Great Lent Daily Prayers for the Great Fast



Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church

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**In the Protection Prayers (*Sutoro*) of Monday, the hymn *Qum Paulos* has been arranged with extra syllables in certain phrases to facilitate singing the melody (Tone 7) in English. When *Qum Paulos* appears in Night Vigil prayers (*Lilyo*), however, the Syriac meter for *Qum Paulos* has been kept strictly, so that the hymn can be sung according to all eight tones.

PREFATORY PRAYER

† In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, one true God;

Glory be to Him, and may His grace and mercy be upon us forever. Amin.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, by whose glory, the heaven and earth are filled. Hosanna in the Highest!

Blessed is He, who has come and is to come in the name of the Lord; Glory be to Him in the Highest!

QAUMO

(Trisagion) Holy art Thou, O God! Holy art Thou, Almighty! Holy art Thou, Immortal! † Crucified for us, have mercy upon us! *(Three times)*

Lord, have mercy upon us! Lord, be kind and have mercy! Lord, accept our service and our prayers! Have mercy upon us!

Glory be to Thee, O God! Glory be to Thee, O Creator! Glory be to Thee, O Christ the King Who has compassion on His sinful servants...*Barekmor*

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts and sins as we also have forgiven our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. †For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amin.

MONDAY EVENING PRAYER Vespers/Ramsho

Qaumo

† Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

May His grace and mercy be upon us, weak and sinful, in both worlds forever and ever. Amin.

(Introductory Prayer)

Psalms of Evening

[*Psalm 141*] Kurielaison / Lord, I have called upon You, / answer me; hear and receive my words.

Let my prayer be like incense in Your sight, / the offering of my hands like the evening offering. / Set a guard, Lord, before my mouth, /a guard before my lips, / that my heart may not turn to evil words / and I may not do deeds of wickedness.

Let me not take salt with impious men; / let the just man teach me and reprove me; / let not the oil of the impious anoint my head / because my prayer was against their evil-doing. / Their judges have been restrained by the side of the rock, / and they have heard how gentle are my words.

As when a plough cleaves the earth, their bones have been scattered at the mouth of Sheol. / I have lifted up my eyes to You, Lord, / and in You have I put my trust; / do not cast away my soul.

Keep me from the hand of the proud, who have laid snares for me; / let the wicked fall into their nets, while I pass on.

[*Psalm 142*] With my voice I cried to the Lord; / with my voice I besought the Lord and poured out my prayer before him; / I showed him my affliction, when my spirit was troubled, / but You know my path.

In the way of my walking they have laid a snare for me; / I look to the right and see none that knows me; / the way of escape has gone from me and there is none who cares for my soul. / I cried to You, Lord, and said: / You are my hope and my portion in the land of the living.

Hear my petition because I am brought very low; / deliver me from my persecutors because they are too strong for me. / Lead me forth from prison that I may give thanks to Your name; / Your just ones shall have hope when You shall reward me.

[Psalm 119, 105-112] Your word is a lamp to my feet and light to my path; / I have sworn and am resolved to keep the judgments of Your justice. / I am greatly brought low, Lord, / give me life according to Your word; / be pleased with the words of my mouth, Lord, / and teach me Your judgments.

My soul is ever in my hands, and I have not forgotten Your law; / sinners have laid snares for me and I have not strayed from Your commands. / I shall inherit Your testimony forever because it is dear to my heart; / I have turned my heart to do Your commands forever in truth.

[*Psalm 117*] **Praise the Lord, all your nations; praise him, all you peoples**, / for His grace is strong over us; / truly the Lord is forever.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO (*Mshiho Ethiledt*)

You humbled Yourself – for our sake, O Christ And allowed Yourself – to be tempted <u>by Sa</u>tan Through fasting and prayer, - You have taught Your Church To conquer Satan – who fights always <u>against</u> her

Come with peace, O pure – and holy fasting For by you, Adam's – gluttony has <u>been co</u>nquered Come with peace, O Fast – which Christ our Savior Fasted for our sake; - let us bow and <u>wo</u>rsh<u>ip</u> Him!

Grant us, O Savior – to receive with love And welcome with joy – this time of the holy fast Make us worthy, Lord – to please You by it, And, Lord, by this fast – may our sins be <u>puri</u>fied

How sweet is the scent – which fasting brings forth! The great Elijah – bears witness to <u>its</u> sw<u>eetness</u> (*I Kings 19:4-8*) Therefore, our Savior – gave us this armor To raise us up to – our former inheritance

Lord, You are the door – and are the True Life By which we enter – toward Your glor'<u>ious</u> Father Lord, open Your door – and correct our paths And make straight our ways – that we may give <u>thanks to</u> You...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Have mercy on us – Compassionate One, Because of Your grace, – and blot out our <u>hatefulness</u> Grant us peace, O Lord, – by Your great mercies and, Lord, have mercy – upon us all <u>in both</u> worlds

Staumen Kalos, Kurielaison

(Promion & Sedro)

QOLO

(Qabeloy Moran - Reesh Qolo)

May <u>our</u> fast and pray'r Be a pure incense, Lord, that may <u>be</u> – accepted Before Your great majesty...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

This <u>great</u>, holy fast Is a sign of vict`o`ry and <u>is</u> – an armor Against the adversary

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O <u>Lord</u>, may our prayer be pleasing to You and may it <u>be</u> – accepted before Your great Majesty

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

(Etro)

QOLO

(Lo Ldino Lo Lathba`ato – Reesh Qolo)

Moses, – by your fast of forty days and nights, You brought down from Mount Sinai the <u>Law</u> Which God had inscribed on the tablets

For the House of Is`ra`el; Halleluiah – Pray for us all...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Our Lord – fasted forty days in the desert He fought and conquered the evil <u>one</u> And gave us an armor by which we May conquer the enemy; Halleluiah – Praise to the Lord

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O Lord – have mercy on us! Lord, have mercy! Lord, receive our service and our <u>pray'rs</u> May Your grace, which stood by the martyrs And strengthened them in their *trials* Halleluiah – rest upon us

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> The evil one tried to fight but was put to shame Christ ensnared him when He raised His hand in weakness

Our Lord hungered and opened the door for battle Satan saw our Lord hungry and drew near to fight

Praise the Father who sent His Son to save our race; Praise the Son who by His fasting conquered Satan;

Praise the Spirit who overwhelmed him in battle; One True God, have mercy on us. Amin! Amin!

> The Ninevites gathered together to repent Without doubting the word that was spoken to them

They heard Jonah and accepted what he told them They corrected their way of life and sought the Lord

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

(Gospel)

Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, do not close the door of Your mercy in our faces. We confess that we are sinners, have mercy upon us. / O Lord, Your love made you descend to us from Your place, /that by Your death our death might be abolished. / Have mercy upon us. Amin.

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Qaumo

MONDAY PROTECTION PRAYER

Compline/Sutoro

After a Qaumo is prayed, the following prayer is chanted three times with a prostration after each recitation.

> Glory be – to God in the <u>High</u>est! And on earth Peace and good hope for the sons of mankind!

[*Psalm 4*] O God, the salvation of my righteousness, You have answered me when I called/ You have comforted me in my affliction./ Have mercy upon me and hear my prayer.

O sons of men, how long will you hide my honour? /How long will you love vanity and seek after lies? / Know that the Lord has wondrously set apart the chosen one. / The Lord will hear when I call to Him.

Be angry, but do not sin. / Meditate within your hearts and upon your beds / Offer sacrifices of righteousness and put your trust in the Lord.

There are many who say: / "Who will show us any good and shed the light of His face upon us?"

O Lord, You have placed Your joy in my heart, / more than the time when their grain, wine, and oil abounded.

In peace I will lie down and sleep. / For You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in tranquility.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

EQBO

(Qum Paulos – Tone 7)

Lord, open to me - Your door of mercy As you did_ for - the sinful - <u>wo</u>man. Receive <u>all my</u> tears - which I <u>offer</u> You and grant to_ me - forgiveness - <u>of</u> sins. O Li<u>ving Wa</u>ter, I will <u>receive</u> You So that <u>I will</u> not Seek water - from - Abraham, For I <u>have heard</u> in - the Lord's <u>para</u>ble That the rich_ man - begged him for - <u>wa</u>ter.

Staumen Kalos. Kurielaison

QOLO

(l'Thumo d'Haimonootho – Reesh Qolo)

Lord, look upon <u>my</u> weakness______ For I have sinned <u>grea</u>tly <u>and</u> - have <u>angered</u> You And find <u>no</u> refuge. I approached the <u>phy</u>sicians______ Who tried medi<u>cines</u> on <u>me</u> - but <u>the</u> abscess Remains <u>inf</u>ected. Good Physician, <u>I</u> have heard______ That he who approaches <u>You</u> - re<u>ceives</u> Your help With Your <u>me</u>dicine. By the love of <u>Your</u> Father______ And the pray'rs of <u>Your</u> moth<u>er</u> - Ha<u>lle</u>luiah Forgive <u>all</u> my sins...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore Let me not die <u>in</u> my sins______ Now I offer <u>you</u>, Lord, <u>the</u> - tears <u>of</u> my eyes A bribe <u>which</u> you love. I do not of<u>fer</u> oxen,_____ Or lambs, goats, pi<u>geons</u> or <u>doves</u>, - but <u>I</u> offer the tears <u>from</u> my eyes. As You received <u>the</u> tears of______ the sinful wo<u>man</u> in <u>the</u> - house <u>of</u> Simon, Have mer<u>cy</u> on me! By the love of <u>Your</u> Father_____ And the pray'rs of <u>Your</u> moth<u>er</u> – Ha<u>lle</u>luiah Forgive <u>me</u> my sins

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(Special Melody)

O Lord, our Lord, - we - \underline{call} to You; - \underline{Come} to our aid Hear our requests - and - \underline{have} mercy - $\underline{u}pon$ our souls

> O Lord, our <u>Lord</u>, - Lord - <u>of</u> watchers - <u>and</u> of angels Hear our requests - and - <u>have</u> mercy - <u>upon</u> our souls

Father, Son, and - Ho-<u>ly</u> Spirit, - <u>en</u>lighten me Answer me, Lord; - I - <u>have</u> knocked at - <u>Your</u> door with faith

> Open my eyes, - so - <u>that</u>, Lord, I - <u>may</u> see Your truth Protect me, for - I - <u>take</u> refuge - <u>in</u> Your kindness

Grant me, O Lord, - a - <u>pure</u> heart, for - <u>I</u> beseeched You Grant my mind the - wis<u>dom</u> of life - <u>from</u> Your fullness

> May the weapon – of - <u>the</u> Spirit - <u>come</u> to my aid Seal me in Your – name - <u>and</u> save me - <u>from</u> destruction

I have loved Your - bles<u>sed</u>ness and - <u>come</u> after You O Lord, in Your - mercy, do <u>not</u> - <u>put</u> me to shame My lone de*sire* – O – <u>my</u> Lord is - <u>to</u> become Yours, I worship You, - O - <u>Fa</u>ther, O - <u>Me</u>rciful One

From You, I have - re<u>ceived</u> mercy - <u>and</u> compassion May my mind <u>carry</u> - <u>Your</u> treasure - <u>like</u> a merchant

> Grant me, O Lord, - to - <u>read</u> and learn - <u>You</u>r Books in truth I am Your <u>se</u>rvant; - <u>make</u> me to - <u>live</u> before You

I have eaten – Your - <u>Bo</u>dy, Lord, - <u>and</u> drunk Your blood May I live by - You; - <u>may</u> Your cross - <u>guard</u> me from harm

> In pray'r, I called - to - <u>You</u>; may Your - <u>right</u> hand guard me Good Shepherd, make - me - <u>to</u> be a - <u>lamb</u> in Your flock

Praise You Father – of – the worlds and - <u>the</u> King of Life May my request - en<u>ter</u> before - <u>Your</u> majesty

O Lord, our Lord, - who - <u>hears</u> all things - <u>and</u> receives pray'rs Hear our requests - and - <u>have</u> mercy - <u>up</u>on our souls

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(To be sung in the tone for the Fast)

Lord, have mercy upon us O Lord receive our service Send us from Your treasure-house Mercy, grace, and forgiveness

> Help me to keep vigil and Stand watchfully before You But if I were to slumber May my sleep be without sin

If I sin while keeping watch Lord, forgive me by Your grace And if I sin in my sleep, Absolve me by Your mercy! O Lord, grant me peaceful sleep By the Cross of Your meekness Save me from all evil dreams And from obscene images

While I sleep throughout this night Lord, protect me and prevent Evil men and sinful thoughts From taking control of me

> Send me an angel of light To protect my whole body By Your flesh which I've consumed Save me from hateful passions

Lord, when I lie down to sleep May Your blood be my guardian Granting freedom to my soul Which is formed in Your image

> Overshadow my body With Your right hand, which formed it May Your fortress of mercy Be a shield surrounding me

May Your strength be my guardian As my body sleeps in peace May that sleep be like incense Before Your great majesty

> By the pray'rs of Your Mother Let not Satan near my bed By Your sacrifice for me Forbid him from harming me

Lord, fulfill what You promised Guard my life by Your Cross that I may praise You when I wake For you loved my feebleness

> Grant, by Your compassion, Lord That I may obey Your will Grant us an evening of peace And a night of righteousness

Christ our Savior, O True Light Whose honor dwells in the light You are indeed the True Light Whom the sons of light worship

> Jesus, Savior of the world Who dwells truly in the light Have mercy upon us in This world and the world to come

Glory to You! Praise to You! Thousands of praises to You Glory Lord! Glory to You, Lord, have mercy on us all

> Praise the One Watchers worship Praise the One the angels serve Lord of Watchers and angels Hear the pleas of Your faithful

Praise Him Who is one essence Praise Him Who is three persons Father, Son, Holy Spirit Who is the One and True God

> Glory to Him who accepts Like first-fruits and off`e`rings The tears of the penitent And the pray'rs of the feeble

Countless as the leaves of trees Are those on earth who praise You Whom Watchers in Heaven serve And whom angels glorify

> With wisdom and purity Let us glorify our God Father, Son, Holy Spirit Who is the one and true God

Do not keep gold and silver Which contain deadly poison Rather, obtain sound doctrine That you are loved by the Lord

> Observe the forty-days' fast And give bread to the hungry And as you learned from David Pray seven times every day (*Ps. 119:164*)

Both Moses and Elijah Fasted forty days and nights As our Lord also fasted And conquered the evil one

> May the pray'r which ascended From the furnace, sea and pit Open the door of mercy For our pray'r and petition

Lord, who hears our petitions Answer us in Your mercy Lord, be reconciled with us Have compassion upon us

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

PSALMS OF SUTORO & RESPONSORIAL HYMN

[Psalm 91] Barekmor. He who sits under the protection of the Most High Halleluiah and glories in the shelter of God will <u>say</u> to the Lord:

Tree of – Life, I sat beneath Your shadow and ate of eternal life – from Your fruits

"My trust is in You, - Halleluiah God is my refuge <u>in</u> whom I trust."

> You are – our high refuge and Mighty strength, O God, Our trust and our hope – forever

For the Lord shall deliver you - Halleluiah from the snare which makes you stumble and from <i>talk of vain things.

O Lord – save us from the snares Of the evil one Who deceitfully - seeks our fall

He will keep you safe under his feathers and you shall be protected beneath His wings – Halleluiah His truth shall enclose you <u>as</u> an armor.

O Lord – keep us by the pow'r Of Your Cross and guard Us beneath its wings – forever

You shall not be afraid of the terror of the night – Halleluiah Nor of the arrow, <u>which</u> flies by day.

Grant us – that we may not fear The terr`or of night Nor the arrows sent - by Satan

Nor of the word, which walks in the darkness – Halleluiah nor of the spirit that dest<u>roys</u> at midday.

Keep us – from the obscene word Of Satan; Save us From the word that wastes – at midday

Thousands shall fall at your side and ten thousand at your right hand, - Halleluiah but it shall <u>not</u> come near you

> Conquer – Satain's vast army By Your pow'r and by Your cross drive away – his thousands

But with your eyes alone – Halleluiah you shall see the reward <u>of</u> the wicked

> Lighten, - Lord, our hidden eyes; Do not give Satan Chance to approach us, - Your servants

Because You have made the Lord your trust; - Halleluiah You have made Your dwell<u>ing</u> in the heights

> O Lord – avenge the evil Of Satan's armies And save us all from – their torment

Evil shall not come near you, - Halleluiah affliction shall not <u>come</u> near your tent

The One – on High who came down To visit mankind Keep all evil from – Your servants

Because He has commanded - Halleluiah his angels <u>con</u>cerning you;

> May Your – angels be our guards, For the assembly Of Your servants seeks – Your refuge

That they should keep you in all your ways – Halleluiah And receive <u>you</u> in their arms

Show me – Your ways, O my Lord, And by Your great might Break the pow'r of the – enemy

You shall tread upon the adder and the basilisk; - Halleluiah You shall trample upon the lion <u>and</u> the dragon

> O Christ – we beseech You to Uphold, by Your strength, The steps of your fai-thful servants

"Because he has cried to me," says the Lord, - Halleluiah "I will deliver him <u>and</u> strengthen him."

> Strengthen – Your worshippers by The pow'r of Your Cross To tread upon the – enemy

Because he has known my name, He shall call upon me and I will answer him – Halleluiah I will be with <u>him</u> in distress.

> O Christ – we know Your great name; Have mercy on us And answer us in – Your mercy

I will strengthen him and honor him; - Halleluiah I will satisfy Him with length of days and show him <u>my</u> salvation."

> O Lord – do not give Satan The chance to tempt us With his deceit and – all his crafts

[Psalm 121] I have lifted up my eyes to the hills – Halleluiah From where <u>will</u> my help come?

We raise – the eyes of our minds Toward You, Savior In Your compassion – answer us

My help is from the Lord, - Halleluiah who made hea<u>ven</u> and the earth

> May the – pow`er of the Cross Be a help for us; Destroy Satan's hold – upon us

He will not suffer your foot to slip, - Halleluiah your guard<u>ian</u> shall not sleep.

> The Lord – of the heavens and The Maker of earth Will not suffer our – feet to slip

Indeed, He neither slumbers nor sleeps, - Halleluiah the guardian <u>of</u> Isr`a`el.

> O Lord – our guardian, as we Take refuge in You, Answer us in Your – compassion

The Lord is your guardian. - Halleluiah The Lord shall shelter you <u>with</u> His right hand O Guar-*dian* of Is`ra`el, In the wilderness, Protect those redeemed – by Your Cross

The sun shall not harm you by day, - Halleluiah Nor shall the moon <u>harm</u> you by night,

> O Lord – stretch forth Your right hand, And protect us all, Lest the evil one – attack us

The Lord shall guard you – Halleluiah He shall guard you <u>from all evil</u>

> O Lord – protect Your servants From ev'ry evil, That they may praise You – night and day

The Lord shall guard your soul - Halleluiah He shall guard your going out and <u>your</u> coming in

> O Christ – guard our souls for we Take refuge in You Savior, by Your grace - have mercy!

