

## OCTOBER 27, 2021 - Martyr Nestor of Thessalonika

### FIRST ANTIPHON. PSALM 91.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord; to sing praises to Your name, O most High.

*Refrain:* Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your faithfulness every night.

*Refrain:* Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

To show that the Lord is upright, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.

*Refrain:* Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

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

*Refrain:* Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

### SECOND ANTIPHON. PSALM 92.

The Lord is King, He is clothed with majesty; the Lord is clothed with strength, He has girded Himself.

*Refrain:* Through the prayers of Your saints, O Savior, save us.

The world also is established, so that it cannot be moved.

*Refrain:* Through the prayers of Your saints, O Savior, save us.

Your decrees are very sure; holiness befits Your house, O Lord, forevermore.

*Refrain:* Through the prayers of Your saints, O Savior, save us.

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

Only-begotten Son...

### THIRD ANTIPHON. PSALM 94

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

*Refrain:* O Son of God, Who are wondrous in Your saints, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.

*Refrain:* O Son of God, Who are wondrous in Your saints, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

*Refrain:* O Son of God, Who are wondrous in Your saints, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

In His hand are the deep places of the earth; the strength of the hills is His also.

*Refrain:* O Son of God, Who are wondrous in Your saints, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

### TROPARIA

**Tone 5** As a friend and companion of Saint Demetrios, / you were an invincible athlete of godliness and contended manfully, O blessed Nestor. / With divine help, you conquered Lyaios, / and by being slain you became a holy sacrifice to our God.

**Tone 4** In truth you were revealed to your flock as a rule of faith,  
a model of meekness, and teacher of abstinence,  
so you won the heights by humility,  
and riches by poverty,  
O Holy Father Nicholas, //  
intercede with Christ God to 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.*

**KONTAKION**

**Tone 6** Protection of Christians never failing,  
Mediatress before the Creator, ever constant.  
Do not despise the voice of prayer of sinners,  
but in your goodness come to help us who faithfully call upon you.  
Hasten to entreat, hurry to pray, O Theotokos,  
interceding always for those honor you.

*The Prokeimenon in the Third Tone: My soul magnifies the Lord / and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. (Luke 1:46-47)*

**v: For He has regarded the low estate of His handmaiden; for behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. (Luke 1:48)**

**THE READING IS FROM THE EPISTLE OF THE APOSTLE PAUL TO THE PHILIPPIANS (1:12-20)**

Brethren: I want you to know that the things which happened to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel, so that it has become evident to the whole palace guard, and to all the rest, that my chains are in Christ; and most of the brethren in the Lord, having become confident by my chains, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. Some indeed preach Christ even from envy and strife, and some also from goodwill: The former preach Christ from selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my chains; but the latter out of love, knowing that I am appointed for the defense of the gospel. What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is preached; and in this I rejoice, yes, and will rejoice. For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, according to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also whether by life or by death Christ will be magnified in my body.

*Alleluia, Tone 8*

**v. Hear, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear. (Psalm 44:11)**

**v. Before your face the richest of people will pray. (Psalm 44:13)**

**THE READING IS FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE (11:9-13)**

**COMMUNION HYMN** I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! (Psalm 115:4)