

THE EVE OF THE GREAT SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

The Order of the Mysteries After the Sun Has Set

Anthem of the Chancel

Praise the Lord, all you nations.

All you who have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ through the water and the Spirit, that you may reign with him in the heavenly dwelling-place.

All you servants of God.

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; from everlasting, and for ever and ever. Amen.

You have been baptized into the one Spirit; you have clothed yourselves with the one Spirit. You have acknowledged one Lord that you may be called by his name and may take delight in the dwelling-place full of blessings.

And they recite the "Thee, Lord of all" and the "Holy God", and at the first Doxology a deacon goes out bearing the Apostle, but there are no Lections.

The Apostle

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead; but in fact Christ has been raised from the dead; but in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. "For God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "All things are put in subjection under him," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things under him. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will

also be subjected to him who put all things under him, that God may be everything to every one.

The Zumara

Today my heart is glad and my honor rejoices. **(Three times, one verse.)**

The Gospel

Matthew 28

Now after the sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the sepulchre. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone, and sat upon it. His appearance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. Lo, I have told you." So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Hail!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place. And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sum of money to the soldiers and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole him away while we were asleep.' And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." So they took the money and did as they were directed; and this story has been spread among the Jews to this day.

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

Anthem of the Mysteries

Text: Behold, I announce to you great joy, which shall be for all the world.

There is joy in all the earth.

The whole creation was filled with joy and hope and salvation, for it had long been afflicted with error. Now a good Leader had been found, and a heavenly Shepherd had returned the lost sheep who had strayed. Lo, the Adversary complained, saying, All the might of my dominion has been trodden down and destroyed, for Christ has risen from the dead and has lightened utterly all the world.

The whole earth is filled with his honor, amen and amen.

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The Consecration is done according to the Hallowing of the Apostles, Mar Addai and Mar Mari, who discipled the East, from this day until Subara.

The Canon: "You are terrible"

Today my heart is glad and my honor rejoices; indeed, my body rests in hope.
For you have not left my soul in Sheol, nor have you allowed your Holy One to see corruption.

Continuation:

Let the heavens and the earth and all that is in them give thanks with us on this day.
Therefore, O Christ, with the angels we cry out, Holy and glorious is the might of your Trinity, for lo, the heavens and the whole earth are filled with its honor.

And they say:

Praise the living God.

Anthem of the Bema

In your mercy, O our Lord, you have made us worthy to be made participants in the glorious, precious, and immortal Mysteries, and you freely give them to us sinners though we are not worthy.

Therefore, O Christ, with the angels we cry out, Holy and glorious is the might of your Trinity, for lo, the heavens and the whole earth are filled with its honor.

Verses:

Confess, O Church, the slaying of the Son, who delivered your children through the mystery of his death.

Therefore, O Christ, with the angels we cry out, Holy and glorious is the might of your Trinity, for lo, the heavens and the whole earth are filled with its honor.

The Teshbokhta, composed by Yazdin the Great

Strengthen, O our Lord, the hands which reach out and take the Sacrament for the pardon of debts.

Make them worthy to always bear fruit for your Godhead.

Make worthy the mouths which offer praise that they may sing glory.

May the ears which hear the sound of your praises, O my Lord, never hear the noise of trouble.

May the eyes which have beheld your great compassion behold again your blessed hope.

Make the tongues that cry out "Holy" speak the truth.

Cause the feet that walk within the churches to walk in the land of light.

Gladden with new life the bodies which consume your Body.

Increase all assistance to our company which worships your Godhead.

May your great love remain with us, and in it may we increasingly render praise.

Open the door to the petitioning of us all, and let our service enter in before you.

O our Lord Jesus, worshipful King, who conquered by your passion the tyrant death,

Son of God who promised us new life in the Kingdom on high,

Remove from us all harm, and make tranquillity and mercy to dwell in our land,

That on the day of your appearance we may live before you and go out to meet you, according to your will.

We will confess your name with hosannas for your goodness to our race,

For your mercies have been multiplied to our humanity, and your love has shone forth upon our mortality.

You have canceled our debts through your atonement; glory be to your name for your gift.

Blessed is your honor from within your place, you who forgive debts because of your mercies.

By your grace make us all worthy to confess and worship your Godhead.

And we will lift up glory to your Lordship at every hour, amen and amen.