From henceforth and forevermore – Halleluiah And to You belongs <u>the</u> praise, O God.

To You – belongs glory, Lord, Now and forever From all creatures whom – You fashioned...*Barekmor.*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

> Praise Him – who said, "call and I Will answer; knock and I will open; ask, I will give."

Prayer of Mor Severus

He who sits under the protection / of the Most High, / beneath the shadow of the wings of Your loving kindness will say,

"<u>Protect us, O</u> Lord; / and have <u>mercy;</u> / You who <u>hear</u> all, / hear Your servants' pray'r in Your loving kindness.

Grant us, O Christ our Sav<u>ior</u>, / an even<u>ing</u> full of peace / and a night of holi<u>ness</u>,/ for You are the <u>King</u> of Glory.

Our eyes are turned to You, <u>Lord</u> / Pardon <u>our</u> offences / Have mercy upon us <u>in</u> / this world and the <u>world</u> to come;

May Your mercy protect <u>us</u>. / May Your grace rest upon us. / May Your † Cross guard us from <u>the</u> evil one and <u>his</u> pow`ers.

May your right hand rest on \underline{us} / all the <u>days</u> of our lives, / May Your peace reign among \underline{us} / Give hope and salvation to the souls of those who <u>pray</u> to You.

By the pray'r of Your <u>mother</u> / and those <u>of</u> all Your saints, / forgive us our debts and sins / Have mercy on <u>us</u>, O God."

Praise of the Cherubim (Ezekiel 3:12)

† <u>Bless</u>`ed is the glory of the Lord, from His place for<u>ev</u>er!

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† <u>Bless</u>`ed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever <u>and</u> ever!

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us all; Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us all; Holy and glorious Trinity, have compassion and have mercy on us all!

You are holy and glorious for<u>ev</u>er You are holy and glorious for<u>ev</u>er You are holy and bless`ed is Your name, forever <u>and</u> ever.

<u>Glo</u>ry be to You, <u>O</u> Lord. <u>Glo</u>ry be to You, <u>O</u> Lord; <u>Glo</u>ry be to You, our hope <u>for</u>ever. *Barekmor*.

Our Father, who art in heaven ...

We believe in One True God ...

Protection Prayer concludes with the Quqlions of the Theotokos & Saints

MONDAY NIGHT VIGIL

Lilyo

Qaumo

Introductory Prayer

Awaken us, Lord, from our sleep in the sloth of sin that we may praise your watchfulness, You who watch and do not sleep; give life to our death in the sleep of death and corruption, that we may adore Your compassion, You who live and do not die; grant us in the glorious company of the angels who praise You in heaven, to praise You and bless you in holiness, because You are praised and blessed in heaven and on earth, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever. Amin.

Introductory Psalms of Night Vigil

[Psalm 134] Barekmor. Bless the Lord, / all You servants of the Lord.

Barekmor. You who stand by night in the house of the Lord.

Lift up your hands to the holy place / and bless the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion, / He who made heaven and earth.

[*Psalm 119, 169-176*] Let my praise enter before You, Lord, / and give me life by Your word; / let my cry enter before You, Lord, / and deliver me by Your word.

My tongue shall pour forth Your word, / because all Your commands are just.

My lips shall speak Your praise when You have taught me Your commands; / let Your hand help me / because I have taken pleasure in Your commands.

My soul has longed for Your salvation /and I have meditated on Your law; / let my soul live and I will praise You /and Your judgments shall help me.

I have gone astray like a lost sheep; / seek for Your servant, / because I have not forgotten all Your commands.

[*Psalm 117*] Praise the Lord, all you nations, / praise Him, all you peoples,/ for His grace is strong over us; / truly, the Lord is forever.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Yoye w'Zodeq)

Behold, the day has arrived For the labor of justice For those who work zealously To gain the spirit*ual* life. <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have me</u>rcy!

Awake and work, slothful one! And do not be disheartened; Be diligent in fasting And receive eternal life <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One<u>, have me</u>rcy!

Our Lord teaches us through His Parable of repentance: He gives to His laborers One dinar for one *hour's* work (*Mt.* 20:1-16) <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have me</u>rcy!...Barekmor

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore O Great Ocean of Mercy Whose streams pour forth on our race, By the blood poured from Your side, Absolve the debts of Your flock <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have mercy</u>!

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

1ST QAUMO

EQBO

(Abo Kthab Hwo – In the Tone of the Day)

He who loves teaching is loved – and is pleasing to the Lord He will live with kings - and will raise princes He will be chief of nobles – and a guide to all people

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Quqoyo – In the Tone of the Day)

O Lord, Your servants praise You, Halleluiah May we awake at night and praise the Son of God For on the night when He comes, there will be shouting And the righteous, – prophets, apostles, And the martyrs – will go to meet Him They will go with Him into His bridal chamber And will inherit life and the Kingdom and sing, Halleluiah, – praises to the Lord...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

No night passes in which I do not think of You Upon my bed, I meditate on You, O Lord And I fear You – for Daniel told me A stream of fire – flows forth before You (Daniel 7:10) Woe to me, for how can I cross it with my sins If Your grace does not beseech Your mercies for me? Halleluiah – Have mercy on me

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(In the Tone of the Day)

O Lord, our Lord, we call to You come to our aid Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> At midnight, David awoke to sing praise to God And to praise the wonders of the divinity Now, you who have discernment, arise at midnight To praise spirit`ua`lly with the Psalms of David

May I be enlightened, Lord, By Your rad`i`ance For You are as the day for the ones who love You The way of the world is a great net full of snares But the one who walks by Your light will not stumble

> Answer O Lord, Answer O Lord, and have mercy Turn the hearts of the sons of men to repentance

Praise of the Cherubim Prayed at the conclusion of the 1st and 2nd Watches of Lilyo

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever! **†** Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever! **†** Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever and ever!

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us;

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us; Holy and glorious Trinity, have compassion and mercy upon us.

You are holy and glorious forever

You are holy and glorious forever You are holy and blessed is Your name, forever and ever.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

Glory be to You, O Lord; Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

Our Father who art in Heaven...

2ND QAUMO

EQBO

(Abo Kthab Hwo – In the Tone of the Day)

Standing at the outer door – Peter bitterly shed tears: "Lord, open Your door – to Your disciple Heav'n and earth will weep for me – I lost the keys of heaven"

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Quqoyo – In the Tone of the Day)

Tell me, David, what is the hymn of praise you sing? "It is the praise that the watchers and angels sing. I learned it from – the Holy Spirit, And I taught it – to the priests of God." Behold, the monasteries and churches on earth Praise the Lord and sing together, "Halleluiah!" Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

At midnight, David arose to praise the Godhead Along with the judgments of the Exalted One He looked up and – saw the firmament He saw the stars' – beautiful movements He saw the calm and stillness upon creation And he was filled with wonder and praised You, O Lord, Halleluiah, – for Your wondr'ous works

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(In the Tone of the Day)

Lord, have mercy upon us O Lord, receive our service

> By our deeds, we angered You But You do not long for wrath For You are filled with mercy; Your calm is never disturbed

We are a drop of water, As the prophets have spoken; How can a drop of water Disturb Your serenity?

> Lord, who hears our petitions Answer us in Your mercy Lord, be reconciled with us Have compassion upon us

Praise of the Cherubim

Prayed at the conclusion of 1st and 2nd Watches of Lilyo

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord… Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us… You are holy and glorious forever… Glory be to You, O Lord… Our Father who art in Heaven…

3RD QAUMO

EQBO

(Abo Kthab Hwo – In the Tone of the Day)

The evil world woke me up - I tell its story, with fear, Of its great evil And its visciousness; I mourn its inhabitants – who are immersed in its love

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Quqoyo – In the Tone of the Day)

When I sin, I hide myself so that no one sees
Yet I cannot hide from God who sees all my deeds Why am I shamed – if a man sees me But have no fear – of my Lord and God?
Whether I die soon or live longer in this life
I will be delivered to the Judge of judges Halleluiah – have mercy on me...Barekmor *† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit* Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Our Father in heaven, answer us when we call For we have no other father who can help us For you were pleased – to raise us from dust Now that we live – spare us from your wrath Teach us, Lord, your commandments that we may keep them And by deeds of justice let us please you, O Lord Halleluiah – Have mercy on us

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR BALAI

(In the Tone of the Day)

Lord, who has mercy even on sinners Have mercy on us on Your judgment Day!

> At Your door O Lord, the afflicted knock Answer their requests in Your compassion

Father in heaven, we do beseech You! Accept our service – have mercy on us.

> Lord of those above! Hope of those below! Accept this service; have mercy on us

† Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah! Glory to You, O God! (*Repeat three times*)

Be compassionate towards us in Your mercy, / O God of compassion; / in our sacrifices and our prayers / we make memory of our fathers /who taught us while they were alive, / to be children of God; / O Son of God, / raise them up in the heavenly kingdom / with the just and the righteous / in the world, which does not pass away.

Lord, have mercy upon us and help us

Psalms of Night Vigil

Awake, you that sleep, and rise and sing praise. [*Psalm* 148] Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the heights.

Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all his hosts.

Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all stars of light; praise Him, heaven of heavens, and the waters above the heavens; let them praise the name of the Lord.

For He spoke and they were made, He commanded and they were created; He established them forever and ever. He gave them a law, which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, sea-monsters and all depths, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy winds that fulfill His word;

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and birds that fly;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all judges of the earth; young men, too, and maidens; old men and boys; let them praise the name of the Lord.

For His name alone is exalted; His praise is on earth and in heaven, and He has lifted up the horn of His people; praise for all the just, the children of Israel, the people who draw near to Him.

[*Psalm* 149] Praise the Lord with a new praise in the assembly of the just; let Israel be glad in her Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Let them praise His name with the timbrel and the drum; let them sing to Him with the harp, for the Lord takes pleasure in His people, and gives salvation to the poor.

Let the just exult in glory; let them praise Him on their beds; let the high praises of God be in their throats, and two-edged swords in their hands,

To execute vengeance on the nations, and to rebuke the peoples; to bind their kings with chains, their nobles with fetters of iron; to execute on them the judgment which is written; that is the glory of the just.

[*Psalm* 150] Praise the Lord in His holy place, praise Him in the firmament of His strength.

Praise Him for His mighty deeds, praise Him for His abounding greatness, praise Him with the sound of the trumpet, praise Him with lyre and harp.

Praise Him with the timbrel and the drum, praise Him with the soft strings, praise Him with the loud cymbals; praise Him with the sound of the voice; let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

[*Psalm 117*] Praise the Lord, all you nations; praise Him, all you peoples, for His grace is strong over us; truly the Lord is forever.

And to you belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Praise to the Holy Trinity!

Praise to the Holy Trinity!

We praise the glorious Trinity, self-existent and eternal; and to You belongs the praise, O God, at all times.

QAUMO of PRAISE

QOLO (Quqoyo – Reesh Qolo)

As is written, the Lord rejoices in fasting and He is pleased with love and with virt`u`ous deeds See how these three, – Moses, Elijah, And Daniel have – borne witness to this Bless`ed is the Lord who rejoices in fasting And who reconciles with us by pray'r and fasting Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Let those with sins beseech God like the Ninevites, For Nineveh proclaimed a fast for forty days Wearing sackcloth – and sitting in ash, They waited at – the Physician's door Until it was heard that the Lord forgave their sins And that the judgment of Nineveh was cast down Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(Tone 5)

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all Christ, who saved us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all

> The Mighty One became man And fasted like the prophets By Your taste, O Lord and God, May we reject the world's tastes

O Christ, who fasted for us, Glory to Him who sent You, And have mercy upon us In this world and that to come Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all O Christ, who fasted for us Accept our fasting and pray'r

Hymn of the Angels

As the angels and archangels on high in heaven sing praise, / so we poor children of earth sing praise and say:

At all times and at all seasons, Glory to God in the heights / and on earth, peace and tranquility and good hope for the sons of men.

We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, / we raise up a hymn of praise to You.

We give thanks to You because of Your great glory, / Lord our creator, king of heaven, / God the Father Almighty.

Lord God, only Son, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son and Word of the Father, /who take away, or rather have taken away, the sin of the world / have mercy upon us.

You who take away, or rather have taken away the sin of the world, / incline Your ear to us and receive our prayers; / You who sit in glory at the right hand of the Father, / have compassion on us.

Because You only are holy, You only, Lord Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amin.

At all times and all the days of my life, / I will bless and praise Your name, which is holy and blessed forever, / and which remains forever and ever.

Blessed are You, Lord Almighty, God of our fathers, / and Your name is blessed and glorified in praise forever.

To You belongs glory, to You belongs praise, to You belongs honor, / God of all, Father of truth, / with the only Son and living Holy Spirit, now and always forever. Amin.

Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, do not close the door of Your mercy in our faces. We confess that we are sinners, have mercy upon us. / O Lord, Your love made you descend to us from Your place, /that by Your death our death might be abolished. / Have mercy upon us. Amin.

Qaumo

MONDAY MORNING PRAYER

Matins/Safro

Qaumo

Psalms of Morning

[*Psalm* 51] Have mercy upon me, O God, in Your loving kindness;/ in the abundance of Your mercy blot out my sin.

Wash me thoroughly from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin./ For I acknowledge my fault and my sins are before me always.

Against you only have I sinned and done evil in Your sight, / that You may be justified in Your words and vindicated in Your judgment. / For I was born in guilt and in sin did my mother conceive me.

But you take pleasure in truth and You have made known to me the secrets of Your wisdom. / Sprinkle me with Your hyssop and I shall be clean; / wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

Give me the comfort of Your joy and gladness, and the bones, which have been humbled shall rejoice. / Turn away Your face from my sins and blot out all my faults.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, / and renew Your steadfast spirit within me. / Do not cast me from Your presence / and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

But restore to me Your joy and Your salvation / and let Your glorious spirit sustain me; / that I may teach the wicked Your way / and sinners may return to You.

Deliver me from blood, O God, God of my salvation / and my tongue shall praise Your justice. / Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall sing Your praise.

For you do not take pleasure in sacrifices; / by burnt offerings You are not appeased. / The sacrifice of God is a humble spirit, / a heart that is contrite God will not despise.
Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion and build up the walls of Jerusalem. / Then shall You be satisfied with sacrifices of truth and with whole burnt-offerings; / then shall they offer bullocks upon Your altar.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O Merciful God! Have mercy upon us in your mercy!

Lord have mercy upon us and help us.

[Psalm 63] My God, you are my God, I will seek You.

My soul thirsts for You and my flesh seeks for You like the thirsty earth, which is parched and begging for water.

So have I looked for You in truth, that I may see Your power and Your glory.

Because your loving-kindness is better than life, / my lips shall praise You.

So I will bless You while I live and will lift up my hands in Your name.

My soul shall be enriched as with marrow and fat / and my mouth shall praise You with lips of praise.

I have remembered You upon my bed / and in the nighttime I have meditated on You.

For You have been my helper / and in the shadow of Your wings is my protection.

My soul follows after You / and Your right hand upholds me.

Those who seek to destroy my soul shall enter into the lower parts of the earth.

They shall be delivered over to the sword and shall be food for foxes; / but the king shall rejoice in God.

Everyone who swears by Him shall glory, / but the mouth of those who speak lies shall be stopped.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Haw d'Uhdono)

Christ our God who by – His great mercies Fasted and shamed the devil And defeated his pow`er, I stand *before* You – Lord, have mercy!

> Christ our God who for – our salvation Kept the fast like one in need And gave us its pleasant yoke, I <u>stand</u> *before* You – Lord, have mercy!

Christ who taught the fast – to His athletes In order to fight Satan with fasting and intense pray'r I <u>stand</u> *before* You – Lord, have mercy!

> O Redeemer who – by Your fasting Cast down the adversary, Strengthen us to fight his crafts I <u>stand</u> *before* You – Lord, have mercy!

Make us worthy, Lord, - Lover of Man To keep fast with discernment And to be absolved of sins I <u>stand</u> *before* You – Lord, have mercy!

> Lord, You have spoken – through the prophets: "This is the fast I desire: Brother shall love his brother" (Isaiah 58:7) I stand *before* You – Lord, have mercy!...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore O God, by Your grace – You have granted The fast's richness to us all May we fast with purity I stand *before* You – Lord, have mercy!

[*Psalm 19*] *Kurielaison*. The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. / Day to day brings forth speech; / night to night declares knowledge;

There is no speech, nor are their words; their voice is not heard. / Yet their good tidings go out through all the earth,/ and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens, He has set His tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber;/ it will rejoice like a strong man to run his course.

Its departure is from the end of the heavens / while its repose is at the end of the heavens and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

The law of the Lord is flawless and it turns the soul. / The testimony of the Lord is trustworthy and makes infants wise. / The commandments of the Lord are right and they make the heart rejoice. / The precepts of the Lord are chosen and they illumine the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is pure and it endures forever. / The judgments of the Lord are true and are more righteous than all. / They are more desirable than gold and even than precious stones. / They are sweeter than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover, Your servant will be warned by them; / If He keeps them, he will be greatly rewarded, but who can discern his errors? / Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep Your servant away from iniquity, lest the evil doers have dominion over me. / And I shall be purified from my sins. / O Lord, my helper and Savior, / let the words of my mouth be according to Your will / and the meditation of my heart be acceptable before You.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Lhaw Dat`ino Markabtho)

Brethren, – let us take refuge In pure – and holy fasting Like the – righteous and the just Who pleased – God by their fasting Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah

Moses – by his fast brought down The Law – for the Israelites Let us – also fast to be Worthy – of the Lord's Kingdom Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah

Moses – fasted on Sinai And his – face shone with brightness The youths – fasted inside the Furnace – and it quenched the flames Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah

The Church – is glorified by The fast – and by righteous works It drives – greed away from her And she – puts on abstinence Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah...Barekmor

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Moses – and Elijah fasted <u>for</u> Forty days and nights Our Lord – fasted forty days And He – overpow`rd Satan Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah [Isaiah 42:10-13, 45:8] Kurielaison. Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise from the ends of the earth! Let those who go down to the sea in its fullness, the islands and their inhabitants, praise the Lord!

Let the desert and its villages rejoice! Let Kedar be meadows; let the inhabitants of steep rocks praise Him! Let them shout from the top of mountains. Let them give glory to the Lord and declare His glory in the islands!

The Lord will go forth like a mighty man and like a warrior, He stirs up His fury; He will cry out and become mighty and will triumph over His enemies;

Let the clouds rain down righteousness; let the earth open and salvation increase; and let righteousness sprout forth altogether. I am the Lord who created them...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(l'Aloho d'Batuno/Mawrbo Tone 2 – b'Dukhrono Demo)

Christ, the Lord and God of <u>all</u> Fasted for us as <u>a</u> man And <u>He prepared</u>_ A way for us <u>that</u> we should walk in it and - not stumble And be saved Praise Him, all His <u>works</u> and magni<u>fy</u> - and exalt His Holy name <u>fore</u>ver!

