



SERVICE OF SUPPLICATION

To St Maria of Paris



St Maria of PARIS
ORTHODOX MISSION

Opening Blessing

Presbyter

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

First Reader

Amen

Thrice-Holy Prayers

First Reader

O Heavenly King, the Comforter, the Spirit of Truth:
Who are everywhere present and filling all things;
Treasury of blessings and Giver of Life:
Come and abide in us, and cleanse us from every impurity,
And save our souls, O Good One!

Holy God! Holy Mighty! Holy Immortal! Have mercy on us. *(3x)*

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

O Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us!
O Lord, cleanse us from our sins!
O Master, pardon our transgressions!
O Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities for Your Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. *(3x)*

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

First Reader

**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 the evil one**

Presbyter

For Yours 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.

First Reader

Amen.

Psalm 142**First Reader**

O Lord, hear my prayer;
Give ear to my supplication in Your truth;
Answer me in Your righteousness;
Do not enter into judgment with Your servant,
For no one living shall become righteous in Your sight.

Second Reader

For the enemy persecuted my soul;
He humbled my life to the ground;
He caused me to dwell in dark places as one long dead,
And my spirit was in anguish within me;
My heart was troubled within me.

First Reader

I remembered the days of old and I meditated on all Your works;
I meditated on the works of Your hands.

Second Reader

I spread out my hands to You;
My soul thirsts for You like a waterless land.

First Reader

Hear me speedily, O Lord;
My spirit faints within me;
Turn not Your face from me lest I become like those who go down into
the pit.

Second Reader

Cause me to hear Your mercy in the morning for I hope in You;
Make me know, O Lord, the way wherein I should walk,
For I lift up my soul to You.

First Reader

Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord,
For to You I flee for refuge.

Second Reader

Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God;
Your good Spirit shall guide me in the land of uprightness.

First Reader

For Your name's sake, O Lord, give me life;
In Your righteousness You shall bring my soul out of affliction.

Second Reader

In Your mercy You shall destroy my enemies;
You shall utterly destroy all who afflict my soul,
For I am Your servant.

The Lord is God

Psalm 117

Deacon

In the Fourth Tone:

The Lord is God and has revealed himself to us:

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

O give thanks to the Lord for He is good;

For His mercy endures forever!

Chanter(s) – Tone 4 – Resurrectional Melody**The Lord is God and has revealed Himself to us:****Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!****Deacon – Psalm 117:10**

All nations compassed me round about,

But in the name of the Lord have I driven them back!

Chanter(s) – Tone 4 – Resurrectional Melody**The Lord is God and has revealed Himself to us:****Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!****Deacon – Psalm 117:17**

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord!

Chanter(s) – Tone 4 – Resurrectional Melody**The Lord is God and has revealed Himself to us:****Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!****Deacon – Psalm 117:22-23**

The stone which the builders refused,

Is become the head stone of the corner:

This is the Lord's doing,

And it is marvelous in our eyes!

Chanter(s) – Tone 4 – Resurrectional Melody**The Lord is God and has revealed Himself to us:****Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

The Troparion

Chanter(s) - For Mother Maria of Paris

You became a bride of Christ,

O venerable mother,

And offered your body and soul to Him

As a living sacrifice.

You exposed the evil side of humanity's ways

By allowing the light of the Resurrection to shine forth from you.

We celebrate your memory in love,

O Martyr and Confessor Maria!

Pray to Christ our God that He may save our souls!

First Reader

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

Chanter(s) - For Mother Maria of Paris (Our Patroness)

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O venerable mother,

And offered your body and soul to Him

As a living sacrifice.

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First Reader

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

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Psalm 50**First Reader**

Have mercy on me, O God,
According to Your great mercy;
And according to the abundance of Your compassion,
Blot out my transgression.

Second Reader

Wash me thoroughly from my lawlessness,
And cleanse me from my sin.

First Reader

For I know my lawlessness,
And my sin is always before me.

Second Reader

Against You only have I sinned and done evil in Your sight;
That You may be justified in Your words,
And overcome when You are judged.

First Reader

For behold, I was conceived in transgressions,
And in sins my mother bore me.

Second Reader

Behold, You love truth;
You showed me the unknown and secret things of Your wisdom.

