

Divine Liturgy Variables on Saturday, January 05, 2019

Saturday before Theophany of Christ,

Which Falls on Paramon (Eve) of Theophany of Christ

Martyrs Theopemptos, bishop of Nicomedia and Theonas; Venerable
Syncretica of Alexandria; Venerable-martyr Romanos of Athos

****Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom****

REFRAINS OF THE FIRST ANTIPHON

REFRAINS OF THE SECOND ANTIPHON

Save us, O Son of God, Who art wondrous in the Saints; who sing to Thee.
Alleluia.

REFRAINS OF THE THIRD ANTIPHON

APOLYTIKION FOR THE PARAMON (EVE) OF THEOPHANY
IN TONE FOUR

(Joseph was amazed**)**

River Jordan was turned back by Elisseus' mantle once, when the fiery man of zeal Elias had been taken up; then were its waters divided hither and thither. The running streams became dry passage unto him, truly as a sign and type of Baptism, whereby we pass to the other side of the shifting stream of this fleeting life. Christ hath appeared in the Jordan River, to sanctify the waters. (cadence)

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY WEEKDAYS

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God,
Who art wondrous in the saints; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

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WHEN THOU O LORD...

KONTAKION OF THE FOREFEAST OF THEOPHANY IN TONE FOUR

(**On this day Thou hast appeared**)

In the running waters of the Jordan River, on this day the Lord of all crieth to John: Be not afraid and hesitate not to baptize Me, for I am come to save Adam, the first-formed man. (cadence)

THE EPISTLE
(For the Saturday before Theophany)

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous. Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to St. Timothy. (3:13-4:5)

Timothy, my son, those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves, and also great confidence in the Faith which is in Christ Jesus. I hope to come to you soon, but I am writing these instructions to you so that, if I am delayed, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the Church of the living God, the pillar and bulwark of the truth. Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among the nations, believed on in the world, and taken up in glory. Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times some will depart from the faith by giving heed to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons, through the pretensions of liars whose consciences are seared, who forbid marriage and enjoin abstinence from foods which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth. For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving; for then it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer.

THE GOSPEL
(For the Saturday before Theophany)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (3:1-6)

At that time, John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, “The voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make His paths straight.” Now John wore a garment of camel’s hair, and a leather girdle around his waist; and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then went out to him Jerusalem and all Judea and the entire region about the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN) FOR SOULS SATURDAY
IN TONE EIGHT

Blessed are they whom Thou hast chosen and taken to Thyself, O Lord.
Their memorial is from generation to generation. Alleluia.

Communion Hymn - Jan 5 - Tone 8