Come, let us fast from e<u>vil</u> As our Savior has <u>taught</u> to His <u>disciples_</u> Let us not fast <u>like</u> the Jewish people who - angered God My brethren, Praise Him, all His <u>works</u> and magni<u>fy</u> - and exalt His Holy name <u>fore</u>ver! Fasting is right; pray'r is <u>great</u> But love is nobler <u>than</u> them Come, <u>my bre</u>thren_ Let us be armed <u>with</u> it and reconcile with - each other Let us all Praise Him, all His <u>works</u> and magni<u>fy</u> - and exalt His Holy name <u>fore</u>ver!...Barekmor

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

By fasting the just of <u>old</u> Gained virtues and received crowns They <u>were glo</u>ri'ous_ And they have been <u>made</u> worthy in the Lord's <u>bri</u>dal chamber To delight Praise Him, all His <u>works</u> and magni<u>fy</u> - and exalt His Holy name <u>fore</u>ver!

[*Psalm 113*] Amin. Praise you servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

May the Lord's name be bless'd forever and ever.

From the rising of the sun to its setting / great is the name of the Lord.

The Lord is high above all peoples/and his glory is above the heavens.

Who is like the Lord, our God, who sits on high / and looks upon the depths in heaven and on earth?

He raises up the poor from the dunghill / and makes him sit with the princes of the people.

He makes the barren woman keep house / and be a joyful mother of children.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

t Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.

EQBO

(Qolo d'Shubho)

Lord, awaken me to the hymns of the angels That I may sing <u>Your prai</u>ses In the morning, I open my mouth to praise You My Lord and God <u>have me</u>rcy.

Stoumen Kalos, Kurieleison

(Promion & Sedro)

QOLO

(Btar'okh Moran)

Those who fast, behold how the Great Holy Fast Magnifies all things May body and soul be covered from evil And our fast please God and be for the pardon Of our debts and sins...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

How swift are the wings of the fast which make us Ascend to the heights! Those who fast and do not mix falsehood with it Are mingled with the spirit*uals* and enjoy The bliss of heaven

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

I knock at Your door and I beg for mercy From Your treasure-house I am a sinner who has strayed from Your way Grant that I confess and be free from my sins And live in Your grace Lord have mercy upon us and help us

(Etro)

QOLO

(l'Maryam Yoldath Aloho – Tone 5)

Our Lord <u>fa</u>sted <u>and</u> prepared the <u>way</u> of life That we might walk <u>in</u> it to-<u>ward</u> His_ Father And we <u>shall</u> rejoice in <u>spi</u>rit <u>and</u> in calm Before our God <u>like</u> the wa-<u>tchers</u> in_ heaven...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

The Ninevites <u>fa</u>sted and were <u>saved</u> from wrath They humbled <u>them</u>selves with tears - <u>of</u> great_ sorrow And by <u>this</u>, the <u>Lord</u> removed their <u>pu</u>nishment The Lord recon<u>ciled</u> with them – <u>and a</u>nswered them

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

The trea<u>sure</u> of <u>the</u> soul is now <u>being</u> filled up Let us not <u>be</u> <u>negligent</u> - <u>or</u> be_ slothful For the <u>adversary</u> is <u>ever</u>-watchful And lays in wait <u>to</u> capture - <u>us</u> by_ his craft

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> Behold, the day for the work of justice has come O Sinner, hasten now your course in repentance Accompany the workers the Lord has hi`red Receive the Dinar and be a guest at the feast

The fast is good, but for those who fast without love Their mouth fills with stench and their fast profits nothing Pray'r is much loved, but if love does not raise it up It will be weak and will not enter His presence

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

(Scripture Readings)

Morning Praise for the Fast

Lord of all, - by your great mercies, Make us servants w<u>or</u>thy to be preserved today in justice, without the scars <u>of</u> sin. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>, - O God <u>of</u> - our fathers, And Your Holy <u>name</u> is mag<u>ni</u>fied and glorified forever. <u>A</u>min.

Lord, may Your - grace and <u>me</u>rcies be upon us, for our trust is <u>in</u> You. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! - O Lord, teach – and show us The way of Your co-mmand-ments. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! – By Your grace – make us to Understand the way of <u>Your</u> laws

Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! – Holy One, - enlight<u>en</u> us With your lumi<u>nous</u> rays Lord, may Your mer<u>cies</u> be up<u>on</u> us Do not neglect, <u>or</u> leave – the work <u>of</u> Y<u>our</u> hands

> <u>Glo</u>ry bef<u>its</u> You, <u>Ho</u>nor bef<u>its</u> You, <u>And</u> praise bef<u>its</u> You, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, Now and fore<u>ver</u>. <u>A</u>min!

Morning Praise

It is good to give You thanks - O Lord God,

And to sing praise to Your name And to proclaim Your grace in – the morning And Your faithfulness, Lord, in the night! (*Psalm 92:1-2*)

(Repeat the stanza above three times and kneel/prostrate)

At morning, you shall hear <u>my</u> voice;

I have prepared myself to appear before You

<u>Ho</u>ly <u>are</u> You, O God

<u>Ho</u>ly <u>O</u> Almighty <u>Ho</u>ly <u>O</u> Immortal †Crucified for us, have mer<u>cy</u> – on us (*Repeat three times*)

Lord, have compassion on us;

Forgive the sins of all of us, <u>O</u> Lord; **O** Holy One, let Your right hand rest up<u>on</u> us; Forgive our weakness, for Your name is forever!

Glory to You, O God

Glory to You, <u>O</u> God Glory, our hope fore<u>ver</u>...*Barekmor*

Our Father, who art in heaven...

(In Prose) **Morning Praise**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praise to Your name, Most High, to proclaim Your grace in the morning and Your faithfulness in the night.

Lord, in the morning You shall hear my voice and in the morning I have prepared myself to appear before You. Lord, have compassion on Your people; Lord, pardon and forgive the sins of all of us. Holy One, let Your right hand rest upon us and pardon our infirmity because Your name is forever. Amin.

Qaumo

MONDAY 3RD HOUR PRAYERS

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Qaumo

QOLO

(Lokh Moriyo Qorenan – Reesh Qolo)

With grief and pure fasting, let us beseech Christ, Who is the victorious King and who - loves mankind He is accustomed to reconcile with us Just as He had reconciled with the - Ninevites Bless'ed is - the Lord, our Savior Who does not - turn His face away From supplications which are full of - repentance...Barekmor *†* Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore Bless`ed are those who abstain from all vices And keep a fast of discernment with – a pure heart They have been made an ever-holy temple Which ministers God secretly and - openly O Lord, may – our supplication To You be - for Your persuasion Reconcile with us, O Lord, by Your - compassion

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR BALAI

(Tone 5) Christ who by His fast redeemed us from sin Accept our fast and have mercy on us

Bless`ed are those who fast in perfection and fast from all passions which pass away,

For the Bridal Chamber and the Kingdom Are preserved for those faithful in Eden

Elijah fasted and was taken up, For those who fast are always in heaven

Lord of those above, Hope of those below, Accept our fast and have mercy on us

MONDAY 6TH HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(Shlomo d'Abo – Tone 5)

Brethren, - the po<u>wer</u>ful fast Has come – with its <u>be</u>nefits Re<u>ceive</u> it in <u>pu</u>rity_, For <u>in</u> the Re<u>su</u>rrection_ It gains – confi<u>dence</u> for us In the – court of <u>God's</u> judgment...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

In the – furnace, <u>the</u> three youths Wrote a – letter <u>to</u> Daniel: "O <u>come</u> and join <u>us</u> in pra'yr_" And <u>D</u>aniel wrote <u>in</u> reply: "Fear not – this fi<u>`re</u> the Chaldeans – have kin<u>dled</u> for you"

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(Tone 5)

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all

> By the fast which Moses kept His face became luminous; When he fasted forty days, He shone brighter than the sun

Fasting is a great weapon Which cannot be defeated Go forth! Wage war with the fast Which exalts the true warriors

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all

MANITHO of MOR SEVERUS

By the prayers of Your Mother – and those of all Your Saints I exalt You, Lord and King, - The Only-Begotten Son; <u>Word</u> of the Father; Immortal in His nature and who <u>by</u> His grace <u>De</u>scended for – <u>all</u> mankind To bring life and salvation for our fallen <u>hu</u>man race; <u>Who</u> did become – <u>in</u>carnate – <u>of</u> the pure Virgin, The holy and glor`i`ous The`<u>o</u>`tokos <u>He</u> became man – <u>with</u>out change And was crucified for us, Christ who is our <u>Lord</u> and God. <u>He</u> trampled death – <u>by</u> His death - <u>and</u> destroyed our death. Christ, who is one of the Holy <u>Trin</u>ity; <u>Who</u> is worshipped – <u>e</u>qually With His Father and Spirit; Have mercy up<u>on</u> us all!

Qaumo, Nicene Creed

Forty Prostrations

Kurielaison (x10) Lord, have mercy upon us (x10) Lord, be kind and have mercy (x10) Answer, Lord, and have mercy (x10)

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. Barekmor

Our Father, who art in heaven...

MONDAY 9TH HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(Hwilo l'Nafesho – Reesh Qolo)

Bless`ed is he who keeps the fast with all – purity And shares his bread with the needy from a – gentle heart He will receive – reward from the Lord and will Inherit – the Kingdom <u>of</u> God...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

The great Moses kept the pure fast and shone – like the sun Elijah was raised up by the fast of – the Spirit

May we please You – with a pure fast, O Lord God And enter – the Kingdom <u>of</u> God

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR BALAI

(Tone 5)

Christ who by His fast redeemed us from sin Accept our fast and have mercy on us

He who keeps the fast of Christ our Savior Shall turn his thoughts from passions to the Lord

Let us fast, pray, keep vigil, and worship, For by these, one gains the eternal life

> Lord of those above, Hope of those below, Accept our fast and have mercy on us

> > Qaumo

TUESDAY EVENING PRAYER Vespers/Ramsho

Qaumo

† Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

May His grace and mercy be upon us, weak and sinful, in both worlds forever and ever. Amin.

(Introductory Prayer)

Psalms of Evening

[*Psalm 141*] Kurielaison / Lord, I have called upon You, / answer me; hear and receive my words.

Let my prayer be like incense in Your sight, / the offering of my hands like the evening offering. / Set a guard, Lord, before my mouth, /a guard before my lips, / that my heart may not turn to evil words / and I may not do deeds of wickedness.

Let me not take salt with impious men; / let the just man teach me and reprove me; / let not the oil of the impious anoint my head / because my prayer was against their evil-doing. / Their judges have been restrained by the side of the rock, / and they have heard how gentle are my words.

As when a plough cleaves the earth, their bones have been scattered at the mouth of Sheol. / I have lifted up my eyes to You, Lord, / and in You have I put my trust; / do not cast away my soul.

Keep me from the hand of the proud, who have laid snares for me; / let the wicked fall into their nets, while I pass on. [*Psalm 142*] With my voice I cried to the Lord; / with my voice I besought the Lord and poured out my prayer before him; / I showed him my affliction, when my spirit was troubled, / but You know my path.

In the way of my walking they have laid a snare for me; / I look to the right and see none that knows me; / the way of escape has gone from me and there is none who cares for my soul. / I cried to You, Lord, and said: / You are my hope and my portion in the land of the living.

Hear my petition because I am brought very low; / deliver me from my persecutors because they are too strong for me. / Lead me forth from prison that I may give thanks to Your name; / Your just ones shall have hope when You shall reward me.

[Psalm 119, 105-112] Your word is a lamp to my feet and light to my path; / I have sworn and am resolved to keep the judgments of Your justice. / I am greatly brought low, Lord, / give me life according to Your word; / be pleased with the words of my mouth, Lord, / and teach me Your judgments.

My soul is ever in my hands, and I have not forgotten Your law; / sinners have laid snares for me and I have not strayed from Your commands. / I shall inherit Your testimony forever because it is dear to my heart; / I have turned my heart to do Your commands forever in truth.

[*Psalm 117*] **Praise the Lord, all your nations; praise him, all you peoples**, / for His grace is strong over us; / truly the Lord is forever.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Moriyo Qrithokh At)

Lord, when we call upon You Hear our pray'r and <u>have me</u>rcy

> Lord, we beseech Your mercies Hear our pray'r and <u>have me</u>rcy

Lord, on account of Your grace, Accept our fast<u>ing and prayer</u>

O Lord, by Your compassion Hear our pray'r and <u>have me</u>rcy

O Lord, by Your fast for us Hear our pray'r and <u>have me</u>rcy...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Come, let us praise the Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit!

Staumen Kalos, Kurielaison

(Promion & Sedro)

QOLO

(Lokh Moriyo Qorenan - Reesh Qolo)

The prophet cries aloud, "This is the pure fast" (Isaiah 58:6-7) He preaches to us as to how we - should keep it: "Loose the knots of wickedness from all your minds; Cut off the burdens of deceit from - all your hearts;

Divide your – bread for the needy And welcome – strangers to your homes Is this not the fast that I, the Lord, - have chosen?"...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

The day of suff'ring draws near and frightens us Come, brethren, and approach Him with pray'r - and fasting The just and the righteous also approached Him And received His help and were crowned with - victory David wrote - that "the righteous ones Inherit - the earth and they shall Dwell in the imperishable world - forever" (*Psalm* 37:29)

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Come to our help, O Lord, we call upon you For the evil one troubles the world – by his craft He has stirred up war among judges and kings He tries to deceive even those who – are righteous What shall we – take our refuge in If not in – Your loving-kindness? Drive away the evil one by Your – Holy Cross

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

(Etro)

QOLO

(Barubto Brishith – Reesh Qolo)

Satan saw our Lord – hunger, for Christ became man Willingly, - and as with Adam Satan fought him with food, but bless'd <u>is</u> Christ, Halleluiah w'Halleluiah, who <u>crushed</u> Satan's pow'r...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

"Depart, O Satan," – said our Lord to the evil Enemy, - "for it is written You shall serve God and worship Him <u>a</u>lone." Halleluiah w'Halleluiah, He <u>has</u> made all things

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Day after day I - promise that tomorrow I Will repent, - yet my days have passed And my sins remain, Lord, pour Your <u>me</u>rcy Halleluiah w'Halleluiah, and <u>grace</u> upon me

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> The fast is a great weapon for the diligent Without it, one can neither fight nor win vic'try

O you who have discernment, put on the pure fast, For it is a great weapon for those who wear it

> Who can speak of the splendor of fasting, itself, Or comprehend the beauty it helps us to gain?

It is a great treasure which cannot be pillaged Praise Christ, who gave it that we might be glorified

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> > (Gospel)

Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, do not close the door of Your mercy in our faces. We confess that we are sinners, have mercy upon us. / O Lord, Your love made you descend to us from Your place, / that by Your death our death might be abolished. / Have mercy upon us. Amin.

Qaumo

TUESDAY PROTECTION PRAYER

Compline/Sutoro

Qaumo

QOLO

(Qtilo D'aqtal/Zodeq d'Nehwe – Tone 6)

<u>O</u> You the slain – who by Your slaying slew both <u>Death</u> and Satan <u>Slay</u> the sin, which – dwells in me and makes me its <u>Slave</u> by my will O Good Shep<u>herd</u> – who went in search of Sheep that strayed <u>from</u> – the flock and was lost <u>O</u> seek for me – who am lost like the one coin <u>Out</u> of ten, which – The woman lost – and did seek <u>Be</u>cause You are – He who finds those who are lost Halleluiah <u>praise</u> – be to You...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

<u>Fear</u> not sinner – to turn back and walk the way <u>Of</u> repentance <u>For</u> Your Lord has – gone out in search of you and <u>If</u> He finds you He will rejoice – and forgive your sins Like He forgave – the sinful woman <u>He</u> will stretch His – hand to you as to Peter <u>And</u> grant to you-As to the thief – Paradise <u>He</u> will rejoice – and bear you on His shoulders Halleluiah and – embrace you

Lord have mercy upon us and help us!

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

O Lord, our Lord, - we call to you – come to our aid Hear our requests – and have mercy – upon our souls

The sinner is – loved when his face – is bathed in tears And his mouth is – closed by mourning – full of sorrow The tears, which flow – from the eyes of – him who repents Are cherished and- loved much more than-all precious gems

If you wish to – paint a picture – of repentance You must add – your sorrowful tears – to the colors Tears are a feast – of repentance, - come and bring them Come and enjoy – forgiveness for – your debts and sins

Answer O Lord – Answer O Lord – and have mercy Turn the hearts of – the sons of men – to repentance

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Psalms of Sutoro

[*Psalm 91*] Bless me, O Lord. / He who sits under the protection of the Most High / and glories in the shelter of God will say to the Lord,

"My trust is in You, / God is my refuge in whom I trust".

For the Lord shall deliver you from the snare, which makes you stumble / and from talk of vain things.

He will keep you safe under his feathers / and you shall be protected beneath His wings. / His truth shall enclose you as an armor.

You shall not be afraid of the terror of the night / nor of the arrow, which flies by day.

Nor of the word, which walks in the darkness/ nor of the spirit that destroys at midday.

Thousands shall fall at your side / and ten thousand at your right hand, / but it shall not come near you

But with your eyes alone / you shall see the reward of the wicked

Because You have made the Lord your trust; / You have made Your dwelling in the heights

Evil shall not come near you, / affliction shall not come near your tent

Because He has commanded his angels concerning you; / that they should keep you in all your ways

And receive you in their arms; / that you may not stumble with your foot

You shall tread upon the adder and the basilisk; / You shall trample upon the lion and the dragon

"Because he has cried to me", says the Lord, / "I will deliver him and strengthen him."

Because he has known my name, He shall call upon me and I will answer him, / I will be with him in distress.

I will strengthen him and honor him; / With length of days I will satisfy him and show him my salvation".

[*Psalm 121*] I have lifted up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come?

My help is from the Lord, / who made heaven and earth

He will not suffer your foot to slip, / your guardian shall not sleep.

Indeed, He neither slumbers nor sleeps, / the guardian of Israel.

The Lord is your guardian. / The Lord shall shelter you with His right hand

By day the sun shall not harm you, / nor the moon by night,

The Lord shall guard you from all evil, / the Lord shall guard your soul

The Lord shall guard your going out and your coming in. / From henceforth and forevermore.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

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

Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah. Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.

Prayer of St. Severus

He who sits under the protection of the Most High, / beneath the shadow of the wings of Your loving kindness will say,

"Protect us, O Lord, and have mercy upon us; / You who hear all, / hear the prayer of Your servants in Your loving kindness.

Grant us, O Christ our Savior, / an evening full of peace and a night of holiness, / for You are the King of Glory.

