TROPARIA AND KONTAKIA

JUNE

JUNE 1

HOLY MARTYR JUSTIN THE PHILOSOPHER

ST AGAPETI OF THE KIEVAN CAVES

ST HERVE THE BLIND ABBOT

Troparion of St Justin Tone 4

O Justin, teacher of divine knowledge,/ thou didst shine with the rays of true philosophy/ and wast wisely armed against the enemy./ Confessing the truth thou didst contend with the martyrs:/ with them ever entreat Christ our God to save our souls.

Troparion of St Agapeti of the Kievan Caves Tone 5

O righteous Agapeti,/ thou didst heal the sick with edible herbs,/ with humility like Anthony the Great./ And so thou didst bring the unbelieving physician to the Faith,/ and didst guide him on the path of salvation./ Heal our sicknesses also,/ and pray to Christ our God for those who sing to thee.

Troparion of St Herve Tone l

O Herve, thou minstrel and teacher of the Faith,/ thy sweet voice enlightened the darkness though thou wast born without the gift of sight./ Pray that the light of Christ may ever dispel pagan darkness from our lands,/ that God may be glorified.

Kontakion of St Agapeti of the Kievan Caves Tone 5

Thou didst proclaim thy faith as a good physician,/ thou didst rebuke the Armenian and bring him to piety;/ when dying thou didst ask God for life/ and by this miracle bring him to Christ./ Now thou dost stand rejoicing before the Lord:/ pray for us, O righteous one.

JUNE 2

ST NICEPHOROS THE CONFESSOR, PATRIARCH OF CONSTANTINOPLE

Troparion Tone 3

Thine inspired confession gained victory for the Church,/ O holy Hierarch Nicephoros./ Thou didst suffer unjust exile through reverence for the icon of God the Word./ O righteous Father,/ pray to Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

Kontakion Tone 4

Thou didst receive from God the Victor's crown:/ save those who faithfully venerate thee/ as a hierarch and teacher of Christ.

JUNE 3

HOLY MARTYRS LUCILLIAN AND THOSE WITH HIM: CLAUDIOS, HYPATIOS, PAUL, DIONYSIOS AND PAULA

ST KEVIN OF GLENDALOUGH, ABBOT

ST GLUNSHALLAICH

Troparion of the Holy Martyrs Tone 1

Like a radiant star thou didst shine out of the night of error/ and didst slay the crafty enemy, O Lucillian./ Together with holy Paula and the four children/ pray to Christ our God to save our souls.

Troparion of St Kevin Tone 8

Thou wast privileged to live in the age of Saints, O Father Kevin/ being baptized by one saint, taught by another and buried by a third./ Pray to God that He will raise up saints in our day/ to help, support and guide us into the Way of salvation.

Troparion of St Glunshallaich Tone 1

O holy Glunshallaich, having been converted by the holy Abbot Kevin,/ thou wast his fellow labourer and constant companion,/ not even being parted from him in the grave,/ with him, intercede to God that our souls may be saved.

Kontakion of the Holy Martyrs Tone 2

O glorious Martyr, thou didst endure grievous torments,/ and together with Paula and the children didst cry to thy Creator:/ O Savior,/ we are slaughtered like sacrificial sheep/ through love for Thee.

JUNE 4

SS MARTHA AND MARY, SISTERS OF ST LAZARUS THE FRIEND OF CHRIST

ST METROPHANES, FIRST PATRIARCH OF CONSTANTINOPLE

ST PETROC AND HIS COMPANIONS CROIDAN, MEDAN AND DEGAN

Troparion of Martha and Mary Tone 3

You fervently believed in Christ and His marvelous acts,/ O Martha and Mary, sisters of Lazarus./ You were adorned with radiant virtues/ and were found worthy to be numbered with the Saints;/ together with holy Lazarus pray to God for us.