First Reader

You shall sprinkle me with hyssop, and I will be cleansed;
You shall wash me, and I will be made whiter than snow.

Second Reader

You shall make me hear joy and gladness;
My bones that were humbled shall greatly rejoice.

First Reader

Turn Your face from my sins,
And blot out all my transgressions.

Second Reader

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.

First Reader

Do not cast me away from Your presence,
And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.

Second Reader

Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
And uphold me with Your guiding Spirit.

First Reader

I will teach transgressors Your ways,
And the ungodly shall turn back to You.

Second Reader

Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, the God of my salvation,
And my tongue shall greatly rejoice in Your righteousness.

First Reader

O Lord, You shall open my lips,
And my mouth will declare Your praise.

Second Reader

For if You desired sacrifice, I would give it;
You will not be pleased with whole burnt offerings.

First Reader

A sacrifice to God is a broken spirit,
A broken and humbled heart God will not despise.

Second Reader

Do good, O Lord, in Your good pleasure to Zion,
And let the walls of Jerusalem be built;
Then You will be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness,
With offerings and whole burnt offerings;
Then shall they offer young bulls on Your altar.

The Canon: Ode One

The Song of Moses

Irmos – Tone 8

**Let us sing unto the Lord,
who led His people through the Red Sea:
for He alone has gloriously been glorified.**

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

O divinely-wise Mother and Martyr Maria, grant to us who honour your radiant commemoration illumination and drive away all darkness from our souls.

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Through the troubled years of your life you gave yourself entirely over to your Maker, O Maria, and with the fire of love you burned up the deceptions of this passing age.

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

You have ascended to the heights of Martyrdom, O Martyr Maria, not sparing your body, and as a faithful servant you have been deemed worthy of the heavenly mansions.

Second Reader

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

First Reader - For the Mother-of-God

Without seed you gave birth to God. Now all nations extol you, the only true Mother-of-God. For the One who entered into your sanctified womb is our God and Lord, and He assumed our whole human nature; and when He was born from you, He is both God and man.

The Canon: Ode Three

The Song of Hannah

Irmos – Tone 8

**O Lord, you art the confirmation of those who flee to You,
You are the Light of those in darkness,
and my spirit hymns You.**

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Standing as a prisoner before the unjust judgment seat of your tormentors, O glorious Maria, you preached Christ the Word of God, as the Master and Fashioner of all.

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Though you went through great suffering your eyes, reflecting the goodness and deep wisdom of your heart, rendered you, O glorious Maria, the truest of women.

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

An inexhaustible treasury of healings was granted to you by Christ, O mother, Whose poverty you voluntarily loved.

First Reader

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

Second Reader - For the Mother-of-God

Glorious things have been spoken concerning you, O Lady, the animate city of Him who forever reigns; for it was through you that God was seen upon the earth and lived among humans.

The Litany of Fervent Supplication

Deacon

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your great goodness,
We pray You, hear us and have mercy.

Lord, have mercy (3x)

Let us pray for pious and Orthodox Christians.

Lord, have mercy (3x)

Again we pray for our Metropolitan (*name*), for our Archbishop (*name*), for
presbyters, deacons, and all other clergy; and for all our brethren in Christ.

Lord, have mercy (3x)

Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, and visitation for the
servants of God (*names*), and for the pardon and remission of their sins.

Lord, have mercy (3x)

Here the Deacon may add extra prayers

Again we pray for those who bring offerings and do good works in this holy
and all-venerable house; for those who labour and those who sing; and for all
the people here present, who await Your great and rich mercy.

Lord, have mercy (3x)

Presbyter

For You are a merciful and man-befriending God, and unto You we
ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now
and ever and unto the ages of ages!

Amen

The Sitting Hymn

First Reader – For St Maria

By the asceticism of the open-door you were brought to the Lamb and
Shepherd, O rational maiden ewe-lamb Maria, and finishing your earthly
course in sacrificial martyrdom, taking the place of another in death, you
preserved the faith in purity; wherefore today we joyfully celebrate your
sacred memory, O wondrous Maria, glorifying Christ.

The Canon: Ode Four

The Song of Habakkuk

Irmos – Tone 8

**O Lord, I have heard the mystery of Your dispensation;
I have considered Your works,
and I have glorified Your Divinity.**

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Having borne the light yoke of Christ, O nun-martyr Maria, you have now endured the heavy burden laid upon you by a lawless regime.

