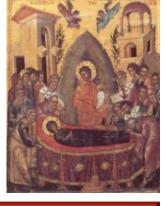


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ΕΒΔΟΜΑΔΙΑΙΟ ΦΥΛΛΑΔΙΟ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ, 24<sup>η</sup> ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ 2023 ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ Α΄ ΛΟΥΚΑ



#### Ἡ Ἁγία Θέκλα ἡ Ἰσαπόστολος Thekla the Protomartyr & Equal-to-the-Apostles

Γεννήθηκε άπὸ είδωλολατρικὴ οίκογένεια στὸ Ἰκόνιο. Μνηστεύθηκε μὲ κάποιο νέο, τὸ Θάμυρη, μὲ τὸν ὁποῖο ἔμελλε νὰ συζευχθεῖ. Έν τῷ μεταξὺ ἦλθε στὸ Ἰκόνιο ὁ Ἀπόστολος Παῦλος καὶ κήρυττε τὸν λόγο τοῦ Θεοῦ στὸ σπίτι ένὸς εύσεβῆ ἄνδρα, τοῦ Όνησιφόρου, μετέπειτα άποστόλου († 7 Σεπτεμβρίου). Ἡ συνεχὴς προσέλευση στὸ θεῖο κήρυγμα προσείλκυσε τὴν προσοχὴ τῆς Θέκλας. Καὶ κάποια νύκτα, μέσα στὸ άκροαζόμενο πλῆθος ἦταν καὶ αὐτή. Τὰ λόγια ποὺ ἄκουσε τὴν τράβηξαν τόσο πολύ, ὤστε τὴν ἕκαναν

νὰ έπανέλθει πολλὲς φορὲς νὰ άκούσει τὸν Άπ. Παῦλο. Αύτό, ὅμως, ὅταν τὸ ἔμαθαν ἡ μητέρα της καὶ ὁ μνηστήρας της, προκειμένου νὰ τὴν έπαναφέρουν στὴν είδωλολατρία συκοφάντησαν τὸν Άπ. Παῦλο, μὲ ἀποτέλεσμα ὁ ἡγεμώνας Καστίλλιος νὰ τὸν φυλακίσει καὶ στὴν συνέχεια νὰ τὸν διώξει ἀπὸ τὴν πόλη. Άλλὰ ἡ Θέκλα εἶχε πάρει τὴν ἀπόφαση νὰ δοθεῖ ὁλοκληρωτικὰ στὴ διακονία τοῦ Εὐαγγελίου. Συγγενεῖς καὶ πρώην φίλοι της τὴν πολέμησαν ἀνελέητα. Αὐτὴ ὅμως, εἶχε στὴ θύμησή της τὰ λόγια τοῦ διδασκάλου τῆς Άπ. Παύλου: «Θύρα μοὶ ἀνέωγε μεγάλη καὶ ένεργής, καὶ ἀντικείμενοι πολλοί». Μοῦ ἀνοίχτηκε, δηλαδή, πόρτα μεγάλη, γιὰ καρποφόρα Ἱεραποστολικὴ δράση. Καὶ γι' αὐτό, λόγω τοῦ φθόνου ποὺ ἔχει ὁ σατανᾶς γιὰ κάθε καλό, πολλοὶ καὶ τώρα παρουσιάζονται ένάντιοι καὶ πολέμιοι. Τελικὰ ἡ Θέκλα στὴν πορεία τῆς Ἱεραποστολικῆς της δράσης πέρασε πολλὰ μαρτύρια, ἀπὸ τὰ ὁποία, ὅμως, μὲ θαυματουργικὸ τρόπο βγῆκε ἄθικτη. Πέθανε 90 χρονῶν σὲ κάποιο ὅρος τῆς Σελεύκειας.

This saint was from the city of Iconium. When she was eighteen years of age, she was instructed in the Faith of Christ and the hope of the resurrection by the Apostle Paul, whom also she followed, forsaking her betrothed and espousing a life of virginity for the sake of the Heavenly Bridegroom. Having preached Christ in various cities and suffered many things, she reposed in Seleucia of Cilicia at the age of 90.