Our eyes are turned to You. / Pardon our offences and our sins; / Have mercy upon us / both in this world and in the world to come;

O Lord, / may Your mercy protect us / and Your grace rest upon our faces. / May Your † Cross guard us from the evil one and his powers.

May your right hand rest upon us / all the days of our lives, / and Your peace reign among us /and give hope and salvation to the souls of those who pray to You.

By the prayer of Mary, who bore You and of all Your saints, / pardon me and have mercy on me, O God". Amin.

Praise of the Cherubim We make the sign of the Cross and kneel as we pray:

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever!

- † Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever!
- † Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever and ever!

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us; Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us; Holy and glorious Trinity, have compassion and mercy upon us.

You are holy and glorious forever

You are holy and glorious forever You are holy and blessed is Your name, forever and ever.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

Glory be to You, O Lord; Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*.

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Nicene Creed, Quqlions of the Theotokos & Saints

TUESDAY NIGHT VIGIL Lilyo

Qaumo

Introductory Prayer

Awaken us, Lord, from our sleep in the sloth of sin that we may praise your watchfulness, You who watch and do not sleep; give life to our death in the sleep of death and corruption, that we may adore Your compassion, You who live and do not die; grant us in the glorious company of the angels who praise You in heaven, to praise You and bless you in holiness, because You are praised and blessed in heaven and on earth, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever. Amin.

Introductory Psalms of Night Vigil

[Psalm 134] Barekmor. Bless the Lord, / all You servants of the Lord.

Barekmor. You who stand by night in the house of the Lord.

Lift up your hands to the holy place / and bless the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion, / He who made heaven and earth.

[*Psalm 119, 169-176*] Let my praise enter before You, Lord, / and give me life by Your word; / let my cry enter before You, Lord, / and deliver me by Your word.

My tongue shall pour forth Your word, / because all Your commands are just.

My lips shall speak Your praise when You have taught me Your commands; / let Your hand help me / because I have taken pleasure in Your commands.

My soul has longed for Your salvation /and I have meditated on Your law; / let my soul live and I will praise You /and Your judgments shall help me.

I have gone astray like a lost sheep; / seek for Your servant, / because I have not forgotten all Your commands.

[*Psalm 117*] Praise the Lord, all you nations, / praise Him, all you peoples,/ for His grace is strong over us; / truly, the Lord is forever.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Yoye w'Zodeq)

Belov`ed, let us awake In this holy and pure fast And be diligent so that You may receive full reward <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have me</u>rcy!

With vigil, fasting and pray'r And the labor of justice, Let us receive the Kingdom Along with eternal life <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have me</u>rcy!

Come, let us not grow weary By our labor with the Lord, For He will give good reward When He comes in His glory <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have mercy</u>!

Bless`ed are the diligent Who gain the spiri*tual* life By the labor of justice In the great vineyard of Christ <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, have mercy!...Barekmor *† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore*

Bless`ed are you, those who fast, If you fast in purity, Each and ev'ry one of you. Let us fast with discernment <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have me</u>rcy!

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

1ST QAUMO

EQBO

(Honaw Yarho – In the Tone of the Day)

I know, my Lord – that You are kind – and merciful At the hour of mercy, Jesus, The Hope of those who beseech You, Pour forth mercy – on the sinners – who seek mercy

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Lokh Moriyo Qorenan - In the Tone of the Day)

The harp of the Holy Spirit, Halleluiah King David called me by his psalms and woke me I awoke from sleep, which had fallen on my limbs He said to me: "Rise up, why are you sleeping? For the bribe reaches the judge at the time of night Stand and pray – and beg for pardon For Your Lord – is pleased by our tears His door is always open to those who repent"...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

At night I thought of You, Lover of mankind And upon my bed I meditated on You I see my stains and I fear to call on You But I gain strength by the thief and the publican Along with – the sinful woman.

They tell me – to be encouraged, "To approach because our Lord is full of mercy" *Lord have mercy upon us and help us*

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(In the Tone of the Day)

O Lord, our Lord, we call to You, come to our aid Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> The sick soul says in her pain: "Who will clothe me with That beauty, which I was clothed in before I sinned? If God who is merciful will not accept me, Who shall restore to me that beauty, which I lost?

My soul, image of the king, you lost your beauty But in your Lord's hands your beauty is kept for you The moment you return He will give it to you He has kept it for you that it may be restored

> Answer O Lord, answer O Lord, and have mercy Turn the hearts of the sons of men to repentance

Praise of the Cherubim

Prayed at the conclusion of the 1st and 2nd Watches of Lilyo

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever!

+ Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever!+ Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever and ever!

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us;

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us; Holy and glorious Trinity, have compassion and mercy upon us.

You are holy and glorious forever

You are holy and glorious forever You are holy and blessed is Your name, forever and ever.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

Glory be to You, O Lord; Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

Our Father who art in Heaven...

2ND QAUMO

EQBO

(Honaw Yarho - In the Tone of the Day)

Woe be to me – for I have been – among the just But I have profited nothing Because I have not learned their ways I am estranged – and now my sin – keeps me from them

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Lokh Moriyo Qorenan - In the Tone of the Day)

At night, before God, with the strings of his harp, King David sang the songs of the Holy Spirit. At night, I have risen up to praise Your name On account of the wond'rous laws You gave to us You fashioned – me in Your image And gave me – reason and free will You have made me a beautiful work of Your hands...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

At night awaken my mind, O Son of God That I may sing praise and thanksgiving for Your grace The evil one wishes to drown me in sin He drowns me in sleep that I may not sing Your praise Strengthen me – that I might rise up And praise You – for Your compassion And I will cry aloud, "Glory to You, O Lord!" Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(*In the Tone of the Day*)

Lord, have mercy upon us O Lord, receive our service

> At night, let those below watch Along with the one above And let them sing glory to The Watcher who never sleeps

Let us not be drowned in sin, My brethren, as if in sleep, And let us all keep vigil To prepare for the bridegroom

> Lord, who hears our petitions Answer us in Your mercy Lord, be reconciled with us Have compassion upon us

Praise of the Cherubim

Prayed at the conclusion of 1st and 2nd Watches of Lilyo

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord… Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us… You are holy and glorious forever… Glory be to You, O Lord… Our Father who art in Heaven…

3RD QAUMO

EQBO

(Honaw Yarho - In the Tone of the Day)

O Great Ocean, - full of mercy, - may I be saved From drowning in this sinful world As You saved Peter from the sea For You are the – Harbor of peace – for those with faith

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Lokh Moriyo Qorenan - In the Tone of the Day)

Come to our help, O Lord, we call upon you For the evil one troubles the world by his craft He has stirred up war among judges and kings He tries to deceive even those who are righteous What shall we – take our refuge in

If not in – Your loving-kindness? Drive away the evil one by Your Holy Cross...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O, Lord, you favor no one in your judgement Therefore, I grieve, for I know that I am guilty At the ho`ur when the dread books are opened, Lord, have mercy when Your justice reads out my sins May Your grace – plead with Your justice; May my guilt – receive forgiveness I do not deny that I have sinned; Have mercy!

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR BALAI

(*In the Tone of the Day*)

Lord, who has mercy even on sinners Have mercy on us on Your judgment Day!

> At Your door O Lord, the afflicted knock Answer their requests in Your compassion

Father in heaven, we do beseech You! Accept our service; have mercy on us.

Lord of those above! Hope of those below! Accept this service; have mercy on us

> † Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah! Glory to You, O God! (*Repeat three times*)

Be compassionate towards us in Your mercy, / O God of compassion; / in our sacrifices and our prayers / we make memory of our fathers / who taught us while they were alive, / to be children of God; / O Son of God, / raise them up in the heavenly kingdom / with the just and the righteous / in the world, which does not pass away.

Lord, have mercy upon us and help us

Psalms of Night Vigil

Awake, you that sleep, and rise and sing praise. [*Psalm* 148] Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the heights.

Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all his hosts.

Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all stars of light; praise Him, heaven of heavens, and the waters above the heavens; let them praise the name of the Lord.

For He spoke and they were made, He commanded and they were created; He established them forever and ever. He gave them a law, which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, sea-monsters and all depths, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy winds that fulfill His word;

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and birds that fly;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all judges of the earth; young men, too, and maidens; old men and boys; let them praise the name of the Lord.

For His name alone is exalted; His praise is on earth and in heaven, and He has lifted up the horn of His people; praise for all the just, the children of Israel, the people who draw near to Him.

[*Psalm* 149] Praise the Lord with a new praise in the assembly of the just; let Israel be glad in her Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Let them praise His name with the timbrel and the drum; let them sing to Him with the harp, for the Lord takes pleasure in His people, and gives salvation to the poor.

Let the just exult in glory; let them praise Him on their beds; let the high praises of God be in their throats, and two-edged swords in their hands,

To execute vengeance on the nations, and to rebuke the peoples; to bind their kings with chains, their nobles with fetters of iron; to execute on them the judgment which is written; that is the glory of the just.

[*Psalm* 150] Praise the Lord in His holy place, praise Him in the firmament of His strength.

Praise Him for His mighty deeds, praise Him for His abounding greatness, praise Him with the sound of the trumpet, praise Him with lyre and harp.

Praise Him with the timbrel and the drum, praise Him with the soft strings, praise Him with the loud cymbals; praise Him with the sound of the voice; let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

[*Psalm 117*] Praise the Lord, all you nations; praise Him, all you peoples, for His grace is strong over us; truly the Lord is forever.

And to you belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Praise to the Holy Trinity!

Praise to the Holy Trinity!

We praise the glorious Trinity, self-existent and eternal; and to You belongs the praise, O God, at all times.

QAUMO of PRAISE

QOLO

(Lokh Moriyo Qorenan - Reesh Qolo)

By fasting, Daniel won vic'try over beasts, Hananiah and his companions – quenched the flames, Elijah rose in a chariot of fi`re Joshua held back the sun and moon – in the sky Bless'd is he – who with great gladness Engages – with fasting and pray'r The Kingdom and Bridal Chamber are – kept for him...Barekmor **†** Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

This is the pure fast, for it obtains for us The wings of the Spirit which lift us – to heaven When you fast, be chaste and pure and full of love Let your mouth and your heart be free from – all deceit Be filled with – love for your brother And love those – who hate and hurt you Then the Lord will hear your pray'r and show – you mercy

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(*Tone 5*)

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all

> By the fast Moses observed, The skin of his face shone bright He shone brighter than the sun By his fast of forty days

Praise the merciful Father Who saved us by His Son's fast, The Son who fasted for us, And the Spirit pleased in fasts

> Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all O Christ, who fasted for us Accept our fasting and pray'r

Hymn of the Angels

As the angels and archangels on high in heaven sing praise, / so we poor children of earth sing praise and say:

At all times and at all seasons, Glory to God in the heights / and on earth, peace and tranquility and good hope for the sons of men.

We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, / we raise up a hymn of praise to You.

We give thanks to You because of Your great glory, / Lord our creator, king of heaven, / God the Father Almighty.

Lord God, only Son, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son and Word of the Father, /who take away, or rather have taken away, the sin of the world / have mercy upon us.

You who take away, or rather have taken away the sin of the world, / incline Your ear to us and receive our prayers; / You who sit in glory at the right hand of the Father, / have compassion on us.
Because You only are holy, You only, Lord Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amin.

At all times and all the days of my life, / I will bless and praise Your name, which is holy and blessed forever, / and which remains forever and ever.

Blessed are You, Lord Almighty, God of our fathers, / and Your name is blessed and glorified in praise forever.

To You belongs glory, to You belongs praise, to You belongs honor, / God of all, Father of truth, / with the only Son and living Holy Spirit, now and always forever. Amin.

Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, do not close the door of Your mercy in our faces. We confess that we are sinners, have mercy upon us. / O Lord, Your love made you descend to us from Your place, /that by Your death our death might be abolished. / Have mercy upon us. Amin.

Qaumo

TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER

Matins/Safro

Qaumo

Psalms of Morning

[*Psalm* 51] Have mercy upon me, O God, in Your loving kindness;/ in the abundance of Your mercy blot out my sin.

Wash me thoroughly from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin./ For I acknowledge my fault and my sins are before me always.

Against you only have I sinned and done evil in Your sight, / that You may be justified in Your words and vindicated in Your judgment. / For I was born in guilt and in sin did my mother conceive me.

But you take pleasure in truth and You have made known to me the secrets of Your wisdom. / Sprinkle me with Your hyssop and I shall be clean; / wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

Give me the comfort of Your joy and gladness, and the bones, which have been humbled shall rejoice. / Turn away Your face from my sins and blot out all my faults.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, / and renew Your steadfast spirit within me. / Do not cast me from Your presence / and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

But restore to me Your joy and Your salvation / and let Your glorious spirit sustain me; / that I may teach the wicked Your way / and sinners may return to You.

Deliver me from blood, O God, God of my salvation / and my tongue shall praise Your justice. / Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall sing Your praise.

For you do not take pleasure in sacrifices; / by burnt offerings You are not appeased. / The sacrifice of God is a humble spirit, / a heart that is contrite God will not despise.

Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion and build up the walls of Jerusalem. / Then shall You be satisfied with sacrifices of truth and with whole burnt-offerings; / then shall they offer bullocks upon Your altar.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O Merciful God! Have mercy upon us in your mercy!

Lord have mercy upon us and help us.

[Psalm 63] My God, you are my God, I will seek You.

My soul thirsts for You and my flesh seeks for You like the thirsty earth, which is parched and begging for water.

So have I looked for You in truth, that I may see Your power and Your glory.

Because your loving-kindness is better than life, / my lips shall praise You.

So I will bless You while I live and will lift up my hands in Your name.

My soul shall be enriched as with marrow and fat / and my mouth shall praise You with lips of praise.

I have remembered You upon my bed / and in the nighttime I have meditated on You.

For You have been my helper / and in the shadow of Your wings is my protection.

My soul follows after You / and Your right hand upholds me.

Those who seek to destroy my soul shall enter into the lower parts of the earth.

They shall be delivered over to the sword and shall be food for foxes; / but the king shall rejoice in God.

Everyone who swears by Him shall glory, / but the mouth of those who speak lies shall be stopped.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

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ENIYONO

(Haw d'Uhdono)

Christ God who taught us – to win vic'try Over the adversary With holy fasting and pray'r I stand *before* You; – Lord have mercy!

> Christ God, You redeemed – the Ninevites Through their fasting and their pray'rs And their tears of repentance I <u>stand</u> *before* You; – Lord have mercy!

Christ our God who by – Your holy fast Has delivered us from the Error of sin and Satan I <u>stand</u> *before* You; – Lord have mercy!

> Christ our God who for – our salvation Has fought war against Satan And banished his pow'r from us I <u>stand</u> *before* You; – Lord have mercy!

God who through fasting – strengthened us all To spirit`ua`lly nourish Us with the divine teachings, I <u>stand</u> *before* You; – Lord have mercy!...*Barekmor*

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You, who do not wish – for sinners' deaths, But rather that they repent And be redeemed from evil, I <u>stand</u> *before* You; – Lord have mercy! [*Psalm 19*] *Kurielaison.* The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. / Day to day brings forth speech; / night to night declares knowledge;

There is no speech, nor are their words; their voice is not heard. / Yet their good tidings go out through all the earth,/ and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens, He has set His tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber;/ it will rejoice like a strong man to run his course.

Its departure is from the end of the heavens / while its repose is at the end of the heavens and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

The law of the Lord is flawless and it turns the soul. / The testimony of the Lord is trustworthy and makes infants wise. / The commandments of the Lord are right and they make the heart rejoice. / The precepts of the Lord are chosen and they illumine the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is pure and it endures forever. / The judgments of the Lord are true and are more righteous than all. / They are more desirable than gold and even than precious stones. / They are sweeter than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover, Your servant will be warned by them; / If He keeps them, he will be greatly rewarded, but who can discern his errors? / Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep Your servant away from iniquity, lest the evil doers have dominion over me. / And I shall be purified from my sins. / O Lord, my helper and Savior, / let the words of my mouth be according to Your will / and the meditation of my heart be acceptable before You.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

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ENIYONO

('Erbo No' Mor Abeedo)

My Lord, I am the lost sheep Which has left <u>the</u> way of life I ran after vanity; Good Shepherd, <u>go</u> and seek me Do not – leave me to be lost, But count – me among Your flock And that with those wise virgins I may be made worthy to Enter Your Bridal - <u>Cham</u>ber

> Pardon all my debts, O God And forgive <u>my</u> transgressions, Because I have greatly sinned And have an<u>gered</u> You, O Lord Like the – sinful woman, I Beg You, – Lord, to absolve me So that when You come again I may sing praise to Your grace Among the ranks of - <u>Your</u> saints

Just like the prodigal son, I call u<u>pon</u> You, with sighs: "I have sinned against heaven And before <u>You</u>, my Father; Receive – me as a servant And I – shall serve in Your house Pardon all my transgressions Which I have sinned against You For You are full of - <u>me</u>rcy

> O Lord, I am terrified, For I have <u>heard</u> that in death There is no mem'ry of You. In She`ol, <u>who</u> will praise You? Therefore, - I beg earnestly O Lord, - and with all my heart! In my life, I will praise You And sing to You while I breathe For You are the One - <u>who</u> saves...*Barekmor*

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Hear the pray'r of Your servants, Lord, for we <u>knock</u> at Your door See the repentance with sighs That we offer before You Do not – turn your gaze from us For the – godless oppose us But, Lord, with Your mighty hand, Redeem us and have mercy For we have called <u>upon</u> You!

[Isaiah 42:10-13, 45:8] Kurielaison. Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise from the ends of the earth! Let those who go down to the sea in its fullness, the islands and their inhabitants, praise the Lord!

Let the desert and its villages rejoice! Let Kedar be meadows; let the inhabitants of steep rocks praise Him! Let them shout from the top of mountains. Let them give glory to the Lord and declare His glory in the islands!

The Lord will go forth like a mighty man and like a warrior, He stirs up His fury; He will cry out and become mighty and will triumph over His enemies;

Let the clouds rain down righteousness; let the earth open and salvation increase; and let righteousness sprout forth altogether. I am the Lord who created them...*Barekmor*

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ENIYONO

(Yaumo Dethfalag)

Let us purify with tears of <u>repentance</u> The soul tainted by the multi<u>tude</u> of sins And the defilements of sins and <u>of</u> e-vil Let us implore the Lord with sorrow: Have pity, Merciful One For You, alone, <u>are glo</u>rious!

> May our fast please You, O Lover <u>of</u> Mankind, And may our pray'rs be accepted <u>in</u> Your sight Lord, as You reconciled with the <u>Ni</u>ne-vites Who had beseeched You in repentance, Reconcile with us, O God And accept our fast and prayers!