Troparion of St Metrophanes Tone 1

O good shepherd, thou didst proclaim the great mystery of the Trinity/ and manifest Christ's dispensation to all./ Thou didst put to flight the spiritual wolves who menaced your rational flock/ and didst save the lambs of Christ who cry:/ Glory to Him Who has strengthened thee; glory to Him who has exalted thee;/ glory to Him Who through thee has strengthened the Orthodox Faith.

Troparion of St Petroc and his Companions Tone 2

O Petroc, Master Builder of the Faith in the West,/ who didst prefer the heavenly warfare to thy kingly heritage and military prowess:/ with thy companions thou didst travel through the West Country establishing churches/ and didst include the animals in thy loving care./ In thy monastic zeal thou didst recite the psalms in rivers:/ through thy prayer may the flow of Christian Faith/ ever increase in our land.

Kontakion of St Metrophanes Tone 2

Thou didst proclaim the Faith of Christ by thy words,/ and by thy life thou didst increase Christ's flock to a multitude./ Now thou dost rejoice with the Angels,/ and art ceaselessly praying for us, O Metrophanes.

JUNE 5

HOLY HIEROMARTYR DOROTHEOS, BISHOP OF TYRE

Troparion Tone 4

O Dorotheos, wise Hierarch of Christ,/ thou didst receive the light of wisdom as a gift from the Father of lights./ Thou didst increase the talents given to thee/ and contest in thine old age beyond the bounds of nature./ And thou, O Hieromartyr, art interceding for our souls.

Kontakion Tone 3

By preaching Orthodox doctrine, O Hieromartyr,/ thou didst offer thyself as a godly and holy gift./ Thou didst first excel in asceticism/ and then contest in martyrdom,/ and attain to receiving the victor's prize from Christ our God.

JUNE 6

ST HILARY THE NEW ABBOT OF THE MONASTERY OF DALMATOS IN CONSTANTINOPLE

ST SUSANNA THE VIRGIN MARTYR

Troparion of St Hilary Tone 1

By cultivating the words of the Lord,/ thou didst blossom with grace like an olive tree./ With the oil of divine virtues and by thy confession, blessed Hilary,/ thou didst gladden those who faithfully cry to thee:/ Glory to Christ Who has strengthened thee; glory to Him Who has crowned thee;/ glory to Him Who through thee works healings for all.

Troparion of St Susanna Tone 4

With two companions thou didst desire a life of prayer and solitude,/ O pious Susanna,/ but by thy virtuous example, thy gift of healing and thy consolation for the afflicted/ thou didst enrage the God-hating Diocletian./ Wherefore, O holy one, pray to God for us/ that we, like thee, may be faithful even unto death,/ that our souls may be saved.

Kontakion of St Hilary Tone 1

Though contesting with fire thou wast not burned,/ for the dew of God refreshed thee./ Thou didst rejoice to accomplish struggles beyond nature./ As thou art now among the righteous, O Hilary, remember us.

Kontakion of St Susanna Tone 4

O holy Susanna, the purity and constancy of thy life was a hymn of praise to God/ Who sent Angels to escort thy soul to heaven./ At the sight of this the executioners fell back with fear/ and thou, most pious virgin, didst urge them to their task of awarding thee a martyr's crown,/ the guarantee of eternal salvation.

JUNE 7

HOLY HIEROMARTYR THEODOTOS, BISHOP OF ANCYRA

ST MERIADOC, HIERARCH AND WONDERWORKER

Troparion of St Theodotos Tone 3

God enriched thee with the gift of the sacred ministry,/ O blessed Hierarch Theodotos./ Thou didst offer the excellent deeds of thy contest as gifts to the Lord thy God./ O righteous Father,/ entreat Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

Troparion of St Meriadoc Tone 4

O Meriadoc holy hermit,/ through thy simplicity thou didst draw many souls to God./ Near the church of the Mother of God in Camborne/ thou didst cause a healing well to rise./ We glorify God Who has glorified thee.

