**NOVEMBER 30**

**Holy and All-praised Apostle Andrew the First-called (62 A.D.)**

**"Lord I Call..." Tone 4**

Lord, I call upon You, hear me.

Hear me, O Lord.

Lord, I call upon You, hear me.

Receive the voice of my prayer,

when I call upon You.//

Hear me, O Lord.

Let my prayer arise

in Your sight as incense,

and let the lifting up of my hands

be an evening sacrifice.//

Hear me, O Lord.

*v. (8) Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice.*

**Tone 4** *(Called from on high)*

When He Who is called the Morning Star,

the Splendor of the glory of the eternal Father,

in His great mercy took up His abode on earth,

you, O glorious Andrew, were the first to meet Him,

for your heart was enlightened with the perfect brightness of His divinity.

We bless you as the herald of the Apostles of Christ our God.//

Pray that He may enlighten and save our souls!

*v. (7) Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.*

(Repeat “When He who is called …”)

*v. (6) If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.*

(Repeat “When He who is called …”)

*v. (5) For Your name's sake I have waited for You, O Lord, my soul has waited for Your word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.*

O all-wise Andrew,

when the all-holy Word became incarnate,

bringing life and salvation to all the earth,

you hearkened to the voice of the Forerunner

and were the first to follow Him.

You were offered to Him as the first fruits of the human race.

### You revealed Him to Peter, your brother.//

Pray that He may enlighten and save our souls!

*v. (4) From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch let Israel hope on the Lord.*

(Repeat “O all-wise Andrew…”)

*v. (3) For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.*

(Repeat “O all-wise Andrew…”)

*v. (2) Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!*

When He Who clothed Himself in human flesh,

taking our nature from the fruitful womb of the Virgin,

appeared on earth as the Teacher of Righteousness,

your heart was made glad, Andrew, lover of purity.

He raised you from earth to the ineffable glory of Christ our God.//

Pray that He may enlighten and save our souls!

*v. (1) For His mercy is abundant towards us; and the truth of the Lord endures for ever.*

(Repeat “When He Who clothed Himself …”)

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*

**Tone 4** *(by Anatolius)*

Leaving behind your fishnets, O Apostle Andrew,

you caught men with the net of your preaching.

Throwing to us the bait of righteousness,

you delivered all nations from the depths of error.

Apostle Andrew, brother of Peter the primate,

all-glorious and never-failing intercessor,//

may the celebration of your memory enlighten all who dwell in darkness!

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Tone 4**  *(for the Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ)*

Rejoice, Isaiah, and receive the Word of God!

Prophesy to Mary the Maiden!

She is the burning bush unconsumed by the fire of the Godhead.

Adorn yourself, O Bethlehem!

Open your gates, O Eden!

Enter, magi, and see Salvation swaddled in a crib!

Behold the star shining above the cavern;//

it announces the life-giving Lord Who saves the human race.

**Readings (Paremia)**

**1 Peter 1:1-2:6**

**1 Peter 2:21-3:9**

**1 Peter 4:1-11**

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**Litya** *(If the rector desires a Litya, following the sticheron to*

*the temple, these stichera are sung*)

**Tone 1** *(by Andrew of Jerusalem)*

Apostle Andrew, the first-called disciple and imitator of Your Passion, patterning himself on You, O Lord,

brought to You those who had been led astray in the depths of ignorance,

drawing them up with the hook of your Cross.

By his intercessions, O Supremely Good One,//

establish our life in peace and save our souls!

Let us, the faithful, praise Christ’s disciple, Andrew, the brother of Peter!

He once trawled the sea, catching fish with fishing nets

but now, with the fishing rod of the Cross he ensnares the whole world,

and converts the nations from error to baptism.

Now, standing before Christ,//

he asks peace for the world and great mercy for our souls.

Receiving the fire that enlightens our minds

and burning the sins within our hearts,

the Apostle and disciple of Christ shines with mystical rays,

teaching the unenlightened hearts of the Gentiles.

He sets ablaze, like twigs, the fables and myths of the impious

by the fire of the Spirit.

O strange and awesome wonder!

A tongue of clay, a body of dust,

receives the intellectual and immaterial divine knowledge.

O initiate of the ineffable mysteries,

and beholder of heavenly things,//

pray that our souls be enlightened!

**Tone 8**

Having seen the longed-for God in the flesh, walking upon the earth,

O God-seer and first-called Andrew,

You joyfully called out to your brother,

“O Simon, we have found the Desired One!”

But to the Savior you cried out in the manner of David:

“As the deer yearns for the springs of water,

so yearns my soul for You, O Christ my God.”

Thus, adding desire to desire,

you go, through the Cross, to be with Him, Whom you desired.

And, as a true disciple,

through the Cross you became an enlightened emulator of His Passion.