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

The drops of your blood extinguished the burning coals of totalitarianism, and in loving to the end and without exception you have smothered the flaming plans of evil men.

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

You have been raised on high by the fire that has been lit in your bosom, O Martyr Maria, enflaming, O mother, your fervor for the Master.

Second Reader

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

First Reader - For the Mother-of-God

Remember Your flock that You acquired by Your Passion, O Christ. Listen to the sympathetic prayers of Your glorified Mother on our behalf. Visit it, and whenever it is afflicted save it, by Your strength, O Lord.

The Canon: Ode Five

The Song of Isaiah

Irmos – Tone 8

**Rising early we cry to You, O Lord;
save us, for You art our God,
and we know none other besides You.**

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

You appeared unmoved by the gaseous fumes, O Maria, for the divine cloud of your Bridegroom bedewed you.

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Adorned by the striking of your face, O Maria, you rebuffed the foolishness of your captors.

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Arrested and executed unjustly, O divinely-wise Maria, you were revealed to be an icon of the divine passion of your beloved Bridegroom.

First Reader

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

Second Reader - For the Mother-of-God

O Ever-Virgin, you became like the holy Tent and wider than the heavens, for you accepted within your womb the Logos of God, whom all creation cannot contain.

The Canon: Ode Six

The Song of Jonah

Irmos – Tone 8

**O You that puts on light as a garment
grant me also a robe of light,
O All-merciful Christ, our God.**

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Your efforts in hiding Jews in Paris from the hands of evil men and the ruin of your body because of forced labor in the prison camp of Ravensbruck showed your adamant resolve before Christ our God, O nun-martyr Maria.

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Though your body was poisoned, you, O praiseworthy martyr Maria, preserved unharmed the nobility of your fiery human spirit.

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

O venerable mother, while enduring the ruin of your health in Ravensbruck, you still fed your fellow prisoners with the milk of your divine compassion, O glorious one.

Second Reader

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

First Reader - For the Mother-of-God

You incomprehensibly intercede with the Creator on behalf of humanity. Only all-pure Virgin, pray your Son, that He be merciful and the champion of your servants who are sinners.

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Presbyter

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ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now
and ever and unto the ages of ages!

Amen

Kontakion & Oikos

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Your divine memory, O Maria, appears like a sun proclaiming your life to the world, for having subdued the plans of evil men by hiding Jews in your home during the Second World War, you have united yourself to Christ by the blood of martyrdom; wherefore we implore you to deliver from every evil circumstance those who run to you for help, that we may cry to you:

“Rejoice, O venerable mother Maria!”

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Standing now before God, O most glorious venerable martyr Maria, by your God-pleasing entreaties open my lips, that I may praise your divine life, O most-blessed one, and worthily depict your sufferings which for the sake of your fervent love, you have endured on earth. By your faith you ever pursued vigilance and abstinence, and loving purity, were revealed to be an invincible nun-martyr; wherefore deliver us who praise you from every evil circumstance, that we may cry out to you...

First Reader

...“Rejoice, O venerable mother Maria!”

The Gospel Reading

Deacon

And that we may be accounted worthy to listen to the holy Gospel let us pray to the Lord God.

Chanter(s)

Lord, have mercy (x3)

Deacon

Wisdom. Stand upright.

Let us listen to the holy gospel.

Presbyter

Peace be unto all.

Chanter(s)

And to Your spirit.

Presbyter

The reading is from the holy Gospel according to St Mark

Mark 5:24-34

Chanter(s)

Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You!

Deacon

Let us attend.

Presbyter

At that time - A great multitude followed Jesus, pressing upon him on all sides.

There was a certain woman who had an issue of blood for twelve years. She had endured much at the hands of many physicians and spent all that she had. Yet, she was not feeling better but worse.

Having heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his clothes. For she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be made well!"

And immediately, the flow of her blood was dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her affliction.

Jesus, perceiving in himself at once that power had gone out from him, turned around in the crowd and asked, “Who touched my clothes?”

