**OCTOBER 9**

**Glorification of St. Tikhon, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, Enlightener of North America**

**[Holy Apostle James, Son of Alphaeus]** *(Served whenever the Superior wishes)*

**"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** *(As one valiant among the martyrs)*

O divinely inspired teacher of the Mysteries,

Holy Father Tikhon,

we know you as a foundation of Truth and confirmation of the Faith,

expounder of piety, abode of purity,

elect vessel, fragrance of the Spirit,

truly-great treasury of teachings,//

and a foundation of the Church of Christ in the Russian lands and North America.

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

(Repeat: “O divinely-inspired teacher…”)

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

(Repeat: “O divinely-inspired teacher…”)

V. (5) *For Your Name’s sake I wait for You, O Lord. My soul has waited for Your word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.*

We honor you, all-praised God-bearing Father Tikhon,

successor to the Apostles and of like character with the martyrs,

zealous emulator of the ascetics, seal of teachers,

divine model, expounder of the Mysteries of Christ,

and river spilling out holy understanding,

drowning the intentions of the blasphemers and transgressors,//

O truly-wise New Confessor Tikhon.

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

(Repeat: “We honor you…”)

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: “We honor you…”)

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

Having increased the talent of wisdom, O truly rich one,

you were given the joy of the Lord.

Adorned with the grace of divine radiance,

and shining noetically with spiritual rays,

you stand now at the right hand of the Bearer of Life//

always illumined, O glorious New Confessor Tikhon.

V. (1) *For His mercy is confirmed on us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.*

(Repeat: “Having increased the talent…”)

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

**Tone 6**

Grace spilled out from your lips, O venerable Father Tikhon,

and you became a shepherd of the Church of Christ,

teaching your rational sheep to believe in the Trinity,//

one in essence and one Godhead.

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

**Tone 6** *(Theotokion – Dogmatikon)*

Who will not bless you, O most holy Virgin?

Who will not sing of your most pure childbearing?

The only-begotten Son shone timelessly from the Father,

but from you He was ineffably incarnate.

God by nature, yet Man for our sake,

not two persons, but one known in two natures.

Entreat Him, O pure and all-blessed Lady,//

to have mercy on our souls!

 **Old Testament Readings**

 **Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9**

 **Wisdom of Solomon 5:15-6:3**

 **Wisdom of Solomon 4:7-15**

**Litya**

*(If the rector desires the Litya, following the sticheron to the Patron Saint of the Temple,*

*these stichera are sung)*

**Tone 4** *(You have given a sign)*

O Father Tikhon,

the grace of the Spirit has shone forth in you,

brightly illumining you.

Therefore, you have made short the night of passions,

and reached the daytime of dispassion,

joining yourself in purity to the purest Light.

Abiding in it, O voice of God,//

do not forget those who in faith are singing the praises of your sacred memory!

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

**Tone 6**

Today the faithful gather to venerate the Cross of Christ,

and to glorify our heavenly patron, the New Confessor Tikhon.

All America together with Russia rejoices today,

renewing the sacred legacy given us by our holy Father Tikhon.

Grant us a true and living Faith,

a share in the Mystery of the Cross, and communion with those marked by the Cross,//

through the prayers of the holy New Confessor Tikhon!

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

**Tone 6** *(Theotokion)*

My Maker and Redeemer, Christ the Lord,

was born of you, O most pure Virgin.

By accepting my nature, He freed Adam from his ancient curse.

Unceasingly we magnify you as the Mother of God!

Rejoice, O celestial Joy!

Rejoice, O Lady://

the Protection, Intercession and Salvation of our souls!

**Aposticha**

**Tone 8** *(Oh, most glorious wonder)*

All-wise Father Tikhon,

you have illumined the Church of Christ,

for you have worthily received the grace of God.

From thence, the deception of evil spirits against you was cast down,

and you have passed over into the heavenly mansions.//

Therefore, we sing the praises of your memory.

V. *Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.* *(Ps. 115:6)*

Most glorious Father Tikhon,

leaving the rebellious noise of the world,

you hastened to the calm of Christ, O venerable one.

And through the contemplation of divine actions,

you were worthily enriched,

reflecting the light of Christ to the faithful,

having shone with a life befitting God,//

O truly blessed one.