Kontakion of St Theodotos Tone 2

O Priest of God Theodotos,/ thou didst emulate the trophy bearers./ Thou hast received a double crown/ and art rejoicing with the Bodiless Ones./ And thou art interceding for our souls.

JUNE 8

TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF GREAT MARTYR THEODORE

Troparion Tone 4

With thy true strategy, O Trophy-bearer,/ thou wast an illustrious general of the Heavenly King./ Armed with the weapons of faith,/ thou didst annihilate hordes of demons./ O victorious Athlete Theodore, with faith we call thee blessed.

Kontakion Tone 8

Through lying as dead in thy holy reliquary thou art enjoying eternal life./ Thou dost pour forth a fountain of gifts for those who venerate thy relics/ and seek thy help, O Theodore, God the Word's commander.

JUNE 9

ST CYRIL, ARCHBISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA

ST CYRIL OF THE WHITE LAKE

ST COLUM CILLE (COLUMBA) OF IONA

Troparion of St Cyril of Alexandria Tone 1

With all reverence let us praise the light of the world,/ the great orator and champion of the Mother of God;/ for by his fiery teachings he burned the heresy of Nestorius./ Wherefore let us cry to him:/ O divine Cyril, intercede with Christ/ to strengthen the Orthodox faith.

Troparion of St Cyril of the White Lake Tone 1

O Father Cyril, uprooting the thorns of passions/ thou didst blossom as a lily in David's wilderness,/ where thou didst gather a multitude of disciples/ and guide them as a father in the fear of God./ Glory to Him Who has strengthened thee; glory to Him Who has crowned thee;/ glory to Him Who through thee works healings for all.

Troparion of St Colum Cille Tone 5

By thy God-inspired life/ thou didst embody both the mission and the dispersion of the Church,/ most glorious Father Colum Cille./ Using thy repentance and voluntary exile,/ Christ our God raised thee up as a beacon of the True Faith,/ an Apostle to the heathen and an indicator of the Way of salvation./ Wherefore O holy one, cease not to intercede for us/ that our souls may be saved.

Kontakion of St Cyril of Alexandria Tone 6

Thy teaching has reached to the ends of the earth./ For from the wellsprings of the Savior, O blessed one,/ thou hast poured forth a flood of doctrine/ which engulfs all heresies.

Kontakion of St Cyril of the White Lake Tone 8

Thou didst scorn all ways and thoughts which dragged thee down/ and didst rejoice to yearn for the heavenward course./ With the Saints before the Trinity pray that thy flock may be preserved;/ for as we celebrate thy repose we cry to thee:/ Rejoice, O blessed Father Cyril.

JUNE 10

HOLY MARTYRS ALEXANDER AND ANTONINA

ST JOHN, METROPOLITAN OF TOBOLSK

Troparion of Ss Alexander and Antonina Tone 1

Let us praise the two holy Martyrs,/ renowned Alexander and noble Antonina;/ in their holy contests they shone with love, faith and healing/ for those who cry together:/ Glory to Him Who has strengthened you; glory to Him Who has crowned you;/ glory to Him Who through you works healings for all.

Troparion of St John of Tobolsk Tone 8

Thou wast a guide of virtue, a comforter of orphans and an unmercenary physician of the sick;/ a help of the suffering and an intercessor to the Lord;/ beseech Him to save our souls.

Kontakion of Ss Alexander and Antonina Tone 2

Let us bless godly Alexander and Antonina,/ spiritual kinsmen in Christ and of one mind in holiness;/ receiving their struggles and wounds as fragrant myrrh/ He has glorified them.

Kontakion of St John of Tobolsk Tone 2

To those in the darkness of ignorance thou wast a light,/ a comforter of widows and orphans, and a physician to the weak,/ a guide to the young and the light of joy to parents./ Pray to Christ our God to grant Faith in our land/ and great mercy to His people.