His disciples said to him, “You see the multitude pressing against you, and you ask, ‘Who touched me?’ ”

Jesus looked around to see the woman who had done this. But she, fearing and trembling, knowing what had been done to her, came forward and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.

Jesus said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well! Go in peace, and be cured of your disease.”

Chanter(s)

Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You!

Post-Gospel Stanzas

First Reader

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

Chanter(s) - Tone 2 – Vespéral Melody

Through the prayers of the venerable mother Maria,
O Merciful One,
Blot out my transgression!

First Reader

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Chanter(s) - Tone 2 – Vespéral Melody

Through the prayers of the Mother-of-God,
O Merciful One,
Blot out my transgression!

First Reader – Psalm 50:1-2

Have mercy on me, O God,
According to Your great mercy;
And according to the abundance of Your compassion,
Blot out my transgression.

Chanter(s) - Tone 6 – Vespéral Melody

Shining with purity, O godly-minded St Maria,
and aglow with the mighty feats of your holy martyrdom,
truly you became the all-pure sacred bride of the King of glory.

Now with faith we pray to you each day,
seeking your ardent aid as our Patron Saint,
and we cry to you:

Preserve us from all obstacles and from the assaults of the evil one.
Keep us all uninjured and safe from any hostile attacks,
from bad infections and from disease,
by the grace that God gave to you.

Presbyter - The Exclamation

Through the mercies and compassions and love for mankind of Your
Only-begotten Son, with Whom You are blessed, together with Your
all-holy, and good, and life-giving Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of
ages.

Chanter(s)

Amen

The Canon: Ode Seven

The Prayer of the Three Holy Youths

Irmos – Tone 8

**The Children of Judaea,
who of old came to dwell in Babylon,
trampled underfoot the flame of the furnace
through their faith in the Trinity,
as they sang: “O God of our fathers, blessed are You.”**

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Knowing that your lungs would soon be filled with gas, and your body would endure destruction, O Maria, you boldly offered yourself as a sacrifice to God chanting: “O God of our fathers, blessed are You.”

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

O Divinely-wise Maria, you are like a vine, for your mind and heart were like branches, pouring forth the spiritual wine, consoling our hearts, repelling the sleep of the passions, and teaching us to sing: “O God of our fathers, blessed are You.”

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

You, O nun-martyr Maria, now exult with the choir of mothers in the place where the sound of those keeping festival is heard, chanting to God the Creator: “O God of our fathers, blessed are You.”

First Reader

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

Second Reader - For the Holy Trinity

O faithful, let us adore and worship one principal, the single Godhead, the one in three, glorifying Father, only-begotten Son, and the good Holy Spirit, God, as we cry out and sing aloud: “O God of our fathers, blessed are You.”

The Canon: Ode Eight

The Song of the Three Holy Youths

Irmos – Tone 8

In his wrath the Chaldean Tyrant made the furnace blaze,
with heat fanned sevenfold for the servants of God;
but when he perceived that they had been saved by a greater power
he cried aloud to the Creator and Redeemer;
“All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord,
and exult Him throughout all the ages!”

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

O all-praised Martyr Maria, you courageously opposed the oppression of the dictator and enduring suffering you joyfully sang to God: “All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord, and exult Him throughout all the ages!”

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

The profundity of your writings shines forth like the sun giving light to the world, O nun-martyr Maria, wherefore you joyfully sing to God: “All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord, and exult Him throughout all the ages!”

Second Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

First Reader - For St Maria of Paris

O Bride of God, by your supplications cleanse my soul from all evils, for it has been defiled by passions and darkened by the assaults of the alien one, and by your bright illumination, O martyr Maria, grant me understanding that I may cry out to God: “All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord, and exult Him throughout all the ages!”

Second Reader

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

First Reader - For the Mother-of-God

The nun-martyr Maria in her love for you, O Mother-of-God, has preserved both her body and soul undefiled; for by enduring the pangs of many temptations she has reduced the fire of the passions to ashes and now, together with you, rejoices in the heavenly palaces, throughout the ages.

The Canon: Ode Nine**The Song of Mary****Irmos – Tone 8**

**Heaven was stricken with awe,
and the ends of the earth were filled with amazement,
for God has appeared in the flesh,
and your womb was rendered more spacious than the heavens.
Wherefore, the ranks of mortals and angels magnify you as the Theotokos.**

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Executed in the chambers, you represent the blessed passion of the Word of God, for enduring the destruction of your body, the poisoning of your lungs, and the pain of prison, O pure Maria, you were revealed to be the glory of ascetics and the adornment of martyrs.

