# St. Jacob Melkite Greek~Catholic Church 

## Sunday of the Fathers of the First Council of Nicaea \& St Simeon the Younger

Constantine the Great convened the renowned First Ecumenical Council in Nicaea, a city of Bithynia, in 325, to refute the teachings of the heretic Arius. There that the hierarchs declared that the Son and Word of God is one in essence with the Father, true God of true God, and they composed the holy Symbol of Faith (the Creed) up to the seventh article. (since the remainder, beginning with "And in the Holy Spirit," was completed by the Second Ecumenical Council). They then anathematized Arius

Remember in your prayers: All who are sick, suffering or recovering from illness. Those who have fallen asleep before us in the hope of resurrection. We pray unceasingly for deliverance from the current pandemic, remembering especially our elderly, vulnerable, health care workers - some of whom are members of this parish community.

Good Stewards: All who continue to participate via online streaming, those who've mailed in their donations, and those who've donated online. Your support in this trying time is greatly appreciated.

Services: Divine Liturgies will begin at 11:00am to allow time for Holy Angels to finish. Please check your email and Facebook for updates regarding worship services. We will follow Holy Angels' direction for services we hold in church and pass updates to you ASAP.

## Antiphon Prayer

O Lord, Who are Good beyond description, we ask You through the intercession of Your All-pure Mother and the Holy Fathers who participated in the Ecumenical Councils, to support the Church, uphold the faith and make us all partake of Your heavenly Kingdom, when You come to judge the whole creation. For You are the Way, the Truth and the Life, O Christ God and we render glory, to You and to Your Eternal Father and Your All-holy, Good and Lifegiving Spirit, now and always and for ever and ever.
People: Amen

## Antiphons of the Feast

1- Great is the Lord and wholly to be praised in the city of our God, on His holy mountain
O Son of God Who ascended in glory to heaven, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.
2- Mount Sion, the recesses of the North, is the City of the Great King.
3 - God is with her castles: renowned is He as a stronghold.

## Entrance hymn

God ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid trumpet blasts. O Son of God, Who ascended in glory to heaven,...

## Troparion of the Resurrection ( $6^{\text {th }}$ Tone)

The angelic powers were around Your tomb, * and the guards became as dead; * and Mary stood at the tomb, * seeking Your spotless body. * Then You despoiled Hades without being tried by it * and You met the Virgin, O Bestower of life. * O Lord, Who rose from the dead, * glory to You!

## Troparion of the Ascension ( $4^{\text {tn }}$ Tone)

You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit. Through Your blessing they were confirmed in their belief that You are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world.

## Troparion of the Fathers, ( $8^{\text {th }}$ Tone)

O Christ our God, You are infinitely glorified, for You established our Fathers as radiant stars on earth: You led us to the true faith though them. O Most Merciful One, glory to You!

## Kondakion of the Ascension

After fulfilling for us Your plan of redemption and joining the things of earth with those of heaven, O Christ our God, You gloriously ascended without abandoning us, but remained with us forever and reassured all who love You by telling them: "Behold, I am with you: no one has power against you."

صلاة الأنديفون:
أيها الربُ الفائقُ الصَّلاح، نسألكَ، بشفاعة والدتكَ الكاملةِ الطهارة

 لتندينَ الخليقة بأسر ها. لأنك أنتَّ هو الحقُ والحياة وإليك نرفعُ المجد، وإلى أبيك الأزليَّ وروحكَ القنَّوس الصالح والمحيي، الآن وكلَّ واوان وإلى دهر

الداهرين

- عظيّمٌ الربُ ومسبَّحِ جدَّا، في مدينةِ إلهنا، في جبلِهِ المقنَّس.

خلَّصنا يا ابنَ اللهِ يا من صَعِدِ عنَّا بمجدٍ الى السماوات، نحن
المرنَّمين لك هللويا.

- جبالُ صهيُون، جهاتُ الثمالُ مدينا
- الهَ في أبر اجها يُعرف، عندما يَنصرُها.


