aged;* O Mother of God, you are most pure. Hasten to us, we pray, that your servants may be saved.

Verse: Listen, daughter, look and incline you ear to us.

Re, O Virgin, most pure!* Rejoice, honorable Scepter of Christ the King! Rejoice, you who sprouted the Mystical Vine!* Rejoice, Gate of Heaven and Bush unconsumed!* Rejoice, Light of the World!*

Rejoice, Salvation of the faithful!* Rejoice, O Queen, Protectress and Refuge of all Christians!

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

Rejoice, Glory of the universe!* Rejoice, Temple of the Lord!* Rejoice, overshadowing Mountain!* Rejoice, Refuge of All!* Rejoice, golden Candelabrum!* Rejoice, precious Glory of true Christians!* Rejoice, Mother of Christ our God!* Rejoice, O Paradise!* Rejoice, holy Altar!* Rejoice, holy Sanctuary!* Rejoice, golden Hand!* Rejoice, Hope of all!

Priest: Bowing our heads and bending our knees in all humility, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Our ever-gracious Queen, O Mother of God, our hope, refuge of orphans, defence of the harborless, joy of the afflicted, patroness of the harassed, you see our misery and our afflictions, help us because we are weak, lead us because we are strangers in this valley of tears, for you know our sufferings. Help us to overcome them. For we have not other helper but you. We have no other defender, no other gracious consoler but you, O Mother of God, guard and protect us forever.

People: Amen.

Priest: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your great mercy, we pray to you, hear us and have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy! (3x)

Priest: Again, let us pray that He may preserve this city and this holy church and every city, town, and countryside from famine, plague, earthquake, flood, fire, civil war, riot, and foreign invasion; and that our God who is kindly and the Lover of Mankind may forgive our sins and hold back his just wrath, and that He may have mercy on us.

People: Lord, have mercy! (3x)

Priest: Hear us, O God our Savior, Hope of all those who live at the far ends of the earth, and of those traveling by sea, air and land; be kind to us, O Master, forgive us our sins and have mercy on us, for you are a gracious Lord who loves mankind, and we glorify you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever, and forever.

People: Amen.

Priest: Wisdom!

(During the Easter season)

People: Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exalt now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O Chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

(All other seasons)

People: More honorable than 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.

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Priest: May Christ, our true God, through the prayers of His most pure Mother, and our venerable and God-bearing Fathers, and of all the Saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

People: Amen.