JUNE 11

SYNAXIS OF THE ICON 'IT IS MEET'

HOLY APOSTLES BARTHOLOMEW AND BARNABAS

Troparion of the Icon 'It is Meet' Tone 4

Gather together, all you fathers of Athos,/ and celebrate with joy and gladness on this day:/ for the Mother of God is wonderfully praised by the Angel,/ and we magnify her/ as the Birthgiver of God.

Troparion of Ss Bartholomew and Barnabas Tone 3

Instruments of the Comforter and proclaimers of the Word,/ O Apostles and Seers of God,/ Bartholomew of the Twelve/ and Barnabas son of consolation,/ entreat Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

Kontakion of the Icon 'It is Meet' Tone 4

Athos is celebrating today,/ for from the Angel it has received hymns dedicated to the Mother of God,/ whom all creation is acclaiming with hymn of praise.

Kontakion of the Apostle Bartholomew Tone 4

Thou didst appear as a great sun to the world/ with miracles and rays of teachings./ Thou dost guide to the light/ all who venerate thee,/ O Bartholomew, Apostle of the Lord.

Kontakion of the Apostle Barnabas Tone 3

Thou wast the Lord's servant and the first of the Seventy,/ and thy preaching shone with Paul's./ Thou didst proclaim Christ the Savior to all,/ O Barnabas./ Wherefore we celebrate thy memory with hymns.

JUNE 12

ST ONUPHRIOS THE GREAT OF EGYPT AND ST PETER OF MOUNT ATHOS

ST TERNAN

Troparion of Ss Onuphrios and Peter Tone 1

In the flesh you lived the life of Angels,/ you were citizens of the desert and treasuries of grace,/ O Onuphrios adornment of Egypt, and Peter the light of Athos./ Wherefore we honour your struggles as we sing to you:/ Glory to Him Who has strengthened you; glory to Him Who has made you wonderful;/ glory to Him Who through you works healings for all.

Troparion of St Ternan Tone 5

At Candida Casa among the throng of saints/ the flame of faith enkindled thee, O Ternan./ Thy missionary labours among the Picts have shone with glory/ as did thy monastery of Culross in Fife./ Pray to Christ our God to save our souls.

Kontakion of Ss Onuphrios and Peter Tone 8

By your achievements in the wilderness you became like the Bodiless Powers,/ godly Onuphrios, and righteous Peter adornment of Athos/ you heavenly-minded pair who sing: Alleluia.

JUNE 13

HOLY MARTYR AQUILINA THE VIRGIN

Troparion Tone 4

O Aquilina Bride of Christ, by thy love for Him/ thou wast revealed to the ends of the world as a pure virgin and victor in the contest./ Thou didst blossom like a spiritual rose,/ fragrant with purity in thy struggle./ Thou art interceding with the Lord to save us all.

Kontakion Tone 2

Thou didst purify thy soul with the virtue of humility,/ and by thy martyrdom thou didst ascend to the heights of holiness./ Thou wast wounded with love for Christ thy Bridegroom,/ O venerable Aquilina./ Thou art radiantly standing in His presence with the Angels;/ together with them pray for us all.

JUNE 14

HOLY PROPHET ELISHA

Troparion Tone 4

Interpreter of the Savior's words,/ teacher and enlightener of those under the law,/ thou wast known to those afar by thy signs and miracles,/ for thou didst inherit the grace of the Tishbite./ Preserve us evermore, O divine Prophet Elisha.

Kontakion Tone 2

O Prophet of God, thou didst worthily receive a double portion of grace,/ for thou wast a companion of Elijah./ With him intercede with Christ our God unceasingly for us all.

JUNE 15

HOLY PROPHET AMOS

ST LAZARUS KING OF SERBIA

Troparion of the Prophet Amos Tone 1

God the Word has revealed thee, O Prophet Amos,/ as a seer Of things sublime./ He has been pleased with thy life and labours,/ for thou didst rebuke the ungodly and die as a martyr./ Wherefore thou wast found worthy of eternal life/ we beseech thee to intercede for us all.