ترنيمة الاخول:
خلصنا يا ابنَ الله، يا مَن صحِدِ عنا بمجدٍ الـى السماوات، ...
نشيد القيامة: ( باللحن السادس)

 بأذى، ولاقيت البتولَ واهبأ الحياة. فيا من قام من بين الاموات، يا رب المجدُ لك


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& \text { المجدُ لك } \\
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Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 20:16-18, 28-36, Page 67 PROKIMENON (Tone 7) Daniel 3:26, 27
Blessed are You, O Lord God of our fathers, and Your name is worthy of praise and glorious forever.
Stichon: For You are just in all You have done to us, and all Your works are true and Your ways right.
READING from the Acts of the Apostles:
In those days Paul decided to sail past Ephesus so as not to waste time in Asia. For he was hurrying as much as he could in order to reach Jerusalem for the day of Pentecost. From Miletus, however, he had sent an invitation to Ephesus for the presbyters of the church. And when they had come to him, he said to them, (20:28) "Be careful about yourselves and the whole flock over which the Holy Spirit has placed you as bishops, to herd the Church of God which He has redeemed through His own blood. For I know this, that after I am gone fierce wolves will get in among you and will not spare the flock. And from among you, some men will rise, speaking perverse doctrines, to draw away the disciples after them.
"Watch, therefore, and remember that for three years, night and day, I did not cease to warn with tears every one of you. And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the Word of His grace, Who is able to edify and to grant you an inheritance among all His blessed ones.
"I have coveted no one's silver or gold or clothing. You, yourselves, know these hands of mine have provided for my needs and those of my companions. In all things, I have shown you that by working in this way you should help the weak, and remember that the Lord Jesus said in person, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And after saying this, he knelt down and prayed with them all.
ALLELUIA (Tone 1) Psalm 49:1,5
The God of gods, the Lord has spoken and summoned the earthfrom the rising of the sun to its setting.
Stichon: Gather His faithful ones around Him, those who have made a covenant with Him through sacrifices.

## Gospel: John 17:1-13, p 44

At that time Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come! Glorify Your Son, that Your Son may glorify You, even as You have given Him power over all flesh, in order that to all You have given Him, He may give everlasting life. Now this is everlasting life, that they may know You, the only true God, and the One You have sent, Jesus Christ. I have glorified You on earth; I have accomplished the work You have given Me to do. And now do You, Father, glorify Me with Yourself, with the glory that I had with You before the world existed. I have manifested Your name to the men You have given me out of the world. They were Yours, and You have given them to Me , and they have kept Your word. Now they have learned that whatever You have given Me is from You; because the words that You have given Me , I have given to them. And they have received them, and have known as a fact that I came forth from You, and they have believed that You did send Me. I pray for them; not for the world do I pray, but for those whom You have given Me, because they are Yours; and all things that are Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine; and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I am coming to You. Holy Father, keep in Your name those You have given Me , that they may be one even as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those You have given Me , I guarded; and not one of them perished except the son of perdition, in order that the Scriptures might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to You and these things I speak in the world, in order that they may have My joy made full in themselves."

 مُستتقيمة
الرسالة: (أعمال الرسل 20 17-180 آ و27-36) في تِلكَ الأيامِ. كانَ بُوْنَ

 الكنيسَة. فلمَّا وصتَّوا إليهِ قالَ لهُم: أحذروا لأنفسكم ولجميع القطيع










 هللويا
إلّه الالهِةِ الربُّ قد تكلَّم. ودعا الأرِضنَ من مَثـارق الشمس الى مغَاربها
اجمعوا لهُ أبرارهُ. الذينَ بَبَّوا عَهُهُهُ على الدُّبائح.

## انجيل أحد الآباء القديسين - يوحنا 17: 1-13)





 لأعلةُ. والآنَ مجدني أنتَ أَيُها الآبُ عندَك، بالمجدِ الذي كانَ لي
 مِنَ العالم، هُم كانوا للك، وأنت أعطينَّهُمْ لي، وقد حَفِّوا كالامكَكِ والآن عَلْمُوا أن كُلَّ ما أعطيتهُ لي هو مِنلك. لأنَ الكلامَ الذي أعطِينَّهُ لي قد



 وأنا آتي إليك. أيها الآبُ القنّوسن، احفَّ باسِمِكَ الذينَ أعطيتَّهم لي. ليَكونوا واحدأ كما نحن. حينَ كنتُ معَهُم في العالم، كنتُ الحُ أحفظه
 الهلاك، ليَّمَّ الكتابِ. والآنَ فَإني آتي إليك، وأنا أتكلمُ بهذا في العالم، ليكونَ لهُ فُرَحي كامِلاَّفُهُم.

Hirmos: It is truly right...
Kinonikon: Praise God from the highest...
Post-communion Hymn: Troparion of the Ascension
النثيد لو الدة الالـه: أنه واجبٌ حقأ...
ترنيمة المناولة: سبحوا الربَ من السماوات..

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