

Lenten Weeks

The 1st Saturday of Great Lent

St. Theodore's Saturday

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Troparion (tone 2): Great are the achievements of faith! The holy martyr Theodore rejoiced in the fountain of the flames as though in the still waters of rest; consumed in the fire, he was offered as a sacrifice to the Trinity. Through his intercessions, O Christ our God, do Thou save our souls.

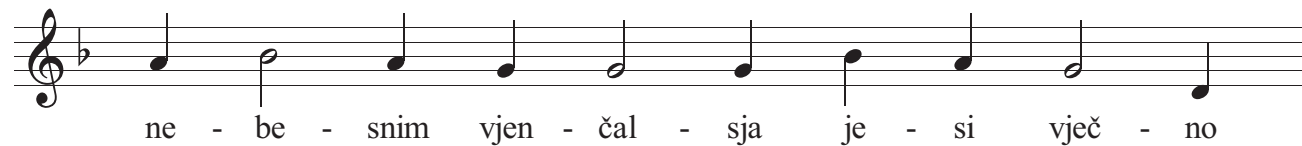
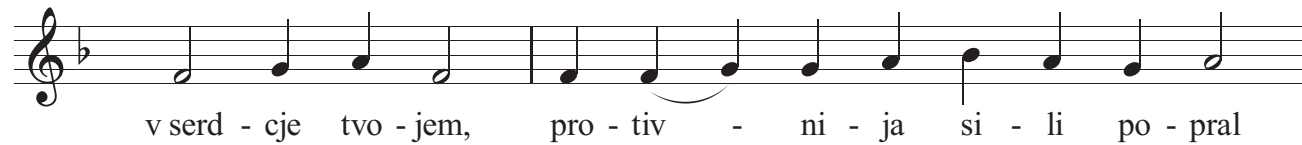
Fr. N. Barački

Ve - li - ja vje - ri i - sprav - lje - ni - ja,
 vo i - stoč - ni - cje pla - me - ne
 ja - ko na vo - dje u - po - ko - je - ni - ja,
 svja - tij ve - li - ko - mu - če - nik Te - o - dor
 ra - do - va - še - sja, og - njem bo vse so - žeg - sja,
 ja - ko hljeb slad - kij Tro - ji - cje pri - ne - se - sja,
 to - go mo - li - tva - mi, Hri - ste Bo - že
 spa - si du - ši na - šja.

followed by **Glory ... and the Kontakion to the saint (tone 8)**: Thou hast carried as a shield the faith of Christ within thy heart, and didst trample underfoot the power of the enemy, O greatly-suffering martyr; thou hast received a heavenly and eternal crown, for thou, O Theodore, wast undefeated in the battle.



B. Cvejić



followed by **Both now and ever ... and the Kontakion of the Triodion (tone 8)**: As our protection and firm mediation before God, you have offered your ardent help to us sinners, O Virgin and most pure Mother Mary, the salvation of all Christians. Therefore, we ask that you do not cease to pray to the Saviour to forgive us our sins.



Ja - ko - že pred - sta - telj - stvo vsi, i der -
 žav - no - je za - stup - lje - ni - je, pre - grješ -
 šij stra - ža - hom vse - či - sta - ja, tvo - ju tep - lu -
 ju po - mošč dje - vo ma - ti Ma - ri - je,
 hri - sti - jan spa - se - ni - je:
 tjem ne pre - staj o nas mo - lja - šči Spa - sa,
 da - ro - va - ti - sja pro - šče - ni - ju.

Prokeimenon of the Epistle (tone 7): The righteous shall be glad in the Lord, and shall hope in Him (Ps 64:10).

Verse: Hear my voice, O God, when I pray unto Thee: deliver my soul from fear of the enemy (Ps 64:1).

S. S. Mokranjac

Voz - ve - se - lit - sja pra - ved - nik o Go - spo - dje.
 i u - po - va - jet na nje - go.

Epistle

The reading is from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews

(Heb 1:1-12 and for St. Theodore 2 Tim 2:1-10)

God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spoke in times past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, whom He hath appointed Heir of all things, by whom also He made the worlds, who, being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, being made so much better than the angels, as He hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

For unto which of the angels said God at any time, “Thou art My Son; this day have I begotten Thee”? And again, “I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to me a Son”? And again, when He bringeth in the First-Begotten into the world, He saith, “And let all the angels of God worship Him.” And of the angels He saith, “Who maketh His angels spirits and His ministers a flame of fire.” But unto the Son He saith, “Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever; a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Thy Kingdom. Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity; therefore God, even Thy God, hath anointed Thee with the oil of gladness above Thy fellows.” And, “Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Thine hands. They shall perish, but Thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment. And as a vesture shalt Thou fold them up, and they shall be changed. But Thou art the same, and Thy years shall not fail.”

Timothy, my child, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that thou hast heard from me among many witnesses, commit thou the same to faithful men who shall be able to teach others also. Endure thou therefore hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. No man who warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier. And if also a man strive for masteries, yet he is not crowned unless he strive lawfully. The husbandman who laboreth must be the first partaker of the fruits. Consider what I say, and the Lord give thee understanding in all things.

Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my Gospel, wherein I suffer trouble as an evildoer, even unto bonds. But the Word of God is not bound. Therefore I endure all things for the elect’s sake, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

Alleluia (tone 4)

Verse 1: The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, and shall be multiplied like a cedar in Lebanon (*Ps 92:12*).

Verse 2: They that are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God (*Ps 92:13*).

Communion hymn: The righteous shall be held in everlasting remembrance, He shall not be afraid of evil tidings. Alleluia (*Ps 112:6,7*).