



# Service for those Fallen Asleep “Panikhida”

*According to the usage of Ss. Cyril & Methodius Orthodox Church, Terryville, CT*

**Priest:** Blessed is our God, always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

**People:** Amen.  
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## ***Alleluia (8th Tone)***

**Priest:** In the eighth tone: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Blessed are they whom Thou hast chosen and taken, O Lord.

**People:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

**Priest:** Their memory is from generation to generation.

**People:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

**Priest:** Their souls shall dwell with the blessed.

**People:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

## ***Troparion (Tone 8)***

Thou only Creator Who, with wisdom profound, mercifully orderest all things, and givest unto all that which is useful. Give rest, O Lord, to the souls of Thy servants who have fallen asleep; for they have placed their trust in Thee, our Maker and Fashioner, and our God.

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

We have you as a wall and a haven, and an intercessor well pleasing unto God, Whom you have born O Virgin Theotokos, the Salvation of the faithful.

### **Requiem Hymns (Troparia) (Tone 5)**

*Verse:* Blessed art Thou, O Lord, teach me Thy statutes.

The Choir of the saints have found the Fountain of Life, and the Door of Paradise. May I also find the way through repentance; I am a lost sheep: Call me, O Savior, and save me.

*Verse:* Blessed art Thou, O Lord, teach me Thy statutes.

Give rest to the souls of Thy servants, O God, and establish them in Paradise. Where the Choirs of the saints and of the just, O Lord, shine like the stars of heaven. Give rest to Thy servants who have fallen asleep, overlooking all their transgressions.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Devoutly let us praise the three-fold splendor of the one Godhead, crying out: Holy art Thou, O Father, Who art from everlasting, O Son Coeternal and Spirit divine! Illumine us who serve Thee in faith; and deliver us from fire eternal.

Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Rejoice, O Pure One, who for the salvation of all brought forth God in the flesh. Through whom the human race has found salvation; through you may we find Paradise, O pure, most blessed Theotokos.

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## Litany for the Departed

**Deacon:** Again, yet again in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** Furthermore, we pray for the repose of the souls of the servants of God, \_\_\_\_\_, departed this life; and that they may be pardoned all their sins, both voluntary and involuntary.

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

**Deacon:** That the Lord God will establish their souls where the just repose.

**People:** Lord have mercy.

**Deacon:** The mercies of God, the Kingdom of Heaven, and the remission of their sins, let us ask of Christ, the immortal King and God.

**People:** Grant it, O Lord.

**Deacon:** Let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

**Priest:** O God of spirits, and of all flesh, who hast trampled down death and overthrown the Devil and given life to Thy world:  
Do Thou, the same Lord, give rest to the souls of Thy departed servants \_\_\_\_\_, in a place of brightness, a place of refreshment, a place of repose, where all sickness, sighing, and sorrow have fled away. Pardon every transgression which they have committed, whether by word or deed or thought. For Thou art a good God and lovest mankind; because there is no person who lives and yet does not sin; for Thou only art without sin; Thy righteousness is to all eternity; and Thy word is truth.

For Thou art the resurrection, the life, and the repose of Thy servants, \_\_\_\_\_, who are fallen asleep, O Christ our God, and unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with Thy Father, Who is

from everlasting, and Thine all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

**People:** Amen.

### **Give Rest with the Just (*Tone 5*)**

Give rest with the Just, O Savior, unto Thy servants. Establish them in Thy courts, as it is written. Disregarding as Thou art good their trespasses, both voluntary and involuntary, and all things done with knowledge or in ignorance, O Thou Who lovest mankind.

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

O Christ our God, Who from a Virgin shone forth unto the world, through her making us children of the light, have mercy on us.

### **Canon**

#### **Ode 1**

**People:** When Israel passed on foot over the sea as if it were dry land, and beheld their pursuer, Pharaoh, drowning in the sea, they cried aloud unto God: Let us sing a song of victory.

**Priest:** Give rest, O Lord, to the souls of Thy servants who are fallen asleep.

**People:** Give rest, O Lord, to the souls of Thy servants who are fallen asleep.

**Priest:** Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

#### **Ode 6**

**People:** Beholding the sea of life surging with the storm of temptations, and taking refuge in Thy calm haven I cry unto Thee: Raise up my life from corruption, O greatly Merciful One.

## **Kontakion**

**People:** With the Saints give rest, O Christ, to the souls of Thy servants, where sickness and sorrow are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

## **Ikos (*Tone 8*)**

Thou only are immortal,  
Who hast created and fashioned man.  
For out of earth were we mortals made,  
and unto the same earth shall we return again,  
as Thou didst command when Thou madest me, saying to me:  
For Thou are dust, and unto dust shall thou return.  
Whither we mortals all shall go,  
making our funeral dirge the song:  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Priest:** Give rest, O Lord, to the souls of Thy servants who are fallen asleep.

**People:** Give rest, O Lord, to the souls of Thy servants who are fallen asleep.

**Priest:** Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, the Lord.

**People:** Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

## **Ode 9**

**People:** It is not possible for men to see God, upon Whom the ranks of angels dare not gaze. But through you, O all-pure one, was the Word incarnate revealed unto men: whom magnifying, together with the Heavenly Hosts, we call you blessed.

## The Lord's Prayer

**People:** Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**Priest:** For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

**People:** Amen.

## Troparia (*Tone 4*)

**People:** With the souls of the righteous departed, give rest to the souls of Thy servants, O Savior; preserving them in the blessed life which is with Thee, Who lovest mankind.

In the place of Thy rest, O Lord, where all Thy saints repose, give rest also to the souls of Thy servants; for Thou only lovest mankind.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Thou art God Who descended into hell, and loosed the bonds of the captives; Thyself give rest also to the souls of Thy servants.

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

O Virgin, alone pure and blameless, who bore God without seed, intercede that the soul of your servants may be saved.

## Litany

**Deacon:** Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we beseech Thee, hear us and have mercy.

**People:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

**Deacon:** Again we pray for the repose of the souls of the servants of God, \_\_\_\_\_, departed this life; and that they may be pardoned all their sins, both voluntary and involuntary.

**People:** Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

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For Thou art the resurrection, the life, and the repose of Thy servants, \_\_\_\_\_, who are fallen asleep, O Christ our God, and unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with Thy Father, Who is from everlasting, and Thine all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

**People:** Amen.

## Dismissal

**Deacon:** Wisdom!

**Priest:** Most Holy Theotokos, save us!

**People:** More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim, without defilement you gave birth to God the Word. True Theotokos, we magnify you.

**Priest:** Glory to Thee, O Christ our God and hope, glory to Thee.

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

Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

Father, bless.

**Priest:** May He who arose from the dead, Christ our true God, through the prayers of His all-pure Mother; of the holy, glorious and all-laudable Apostles, of the holy and God-bearing Fathers; and of all the saints; establish the souls of His servants, \_\_\_\_\_, who has been taken from us, in the mansion of the righteous; give them rest in Abraham's bosom, and number them among the just; and have mercy on us, forasmuch as He is good and loves mankind.

**People:** Amen.

**Priest:** Grant rest eternal in blessed repose, O Lord, to the souls of your servants, \_\_\_\_\_, who are fallen asleep, and make their memory to be eternal!

**People:** Memory Eternal! *Thrice*

**Priest and People:** May their souls dwell with the blessed!