Troparion of St Lazarus of Serbia Tone 3

Thou didst desire the beauty of God's glory/ and please Him on this earth./ Thou didst faithfully double the talent that was entrusted to thee./ Thou didst suffer as a martyr and receive thy reward from Christ./ O Lazarus, entreat Him to save our souls.

Kontakion of the Prophet Amos Tone 4

Thou didst purify thy burning heart in the Spirit,/ O glorious Prophet Amos./ Thou didst receive the gift of prophecy from heaven/ and proclaim throughout the world:/ This is our God and there is none beside Him.

Kontakion of St Lazarus of Serbia Tone 8

Thou art praised by thy flock as an excellent champion,/ as a courageous martyr, O divinely-wise Lazarus./ As thou hast boldness towards Christ the Savior,/ entreat Him to grant humility to those who praise thee,/ that we may cry: Rejoice, O wondrous Lazarus.

JUNE 16

OUR HOLY AND WONDERWORKING FATHER TICHON, BISHOP OF AMATHIS IN CYPRUS

ST COLMAN MC ROI, ABBOT

Troparion of St Tichon Tone 3

God called thee to the sacred priesthood/ as a worthy servant of the Holy Trinity./ Thou didst shine with the grace of godliness/ and strengthen the Church by many miracles./ O righteous Tichon, pray to Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

Troparion of St Colman Mc Roi Tone 6

Disciple of St Colum Cille,/ thou didst return to his native land and found a monastery at Dublin./ As thou dost now stand before Christ with the Angels/ pray, O Colman, that those who hymn thee may obtain His great mercy .

Kontakion of St Tichon Tone 3

Thou wast resplendent in asceticism, O beloved of God,/ and didst receive power from the Holy Spirit/ to destroy idolatry, put demons to flight,/ to save souls and to heal the sick./ We honour thee, O blessed Tichon.

JUNE 17

HOLY MARTYRS MANUEL, SABEL AND ISMAEL AND THOSE WITH THEM, OF PERSIA

ST NECTAN

Troparion of the holy Martyrs Tone 3

The nine-fold company of God the Word,/ Isaurus, Felix and Hermas, Peregrinus and Innocent,/ Manuel and Basil, glorious Ismael and blessed Sabel/ put to flight the enemy hosts./ As the Lord's martyrs they received the prizes of victory.

Troparion of St Nectan Tone 4

O holy Father Nectan thou didst follow the bidding of the Lord/ and didst leave thy father and mother for His sake/ to embrace the hermit's life./ Faithful follower of Christ unto death/ pray that He may save our souls.

Kontakion of the holy Martyrs Tone 2

Wounded with faith and love for Christ/ you faithfully drank the martyr's cup/ and overthrew the Persian idol's impudence./ O blessed Martyrs,/ you are interceding with the Trinity for us all.

JUNE 18

HOLY MARTYR LEONTIOS

Troparion Tone 3

Girded with divine strength thou didst triumph in thy contest,/ O Leontios the Savior's trophy-bearer./ Thou didst spring into the contest like a lion,/ and destroy the enemy's might;/ O glorious Martyr, entreat Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

Kontakion Tone 3

Thou didst confound the tyrant's wicked plans/ and expose the pagans' empty worship./ Thou didst illumine all men with the knowledge of God/ by thy teachings, O holy Martyr./ We lovingly venerate thy memory, O wise Leontios.

JUNE 19

HOLY APOSTLE JUDE, THE LORD'S BROTHER

ST PAISIUS THE GREAT OF EGYPT

ST JOHN THE WONDERWORKER OF SHANGHAI AND SAN FRANCISCO

Troparion of the Apostle Jude Tone 1

We know thee as Christ's kinsman and martyr/ and praise thee with holy chant./ O Apostle Jude, thou didst trample on error/ and preserve the Faith./ As today we celebrate thy memory,/ through thy prayers may our sins be forgiven.