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Arrayed as a bride by your blessed sufferings you betrothed yourself to the Lord, O chosen one, and carrying the lamp of your faithfulness you made your home within the bright inner chambers, where you now reign in splendor, O Maria, with those who live there throughout the ages.

First Reader

O venerable mother Maria, pray to God for us!

Second Reader - For St Maria of Paris

Your pangs pour forth a sweetness which expels the bitterness of sin; and your feast day pours forth rivers of healing, drowning the passions and cruel afflictions of those who worthily glorify you, to the glory of the Savior, O honored Maria.

First Reader

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

Second Reader - For the Mother-of-God

You O Lord took on flesh from a woman, and your nun-martyr Maria knowing this, adorned herself with the beauty of faithfulness, and decorated herself with the blood of martyrdom, O God, wherefore she was ushered into heaven in the mystical entourage of Your Mother.

Thrice-Holy Prayers

Second Reader

Holy God! Holy Mighty! Holy Immortal! Have mercy on us. (3x)

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

O Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us!

O Lord, cleanse us from our sins!

O Master, pardon our transgressions!

O Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities for Your Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. (3x)

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

Second Reader - Matthew 6: 9-13

**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 the evil one**

Presbyter

For Yours 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.

Second Reader

Amen

Dismissal Hymns

Vesperal Melodies

Chanter(s) - Tone 6

Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.
For with nothing to say in our own defense,
We sinners offer this supplication to You, our Master.
Have mercy on us.

First Reader

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

Chanter(s) - Tone 6

Lord have mercy on us,
for in You we trust.
Be not enraged with us greatly,
nor remember our iniquities.
But look upon us now, being compassionate,
and deliver us from our enemies.
For You are our God,
and we are Your people,
all of us are the work of Your hands,
and now we call on Your name.

First Reader

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

Chanter(s) - Tone 6

Open the gate of compassion for us,
O blessed Mother-of-God.
For hoping in you, let us not fail in our aim.
Through you may we be delivered from adversities.
For you are the salvation of the Christian people.

The Litany of Fervent Supplication

Deacon

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your great goodness,
We pray You, hear us and have mercy.

Lord, have mercy (3x)

Again we pray for the protection of this holy church, this city and every city and land, from wrath, famine, pestilence, earthquake, flood, fire, sword, foreign invasions, civil strife, and accidental death. That our good and loving God may be merciful, gracious and favorable to us by turning and keeping from us all wrath and sickness, and deliver us from His just rebuke, and have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy (3x)

Again we pray that the Lord our God may hear the prayer of us sinners, and have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy (3x)

Presbyter

Hear us, O God our Saviour, the hope of all those who live everywhere on earth and those far out at sea or in the air. Be gracious toward our sins, Master, and have mercy on us.

For You are a merciful and man-befriending God, and unto You we ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto the ages of ages!

Amen

The Dismissal

Deacon
Wisdom!

Presbyter
Most holy Theotokos, save us!

Chanter(s)
More honorable than the Cherubim
And more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim,
Without corruption you gave birth to God the Word,
True Theotokos, we magnify You.

Presbyter
Glory to You, O Christ our God and our hope, glory to You!

Chanter(s)
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 (3x)
Father, bless!

The Final Blessing

Presbyter
May Christ our true God -

Through the prayers:
Of His most pure Mother;
Of the holy, glorious, and all-laudable Apostles;
Of St Maria of Paris whose community this is;
Of (name(s)), whose memory we keep this day;
Of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna;
And of all the saints

- Have mercy on us and save us,
For He is good and the friend of man.

Chanter(s)
Amen

Hymn to St Maria

Chanter(s) - For Mother Maria of Paris

You became a bride of Christ,

O venerable mother,

And offered your body and soul to Him

As a living sacrifice.

You exposed the evil side of humanity's ways

By allowing the light of the Resurrection to shine forth from you.

We celebrate your memory in love,

O Martyr and Confessor Maria!

Pray to Christ our God that He may save our souls!

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