

Parastas
(or Great Panikhda)

Priest: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

People:

The musical score consists of two systems of piano accompaniment and vocal lines. The first system shows the vocal line starting with "A - men." followed by "Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Im - mor - tal, have mer - cy on us." The second system continues with "Holy God, Holy Mighty, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal have mer - cy on us." The piano accompaniment is in a simple, homophonic style, supporting the vocal lines.

Reader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

O Most holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our transgressions. Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities, for Your Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy (*x3*). Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

People: 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 the evil one.

Priest: For Yours is the Kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

Great Litany

Priest: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People:

Lord, have mer - cy.

Priest: For the peace from above and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

People:

Lord, have mer - cy.

Priest: For the remission of the sins of (*him/her/them*) who (*has/have*) departed this life in blessed memory, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy. (*as above, melody #2*)

Priest: For the ever-memorable servant(s) of God, _____; for (*his/her/their*) repose, tranquility, and blessed memory, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: That He will pardon (*him/her/them*) every transgression, whether voluntary or involuntary, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: That (*he/she/they*) may stand uncondemned before the dread throne of the Lord of glory, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For the weeping and the grieving, who are looking for the consolation of Christ,

let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: That He will release (*him/her/them*) from all sickness, sorrow, and sighing, and make (*him/her/them*) glad where the light of God's countenance shall visit, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: That the Lord our God will establish (*his/her/their*) soul(s) in a place of brightness, a place of refreshment, a place of rest, where all the Righteous dwell, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: That (*he/she/they*) may be numbered with those in the bosom of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For our deliverance from all tribulation, wrath, danger, and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and keep us, O God, by Your grace.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Having implored for (*him/her/them*) the mercies of God, the kingdom of heaven, and remission of sins, let us commend ourselves, and each other, and all our life unto Christ our God.

People: 

Priest: For You are the Resurrection, and the Life, and the Repose of Your servant(s) _____, who (*is/are*) fallen asleep, O Christ our God, and unto You we ascribe glory, together with Your Father Who is from everlasting, and Your all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit: now and ever and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

Alleluia (*Tone 8*)

Priest: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Blessed are they whom You have chosen and taken, O Lord.

People:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - - - le - lu - ia.

Priest: Their memory is from generation to generation.

People: Alleluia. (*x3*)

Priest: Their souls shall dwell with the blessed.

People: Alleluia. (*x3*)

Troparia (Tone 8)

O on - ly Cre - a - tor, Who with profound wisdom mercifully or - der all things,

and give un - to all that which is use - ful: Give rest, O Lord, to the

soul(s) of Your servant(s) who (has/have) fal - len a - sleep;

for (he/she/they) (has/have) placed (his/her/their) trust in You,

our Maker and fashioner and our God. Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to

the Ho-ly Spi - rit, Now and e-ver, and un - to a - ges of a - ges. A-men.

We have you as a wall and a ha-ven, and an in-ter-ces-sor well-pleas-ing un-to God.

Whom you have borne, O Virgin birth-giver of God, the salvation of the faith-ful.

Hymns for the Departed (Tone 5)

Refrain:

Bless-ed are You, O Lord. Teach me Your sta - tutes.

The choirs of the saints have found the foun - tain of life.

And the door of pa - ra-dise. May I also find the way through re-pen-tance.

I am a lost sheep; call me, O Saviour, and save me. (*Refrain*)

You Holy Martyrs, who preached the Lamb of God,
And like unto lambs were slain,
And are translated into life unfading and everlasting;
Fervently beseech Him to grant us remission of our debts. (*Refrain*)

You who have trod the narrow way of grief;
All you who, in life have taken upon you the Cross as a yoke,
And followed Me by faith,
Draw near, enjoy the honours and celestial crowns I have prepared for you. (*Refrain*)

I am the image of Your ineffable glory,
Though I bear the brands of transgressions;
Pity Your creature, O Master,
And purify me by Your loving-kindness:
Grant unto me my desired fatherland,
Making me again a citizen of Paradise. (*Refrain*)

O You, Who from of old did form me from nothingness
And did honour me with Your image divine,
But by the transgression of Your commandment,
Have returned me again unto the earth from which I was taken;
Restore me to that image,
And to my former beauty. (*Refrain*)

Give rest, O Lord, to the soul(s) Your servant(s),
And establish (*him/her/them*) in Paradise,
Where the choirs of the Saints and of the Just, O Lord,
Shine like the stars of heaven;
Give rest to Your servant(s) who (*has/have*) fallen asleep,
Overlooking all (*his/her/their*) transgressions.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
Devoutly let us praise the threefold splendour of the one Godhead, crying out:
Holy are You, O Father Who are from everlasting,
O Son co-eternal, and Spirit divine;
Illumine us who serve You with faith,
And deliver us from fire eternal.

Now and ever and unto ages of a - ges. A - men.

Re-joyce O Pure One, who for the sal - va - tion of all

did bring forth God in the flesh; Through whom the human race

has found sal - va - tion; Through you may we find pa - ra - dise,

O Pure, most bless - ed Mo - ther of God. Alleluia, Alleluia,

Al - le - lu - ia. Glo - ry to You, O God. Alleluia, Alleluia,

Al - le - lu - ia. Glo - ry to You, O God.

People: Musical notation for the first part of the prayer. It consists of two staves, treble and bass clef, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'Grant it, O Lord.' are written below the notes.

Priest: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Musical notation for the second part of the prayer. It consists of two staves, treble and bass clef, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'Lord, have mercy.' are written below the notes.

Priest: O God of spirits, and of all flesh, Who have trampled down death and overthrown the devil, and given life unto the world: As the same Lord, give rest to the soul(s) of Your departed servant(s), _____, in a place of brightness, a place of refreshment, a place of repose, from which all sickness, sorrow, and sighing have fled away. Pardon every transgression which (*he/she/they*) (*has/have*) committed, whether by word, or deed, or thought, for there is no man who lives, yet does not sin. For You are a good God, and love mankind, and You alone are without sin; and Your righteousness is to all eternity, and Your word is truth.

For You are the Resurrection, and the Life, and the Repose of Your servant(s), _____, who (*is/are*) fallen asleep, O Christ our God, and unto You do we ascribe glory, together with Your Father Who is from everlasting, and Your all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and to ages of ages

People: Musical notation for the final part of the prayer. It consists of two staves, treble and bass clef, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'Amen.' are written below the notes.