Troparion of St Paisius Tone 4

The sublime monk and incarnate angel,/ the bodiless man and citizen of heaven/ grants grace to all who honour him/ as today he celebrates with us./ Let us fervently ascribe glory to him.

Troparion to St John Tone 6

Glorious apostle to an age of coldness and unbelief,/ invested with the grace-filled power of the saints of old,/ divinely illumined seer of heavenly mysteries,/ feeder of orphans, hope of the hopeless,/ thou didst enkindle on earth the fire of love for Christ/ upon the dark eve of the day of judgement./ Pray now that this sacred flame/ may also rise from our hearts.

Kontakion of the Apostle Jude Tone 1

Thou hast sprung as a divine branch from a noble root, O Apostle and Brother of God,/ wise herald of Christ and the Lord's eye-witness,/ thou hast nourished the world with thy words/ and as the Lord's initiate thou dost teach the Orthodox Faith.

Kontakion of the Apostle Barnabas Tone 3

Thou wast the Lord's servant and the first of the Seventy,/ and thy preaching shone with Paul's./ Thou didst proclaim Christ the Savior to all,/ O Barnabas./ Wherefore we celebrate thy memory with hymns.

Kontakion of St Paisius Tone 8

Let us the faithful sing praises to divinely-wise Paisius/ the desert's adornment, equal-to-the-Angels, Christ's friend and the glory of monks./ Let us cry to him: Rejoice, O Father Paisius.

Kontakion of St John Tone 8

Chosen wonderworker and superb servant of Christ/ who pourest out in the latter times/ inexhaustible streams of inspiration and multitude of miracles,/ we praise thee with love and call out to thee:/ Rejoice, holy Hierarch John, wonderworker of the latter times.

JUNE 20

HOLY HIEROMARTYR METHODIOS, BISHOP OF PATARA

ST KALLISTOS, PATRIARCH OF CONSTANTINOPLE

Troparion of St Methodios Tone 1

Thy blood, O wise Methodios,/ cries to God from the earth like the blood of Abel./ O holy Martyr, thou didst preach Christ's incarnation/ and defeat the false doctrines of Origen./ Thou hast entered the heavenly bridal chamber:/ Pray to Christ our God that our souls may be saved.

Troparion of St Kallistos Tone 4

The truth of things revealed thee to thy flock/ as a rule of faith, a model of meekness, and a teacher of temperance./ Therefore thou hast won the heights by humility, riches by poverty./ Holy Father Kallistos, intercede with Christ our God/ that our souls may be saved.

Kontakion of St Methodios Tone 4

O Priest and initiate of the Holy Trinity,/ preacher of Divine commandments/ and support of the Orthodox,/ thou didst expose the errors of false doctrine/ and shed thy blood as a martyr for the Faith./ O Methodios, standing before Christ with the Angels,/ pray that we may be saved.

JUNE 21

ST JULIAN OF TARSUS

ST MEWAN, ABBOT

Troparion of St Julian Tone 5

O inspired Julian,/ thy mother guided thee to become a glorious soldier of Christ./ Thou wast clad in spiritual armour;/ therefore thou didst enter the contest/ and destroy the enemy,/ and art interceding for us all.

Troparion of St Mewan Tone 7

Holy disciple of St Samson of Dol,/ thou didst persevere in thy resolve and enter a monastery in Brittany./ Thou didst press on in thy holy struggle,/ and establish thine own monastery./ O holy Mewan, pray for us to Christ our God/ that our souls may be saved.

Kontakion of St Julian Tone 2

Today we all praise Julian/ the unconquerable holy warrior,/ the champion and vessel of truth to whom we cry:/ Intercede with Christ our God for us all.