V. *Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments. (Ps. 111:1)*

Come, all you born on earth,

with hymns let us piously celebrate today

the sacred and precious festival of holy Tikhon!

For lo, he has truly been made worthy to receive the Divine Radiance.

Oh, how ineffable is Your compassion, O Christ,//

through which we have learned to glorify You, the truly gracious One!

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

**Tone 8**

By your pure confession and missionary work,

laboring on two continents,

you set before all people a faithful pattern of true godliness,

O New Confessor Tikhon,//

father of the flock of Christ.

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

**Tone 8** *(Theotokion)*

O unwedded Virgin,

who ineffably conceived God in the flesh,

O Mother of God most high,

accept the cries of your servants, O blameless One!

Grant cleansing of transgressions to all!//

Receive our prayers and pray to save our souls!

***(at Great Vespers)***

**Tone 1** **Troparion[[1]](#footnote-1)**

Chosen by God in a turbulent time,

you glorified God in complete holiness,

and attained greatness through humility,

showing forth the power of God through simplicity and piety.

You laid down your life for the Church and her people,

O holy Confessor and Patriarch, Father Tikhon.

Pray to Christ God with Whom you were also crucified,

that He may save our souls!

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

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

**Tone 1 Resurrectional** **Dismissal Theotokion**

When Gabriel announced to you, O Virgin, saying “Rejoice!”

with that word the Master of all was incarnate in ^you,

the holy Ark, spoken of by the righteous David!

Your womb became more spacious than the heavens,

for you carried your Creator.

Glory to Him Who took abode in you!

Glory to Him Who came ^forth from you!//

Glory to Him Who freed us by being born of you!

***(at Vigil)***

**Tone 1** **Troparion**

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and attained greatness through humility,

showing forth the power of God through simplicity and piety.

You laid down your life for the Church and her people,

O holy Confessor and Patriarch, Father Tikhon.

Pray to Christ God with Whom you were also crucified,

that He may save our souls! *(twice)*

**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. *(once)*

***Alternate Troparion – Repose of St. Tikhon, April 7***

**Tone 1 Troparion**

Let us praise Tikhon, the Patriarch of All Russia,

and Enlightener of North America,

an ardent follower of the apostolic traditions,

and good pastor of the Church of Christ,

who was elected by Divine Providence,

and laid down his life for his sheep!

Let us sing to him with faith and hope,

and ask for his hierarchical intercessions:

keep the Church in Russia in tranquility,

and the Church in North America in peace;

gather her scattered children into one flock,

bring to repentance those who have renounced the True Faith,

preserve our lands from civil strife,

and entreat God’s peace for all people!

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

**Tone 1** **Troparion**

Chosen by God in a turbulent time,

you glorified God in complete holiness,

and attained greatness through humility,

showing forth the power of God through simplicity and piety.

You laid down your life for the Church and her people,

O holy Confessor and Patriarch, Father Tikhon.

Pray to Christ God with Whom you were also crucified,

that He may save our souls!

**Tone 2** **Kontakion**

A gentle manner adorned you:

you showed kindness and compassion to those who repented;

you were firm and unbending in confessing the Orthodox Faith,

and zealous in loving the Lord.

O holy Hierarch of Christ and Confessor Tikhon,

pray for us that we may not be separated from the love of God,//

which is of Christ Jesus, our Lord!

**Tone 1** **Prokeimenon**

My mouth shall speak wisdom; / the meditation of my heart shall be understanding. *(Ps. 48:3)*

V. *Hear this, all nations! Give ear, all inhabitants of the earth! (Ps. 48:1)*

**Epistle**

 (318) Hebrews 7:26-8:2 *(St. Tikhon)*

**Tone 2**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. *The mouth of the righteous shall proclaim wisdom, and his tongue shall speak of judgment. (Ps. 36:31)*

V. *The Law of God is in his heart, and his steps shall not falter. (Ps. 36:32)*

 **Gospel**

 (36) John 10:9-16 *(St. Tikhon)*

**Communion Hymn**

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance! He shall not fear evil

tidings! *(Ps. 111:6)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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1. An alternate troparion for St. Tikhon, prescribed for the feast of his repose on April 7, is presented below. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)