#### Άπολυτίκιον Άναστάσιμον. Ήχος βαρύς.

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον· ἡνέῳξας τῷ λῃστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον· τῶν Μυροφόρων τὸν θρῆνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν έπέταξας, ὅτι ἀνέστης Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἕλεος.

#### Τῆς Θεοτόκου.

#### Ήχος δ'. Ταχὺ προκατάλαβε.

Λαοὶ νῦν κροτήσωμεν, δεῦτε τὰς χεῖρας πιστῶς, καὶ ἄσωμεν ἄσμασι, τῇ Θεομήτορι, ἐν πόθῳ κραυγάζοντες· Χαῖρε ἡ προστασία πάντων τῶν δεομένων· χαῖρε ἡ σωτηρία τῶν τιμώντων σε πόθῳ· χαῖρε ἡ τῷ παραλύτῳ τὴν ἵασιν βραβεύσασα.

## **Τῆς Ἀγίας.** Ήχος γ' . Θείας πίστεως.

Θείου κήρυκος διδασκαλίας, πόθω κτίστου σου άναφλεχθεῖσα, τῶν γεηρῶν ὡς ῥεόντων ἠλόγησας καὶ σεαυτὴν ἱερὸν καλλιέργημα, τῷ Θεῷ δοῦσα ποινῶν κατετόλμησας. Θέκλα ἔνδοξε, Παύλου τοῦ θείου συνέκδημε, τὸν σὸν Νυμφίον Χριστὸν ἱκέτευε, δωρήσασθαι ἡμῖν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

#### Άπολυτίκιον ΚΟΙΜΗΣΙΣ ΤΗΣ ΥΠΕΡΑΓΙΑΣ ΘΕΟΤΟΚΟΥ First Tone

Εν τή Γεννήσει τήν παρθενίαν εφύλαξας, έν τή Κοιμήσει τόν κόσμον ού κατέλιπες Θεοτόκε, Μετέστης πρός τήν ζωήν, μήτηρ υπάρχουσα τής ζωής, καί ταίς πρεσβείαις ταίς σαίς λυτρουμένη, εκ θανάτου τάς ψυχάς ημών.

#### Κοντάκιον. Ήχος β'.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδῃς, ὰμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, είς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον είς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον είς ἰκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

#### Resurrectional Apolytikion.

#### Grave Mode.

You destroyed death by Your Cross, You opened Paradise to the Robber. You turned the Myrrhbearing Women's lament into joy, and You commanded Your Apostles to preach that You rose, O Christ God, granting the world the great mercy.

## For the Theotokos. Mode 4. Come quickly.

O come, all you people, and let us in faith clap our hands and sing sacred songs to her who is the Mother of God, and longingly cry aloud: "Rejoice, O protection of all those who entreat you; rejoice, the salvation of those who honor you with longing; rejoice, O Lady who restored the paralyzed man to health."

## For the Holy Woman. Mode 3. Your confession.

All aflame with love for your Creator, from the teachings of the sacred preacher, you disregarded as fleeting all things mundane. And being bold in the face of the penalties, you gave yourself as a beautiful gift to God. Thecla, glorious companion of the Apostle Paul, we pray you entreat your Bridegroom, Christ, and ask Him to grant us His great mercy.

## Apolytikion Dormition of the Theotokos. First Tone

In birth, you preserved your virginity; in death, you did not abandon the world, O Theotokos. As mother of life, you departed to the source of life, delivering our souls from death by your intercessions.

#### Kontakion. Mode 2.

O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

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#### Προκείμενον. Ήχος δ' ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 67.35,26

Θαυμαστὸς ὁ Θεὸς έν τοῖς Άγίοις αύτοῦ. Στίχ. Έν Έκκλησίαις εύλογεῖτε τὸν Θεὸν.