JUNE 22

ST ALBAN, PROTOMARTYR OF ENGLAND

ST EUSEBIOS THE CONFESSOR, BISHOP OF SAMOSATA

Troparion of St Alban Tone 4

Thy holy martyr Alban in his struggle/ has gained the crown of life, O Christ our God;/ for strengthened by Thee and with a pure heart/ he spoke boldly before wordly judges,/ giving up his sacred head to Thee, the Judge of all.

Troparion of St Eusebios Tone 4

Illumined by the Spirit's wisdom,/ thou didst reveal God's word, O glorious Eusebios;/ for as a Hierarch of the Trinity,/ in thy holy contest thou didst destroy errors./ Holy Father pray that we all may be saved.

Kontakion of St Eusebios Tone 8

Thou didst sow godly teachings and uproot the tares of Arius/ and wast adorned with the martyr's crown;/ thou didst proclaim God the Word to be of one Essence with the Father and the Spirit:/ wherefore we cry to thee: Rejoice, O Father Eusebios.

JUNE 23

HOLY MARTYR AGRIPPINA THE VIRGIN

Troparion Tone 3

Strengthened by the Holy Spirit thou didst excel in contest,/ O Agrippina fragrant with virginity./ Glorified by Christ's grace thou didst water the world with miracles./ O glorious Martyr,/ pray to Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

Kontakion Tone 4

The radiant day of thy contest has come on which the Church celebrates thy martyrdom./ She calls on all to cry gladly to thee:/ Rejoice, O Virgin Martyr Agrippina.

JUNE 24

NATIVITY OF THE HOLY AND GLORIOUS PROPHET AND FORERUNNER AND BAPTIST JOHN

ST GEROME, KING AND HIERARCH

Troparion of the Forerunner Tone 4

O Prophet and Forerunner of the coming of Christ,/ we honour thee lovingly but cannot extol thee worthily;/ for by thy birth/ thy mother's barrenness and thy father's dumbness were unloosed;/ and the Incarnation of the Son of God is proclaimed to the world.

Troparion of St Gerome Tone 6

O holy Gerome who didst count monastic poverty/ far more glorious than thy previous kingship/ and didst not fear the death of the body/ when thou couldst win souls for Christ:/ as thou didst thank and praise the Saviour in thy church in Cornwall,/ pray that we all may be saved.

Kontakion of St John the Baptist Tone 3

The formerly barren one today gives birth to the Forerunner of Christ/ Who is the fulfillment of prophecy./ For the Prophet, Herald and Forerunner of the Word/ submitted to Him Whom the prophets foretold/ by laying his hand on Him in the Jordan.

JUNE 25

HOLY MARTYR FEBRONIA THE VIRGIN OF PALMYRA

Troparion Tone 3

Like a fragrant rose of asceticism/ thou didst breathe forth the myrrh of Christ./ Wherefore He has glorified thee as a righteous martyr, O Febronia./ Intercede with Him for those who cry:/ Rejoice, noble and blessed Martyr.

Kontakion Tone 3

Thou wast adorned with the grace of virginity and the beauty of martyrdom,/ O Febronia, Bride of Christ./ Thou didst bear thy lamp and run to thy Bridegroom/ and wast crowned with incorruption./ Pray for those who faithfully praise thee.

JUNE 26

APPEARANCE OF THE ICON OF THE MOTHER OF GOD OF TICHVIN

ST DAVID OF THESSALONICA

ST BRANNOCK OF BRAUNTON

Troparion of the Icon Tone 4

Thine Icon, O Mother of God, shines from heaven like a brilliant sun./ It illumines the world with rays of mercy which we reverently receive as God's gift./ We glorify thee as Queen of all,/ and magnify Christ our God Whom thou didst bear./ Pray to Christ, O Mother of God our Lady and Queen,/ to keep all Christians unharmed by the enemy./ Save those who faithfully venerate His Image and thy pure Icon, O Virgin.

