

GREAT VESPERS

FOR

SATURDAY, October 17, 2020

IN

TONE 3

**Commemorating the Martyr Charitina of Amisus;
Hieromartyr Dionysius, bishop of Alexandria; Martyr
Mamelta (Mamelchtha) of Persia; Venerable Damian
the Healer and Sts. Jeremiah and Matthew,
clairvoyants of the Kyiv Caves**

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"GREAT VESPERS"**

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**VERSES FOR "LORD, I HAVE CRIED"
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v. Bring my soul out of prison that I may praise Your name.

(Tone 2) Come let us adore the Word of God, begotten of the Father before the world began, and incarnate of the Virgin Mary. For of His own will He suffered the Cross and submitted to burial. He also rose from the dead and saved me, a sinful person.

v. The righteous shall wait for me, until You recompense me.

(Tone 2) Christ, our Saviour, blotted out the bond that pledged us to the decrees of the law by nailing it to the Cross, and He put down the dominion of death. We worship His Resurrection on the third day.

v. Out of the depths I have cried to You O Lord; O Lord, hear my voice.

(Tone 2) In common with the Archangels let us praise the Resurrection of Christ. He is the Deliverer and Saviour of our souls. And He will come again in dread glory and great power, to judge the world He fashioned.

v. Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.

(Tone 2) The angel proclaimed You, O Master, crucified and buried, and he said to the women, “Come and see the place where the Lord lay. For He is risen as He said, because He is Almighty.” Therefore, we worship You Who alone are immortal: have mercy upon us, O Christ, Giver of life.

v. If You, Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand? For with You is forgiveness.

(Tone 2) You have abolished the curse of the tree by Your Cross and by Your burial You have done away with the dominion of death, while by Your rising You have enlightened mankind. Therefore, we cry to You, Glory to You, O Christ, our God and Benefactor.

v. Because of Your Name I have waited for You, O Lord; my soul has waited for Your word, my soul has hoped in the Lord.

(Tone 2) The gates of death opened before You in fear, O Lord, and the gatekeepers of hell, beholding You were filled with dread. It was You who has destroyed the gates of brass and burst asunder the chains of iron. You also have led us out of the valley of the shadow of death and torn our bonds apart.

v. From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope in the Lord.

(Tone 2) Let us open our mouth to show forth Your salvation. Come ye and fall down in the House of the Lord and say, "Cleanse our sins, O You, Who did hang upon the Cross and rise from the dead and Who are forever in the bosom of the Father.

v. For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is abundant redemption, and He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

(Tone 4) Named for joy; you joyously departed to the bridal chamber of Heaven, where you found the life you desired, since you bravely endured the most painful torments when they tore out all your nails and teeth, O victorious Charitina, virgin and martyr of many struggles.

v. Praise the Lord, all nations; praise Him, all peoples.

(Tone 4) As you endured the breaking of your jaws, you broke the jaws of lions, O martyr of many struggles. When you generously suffered the pulling out of your nails, you pulled out the frightening rumblings of error. When they cast you into the depths of the sea, you drowned all the perversity of the enemy.

v. For His mercy has prevailed over us, and the truth of the Lord abides forever.

(Tone 4) After your blessed end, when you were cast into the sea, O glorious martyr Charitina, your father recovered your body. Filled with admiration, he cried out, “O sacred child, beloved daughter, the torments of martyrdom have filled you with beauty! You have fulfilled the promise of your name, which prefigured the grace of God for you.”

v. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

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(Tone 4) In you, O spotless Bride of God is the harbour of salvation not battered by waves and the sweet tranquility which we desire, we who are tossed about on the sea of the pains and anguish of this life. Thus we all have recourse to you and cry aloud, “Do not cease to protect your servants!”

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(Tone 2) Your Resurrection, O Christ, has given light to all the earth and has called up Your creature. Therefore, glory to You, O Almighty God.

v. The Lord is King, and has put on glorious apparel.

(Tone 2) Through Your road, O Saviour, You have done away with the curse of the tree, and through Your burial You have put down the dominion of death, and You have enlightened mankind by Your Resurrection. Therefore we cry to You, “Glory to You, O Christ, our God, the Giver of life.”

v. He has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

(Tone 2) You, O Christ, did appear, nailed upon the Cross having changed the beauty of created things. And in cruelty the soldiers pierced Your side with a lance; while the Jews begged that Your tomb might be sealed, for they both had no faith in Your power. But You, O Lord, for Your mercy's sake had submitted to the tomb and had risen on the third day. Therefore, to You belongs glory.

v. Holiness becomes Your house, O Lord for ever.

(Tone 2) Of Your own will You, O Christ, the Giver of life, for the sake of mortal man has endured Your passion and have descended into hell, in mighty power, snatching as it were from the jaws of a great monster, those who awaited You there, granting them an abode in paradise. Therefore to us who give glory to Your Rising on the third day, grant cleansing of our sins and Your great mercy.

v. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

(Tone 2) Here is a new wonder greater than all the miracles of old, for who has ever known a mother to bear a child without the help of man? And hold in her arms Him Who encompassed the whole creation? It was the will of God to be born and You, O all-pure Virgin, has carried Him, an infant in your arms. The boldness of a mother is therefore yours. Will you then pray to Him without ceasing for us who honor you, and entreat Him to save our souls and have mercy upon us.

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(Tone 8) 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 Saviour of our souls. (3X)

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