In fasting's meadows, may the lamb <u>of</u> Your flock Be fattened spi`ri`tu'ally in <u>ho</u>liness May it be led and preserved in <u>pu</u>ri-ty By the fast, the King gave priesthood to The house of Levi and to Simon's house, apostleship...*Barekmor*

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> By the fasting which he kept in <u>Ba</u>bylon, Daniel shut the mouths of the fear<u>some</u> lions And by the fast, the three youths put <u>out the</u> flames By the fast, the Ninevites were saved Through their fast of repentance Offered with loud <u>cries</u> and tears

[*Psalm 113*] Amin. Praise you servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

May the Lord's name be bless'd forever and ever.

From the rising of the sun to its setting / great is the name of the Lord.

The Lord is high above all peoples/and his glory is above the heavens.

Who is like the Lord, our God, who sits on high / and looks upon the depths in heaven and on earth?

He raises up the poor from the dunghill / and makes him sit with the princes of the people.

He makes the barren woman keep house / and be a joyful mother of children.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.

EQBO

(Bhaw Nuhro Gayo)

All the an<u>gels</u> serve – Your <u>God</u>-head In – the – joyous light And at mor<u>ning</u> all – cre<u>a</u>tion Hastens to wor<u>ship</u> – <u>You</u>, Lord.

Stoumen Kalos, Kurieleison

(Promion & Sedro)

QOLO

(Quqoyo – Reesh Qolo)

Let us be diligent in fasting, my brethren Those who fast gain vict'ry and perfection in Christ By it, our Lord – fought against Satan By it, Moses – shone on Mount Sinai By it, Elijah was lifted up to heaven And by it, the martyrs were crowned; Bless`ed is He Halleluiah – who gave it to us...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Fasting from bread and water is a minor fast,
But if there is almsgiving in it, it is great

And great will be – the reward for those
Who fast and give – alms to the needy

Those with nothing to give should mix love with fasting,
And they will be mingled with spi`ri`tual be`ings

Halleluiah – at Resurrection

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Moses fasted forty days upon Mount Sinai, And his face shone brightly by the splendor of God And he received – the Ten Commandments Inscribed in stone – from the Lord our God Bless`ed are you, faithful Church, for by your fasting, You partake truly of the living sacrifice Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

(Etro)

QOLO

(Dahto lo Nehte – Reesh Qolo)

Bless`ed is He who – by His fasting won Vict`o`ry over the adver<u>sa</u>ry And opened for us – the path to Heaven With this weapon which leads to last<u>ing</u> life Halleluiah w'Halleluiah Lord, bless'd is Your fast which conquered <u>Sa</u>tan...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

The bread and water – our Lord has given For the body does not save or <u>cause</u> sin But you must abstain – from sin and do good This is the fasting that pleases the Lord Halleluiah w'Halleluiah O Lord, grant us that our fast may <u>please</u> You

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

By my will I sin – and by it, repent I know the reason Satan has <u>caught</u> me Woe to me for I – have sinned against You Woe to me for I am not re<u>pen</u>tant Halleluiah w'Halleluiah Woe to me when you judge; Lord have mercy!

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> At this time, when the stomach is deprived of food O Mouth, speak and speak and gain the One who hears You

At this time, the Spirit's riches are *being* gathered All shall awake and fill their baskets with virtues

> Praise God who gave to us the unchanging riches, Namely, the fast full of wealth for those who love it

Bless'd is He who gave it to the Church and her flock, And she praises Him, His Father, and His Spirit

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> > (Scripture Readings)

Morning Praise for the Fast

Lord of all, - by your great mercies, Make us servants w<u>or</u>thy to be preserved today in justice, without the scars <u>of</u> sin. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>, - O God <u>of</u> - our fathers, And Your Holy <u>name</u> is mag<u>ni</u>fied and glorified forever. <u>A</u>min.

Lord, may Your - grace and <u>me</u>rcies be upon us, for our trust is <u>in</u> You. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! - O Lord, teach – and show us The way of Your co-mmand-ments. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! – By Your grace – make us to Understand the way of <u>Your</u> laws

Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! – Holy One, - enlight<u>en</u> us With your lumi<u>nous</u> rays Lord, may Your mer<u>cies</u> be up<u>on</u> us Do not neglect, <u>or</u> leave – the work <u>of</u> Y<u>our</u> hands

> <u>Glo</u>ry bef<u>its</u> You, <u>Ho</u>nor bef<u>its</u> You, <u>And</u> praise bef<u>its</u> You, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, Now and fore<u>ver</u>. <u>A</u>min!

Morning Praise

It is good to give You thanks – O Lord God, And to sing praise to Your name And to proclaim Your grace in – the morning And Your faithfulness, Lord, in the night! (*Psalm* 92:1-2)

(*Repeat the stanza above three times and kneel/prostrate*)

At morning, you shall hear <u>my</u> voice; I have prepared myself to appear be<u>fore</u> You

<u>Holy are</u> You, O God <u>Ho</u>ly O Almighty <u>Ho</u>ly O Immortal †Crucified for us, have mer<u>cy</u> – on us (*Repeat three times*) Lord, have compassion <u>on</u> us; Forgive the sins of all of us, <u>O</u> Lord; **O Holy One, let Your right hand rest up<u>on</u> us;** Forgive our weakness, for Your name is forever!

Glory to You, <u>O</u> God Glory to You, <u>O</u> God Glory, our hope fore<u>ver</u>...Barekmor

Our Father, who art in heaven...

(In Prose) **Morning Praise**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praise to Your name, Most High, to proclaim Your grace in the morning and Your faithfulness in the night.

Lord, in the morning You shall hear my voice and in the morning I have prepared myself to appear before You. Lord, have compassion on Your people; Lord, pardon and forgive the sins of all of us. Holy One, let Your right hand rest upon us and pardon our infirmity because Your name is forever. Amin.

Qaumo

TUESDAY 3RD HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(Shlomo d'Abo – Reesh Qolo)

Let us love <u>one</u> another Love completes <u>the</u> commandments There are those who fast from bread And yet are <u>filled</u> with hatred, Like those who <u>fast</u> from wine yet Kill their brethren secretly...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Through the fast<u>ing</u> of Daniel, He shut the <u>mouths</u> of lions; Hananiah and his friends Quenched the flames <u>in</u> the furnace, So let us <u>fast</u>, that we may, Rejoice with the spi`ri`*tuals*

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(*Tone 5*)

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all

Come, let us offer to Him The off'rings of discernment That we may be worthy of His vision at His Coming You who fast, offer to God Glory by all your labors; Offer Him good fruits of praise By the beauty of your life Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all O Christ, who fasted for us Accept our fasting and pray'r

Qaumo

TUESDAY 6TH HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(B'Safro Hazawuy/Shlomo d'Abo – Tone 1, Variation 3)

On that morning when Light dawns, Greatly bless'd are those who fast, For with the righteous they will par<u>take</u> of the Lord's banquet Their minds will greatly rejoice In the rewards of their works...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Those who fast with purity Are mingled with the watchers They are made friends of the glor'*ious* <u>who</u> excelled in fasting Satan cannot approach them, For the Lord is their guardian

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(*Tone 5*)

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all

If your fast is like honey But your tongue speaks bitter words The sweetness of your fasting Is turned into bitterness

> O Christ, who fasted for us Praise to You, and have mercy Have mercy upon us all In this world and that to come

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all O Christ, who fasted for us Accept our fasting and pray'r

MANITHO of MOR SEVERUS

By the prayers of Your Mother – and those of all Your Saints I exalt You, Lord and King, - The Only-Begotten Son; <u>Word</u> of the Father; Immortal in His nature and who <u>by</u> His grace <u>De</u>scended for – <u>all</u> mankind To bring life and salvation for our fallen <u>hu</u>man race; <u>Who</u> did become – <u>in</u>carnate – <u>of</u> the pure Virgin, The holy and glor`i`ous The`<u>o</u>`tokos <u>He</u> became man – <u>with</u>out change And was crucified for us, Christ who is our <u>Lord</u> and God. <u>He</u> trampled death – <u>by</u> His death - <u>and</u> destroyed our death. Christ, who is one of the Holy <u>Trin</u>ity; <u>Who</u> is worshipped – <u>e</u>qually With His Father and Spirit; Have mercy up<u>on</u> us all!

Qaumo, Nicene Creed

Forty Prostrations

Kurieleison (x10) Lord, have mercy upon us (x10) Lord, be kind and have mercy (x10) Answer, Lord, and have mercy (x10)

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. Barekmor

Our Father, who art in heaven...

TUESDAY 9TH HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(More d'Ramsho – Tone 5)

My <u>bre</u>thren, let – us be <u>di</u>ligent In fasting, pray'r – tears and <u>in</u> vigil, For <u>by</u> them we – will join <u>the</u> angels And inherit – the Kin<u>gdom</u> of God...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

This <u>is</u> the fast – our Lord <u>co</u>mmanded: You shall not hate – brother <u>or</u> neighbor, But <u>you</u> shall love – the ones <u>who</u> hate you And you shall love – even <u>e</u>nemies

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(Tone 5)

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all

By the fast in Nineveh, That great city was redeemed Mourning passed away from it Through pray'r and supplication

> Come, let us all take refuge In fasting, that hard labor, For Elijah did the same And ascended to heaven

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all O Christ, who fasted for us Accept our fasting and pray'r

Qaumo

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER

Vespers/Ramsho

Qaumo

† Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

May His grace and mercy be upon us, weak and sinful, in both worlds forever and ever. Amin.

Introductory Prayer

Grant us, Lord God, that while our bodies rest from the labors of the day and our souls are released from worldly thoughts, we may stand in Your presence with tranquility at this time of evening and that we may offer You ceaseless praise and uninterrupted thanksgiving; that we may acknowledge Your loving kindness by which You direct and rule our lives and protect and save our souls; to You we offer praise and thanksgiving, now and always and forever, Amin.

Psalms of Evening

[*Psalm 141*] Kurielaison / Lord, I have called upon You, / answer me; hear and receive my words.

Let my prayer be like incense in Your sight, / the offering of my hands like the evening offering. / Set a guard, Lord, before my mouth, /a guard before my lips, / that my heart may not turn to evil words / and I may not do deeds of wickedness.

Let me not take salt with impious men; / let the just man teach me and reprove me; / let not the oil of the impious anoint my head / because my prayer was against their evil-doing. / Their judges have been restrained by the side of the rock, / and they have heard how gentle are my words.

As when a plough cleaves the earth, their bones have been scattered at the mouth of Sheol. / I have lifted up my eyes to You, Lord, / and in You have I put my trust; / do not cast away my soul.

Keep me from the hand of the proud, who have laid snares for me; / let the wicked fall into their nets, while I pass on.

[*Psalm* 142] With my voice I cried to the Lord; / with my voice I besought the Lord and poured out my prayer before him; / I showed him my affliction, when my spirit was troubled, / but You know my path.

In the way of my walking they have laid a snare for me; / I look to the right and see none that knows me; / the way of escape has gone from me and there is none who cares for my soul. / I cried to You, Lord, and said: / You are my hope and my portion in the land of the living.

Hear my petition because I am brought very low; / deliver me from my persecutors because they are too strong for me. / Lead me forth from prison that I may give thanks to Your name; / Your just ones shall have hope when You shall reward me.

[Psalm 119, 105-112] Your word is a lamp to my feet and light to my path; / I have sworn and am resolved to keep the judgments of Your justice. / I am greatly brought low, Lord, / give me life according to Your word; / be pleased with the words of my mouth, Lord, / and teach me Your judgments.

My soul is ever in my hands, and I have not forgotten Your law; / sinners have laid snares for me and I have not strayed from Your commands. / I shall inherit Your testimony forever because it is dear to my heart; / I have turned my heart to do Your commands forever in truth.

[*Psalm 117*] **Praise the Lord, all your nations; praise him, all you peoples,** */* **for His grace is strong over us;** */* **truly the Lord is forever.**

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Sli Moriyo b'Rahme)

Brethren, let us take refuge In pure and holy fasting, As the just did in their fasts And pleased the e<u>xal</u>ted God

> Moses fasted and he shone; Elijah was taken up; The youths inside the furnace Fasted and put <u>out</u> the flames

Moses fasted and brought down The stone tablets of the Law Therefore, let us also fast To inherit <u>the</u> Kingdom...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

The Church is glorified by Fasting and works of justice; She drives away gluttony And wears the a<u>sce</u>tic robes

Staumen Kalos, Kurielaison

(Promion & Sedro)

QOLO

(Quqoyo – Reesh Qolo)

One who leaves the Lord's service and wanders about Resembles a lamb snatched from the flock by a wolf You were the lamb – of the Living God The evil one – is the pack of wolves Those outside, come enter, for the Bridegroom sees you And He will open His door for you to enter Halleluiah w'Halleluiah...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

If one sows alms and passes away from the world, He will reap them on the day of Resurrection Bless'd are those who – sow alms and fasting, Vigil, and the – works of discernment For they wait for Christ, who will come and reward them That which ear has never heard nor the heart conceived Halleluiah w'Halleluiah

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Our Father in heaven, answer us when we call For we have no other father who can help us For you were pleased – to raise us from dust Now that we live – spare us from your wrath Teach us, Lord, your commandments that we may keep them And by deeds of justice let us please you, O Lord Halleluiah – Have mercy on us

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

(Etro)

QOLO

(Bkhul Medem – Tone 5)

Isai<u>ah</u>, in <u>prophecy</u>, - has written us <u>with</u> his hymns, "This is the fasting – that plea<u>ses</u> the Lord: Give your <u>bread</u> to <u>the</u> hungry – and the <u>a</u>fflicted And with<u>out</u> he<u>si</u>tation, - clothe the <u>nee</u>dy ones." (Isaiah 58:6-7) Every<u>one</u> who <u>does</u> these things Will not <u>ever be</u> shaken They will <u>be</u>come <u>like</u> a tree – that is <u>pla</u>nted <u>near</u> water, Whose leaves will not fall – summer or winter...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Throughout <u>all gene</u>rations – the right<u>eous</u> were <u>glo</u>rified By holy fasting – and they <u>pleased</u> the Lord By his <u>fa</u>sting, <u>Mo</u>ses saw – God on <u>the</u> mountain By his <u>fa</u>sting, <u>Da</u>niel closed – the mouths <u>of</u> lions Hanna<u>ni</u>ah <u>and</u> his friends, Through fas<u>ting</u>, put <u>out</u> the flames So let <u>us</u> be diligent – with this <u>weapon of</u> fasting And let us please God – by lives of virtue

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Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

All things <u>I</u> have <u>considered</u> – Nothing <u>have</u> I <u>seen</u> better Bless'd is he who loved – the fear <u>of</u> the Lord Joseph <u>the</u> just <u>loved</u> it and – became <u>Egypt's</u> king Moses <u>loved</u> it <u>and</u> parted – the sea <u>with</u> his staff Daniel <u>and</u> his <u>friends</u> loved it And it <u>saved</u> them <u>from</u> the flames More de<u>sirable</u> than gold, - sweeter <u>than</u> the <u>ho</u>neycomb, Bless'd is He who loves – the fear <u>of</u> the Lord

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> What is gained if you fast from bread but sin by word? You will tear down what was built and lose the reward

If you fast in diligence but speak boastfully, You will still hunger but will lose your righteousness

Glory to Him who chooses the congregations to praise Him and makes them partake in His glory

Have mercy, Lord, on the dust that Your hands have made Praise to You, Your Father, and Your Holy Spirit

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

(Gospel)

Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, do not close the door of Your mercy in our faces. We confess that we are sinners, have mercy upon us. / O Lord, Your love made you descend to us from Your place, /that by Your death our death might be abolished. / Have mercy upon us. Amin.

Qaumo

WEDNESDAY PROTECTION PRAYER

Compline/Sutoro

Qaumo

QOLO

(Bkhul Medem – Tone 7)

All things I have <u>consi</u>dered – Nothing have I <u>seen be</u>tter Bless'd is <u>he</u> who loved - the fear <u>of</u> the Lord Joseph the just loved it and became king <u>of</u> - Egypt Moses loved it and divided the sea <u>with</u> – his staff Daniel and his friends loved it_ And it saved them from the flames_ More desira<u>ble than</u> gold, - sweeter than the <u>honey</u>comb Bless'd is He who loves – the fear of the Lord...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

St. Paul wrote me <u>a</u> letter - while I sat down <u>and read</u> it Tears flowed <u>from</u> my eyes, for it <u>is</u> written: Woe to adulterers and shame be up<u>on</u> – the thieves For blasphemers, there will be a fire which <u>is</u> - not quenched Woe to me for I have done_ All these things from my young age_ Like the tax coll<u>ector</u> and - just like the sin<u>ful wo</u>man I be<u>seech</u> You Lord - Have mer<u>cy</u> on me!

Lord have mercy upon us and help us!

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(Tone 7)

Lord, have mercy upon us O Lord, receive <u>our</u> service Send us from Your treasure-house Mercy, grace and <u>forg</u>iveness

> By our unpleasing actions, We have angered <u>You</u>, O Lord You are full of compassion And Your peace is <u>not</u> disturbed

O great Ocean of mercy, Our sins are a <u>drop</u> of mud And a drop of mud cannot Make a vast o<u>cean</u> muddy

> Glory be to Your great love Which is shed up<u>on</u> sinners Honor to Your Father and To the Holy <u>Spi</u>rit, praise

Lord who hearkens to our pray'rs Unto us be <u>re</u>conciled Hear our pray'r and petitions Answer us in Your mercy

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Psalms of Sutoro

[*Psalm* 91] Bless me, O Lord. / He who sits under the protection of the Most High / and glories in the shelter of God will say to the Lord,

"My trust is in You, / God is my refuge in whom I trust".

For the Lord shall deliver you from the snare, which makes you stumble / and from talk of vain things.

He will keep you safe under his feathers / and you shall be protected beneath His wings. / His truth shall enclose you as an armor.

You shall not be afraid of the terror of the night / nor of the arrow, which flies by day.

Nor of the word, which walks in the darkness/ nor of the spirit that destroys at midday.

Thousands shall fall at your side / and ten thousand at your right hand, / but it shall not come near you

But with your eyes alone / you shall see the reward of the wicked

Because You have made the Lord your trust; / You have made Your dwelling in the heights

Evil shall not come near you, / affliction shall not come near your tent

Because He has commanded his angels concerning you; / that they should keep you in all your ways

And receive you in their arms; / that you may not stumble with your foot

You shall tread upon the adder and the basilisk; / You shall trample upon the lion and the dragon

"Because he has cried to me", says the Lord, / "I will deliver him and strengthen him."

Because he has known my name, He shall call upon me and I will answer him, / I will be with him in distress.

I will strengthen him and honor him; / With length of days I will satisfy him and show him my salvation".

[*Psalm 121*] I have lifted up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come?

My help is from the Lord, / who made heaven and earth

He will not suffer your foot to slip, / your guardian shall not sleep.

Indeed, He neither slumbers nor sleeps, / the guardian of Israel.

The Lord is your guardian. / The Lord shall shelter you with His right hand

By day the sun shall not harm you, / nor the moon by night,

The Lord shall guard you from all evil, / the Lord shall guard your soul

The Lord shall guard your going out and your coming in. / From henceforth and forevermore.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

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

Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah. Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.