Troparion of St David of Thessalonica Tone 5

O David,/ thy love for God the Word gave thee wings/ and thou didst live an angelic life in a tree./ Thou didst produce for us fruits of grace/ and we partake of them spiritually,/ crying to thee with faith:/ Pray for us to Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

Troparion of St Brannock of Braunton Tone l

Righteous tutor of the children of Brychan and great wonderworker, O Father Brannock,/ thou didst win many souls for Christ by thy tireless endeavours./ As Braunton's church may yet hold thy precious relics,/ pray that we, being ever mindful of our Orthodox heritage,/ may never deviate from the true Faith,/ and, thereby, receive the reward of the blest.

Kontakion of the Icon Tone 8

Let us thank Christ our God, and run to the Virgin and Queen His Mother; / tenderly gazing on her miraculous icon let us fall down and cry:/ Thou hast visited this land by the appearance of thine icon:/ keep our people in peace and make them heirs of heaven;/ for we cry with faith: Rejoice, O Virgin, salvation of the world.

Kontakion of St David of Thessalonica Tone 2

We bless thee, O David, servant of God;/ thou art like the Angels and estranged from things earthly./ Thou dost now rejoice in divine gifts:/ grant us to share in them also,/ O holy and righteous Father.

JUNE 27

OUR HOLY FATHER SAMPSON THE HOSPITABLE

Troparion Tone 4

O holy Sampson, imitator of God's compassion,/ thou dost pour forth streams of divine goodness./ For radiant with God's love/ thou didst relieve the afflicted and suffering,/ and dost grant eternal healing to all who honour thee.

Kontakion Tone 8

We flock to thy shrine as to a most excellent physician, O righteous, holy Sampson./ We come together to praise thee with psalms and hymns/ and we glorify Christ Who has gifted thee with healing.

JUNE 28

SS SERGIUS AND HERMAN, FOUNDERS OF VALAAM MONASTERY IN RUSSIA

ST AUSTOL, HERMIT

Troparion of Ss Sergius and Herman Tone 4

Fulfillers of the Gospel of Christ,/ loving Him alone and despising earthly cares, you settled on an island./ There you fought against the invisible foe,/ by fasting, vigil and prayer subjecting your bodies to the spirit./ You received crowns and now stand before the Trinity:/ pray, O Fathers Sergius and Herman,/ that our souls may be saved.

Troparion of St Austol Tone 7

Light of Cornwall and pillar of the Faith,/ holy Austol, disciple of Samson:/ thou wast a fellow-labourer with St Mewan,/ in such companionship that thou didst die with him and share his grave./ Pray to Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

Kontakion of Ss Sergius and Herman Tone 4

You left the world to follow in Christ's footsteps/ and reached Lake Neva and the Island of Valaam./ There you lived the angelic life/ and were translated to the heavenly Bridal chamber./ As you stand with the Angels remember the children whom you gathered,/ that we may joyfully cry to thee:/ Rejoice, blessed Fathers Sergius and Herman.

JUNE 29

HOLY AND GLORIOUS APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL

Troparion Tone 4

Leaders of the Apostles and teachers of the world,/ pray to the Master of all to grant peace to the world/ and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion Tone 2

Thou hast taken the firm and divinely inspired Preachers, O Lord,/ the leading Apostles, for the enjoyment of Thy blessings and for repose./ For Thou hast accepted their labours and death/ as above every burnt offering,/ O Thou Who alone knowest the secrets of our hearts.

JUNE 30

SYNAXIS OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES

Troparion of Ss Peter and Paul Tone 4

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Troparion of the Twelve Apostles Tone 3

Holy Apostles,/ intercede with our merciful God,/ that he may grant to our souls/ the forgiveness of our sins.

Kontakion of the Twelve Apostles Tone 2

Today Christ the Rock gladly glorifies the rock of faith,/ the chosen disciple,/ together with Paul and the whole company of the Twelve./ As we celebrate their memory/ we glorify Him who has glorified them.