**4, APRIL, 2021. 3rd. SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT. TONE - 2.**

**LITURGY OF ST.BASIL THE GREAT. HOLY CROSS VENERATION.**

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**TROPAR OF SUNDAY IN TONE-2.**

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal, You destroyed hades with the lightning of Your Divinity. And when from the depths You raised the dead, all the Powers of Heaven cried out: O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory to You.

**TROPAR OF THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE – 1.**

O Lord, save Your people and bless Your Inheritance! / Grant victory to Orthodox Christians over their adversaries, and by Your Cross preserve Your Commonwealth.

**GLORY** to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**NOW AND FOREVER** and to the ages of ages. Amen.

**KONDAK OF THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE – 7.**

The flaming sword no longer guards the gates of Paradise. / It has been mysteriously extinguished by the Wood of the Cross. / The sting of death and the victory of hades have been vanquished. For You, O my Savior, came and cried to those in hades: / Enter again, into Paradise.

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**MATINS:** Gospel. 10. Reading 66. Jn. 21 : 1 – 14.

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**EPISTLE:** Hebrews. Reading 311. Heb. 4 : 14 – 5 : 6.

**GOSPEL:** Mark. Reading 37. Mk. 8 : 34 – 9 : 1.

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**COMMUNION VERSE:**

“ The light of Your Countenance, O Lord, has been signed upon us. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia !”

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**INSTEAD OF THE TRISAGION HYMN:**

“Before Your Cross we bow down, O Master and Your Holy Resurrection we glorify.” ( Thrice.)

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**INSTEAD OF: “IT IS TRULY MEET……..IN TONE 8 FROM THE OCTOECHOS.**

“All of creation rejoices in you, O full of Grace, the assembly of angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God, was incarnate and became a child-our God before the ages. He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you !”

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**PRIEST** : “ Let us be attentive – Peace be with you all.”

**CHOIR** : “ And to your spirit.”

**PRIEST** : “ Wisdom.”

**READER** : “ **PROKIMEN IN TONE – 6.** O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your

inheritance.”

**CHOIR** : “ O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance.”

**READER** : “ O Lord, to You, will I call. O my God, be not silent unto me.”

**CHOIR** : “ O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance.”

**READER** : “ O Lord, save Your people.”

**CHOIR** : “ And bless Your inheritance.”

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**THE EPISTLE**

**READER** : “ The reading is from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the

Hebrews.”

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**PRIEST** : “ Wisdom.”

**READER** : “ The reading is from ( Name of Epistle ).”

**PRIEST** : “ Let us be attentive.”

**READER** : “ ( reads the designated epistle lection.)

**PRIEST** : “ Peace be unto you reader.”

**READER** : “ And to your spirit.”

**PRIEST** : “ Wisdom.”

**READER** : “ **ALLELUIA IN TONE – 1.** Alleluia.”

**CHOIR** : “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”

**READER** : “ Remember Your congregation which You have purchased from the

beginning. Alleluia.”

**CHOIR** : “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”

**READER** : “ God is our King from before the ages, He has wrought salvation in

the midst of the earth. Alleluia.”

**CHOIR** : “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”

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