

St. Gregory the Great Orthodox Church

The Feast of the Presentation of our Lord in the Temple Commemoration of the Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

2 February 2025

Morning Prayer - 9AM; English Office Noted, p. 1
Psalms for the 2nd Day, p. 36
I Sam. 1:20-end; Te Deum, p. 4; Gal. 3:15-4:7
Office Hymn 201: That which the Prophet's
R. Because God hath blessed thee forever.
Benedictus Dominus, p. 8

The Liturgy of St. Gregory — Sung Mass at 9:30AM

The Order for the Blessing and Distribution of Candles begins on page 391 of the Missal. Music for the distribution of candles and the procession is on the reverse.

Hymn 199

Hail to the Lord who comes

Kyrie eleison & Gloria in excelsis (Hymnal 353, 354)

Missa Marialis

The Epistle: Malachi 3:1-5
The Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

Hand candles are extinguished at this time.

The Nicene Creed (Hymnal 371)

Hymn 200 at the Offertory

O Sion, open wide thy gates

The Liturgy continues on page 203 of the Missal.

Sanctus and Benedictus (Hymnal 355)

Missa Marialis

Pater Noster (Hymnal 369)

Agnus Dei (Hymnal 356)

Missa Marialis

Hymn 274

Christ whose glory fills the skys

The blessing of throats by the intercession of St. Blaise is given today (February 3rd is St. Blaise Day).

Prayer List: for the departed, Archbishop Anastasios; for the sick, the suffering & those in need, Sharon, Melinda, the Priest David, Lauren, John, Bernt, Christina, Mother Karitina, Mother Saline, and Mother Paula; for all catechumens, Eric and Max; for those who are traveling; for those in the Armed Forces and all in civil authority; for all missionaries and all monastics; for peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, and throughout the world.

Schedule: Saturday, 8 February - Vespers at 6PM. Sunday, 9 February - The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany - Matins at 9AM, Mass at 9:30AM.

Che Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple

At the distribution of candles the Cantor sings the Antiphon and it is repeated by the choir and congregation as the Nunc dimittis is sung.



A light to light-en the Gen-tiles, and the glo-ry of thy peo-ple Is-ra-el.

At the Procession



Let us go forth in peace. In the Name of Christ. A - men.



O Si-on, a dorn thy bride cham-ber, and re-ceive Christ the King.



Greet Ma-ry who is the gate of Hea-ven for she bear-eth the King of the





yet bear-eth in her hands a Son be-got-ten be-fore the morn-ing star.



Whom Sim - e - on took in his arms, de-clar-ing to the nations



that he is the Lord of life and death and Sav-ior of the world.



- It was revealed unto Simeon by the / Holy Ghost: * that he should not see death before he had / seen the Lord's Christ.
- 2. And when they brought the Child into the Temple; then he took him up in his arms, and blessed / God and said: * Lord, now lettest thou thy ser/vant depart in peace.
- 3. When his parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom / of the Law, * then took he /him up in his arms.

"O Sion, adorn..." may be repeated, if needed. The following is sung at the conclusion of the Procession.



- 1. They offered for him unto the Lord a pair of turtledoves or / two young pigeons * as it is written in / the Law of the Lord.
- 2. When the days of Mary's purification according to the Law of Moses / were accomplished * they brought Jesus to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, as it is written in / the Law of the Lord.
- 3. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the / Holy Ghost: * as it is written in / the Law of the Lord.