Therefore, having become a sharer of glory with Him,//

pray earnestly on behalf of our souls!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,*

**Tone 8** *(by Andrew of Jerusalem, or of Anatolius)*

Let us praise Andrew, the preacher of the faith and servant of the Word,

for he has drawn men out of the abyss,

fishing with the Cross instead of a rod;

lowering a powerful line,

he leads souls up from the deception of the Enemy,

offering them to God as an acceptable gift.

O faithful, let us praise him, with the choir of the disciples of Christ,

that he may intercede with Him,//

to have mercy on us on the Day of Judgment!

*now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Tone 8 Theotokion**

O Lady, accept the prayers of your servants,//

and deliver us from all necessity and affliction!

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**Aposticha**

**Tone 5** *(Rejoice, O Life-giving Cross)*

Rejoice, O heaven!

Proclaim everywhere the glory of God!

Today the first-called Apostle stands in our midst.

He was the first to obey the Lord with fervor.

United to Him, he was enkindled by His love.

He is the reflection of the Savior's love for mankind,

for His rays enlighten those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of

death.

We rejoice in his holy memory,//

for through his prayers health and blessing are given to us.

*v. Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe. (Ps 18/19:4).*

Having found the First of things desired,

Who in compassion was clothed with our nature,

O Godly-wise Andrew,

you were united in ardent desire with your brother.

You cried out: “Come, let us find Him Whom the Prophets preached in the

Spirit!”

Let us enchant both soul and mind with His beauties,

that, being illumined by His brightness,

we may banish the night of delusion and the darkness of ignorance,//

as we bless Christ, who bestows on the world great mercy!

*v: The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (Ps 18/19:1)*

Your preaching gives light to godless nations,

glorious vessel of the ruler of the sea.

Your wisdom calms the stormy waves.

You are the salt of the earth, seasoning us with incorruption,

silencing the ravings of clever orators.

By his prayers, deliver us from the proud ones of the earth, O Lord,//

grant purity to our hearts and salvation to our souls!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*

**Tone 3** *(by Germanos)*

We honor you in songs, Apostle Andrew,

brother of Peter and disciple of Christ,

fisherman and fisher of men;

you shaped all dogmas with the wisdom of Christ.

As fish are lured into a net,

so you caught transgressors with the bait of truth.//

Through his prayers, O Christ, grant us peace and great mercy!

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

Tell us, O Joseph:

“How have you brought from the Holy of Holies the Virgin, great with child?

And how did you lead her to Bethlehem?”

“I have searched the Prophets, “ -- he says,

“and I have received a reply from an Angel.”

I am certain that Mary will wondrously give birth to God,

Whom the magi from the East will worship, offering to Him precious

gifts.”//

O Lord, incarnate for our sakes, glory to You!

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***(at Great Vespers)***

**Troparion Tone 4**

Andrew, first-called of the Apostles,

and brother of the foremost disciple,

entreat the Master of all

to grant peace to the world,//

and to our souls great mercy!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,*

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Tone 4** **Resurrectional Dismissal Theotokion**

The mystery of all eternity,

unknown even by Angels,

through you, Theotokos, is revealed to those on earth:

God incarnate by union without confusion.

He voluntarily accepted the Cross for us,

by which He resurrected the first-created man,//

saving our souls from death.

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***(at Vigil)***

**Troparion Tone 4**

Andrew, first-called of the Apostles,

and brother of the foremost disciple,

entreat the Master of all

to grant peace to the world,//

and to our souls great mercy! *(twice)*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,*

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Tone 4 Troparion to the Theotokos**

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos,

Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you!

Blessed are you among women,

and blessed is the Fruit of your womb,//

for you have borne the Savior of our souls.

---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------***(at the Divine Liturgy)***

**Troparion Tone 4**

Andrew, first-called of the Apostles,

and brother of the foremost disciple,

entreat the Master of all

to grant peace to the world,//

and to our souls great mercy!

**Kontakion Tone 2**

Let us praise Andrew, the herald of God,

the namesake of courage,

the first-called of the Savior’s disciples

and the brother of Peter!

As he once called to his brother,

he now cries out to us://

“Come, for we have found the One Whom the world desires!”

**Tone 8** **Prokeimenon**

Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the

ends of the universe! *(Ps 18/19:4)*

*v: The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (Ps 18/19:1)*

**Epistle**

1 Corinthians 4:9-16 *(Apostle)*

**Tone 1**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*v. The heavens will praise Your wonders, O Lord; and Your truth in the congregation of the saints. (Ps 88/89:5)*

*v. God is glorified in the council of the saints; great and awesome toward all who are around Him. (Ps 88/89:7)*

**Gospel**

John 1:35-51 *(Apostle)*

**Communion Hymn**

Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the

ends of the universe! *(Ps 18/19:4)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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