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FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
(Memorial of Mar Addai the Apostle)

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The Anthem of the Chancel (Sanctuary)

Hear this, all you peoples.

The race of men incurred the judgment of death and of the curse. Christ in his love chose to be crucified that he might free all from the curse. He, a measureless sea of mercies, gave himself to his captors, his body tasting temporal death, and he loosed death and the curse.

For they did not keep the covenant 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.

The Cross of Light appeared to Constantine in the heavens as the commander went at the head of his army to battle, and the ranks of the pagan worshippers of creatures were shaken and dismayed; and they left the error of paganism and worshiped and honored the Cross.



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The READINGS

Isaiah 49:7-13

The reading from the Prophet Isaiah: Bless, O my LORD.

Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the servant of rulers: "Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Thus says the LORD: "In a time of favor I have answered you, in a day of salvation I have helped you; I have kept you and given you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land, to apportion the desolate heritages; saying to the prisoners, 'Come forth,' to those who are in darkness, 'Appear.' They shall feed along the ways, on all bare heights shall be their pasture; they shall not hunger or thirst, neither scorching wind nor sun shall smite them, for he who has pity on them will lead them, and by springs of water will guide them. And I will make all my mountains a way, and my highways shall be raised up. Lo, these shall come from afar, and lo, these from the north and from the west, and these from the land of Syene." Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the LORD has comforted his people, and will have compassion on his afflicted.

Acts 9:1-19

But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the

disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he journeyed he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed about him. And he fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting; but rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. Saul arose from the ground; and when his eyes were opened, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for a man of Tarsus named Saul; for behold, he is praying, and he has seen a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to thy saints at Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call upon thy name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel; for I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came, has sent me that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from

his eyes and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized, and took food and was strengthened.

For several days he was with the disciples at Damascus.

Stand up for the recitation of Shuraya.



The SHURAYA (The Beginning)

One generation shall tell of your works to another, *Hallelujah, hallelujah, yea hallelujah!* One generation shall tell of your works to another *

And shall make known your might *

They shall speak of your fearful powers *

And shall proclaim your mighty deeds *

And I will declare your greatness *

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

From everlasting, and for ever and ever. Amen. *

Hallelujah, hallelujah, yea hallelujah!



The Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews, Bless, O my Lord.

Hebrews 10:19-36

Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way which he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful; and let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

For if we sin deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a fearful prospect of judgment, and a fury of fire which will consume the adversaries. A man who has violated the law of Moses dies without mercy at the testimony of two or three witnesses. How much worse punishment do you think will be deserved by the man who has spurned the Son of God, and profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and outraged the Spirit of grace? For we know him who said, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge his people." It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened,

you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, sometimes being publicly exposed to abuse and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. For you had compassion on the prisoners, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one. Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that you may do the will of God and receive what is promised.

Glory be to the Lord of Paul.

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The GOSPEL ZUMARA

The LORD reigns; he is clothed in majesty; the LORD is girded with strength and waxes mighty. ❖

The world is established so that it cannot be moved; your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting. ❖



The Holy Gospel according to the preaching of St. John.

John 21:1-14

✠ After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat; but that night they caught nothing.

Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the beach; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you any fish?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, for the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his clothes, for he was stripped for work, and sprang into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish lying on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring

some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and although there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

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The Anthem of the Mysteries

Text: Your throne will never come to an end: to the fullness of times: thus you must observe my memorial.

The memorial of your loving-kindnesses. The Memorial of Christ, who suffered for us, we celebrate with bread and wine, as it is written. Let us sanctify our bodies and purify our consciences from wavering and deceitful thoughts, that we may not be accused when he comes to judge the world.

We are your people and the sheep of your pasture. The Memorial of Christ, who suffered for us, we celebrate with bread and wine, as it is written. Let us sanctify our bodies and purify our consciences from wavering and deceitful thoughts, that we may not be accused when he comes to judge the world.

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The Anthem of the Bema

With purity of conscience and with clean thoughts let us approach the live coal which was given in mercies for pardon and for an earnest of new life. Let us all in love embrace the Mystery, and in fear let us serve the High Priest who absolves us ❖

And with spiritual beings let us offer to him the thrice-Holy hymn, for he gives to our race fellowship in the food of new life, here mystically, and there in truth, when glory will shine forth at his great Coming.

Verses:

With the Mystery of his Body the Son of God nourishes mortals by his manifestation to them ❖

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