Prayer of St. Severus

He who sits under the protection of the Most High, / beneath the shadow of the wings of Your loving kindness will say,

"Protect us, O Lord, and have mercy upon us; / You who hear all, / hear the prayer of Your servants in Your loving kindness.

Grant us, O Christ our Savior, / an evening full of peace and a night of holiness, / for You are the King of Glory.

Our eyes are turned to You. / Pardon our offences and our sins; / Have mercy upon us / both in this world and in the world to come;

O Lord, / may Your mercy protect us / and Your grace rest upon our faces. / May Your † Cross guard us from the evil one and his powers.

May your right hand rest upon us / all the days of our lives, / and Your peace reign among us /and give hope and salvation to the souls of those who pray to You.

By the prayer of Mary, who bore You and of all Your saints, / pardon me and have mercy on me, O God". Amin.

Praise of the Cherubim We make the sign of the Cross and kneel as we pray:

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever!

- † Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever!
- † Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever and ever!

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us;

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us; Holy and glorious Trinity, have compassion and mercy upon us.

You are holy and glorious forever

You are holy and glorious forever You are holy and blessed is Your name, forever and ever.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

Glory be to You, O Lord; Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*.

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Nicene Creed, Quqlions of the Theotokos & Saints

WEDNESDAY NIGHT VIGIL

Lilyo

Qaumo

Introductory Prayer

Awaken us, Lord, from our sleep in the sloth of sin that we may praise your watchfulness, You who watch and do not sleep; give life to our death in the sleep of death and corruption, that we may adore Your compassion, You who live and do not die; grant us in the glorious company of the angels who praise You in heaven, to praise You and bless you in holiness, because You are praised and blessed in heaven and on earth, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever. Amin.

Introductory Psalms of Night Vigil

[Psalm 134] Barekmor. Bless the Lord, / all You servants of the Lord.

Barekmor. You who stand by night in the house of the Lord.

Lift up your hands to the holy place / and bless the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion, / He who made heaven and earth.

[*Psalm 119, 169-176*] Let my praise enter before You, Lord, / and give me life by Your word; / let my cry enter before You, Lord, / and deliver me by Your word.

My tongue shall pour forth Your word, / because all Your commands are just.

My lips shall speak Your praise when You have taught me Your commands; / let Your hand help me / because I have taken pleasure in Your commands.

My soul has longed for Your salvation /and I have meditated on Your law; / let my soul live and I will praise You /and Your judgments shall help me.

I have gone astray like a lost sheep; / seek for Your servant, / because I have not forgotten all Your commands.

[*Psalm 117*] Praise the Lord, all you nations, /praise Him, all you peoples,/ for His grace is strong over us; /truly, the Lord is forever.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

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ENIYONO

(Yoye w'Zodeq)

Let us cast of the evil And increase in diligence; Be active in repentance And reject all laziness <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have me</u>rcy! Brethren, we have spent our days With loathsome and heinous works Before time passes away,

Let us all plead for mercy <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have me</u>rcy!

Brethren, cast off all hatred And clothe yourselves in virtues Let us offer to the King Off`e`rings of discernment <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have mercy!...Barekmor</u>

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Let us all be diligent Before the fast has ended While there is still time for trade Let us gain the fast's treasures <u>Glo</u>ry to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have me</u>rcy! Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

1st QAUMO

EQBO

(*Qum Paulos – In the Tone of the Day*)

I confess all my faults, O Lord, So priests may plead on my behalf You put forgiveness in their hands So that all sinners may have hope The priests offer pray'r To bring forgiveness; They bind and are heard; What they loose is loosed above Christ made them his faithful stewards Who give His wealth to the needy

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Bkhul Medem - In the Tone of the Day)

All things I have considered – Nothing have I seen better Bless'd is he who loved – the fear of the Lord Joseph the just loved it and became Egypt's king Moses loved it and parted the sea with his staff Daniel and his friends loved it And it saved them from the flames More desirable than gold, - sweeter than the honeycomb Bless'd is He who loves – the fear of the Lord...*Barekmor*

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† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

St. Paul wrote me a letter - while I sat down and read it Tears flowed from my eyes, for it is written: Woe to adulterers and shame be upon thieves For blasphemers, there will be *fire* which is not quenched Woe to me for I have done All these things from my young age Like the tax collector and - just like the sinful woman I beseech You, Lord, - Have mercy on me!

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(In the Tone of the Day)

O Lord, our Lord, we call to You come to our aid Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> You who discern, when you hear the sound of the bell, Long for it with joy and run to the Holy Church

Come to the church for pray'r and recollect Your mind Without leaving to wander about here or there

> Ask the Lord for compassion like one who is weak, For with compassion, He receives those who seek Him

You will receive the new life with the ranks of saints Who loved the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit

> Answer O Lord, answer O Lord, and have mercy Turn the hearts of the sons of men to repentance

Praise of the Cherubim

Prayed at the conclusion of 1st and 2nd Watches of Lilyo

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord… Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us… You are holy and glorious forever… Glory be to You, O Lord… Our Father who art in Heaven…

2ND QAUMO

EQBO

(Qum Paulos - In the Tone of the Day)

As I have not renounced You, Lord, May my friends not renounce my name As I confessed You before man, Confess me before Your Father O Lord, since I have Eaten Your body And drunk of Your blood Make me worthy of Your bliss When You come again in glory Forgive me my sins by Your grace

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Bkhul Medem - In the Tone of the Day)

I, Ephrem, am nearing death - and I write my testament Pray without ceasing – all day and all night

When the ploughman ploughs two times his harvest bears fruit Do not be like the slothful ones, whose fields sprout thorns May this be a witness to

My disciples after me,

For he who loves it receives – great reward in both the worlds Pray without ceasing – all day and all night...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore As I walked along the shore – I noticed how all the fish Devoured each other – and I re`a`lized, If men devour each other in this passing world, Then why should I be harsh with fish who are not judged? I should be harsh with mankind

Who will stand before judgment

Though they know they face judgment – they still de*vour* each other Bless'ed is the Lord – who bears with our kind

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(In the Tone of the Day)

Lord, have mercy upon us O Lord, receive our service Send us from Your treasure-house Mercy, grace and forgiveness

> O Great Ocean of mercy, Our sins are a drop of mud, And a drop of mud cannot Make a vast ocean muddy

Glory be to Your great love Which is shed upon sinners Honor to Your Father and To the Holy Spirit, praise

> Lord who hearkens to our pray'rs Unto us be reconciled Hear our pray'r and petitions Answer us in Your mercy

Praise of the Cherubim

Prayed at the conclusion of 1st and 2nd Watches of Lilyo

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord... Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us... You are holy and glorious forever... Glory be to You, O Lord... Our Father who art in Heaven...

3RD QAUMO

EQBO

(Qum Paulos - In the Tone of the Day)

Woe to me, friends and belov`ed, For I have been lost from the Lord My lamp went out at the banquet; And I was cast into darkness Now, I sit in filth, A friend of Satan And a slave to sin; A disgrace to the angels Woe to me; unless I repent, I will be cast into darkness

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Enono Nuhro Shareero - In the Tone of the Day)

God who does not withhold His Mercies from those who repent Remove afflictions from us Along with the rods of wrath O Lord, grant us months of joy And years of abundant grace, And by the sign of Your Cross Drive out Satan from us that We may praise You for Your grace...Barekmor t Cloru he to the Eather Son and Holy Snirit

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore
God who received the pray'rs of Jonah from inside the sea, And who ordered the fish to Spit him out on the third day, O Lord, hear our petition O Lord, reconcile with us O Lord, answer our requests Even though we angered You, The Martyrs will pray for us

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR BALAI

(*In the Tone of the Day*)

Lord, who has mercy even on sinners Have mercy on us on Your judgment Day!

> At Your door O Lord, the afflicted knock Answer their requests in Your compassion

Jesus, Your door is a door of mercy! He who enters with sins departs with grace

> Father in heaven, we do beseech You! Accept our service; have mercy on us.

Praise Him who said, "Call and I will answer; Knock, I will open; Ask and I will give."

> Lord of those above! Hope of those below! Accept this service; have mercy on us

† Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah! Glory to You, O God! (*Repeat three times*)

Be compassionate towards us in Your mercy, / O God of compassion; / in our sacrifices and our prayers / we make memory of our fathers /who taught us while they were alive, / to be children of God; / O Son of God, / raise them up in the heavenly kingdom / with the just and the righteous / in the world, which does not pass away.

Lord, have mercy upon us and help us

Psalms of Night Vigil

Awake, you that sleep, and rise and sing praise. [*Psalm* 148] Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the heights.

Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all his hosts.

Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all stars of light; praise Him, heaven of heavens, and the waters above the heavens; let them praise the name of the Lord.

For He spoke and they were made, He commanded and they were created; He established them forever and ever. He gave them a law, which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, sea-monsters and all depths, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy winds that fulfill His word;

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and birds that fly;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all judges of the earth; young men, too, and maidens; old men and boys; let them praise the name of the Lord.

For His name alone is exalted; His praise is on earth and in heaven, and He has lifted up the horn of His people; praise for all the just, the children of Israel, the people who draw near to Him.

[*Psalm* 149] Praise the Lord with a new praise in the assembly of the just; let Israel be glad in her Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Let them praise His name with the timbrel and the drum; let them sing to Him with the harp, for the Lord takes pleasure in His people, and gives salvation to the poor.

Let the just exult in glory; let them praise Him on their beds; let the high praises of God be in their throats, and two-edged swords in their hands,

To execute vengeance on the nations, and to rebuke the peoples; to bind their kings with chains, their nobles with fetters of iron; to execute on them the judgment which is written; that is the glory of the just.

[*Psalm* 150] Praise the Lord in His holy place, praise Him in the firmament of His strength.

Praise Him for His mighty deeds, praise Him for His abounding greatness, praise Him with the sound of the trumpet, praise Him with lyre and harp.

Praise Him with the timbrel and the drum, praise Him with the soft strings, praise Him with the loud cymbals; praise Him with the sound of the voice; let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

[*Psalm 117*] Praise the Lord, all you nations; praise Him, all you peoples, for His grace is strong over us; truly the Lord is forever.

And to you belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Praise to the Holy Trinity! Praise to the Holy Trinity!

We praise the glorious Trinity, self-existent and eternal; and to You belongs the praise, O God, at all times.

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QAUMO of PRAISE

QOLO

(Habloh l'Eedtokh - Tone 5)

The debts <u>of</u> mankind, Which had sinned in <u>E</u>den, were pardoned by God Through ho<u>ly</u> fasting And by <u>pure</u> fasting, The doors of Pa<u>ra</u>dise were opened, so that Adam <u>might</u> enter...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Those with <u>di</u>scernment Gain wings of the <u>Spi</u>rit to fly to heaven Through ho<u>ly</u> fasting Let us <u>be</u> made pure In these pure days <u>of</u> the fast, that we might gain The e<u>te</u>rnal life

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> Do not have hate in your heart when you are fasting Lest the foul smell from your fasting reaches the King

Do not curse those who hate you when you are fasting lest your fasting will become corrupt and worthless

> Praise the Father who removes wrath through pure fasting; Praise the Son who forgives debts and sins by the pray'rs;

Praise the Spirit who gave the Church this great weapon; The Three have One Nature; To Him belongs glory!

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

Hymn of the Angels

As the angels and archangels on high in heaven sing praise, / so we poor children of earth sing praise and say:

At all times and at all seasons, Glory to God in the heights / and on earth, peace and tranquility and good hope for the sons of men.

We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, / we raise up a hymn of praise to You.

We give thanks to You because of Your great glory, / Lord our creator, king of heaven, / God the Father Almighty.

Lord God, only Son, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son and Word of the Father, /who take away, or rather have taken away, the sin of the world / have mercy upon us.

You who take away, or rather have taken away the sin of the world, / incline Your ear to us and receive our prayers; / You who sit in glory at the right hand of the Father, / have compassion on us.

Because You only are holy, You only, Lord Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amin.

At all times and all the days of my life, / I will bless and praise Your name, which is holy and blessed forever, / and which remains forever and ever.

Blessed are You, Lord Almighty, God of our fathers, / and Your name is blessed and glorified in praise forever.

To You belongs glory, to You belongs praise, to You belongs honor, / God of all, Father of truth, / with the only Son and living Holy Spirit, now and always forever. Amin.

Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, do not close the door of Your mercy in our faces. We confess that we are sinners, have mercy upon us. / O Lord, Your love made you descend to us from Your place, /that by Your death our death might be abolished. / Have mercy upon us. Amin.

WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER

Matins/Safro

Qaumo.

Psalms of Morning

[*Psalm 51*] Have mercy upon me, O God, in Your loving kindness;/ in the abundance of Your mercy blot out my sin.

Wash me thoroughly from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin./ For I acknowledge my fault and my sins are before me always.

Against you only have I sinned and done evil in Your sight, / that You may be justified in Your words and vindicated in Your judgment. / For I was born in guilt and in sin did my mother conceive me.

But you take pleasure in truth and You have made known to me the secrets of Your wisdom. / Sprinkle me with Your hyssop and I shall be clean; / wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

Give me the comfort of Your joy and gladness, and the bones, which have been humbled shall rejoice. / Turn away Your face from my sins and blot out all my faults.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, / and renew Your steadfast spirit within me. / Do not cast me from Your presence / and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

But restore to me Your joy and Your salvation / and let Your glorious spirit sustain me; / that I may teach the wicked Your way / and sinners may return to You.

Deliver me from blood, O God, God of my salvation / and my tongue shall praise Your justice. / Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall sing Your praise.

For you do not take pleasure in sacrifices; / by burnt offerings You are not appeased. / The sacrifice of God is a humble spirit, / a heart that is contrite God will not despise.

Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion and build up the walls of Jerusalem. / Then shall You be satisfied with sacrifices of truth and with whole burnt-offerings; / then shall they offer bullocks upon Your altar.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O Merciful God! Have mercy upon us in your mercy!

Lord have mercy upon us and help us.

[Psalm 63] My God, you are my God, I will seek You.

My soul thirsts for You and my flesh seeks for You like the thirsty earth, which is parched and begging for water.

So have I looked for You in truth, that I may see Your power and Your glory.

Because your loving-kindness is better than life, / my lips shall praise You.

So I will bless You while I live and will lift up my hands in Your name.

My soul shall be enriched as with marrow and fat / and my mouth shall praise You with lips of praise.

I have remembered You upon my bed / and in the nighttime I have meditated on You.

For You have been my helper / and in the shadow of Your wings is my protection.

My soul follows after You / and Your right hand upholds me.

Those who seek to destroy my soul shall enter into the lower parts of the earth.

They shall be delivered over to the sword and shall be food for foxes; / but the king shall rejoice in God.

Everyone who swears by Him shall glory, / but the mouth of those who speak lies shall be stopped.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

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ENIYONO

(Bthulto Qadishto)

Just as the <u>righ</u>teous – pleased God by <u>fa</u>sting, Likewise, may <u>our</u> fast – please the gra<u>cious</u> Lord

> By the fast <u>Mo</u>ses – kept on Mount <u>Si</u>nai, God magni<u>fied</u> the - splendor of <u>his</u> face

By the fast, \underline{Mo} ses – saw a wond'<u>rous</u> sight, And by the <u>fast</u>, the – Lord is e<u>xal</u>ted

> By Elij<u>ah's</u> fast, - his pray`er <u>was</u> heard And *fire* from <u>a</u>bove – consumed his <u>off</u>'ring

By fasting <u>and</u> pray'r, - Nineveh <u>was</u> saved Bless'd is He <u>who</u> is – diligent <u>in</u> them...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

> Our Lord taught <u>His</u> Church – by the fast <u>He</u> kept That she will <u>co</u>nquer - Satan by <u>the</u> fast

[*Psalm 19*] *Kurielaison*. The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. / Day to day brings forth speech; / night to night declares knowledge;

There is no speech, nor are their words; their voice is not heard. / Yet their good tidings go out through all the earth,/ and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens, He has set His tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber;/ it will rejoice like a strong man to run his course.

Its departure is from the end of the heavens / while its repose is at the end of the heavens and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

The law of the Lord is flawless and it turns the soul. / The testimony of the Lord is trustworthy and makes infants wise. / The commandments of the Lord are right and they make the heart rejoice. / The precepts of the Lord are chosen and they illumine the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is pure and it endures forever. / The judgments of the Lord are true and are more righteous than all. / They are more desirable than gold and even than precious stones. / They are sweeter than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover, Your servant will be warned by them; / If He keeps them, he will be greatly rewarded, but who can discern his errors? / Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep Your servant away from iniquity, lest the evil doers have dominion over me. / And I shall be purified from my sins. / O Lord, my helper and Savior, / let the words of my mouth be according to Your will / and the meditation of my heart be acceptable before You.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Lekh Netkashaf)

The great Moses Kept a pure and holy fast on <u>Mount Si</u>nai And He brought down The commandments for the house of Is`ra`el He received – words inscribed By the <u>fi</u>nger of fire, And he <u>praised the</u> Lord!

Daniel observed

A holy fast and was glorified by it

And He was saved

From the mouths of the fearsome, de<u>vou</u>ring beasts He praised and – glorified The Lord who – magnifies His faithful servants

For forty days,

Elijah fasted and walked to Mount Horeb,

And by his fast

He bound the heaven and the earth <u>for a</u> time Brethren, with – purity Let us fast – from passions

Which shall pass away

O Holy Church,

Praise the Son who by His fast taught <u>her</u> children To fight Satan.

The gluttony which killed our fath<u>er A</u>dam Through that great – transgression Of the Lord's – commandment Has now <u>been expelled...Barekmor</u>

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore Praise the Father And the Son who is from Him with <u>the Spi</u>rit, The One True God, Whose glory cannot be fathomed <u>by angels</u> All creatures – glorify And worship – the Lord who Has created them

[Isaiah 42:10-13, 45:8] Kurielaison. Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise from the ends of the earth! Let those who go down to the sea in its fullness, the islands and their inhabitants, praise the Lord!

Let the desert and its villages rejoice! Let Kedar be meadows; let the inhabitants of steep rocks praise Him! Let them shout from the top of mountains. Let them give glory to the Lord and declare His glory in the islands!

The Lord will go forth like a mighty man and like a warrior, He stirs up His fury; He will cry out and become mighty and will triumph over His enemies;

Let the clouds rain down righteousness; let the earth open and salvation increase; and let righteousness sprout forth altogether. I am the Lord who created them...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Bthulto Yoldath Dmoro, ~"Golgulthayil Sodarare")

Make us worthy, - O Lord God To – keep the fast in purity without <u>e</u>vil, To please Your divinity, To obtain mut`u`al love, And to love – our brethren, So that we might <u>find me</u>rcy

> By their fasting, - great Moses Brought – down tablets for the people of Is`<u>ra</u>`el, Elijah was lifted up, And Daniel conquered the beasts My brethren, - let us fast To inherit <u>the King</u>dom...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

I beseech You, - O my Lord, Like – that prodigal son, have mercy u<u>pon</u> me I have sinned against heaven, And in Your sight, my Father Make me as – Your servant; Pardon my sins <u>by Your</u> grace

[*Psalm 113*] Amin. Praise you servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

May the Lord's name be bless'd forever and ever.