Πρὸς Τιμόθεον β' 3:10-15 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, παρηκολούθηκάς μου τῆ διδασκαλία, τῆ άγωγῆ, τῆ προθέσει, τῆ πίστει, τῆ μακροθυμία, τῆ άγάπη, τῆ ὑπομονῆ, τοῖς διωγμοῖς, τοῖς παθήμασιν, οἶά μοι έγένετο ἐν Ἀντιοχεία, ἐν Ἰκονίω, ἐν Λύστροις, οἴους διωγμοὺς ὑπήνεγκα· καὶ ἐκ πάντων με ἐρρύσατο ὁ κύριος. Καὶ πάντες δὲ οὶ θέλοντες εύσεβῶς ζῆν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ διωχθήσονται. Πονηροὶ δὲ ἄνθρωποι καὶ γόητες προκόψουσιν ἐπὶ τὸ χεῖρον, πλανῶντες καὶ πλανώμενοι. Σὺ δὲ μένε ἐν οἶς ἔμαθες καὶ ἐπιστώθης, είδὼς παρὰ τίνος ἔμαθες, καὶ ὅτι ἀπὸ βρέφους τὰ ὶερὰ γράμματα οἶδας, τὰ δυνάμενά σε σοφίσαι είς σωτηρίαν διὰ πίστεως τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ.

#### Prokeimenon. Mode 4 Psalm 67.35.26

God is wonderful among his saints. Verse: Bless God in the congregations.

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 3:10-15

TIMOTHY, my son, you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at Iconion, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

#### ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΜΑ ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΥ

#### TODAY'S GOSPEL READING

#### Έκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 5:1-11 Εύαγγελίου τὸ Άνάγνωσμα

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἐστὼς ὁ Ἰησοῦς παρὰ τὴν λίμνην Γεννησαρέτ, καὶ εἶδε δύο πλοῖα ἐστῶτα παρὰ τὴν λίμνην· οὶ δὲ ἀλιεῖς ἀποβάντες ἀπ΄ αὐτῶν ἀπέπλυναν τὰ δίκτυα. ἐμβὰς δὲ είς εν τῶν πλοίων, ὁ ἦν τοῦ Σίμωνος, ἡρώτησεν αὐτὸν ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς ἐπαναγαγεῖν ὁλίγον· καὶ καθίσας ἐδίδασκεν ἐκ τοῦ πλοίου τοὺς ὅχλους. ὡς δὲ ἐπαύσατο λαλῶν, εἶπε πρὸς τὸν Σίμωνα· ἐπανάγαγε είς τὸ βάθος καὶ χαλάσατε τὰ δίκτυα ὑμῶν είς ἄγραν. καὶ ἀποκριθεὶς ὁ Σίμων εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἐπιστάτα, δι΄ ὅλης τῆς νυκτὸς κοπιάσαντες οὐδὲν ἐλάβομεν· ἐπὶ δὲ τῷ ῥήματί σου χαλάσω τὸ δίκτυον. καὶ τοῦτο ποιήσαντες συνέκλεισαν πλῆθος ἱχθύων πολύ· διερρήγνυτο δὲ τὸ δίκτυον αὐτῶν. καὶ κατένευσαν τοῖς μετόχοις τοῖς ἐν τῷ ἐτέρῳ πλοίῳ τοῦ ἐλθόντας συλλαβέσθαι αὐτοῖς· καὶ ἦλθον καὶ ἔπλησαν άμφότερα τὰ πλοῖα, ὤστε βυθίζεσθαι αὐτά. ἱδὼν δὲ Σίμων Πέτρος προσέπεσε τοῖς γόνασιν Ἰησοῦ λέγων· ἔξελθε ἀπ΄ ἐμοῦ, ὅτι ἀνὴρ ὰμαρτωλός είμι, Κύριε· θάμβος γὰρ περιέσχεν αὐτὸν καὶ πάντας τοὺς σὺν αὐτῷ ἐπὶ τῆ ἄγρα τῶν ἰχθύων ἢ συνέλαβον, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ Ἰωάννην, υὶοὺς Ζεβεδαίου, οἳ ἦσαν κοινωνοὶ τῷ Σίμωνι. καὶ εἶπε πρὸς τὸν Σίμωνα ὁ Ἰησοῦς· μὴ φοβοῦ· ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν ἀνθρώπους ἔσῃ ζωγρῶν. καὶ καταγαγόντες τὰ πλοῖα ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, ἀφέντες ἄπαντα ἡκολούθησαν αὐτῷ.

#### The Gospel According to Luke 5:1-11

At that time, as Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

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#### ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟ, 30η ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

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