From the rising of the sun to its setting / great is the name of the Lord.

The Lord is high above all peoples/and his glory is above the heavens.

Who is like the Lord, our God, who sits on high / and looks upon the depths in heaven and on earth?

He raises up the poor from the dunghill / and makes him sit with the princes of the people.

He makes the barren woman keep house / and be a joyful mother of children.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

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

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.

EQBO

(B'edon Safro)

At the time of morning – crea<u>tion</u> worships Him who <u>drives</u> darkness from it and she <u>sings</u> praise: "<u>Glo</u>ry to You, <u>O</u> God!"

(Promion & Sedro)

QOLO

(l'Malkuth Rawmo – Reesh Qolo)

Both soul and body – should fast together, For while the body – abstains from bread and water, The soul should fast from evil. If the soul is not kept from Dwelling upon evil thoughts, The fast from – bread will be in vain...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

The prophet Moses – fasted forty days. Upon Mount Sinai, - His body abstained from food, And his soul from all evil, And he brought down the tablets For the house of Is`ra`el With the laws – and the commandments

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Christ the King at Your – door of compassion I knock ev'ry hour, – and from Your rich treasure-house, I ask for mercy and grace In You Lord, I take refuge Shame me not, I've confessed You; You're my hope - and strong protection

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

(Etro)

QOLO

(Quqoyo - Reesh Qolo)

Bless'd is he who humbles himself with pure fasting Like David, the just king and the glor'ious prophet. He remembered – the Lord night and day He turned from sin – and walked in God's ways With purity, he raised his hands toward heaven And meditated with his psalms both night and day, Halleluiah – and was granted life...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Bless'd is the one who mingles his fasting with love In heaven, he will rejoice with the spi`ri`*tuals* The one who adds – giving to his fast Greatly excels – in his true beauty; He will be mingled with the spi`ri`*tual* be`ings He will inherit blessings, life, and the Kingdom Halleluiah – and will sing glory

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

I grieve knowing that I am Yours only in name, For my deeds and faults reveal I am far from You Though I long to – confess and repent My stubborn pride – does not allow me I teach but do not learn; I give drink yet I thirst Quench my thirst, O Spring, which was opened by the lance, Halleluiah – that I may be filled

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> Why do you fast if you do not love your brother? For the Lord has chosen a fast full of mercy

O you who are rich, gain compassion in this world O poor, do not murmur against the one who gives

> We are all called to have mercy on our brethren Those without mercy will be punished by justice

Those who are rich with much gold and great possessions Should understand that their wealth has made them stewards

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> > (Scripture Readings)

Morning Praise for the Fast

Lord of all, - by your great mercies, Make us servants w<u>or</u>thy to be preserved today in justice, without the scars <u>of</u> sin. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>, - O God <u>of</u> - our fathers, And Your Holy <u>name</u> is mag<u>ni</u>fied and glorified forever. <u>A</u>min.

Lord, may Your - grace and <u>me</u>rcies be upon us, for our trust is <u>in</u> You. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! - O Lord, teach – and show us The way of Your co-mmand-ments. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! – By Your grace – make us to Understand the way of <u>Your</u> laws

Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! – Holy One, - enlight<u>en</u> us With your lumi<u>nous</u> rays Lord, may Your mer<u>cies</u> be up<u>on</u> us Do not neglect, <u>or</u> leave – the work <u>of</u> Y<u>our</u> hands

> <u>Glo</u>ry bef<u>its</u> You, <u>Ho</u>nor bef<u>its</u> You, <u>And</u> praise bef<u>its</u> You, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, Now and fore<u>ver</u>. <u>A</u>min!

Morning Praise

It is good to give You thanks – O Lord God, And to sing praise to Your name And to proclaim Your grace in – the morning And Your faithfulness, Lord, in the night! (*Psalm* 92:1-2)

(*Repeat the stanza above three times and kneel/prostrate*)

At morning, you shall hear <u>my</u> voice; I have prepared myself to appear be<u>fore</u> You

<u>Holy are</u> You, O God <u>Ho</u>ly O Almighty <u>Ho</u>ly O Immortal †Crucified for us, have mer<u>cy</u> – on us (*Repeat three times*) Lord, have compassion <u>on</u> us; Forgive the sins of all of us, <u>O</u> Lord; **O** Holy One, let Your right hand rest up<u>on</u> us; Forgive our weakness, for Your name is for<u>e</u>ver!

Glory to You, <u>O</u> God Glory to You, <u>O</u> God Glory, our hope fore<u>ver</u>...Barekmor

Our Father, who art in heaven...

(In Prose) **Morning Praise**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praise to Your name, Most High, to proclaim Your grace in the morning and Your faithfulness in the night.

Lord, in the morning You shall hear my voice and in the morning I have prepared myself to appear before You. Lord, have compassion on Your people; Lord, pardon and forgive the sins of all of us. Holy One, let Your right hand rest upon us and pardon our infirmity because Your name is forever. Amin.

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WEDNESDAY 3RD HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(Lokh Moriyo Qorenan – Reesh Qolo)

If the merciful Lord who was incarnate Fasted the holy fasting for our – salvation, Then it is right that we should fast and repent, Beseeching His mercy and asking – for pardon Let us fast – from ev'ry evil, From deceit, - and from all slander That with confidence we may say, "Lord, - have mercy!"...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

When a merchant prepares for a long journey, He prepares provisions to last him – a great while When the merchant prepares for a short journey, He prepares provisions according – to his need Come let us – prepare provisions For the great – eternal journey, So that we may dwell in His city – at the end

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(Tone 5)

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all

> O Great Ocean of mercy, Our sins are a drop of mud, And a drop of mud cannot Make a vast ocean muddy

Glory be to Your great love Which is shed upon sinners Honor to Your Father and To the Holy Spirit, praise

> Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all O Christ, who fasted for us Accept our fasting and pray'r

> > Qaumo

WEDNESDAY 6TH HOUR PRAYERS

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QOLO

(Quqoyo – Reesh Qolo)

Come, O grace, and beseech with us as you are wont, For the world sees you as a merciful mother Bring with you, peace – and tranquility; Spread out your wings – over our weak race O grace, you who bear the keys of the house of God, Open the door of repentance to the sinners Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

If we infants have wandered away by our deeds, O Lord, have mercy, for You became an infant, And have mercy – on Your holy priests Who extolled You – upon the altar; Have mercy on Your servants who seek you daily, And upon the souls who fell into afflictions Halleluiah – Grant comfort to them

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(Tone 5)

Son who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all

Jesus Christ, Lord and Savior, My we be restored to life By that abundant mercy Through which You created us

Physicians are not renowned Unless they heal others' wounds Likewise, mercy is not loved Unless sinners are pardoned

> Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all O Christ, who fasted for us Accept our fasting and pray'r

MANITHO of MOR SEVERUS

By the prayers of Your Mother – and those of all Your Saints I exalt You, Lord and King, - The Only-Begotten Son; <u>Word</u> of the Father; Immortal in His nature and who <u>by</u> His grace <u>Descended for – all mankind</u> To bring life and salvation for our fallen <u>hu</u>man race; <u>Who</u> did become – <u>in</u>carnate – <u>of</u> the pure Virgin, The holy and glor`i`ous The`<u>o</u>`tokos <u>He</u> became man – <u>with</u>out change And was crucified for us, Christ who is our <u>Lord</u> and God. <u>He</u> trampled death – <u>by</u> His death - <u>and</u> destroyed our death. Christ, who is one of the Holy <u>Trin</u>ity; <u>Who</u> is worshipped – <u>e</u>qually With His Father and Spirit; Have mercy up<u>on</u> us all!

Qaumo, Nicene Creed, Forty Prostrations

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WEDNESDAY 9TH HOUR PRAYERS

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QOLO

(Lokh Moriyo Qorenan - Reesh Qolo)

The time that our Lord had spoken of has come Brethren, come let us awake while there - is still time Let us offer pray'r with tears of repentance With compunction, let us beseech Him - for mercy Lord, as Your - holy mouth has said, "Call on me - and I will answer," Our souls and bodies cry out to You: "Have mercy!"...Barekmor *†* Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore O Son of God, You taught us in Your Gospel That if the sinners repent, the angels rejoice Behold, we knock at Your door in repentance Protect us under the wings of Your – great mercy Receive us – that all the angels May rejoice, - and that praise to You May multiply night and day from men - and watchers

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR BALAI (Tone 5)

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Christ, who by His fast saved us from error, Accept our fast and have mercy on us

> When judges enter with shame before You, Be there, O my Lord, for I trust in You

O Shepherd, when the sheep are divided Feed us at Your right side in Paradise

> Lord of those above! Hope of those below! Accept our fast and have mercy on us

> > Qaumo

THURSDAY EVENING PRAYER

Vespers/Ramsho

Qaumo

† Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

May His grace and mercy be upon us, weak and sinful, in both worlds forever and ever. Amin.

Introductory Prayer

Grant us, Lord God, that while our bodies rest from the labors of the day and our souls are released from worldly thoughts, we may stand in Your presence with tranquility at this time of evening and that we may offer You ceaseless praise and uninterrupted thanksgiving; that we may acknowledge Your loving kindness by which You direct and rule our lives and protect and save our souls; to You we offer praise and thanksgiving, now and always and forever, Amin.

Psalms of Evening

[*Psalm 141*] Kurielaison / Lord, I have called upon You, / answer me; hear and receive my words.

Let my prayer be like incense in Your sight, / the offering of my hands like the evening offering. / Set a guard, Lord, before my mouth, /a guard before my lips, / that my heart may not turn to evil words / and I may not do deeds of wickedness.

Let me not take salt with impious men; / let the just man teach me and reprove me; / let not the oil of the impious anoint my head / because my prayer was against their evil-doing. / Their judges have been restrained by the side of the rock, / and they have heard how gentle are my words.

As when a plough cleaves the earth, their bones have been scattered at the mouth of Sheol. / I have lifted up my eyes to You, Lord, / and in You have I put my trust; / do not cast away my soul.

Keep me from the hand of the proud, who have laid snares for me; / let the wicked fall into their nets, while I pass on.

[*Psalm 142*] With my voice I cried to the Lord; / with my voice I besought the Lord and poured out my prayer before him; / I showed him my affliction, when my spirit was troubled, / but You know my path.

In the way of my walking they have laid a snare for me; / I look to the right and see none that knows me; / the way of escape has gone from me and there is none who cares for my soul. / I cried to You, Lord, and said: / You are my hope and my portion in the land of the living.

Hear my petition because I am brought very low; / deliver me from my persecutors because they are too strong for me. / Lead me forth from prison that I may give thanks to Your name; / Your just ones shall have hope when You shall reward me.

[Psalm 119, 105-112] Your word is a lamp to my feet and light to my path; / I have sworn and am resolved to keep the judgments of Your justice. / I am greatly brought low, Lord, / give me life according to Your word; / be pleased with the words of my mouth, Lord, / and teach me Your judgments.

My soul is ever in my hands, and I have not forgotten Your law; / sinners have laid snares for me and I have not strayed from Your commands. / I shall inherit Your testimony forever because it is dear to my heart; / I have turned my heart to do Your commands forever in truth.

[*Psalm 117*] **Praise the Lord, all your nations; praise him, all you peoples**, **/ for His grace is strong over us; / truly the Lord is forever.**

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Sli Moriyo b'Rahme)

By fasting, Moses shone bright And saw the presence of God He received the commandments For the house of Is`ra`el

> The mouth which abstains from bread Should fast also from deceit The door the King enters through Should not open <u>for malice</u>

While your mouth abstains from food Abstain, also, from all sin Subdue your tongue with fasting, Lest your fast be<u>comes shame</u>ful

> How beautiful was the fast Daniel fasted in the pit -And he taught the beasts to fast! The just saw this <u>and fa</u>sted...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

See the king of Nineveh Clothed in sackcloth and fasting To reconcile with his Lord Who was angered <u>by his</u> sin

Staumen Kalos, Kurielaison

(Promion & Sedro)

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QOLO

(Quqoyo - Reesh Qolo)

As I was passing by the tribunal, I saw An oppressed and an oppressor stand face to face The oppressed stood – on the right-hand side The oppressor – stood on the left side My Lord, make me worthy to be like the oppressed And save me from the judgment kept for oppressors; Halleluiah – count me with the just...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Sinner, tremble at the judgment which is coming And come for repentance with tears while there is time While you are here – offer petition Lest death should come – and remove your soul For after this life, the supplication will cease, And the tears which you will shed will become worthless Halleluiah – O Lord, have mercy

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

The door of God is opened always, night and day For sinners, the repentant, the good, and wicked: From the sinners, – the sinful woman Bears witness to – His door of mercy, With Simon Peter from among the repentant, Martyrs from the good, and from the wicked, that thief Halleluiah – who was granted life

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

(Etro)

OOLO

(Lokh Moriyo Qorenan – Reesh Qolo)

See how the world is troubled more than the sea And its inhabitants stir up more – than the waves The earth is seated upon their wickedness You are the peace of creation that – calms all things O Lord God, - You alone are good The Church and – her children call you May creation find peace by the peace – from You, Lord...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

The time during which we are fallen is brief; The storm that rushes into our minds – is intense. It may be that not even a day passes Without attracting our mind to the – temp'ral life Righteous thoughts – have left from us and Evil thoughts – reign inside our minds O Christ who set us free by Your blood, - have mercy!

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O Lord, You are not partial in Your judgment Therefore, I am sad, for I know I – am guilty O Lord, when the terrible books are opened And Your justice reads aloud all my – offenses, May Your grace – have pity on me; May Your grace – beseech Your justice My Lord, I confess that I have sinned; have mercy!

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> All *hours* with their changes persuade me to sing praise To the One who established and set their limits

The morning knocked and I rose up to see the Lord, But the day with its distractions took me from Him

> The rich plunder, the princes seize, the poor grow weak; The oppressor is boasting; the oppressed lament;

The humble are tread on; the wicked are obeyed The world is chaos and stands in hypocrisy

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

(Gospel)

Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, do not close the door of Your mercy in our faces. We confess that we are sinners, have mercy upon us. / O Lord, Your love made you descend to us from Your place, /that by Your death our death might be abolished. / Have mercy upon us. Amin.

Qaumo

THURSDAY PROTECTION PRAYER

Compline/Sutoro Qaumo

QOLO

(l'Maryam Yoldath Aloho – Tone 5)

Let him <u>who</u> comes <u>to</u> the holy <u>place</u> to pray Cleanse his body <u>and</u> his soul from in`<u>i</u>`quity Then the <u>Lord</u> will <u>hear</u> his pray'rs and <u>pe</u>titions And have mercy <u>on</u> him on the day <u>of</u> judgment...*Barekmor*

+ *Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.*

Let us <u>wash</u> our <u>clothes</u> with the tears <u>of</u> our eyes For the coming <u>of</u> the Son of God <u>is</u> nearing The world's <u>end</u> is <u>at</u> the door, as <u>St.</u> Paul spoke Bless`ed is he <u>whose</u> judgment shall be with mercy

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

<u>O</u> Lord, our Lord, we call to You come to our aid <u>Hear</u> our requests and have mercy up<u>on</u> our souls

<u>How</u> lovely is the pray'r, which the Son of God taught <u>Bless'd</u> is he who meditates on it <u>and</u> keeps it <u>All</u> the beauty of justice and perfection is <u>Found</u> there for him who takes pains to make <u>it</u> his pray'r

<u>He</u> taught you to pray 'Forgive me my debts and sins' <u>He</u> desires to forgive and so He <u>taught</u> this pray'r <u>If</u> the face of God were not turned t'wards forgiveness <u>He</u> would not have taught us to say, "For<u>give</u> us, Lord"

<u>O</u> Lord, who hears all and who accepts earnest pray'rs <u>Hear</u> our petition and have mercy <u>on</u> our souls

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Psalms of Sutoro

[*Psalm* 91] Bless me, O Lord. / He who sits under the protection of the Most High / and glories in the shelter of God will say to the Lord,

"My trust is in You, / God is my refuge in whom I trust".

For the Lord shall deliver you from the snare, which makes you stumble / and from talk of vain things.

He will keep you safe under his feathers / and you shall be protected beneath His wings. / His truth shall enclose you as an armor.

You shall not be afraid of the terror of the night / nor of the arrow, which flies by day.

Nor of the word, which walks in the darkness/ nor of the spirit that destroys at midday.

Thousands shall fall at your side / and ten thousand at your right hand, / but it shall not come near you

But with your eyes alone / you shall see the reward of the wicked

Because You have made the Lord your trust; / You have made Your dwelling in the heights

Evil shall not come near you, / affliction shall not come near your tent

Because He has commanded his angels concerning you; / that they should keep you in all your ways

And receive you in their arms; / that you may not stumble with your foot

You shall tread upon the adder and the basilisk; / You shall trample upon the lion and the dragon

"Because he has cried to me", says the Lord, / "I will deliver him and strengthen him."

Because he has known my name, He shall call upon me and I will answer him, / I will be with him in distress.

I will strengthen him and honor him; / With length of days I will satisfy him and show him my salvation".

[*Psalm 121*] I have lifted up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come?

My help is from the Lord, / who made heaven and earth

He will not suffer your foot to slip, / your guardian shall not sleep.

Indeed, He neither slumbers nor sleeps, / the guardian of Israel.

The Lord is your guardian. / The Lord shall shelter you with His right hand

By day the sun shall not harm you, / nor the moon by night,

The Lord shall guard you from all evil, / the Lord shall guard your soul

The Lord shall guard your going out and your coming in. / From henceforth and forevermore.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

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

Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah. Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.

Prayer of St. Severus

He who sits under the protection of the Most High, / beneath the shadow of the wings of Your loving kindness will say,

"Protect us, O Lord, and have mercy upon us; / You who hear all, / hear the prayer of Your servants in Your loving kindness.

Grant us, O Christ our Savior, / an evening full of peace and a night of holiness, / for You are the King of Glory.

Our eyes are turned to You. / Pardon our offences and our sins; / Have mercy upon us / both in this world and in the world to come;

O Lord, / may Your mercy protect us / and Your grace rest upon our faces. / May Your † Cross guard us from the evil one and his powers.

May your right hand rest upon us / all the days of our lives, / and Your peace reign among us / and give hope and salvation to the souls of those who pray to You.

By the prayer of Mary, who bore You and of all Your saints, / pardon me and have mercy on me, O God". Amin.

Praise of the Cherubim We make the sign of the Cross and kneel as we pray:

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever!

+ Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever!+ Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever and ever!

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us;

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us; Holy and glorious Trinity, have compassion and mercy upon us.

You are holy and glorious forever

You are holy and glorious forever You are holy and blessed is Your name, forever and ever.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

Glory be to You, O Lord; Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*.

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Nicene Creed, Quqlions of the Theotokos & Saints

THURSDAY NIGHT VIGIL

Lilyo

Qaumo

Introductory Prayer

Awaken us, Lord, from our sleep in the sloth of sin that we may praise your watchfulness, You who watch and do not sleep; give life to our death in the sleep of death and corruption, that we may adore Your compassion, You who live and do not die; grant us in the glorious company of the angels who praise You in heaven, to praise You and bless you in holiness, because You are praised and blessed in heaven and on earth, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever. Amin.

Introductory Psalms of Night Vigil

[Psalm 134] Barekmor. Bless the Lord, / all You servants of the Lord.

Barekmor. You who stand by night in the house of the Lord.

Lift up your hands to the holy place / and bless the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion, / He who made heaven and earth.

[*Psalm 119, 169-176*] Let my praise enter before You, Lord, / and give me life by Your word; / let my cry enter before You, Lord, / and deliver me by Your word.

My tongue shall pour forth Your word, / because all Your commands are just.

My lips shall speak Your praise when You have taught me Your commands; / let Your hand help me / because I have taken pleasure in Your commands.

My soul has longed for Your salvation /and I have meditated on Your law; / let my soul live and I will praise You /and Your judgments shall help me.

I have gone astray like a lost sheep; / seek for Your servant, / because I have not forgotten all Your commands.

[*Psalm 117*] Praise the Lord, all you nations, /praise Him, all you peoples,/ for His grace is strong over us; /truly, the Lord is forever.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Etheer l'Hathoyo)

Awake, O sinner – while there is still time For re<u>pe</u>ntance Cleanse and purify your stains – with mournful tears <u>and sigh</u>ing

When the fi`re roars – at the Last Judgment Against <u>si</u>nners O Christ, my King, at that time – may I behold <u>Your me</u>rcy

O Jesus, my God – I call upon You And be<u>seech</u> You: Do not punish me, O Lord – according to <u>all my</u> sins

The timely pray'r which – the thief prayed to Christ Is of <u>great</u> wealth For sinners who were made old – by their sins and <u>by their</u> deeds...*Barekmor*

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My sins are many – my deeds are evil They have <u>drowned</u> me In the raging sea of sin. – Captain of Peace, draw me out!

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

1ST QAUMO

EQBO

(Paradaiso – In the Tone of the Day)

I believe in You, Son of the Father I have not renounced that Mary bore You Since I have received Your body and blood, May I be enriched by You 'till the end When kings stand before You without their crowns, Have mercy on me, for I confessed You

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Moriyo Moran - In the Tone of the Day)

O Lord, our Lord, - can I flee from your Spirit Or try to hide – from Your majesty? Your pow'r is there – whether I rise to the heights Or descend to – the depths of She`ol In Your mercy, - make me stand at Your right hand Because no man – is just in Your sight...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore
When I was young – I worked for you as a slave, King of err`or, – and you struck me down
Now I am old – and you are not satisfied
You seek from me – the ways of my youth
God will see me – and rescue me from your hands In His mercy, – and save me from you

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(In the Tone of the Day)

O Lord, our Lord, we call to You come to our aid Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> I long for Your pardon, that it may come to me Give me tears to beg for mercy while I have time;

I thirst for Your mercies, without which, I would cease Sea of mercy, pour Your abundant love on me

> My end has come while I have labored at vain things At the end of my life, grant that I may be Yours

The king of deceit shot his arrows to kill me Lord, anoint me with Your medicine and heal me

> Answer O Lord, answer O Lord, and have mercy Turn the hearts of the sons of men to repentance

Praise of the Cherubim

Prayed at the conclusion of 1st and 2nd Watches of Lilyo

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord… Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us… You are holy and glorious forever… Glory be to You, O Lord… Our Father who art in Heaven…

2ND QAUMO

EQBO

(Paradaiso - In the Tone of the Day)

Jesus, Son of the Father, be our help O Jesus, Son of Mary, protect us O Jesus, give strength to us and guard us Jesus, drive out the evil one from us Jesus, forgive our offenses and sins O Jesus, have mercy when you judge us

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Moriyo Moran - In the Tone of the Day)

O Lord, our Lord, - the ones who gain a good name Rather than wealth - are greatly bless`ed (*Proverbs* 22:1)
Work to gain it, - for this world passes away, But bless`ed is he - who has obtained it,
Halleluiah, - For that one will be honored In this world and - that which is to come...Barekmor *† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit*

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Woe be to him – whose soul is bound to this world, Because that bond – cannot be broken
The world deceives; – he who loves it cannot be Diligent, for – it is seductive
Bless'd is he who – like a diligent merchant, Has acquir`ed – life which shall not end Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(In the Tone of the Day)

Lord, have mercy upon us O Lord receive our service Send us from Your treasure-house Mercy, grace, and forgiveness

> Let not your body stand there While your heart is distracted May your body be a church Your mind, a sanct`u`ary

May your mouth be a censer, Your lips like smoke of incense, And your tongue a minister, Which pleases the Trinity

> Lord, who hears our petitions Answer us in Your mercy Lord, be reconciled with us Have compassion upon us

Praise of the Cherubim

Prayed at the conclusion of 1st and 2nd Watches of Lilyo

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3RD QAUMO

EQBO

(Paradaiso - In the Tone of the Day)

Though I have aged, Satan has not grown old, And he seeks from me the ways of my youth My life nears its end but I long to sin

All these things have happened of my own will His weapon is stretched out; his bow is drawn Save me, Lord, from his arrows aimed at me

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(Akfirmo - In the Tone of the Day)

The Lord shall free the captives, HalleluiahAt night, Simon Peter was freed from prison(Acts 12:5-17)At night, the shackles fell from the hands of Paul(Acts 16:25)And at night, the bonds of sin have been cut off from our hands

Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

At night, a star of light came forth from Jacob(Numbers 24:17/Mt 2:2)At night, a pillar of light led Israel(Exodus 13:21)Lord, at night, make Your light shine in the hearts of your faithful

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

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BO'UTHO of MOR BALAI

(In the Tone of the Day)

Lord, who has mercy even on sinners Have mercy on us on Your judgment Day!

> At Your door O Lord, the afflicted knock Answer their requests in Your compassion

Jesus, Your door is a door of mercy! He who enters with sins departs with grace

Father in heaven, we do beseech You! Accept our service; have mercy on us.

Praise Him who said, "Call and I will answer; Knock, I will open; Ask and I will give."

> Lord of those above! Hope of those below! Accept this service; have mercy on us

† Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah! Glory to You, O God! (*Repeat three times*)

Be compassionate towards us in Your mercy, / O God of compassion; / in our sacrifices and our prayers / we make memory of our fathers /who taught us while they were alive, / to be children of God; / O Son of God, / raise them up in the heavenly kingdom / with the just and the righteous / in the world, which does not pass away.

Lord, have mercy upon us and help us

Psalms of Night Vigil

Awake, you that sleep, and rise and sing praise. [*Psalm* 148] Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the heights.

Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all his hosts.

Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all stars of light; praise Him, heaven of heavens, and the waters above the heavens; let them praise the name of the Lord.

For He spoke and they were made, He commanded and they were created; He established them forever and ever. He gave them a law, which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, sea-monsters and all depths, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy winds that fulfill His word;

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and birds that fly;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all judges of the earth; young men, too, and maidens; old men and boys; let them praise the name of the Lord.

For His name alone is exalted; His praise is on earth and in heaven, and He has lifted up the horn of His people; praise for all the just, the children of Israel, the people who draw near to Him.

[*Psalm* 149] Praise the Lord with a new praise in the assembly of the just; let Israel be glad in her Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Let them praise His name with the timbrel and the drum; let them sing to Him with the harp, for the Lord takes pleasure in His people, and gives salvation to the poor.

Let the just exult in glory; let them praise Him on their beds; let the high praises of God be in their throats, and two-edged swords in their hands,

To execute vengeance on the nations, and to rebuke the peoples; to bind their kings with chains, their nobles with fetters of iron; to execute on them the judgment which is written; that is the glory of the just.

[*Psalm* 150] Praise the Lord in His holy place, praise Him in the firmament of His strength.

Praise Him for His mighty deeds, praise Him for His abounding greatness, praise Him with the sound of the trumpet, praise Him with lyre and harp.

Praise Him with the timbrel and the drum, praise Him with the soft strings, praise Him with the loud cymbals; praise Him with the sound of the voice; let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

[*Psalm 117*] Praise the Lord, all you nations; praise Him, all you peoples, for His grace is strong over us; truly the Lord is forever.

And to you belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

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Praise to the Holy Trinity! Praise to the Holy Trinity!

We praise the glorious Trinity, self-existent and eternal; and to You belongs the praise, O God, at all times.

QAUMO of PRAISE

QOLO

(Quqoyo - Reesh Qolo)

Do not boast, you who have been fashioned from the dust, For you are dust and shall soon return to the earth

Come and enter – and see the haughty Who were fearsome – but now lie in tombs Come down from boastfulness, for the proud are humbled, And put on humility which leads to the heights

Halleluiah – It will exalt you...Barekmor

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If gold and silver had mouths, they would have spoken: "Do not draw near, for you plundered me from orphans,

The destitute - and from the widows,

And from the fields – where the poor labored. Woe to you when death comes and leads your soul away I shall stay here, but judgment and *fire* await you!"

Halleluiah - w'Halleluiah

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> Why do riches of this world lead you to err`or, That you strive each day for gain that does not profit?

You are active in increasing your possessions, Yet when gathered, they remain but for a moment

> Call out to your possessions; gather your riches If they deliver you from death, let them be yours

If your riches cannot prevent fever and plague, Why do you so long for that which is of no use?

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

Hymn of the Angels

As the angels and archangels on high in heaven sing praise, / so we poor children of earth sing praise and say:

At all times and at all seasons, Glory to God in the heights / and on earth, peace and tranquility and good hope for the sons of men.

We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, / we raise up a hymn of praise to You.

We give thanks to You because of Your great glory, / Lord our creator, king of heaven, / God the Father Almighty.

Lord God, only Son, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son and Word of the Father, /who take away, or rather have taken away, the sin of the world / have mercy upon us.

You who take away, or rather have taken away the sin of the world, / incline Your ear to us and receive our prayers; / You who sit in glory at the right hand of the Father, / have compassion on us.

Because You only are holy, You only, Lord Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amin.

At all times and all the days of my life, / I will bless and praise Your name, which is holy and blessed forever, / and which remains forever and ever.

Blessed are You, Lord Almighty, God of our fathers, / and Your name is blessed and glorified in praise forever.

To You belongs glory, to You belongs praise, to You belongs honor, / God of all, Father of truth, / with the only Son and living Holy Spirit, now and always forever. Amin.

Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, do not close the door of Your mercy in our faces. We confess that we are sinners, have mercy upon us. / O Lord, Your love made you descend to us from Your place, /that by Your death our death might be abolished. / Have mercy upon us. Amin.

THURSDAY MORNING PRAYER

Matins/Safro

Qaumo

Psalms of Morning

[*Psalm* 51] Have mercy upon me, O God, in Your loving kindness;/ in the abundance of Your mercy blot out my sin.

Wash me thoroughly from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin./ For I acknowledge my fault and my sins are before me always.

Against you only have I sinned and done evil in Your sight, / that You may be justified in Your words and vindicated in Your judgment. / For I was born in guilt and in sin did my mother conceive me.

But you take pleasure in truth and You have made known to me the secrets of Your wisdom. / Sprinkle me with Your hyssop and I shall be clean; / wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

Give me the comfort of Your joy and gladness, and the bones, which have been humbled shall rejoice. / Turn away Your face from my sins and blot out all my faults.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, / and renew Your steadfast spirit within me. / Do not cast me from Your presence / and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

But restore to me Your joy and Your salvation / and let Your glorious spirit sustain me; / that I may teach the wicked Your way / and sinners may return to You.

Deliver me from blood, O God, God of my salvation / and my tongue shall praise Your justice. / Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall sing Your praise.

For you do not take pleasure in sacrifices; / by burnt offerings You are not appeased. / The sacrifice of God is a humble spirit, / a heart that is contrite God will not despise.

Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion and build up the walls of Jerusalem. / Then shall You be satisfied with sacrifices of truth and with whole burnt-offerings; / then shall they offer bullocks upon Your altar.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O Merciful God! Have mercy upon us in your mercy!

Lord have mercy upon us and help us.

[Psalm 63] My God, you are my God, I will seek You.

My soul thirsts for You and my flesh seeks for You like the thirsty earth, which is parched and begging for water.

So have I looked for You in truth, that I may see Your power and Your glory.

Because your loving-kindness is better than life, / my lips shall praise You.

So I will bless You while I live and will lift up my hands in Your name.

My soul shall be enriched as with marrow and fat / and my mouth shall praise You with lips of praise.

I have remembered You upon my bed / and in the nighttime I have meditated on You.

For You have been my helper / and in the shadow of Your wings is my protection.

My soul follows after You / and Your right hand upholds me.

Those who seek to destroy my soul shall enter into the lower parts of the earth.

They shall be delivered over to the sword and shall be food for foxes; / but the king shall rejoice in God.

Everyone who swears by Him shall glory, / but the mouth of those who speak lies shall be stopped.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Lo Te'ul Ldino/Ninmeyrakthangal...)

Bless'd are those <u>who</u> fast, – for at Resu<u>rre</u>ction they shall be <u>clothed</u> in – splendor and <u>glo</u>ry

> By the fast <u>of</u> Christ – He has taught <u>His</u> Church To conquer <u>Sa</u>tan – and all his <u>po</u>wer

Those who strive <u>for</u> pray'r – and holy <u>fa</u>sting Are the tem<u>ples</u> of – the Holy <u>Spi</u>rit

> The Nine<u>vites</u> kept – a fast with <u>sack</u>cloth; They repen<u>ted</u> and – reconciled <u>with</u> God

Upon Mount <u>Si</u>nai, - Moses kept <u>a</u> fast And in the <u>dark</u>ness – his face shone <u>brightly</u>

> Praise to the <u>Fa</u>ther – who sent His <u>own</u> Son, Who fasted <u>for</u> us – and taught us <u>to</u> fast...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Praise to the <u>Good</u> One – who promised <u>re</u>ward For the righ<u>teous</u> ones – and for those <u>who</u> fast [*Psalm 19*] *Kurielaison*. The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. / Day to day brings forth speech; / night to night declares knowledge;

There is no speech, nor are their words; their voice is not heard. / Yet their good tidings go out through all the earth,/ and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens, He has set His tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber;/ it will rejoice like a strong man to run his course.

Its departure is from the end of the heavens / while its repose is at the end of the heavens and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

The law of the Lord is flawless and it turns the soul. / The testimony of the Lord is trustworthy and makes infants wise. / The commandments of the Lord are right and they make the heart rejoice. / The precepts of the Lord are chosen and they illumine the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is pure and it endures forever. / The judgments of the Lord are true and are more righteous than all. / They are more desirable than gold and even than precious stones. / They are sweeter than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover, Your servant will be warned by them; / If He keeps them, he will be greatly rewarded, but who can discern his errors? / Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep Your servant away from iniquity, lest the evil doers have dominion over me. / And I shall be purified from my sins. / O Lord, my helper and Savior, / let the words of my mouth be according to Your will / and the meditation of my heart be acceptable before You.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Haw Dat'in Kul Beryotho)

By fasting, the face of the Prophet Moses – shone brightly When he brought down the tablets Of the laws for – Is`ra`el He was – made bright like the sun Therefore, - come, all my brethren, Let us fast and pray that we Might inherit the - <u>King</u>dom

> You who fast, be diligent In these days of – the pure fast With vigils, sighs, tears, and pray'rs, Let us beseech – Christ our God That He – may forgive our sins By His – abundant mercy For, brethren, the time is short, And the end stands at – the door

By the fast Daniel observed In the land of – Babylon, He obtained strength to conquer The fearsome beasts – in the pit O Lord – we take our refuge In pray'r – and holy fasting May Your mercy come to us, For You love those who – <u>re</u>pent

> This is the fasting by which The just became – virt`u`ous Those on earth fasted and were Mingled with those – in heaven Fasting – is a weapon and Fortress – that will never fail Fasting is a strong rampart That thieves cannot <u>over</u>come...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore Our Lord completed His course With fasting and – suff`e`ring By His fast, He raised us up From our fallen – condition He made – straight our crookedness Bless'd is – His humility Glory to Him who suffered And endured these things – for us

[Isaiah 42:10-13, 45:8] Kurielaison. Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise from the ends of the earth! Let those who go down to the sea in its fullness, the islands and their inhabitants, praise the Lord!

Let the desert and its villages rejoice! Let Kedar be meadows; let the inhabitants of steep rocks praise Him! Let them shout from the top of mountains. Let them give glory to the Lord and declare His glory in the islands!

The Lord will go forth like a mighty man and like a warrior, He stirs up His fury; He will cry out and become mighty and will triumph over His enemies;

Let the clouds rain down righteousness; let the earth open and salvation increase; and let righteousness sprout forth altogether. I am the Lord who created them...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO (*Mshiho Damlakh*)

By the fast God commanded, Let us beseech with one voice That His peace may reign in us And with joy we might praise Him!

> Let us fast with purity, And extend hands to the poor, That our Lord may forgive us And His peace reign among us

Let our tongues fast from evil, So that we may not rip off The sores of all our brethren, And become sinners ourselves

> Your mouths should keep fast from food And from all iniquities Subdue your tongue with fasting, Or your fast will condemn you...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Rejoice, servants of the King, And exult in the pure fast, The invincible weapon, Which our Lord has taught to us

[*Psalm 113*] Amin. Praise you servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

May the Lord's name be bless'd forever and ever.

From the rising of the sun to its setting / great is the name of the Lord.

The Lord is high above all peoples/and his glory is above the heavens.

Who is like the Lord, our God, who sits on high / and looks upon the depths in heaven and on earth?

He raises up the poor from the dunghill / and makes him sit with the princes of the people.

He makes the barren woman keep house / and be a joyful mother of children.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.

EQBO

(Aloho Adarain/Udayone Thunacheyka...)

God, save me – for the storms And tempests – of the sins Which I have – committed - surround me Be a harbor of peace, Lord That I may – not be drowned in sin I seek to repent, stretch out Your hand As You did to Peter- and have mercy Upon me, O Lord!

Stoumen Kalos, Kurieleison

(Promion & Sedro)

QOLO

(Bhaw Saphrokh Rabo)

The times are harsh and my sins are <u>many</u> Justice looms and the punishment <u>is</u> hard My brethren, let us please God with <u>good</u> works That by His great love He may have <u>mercy</u> – Halleluiah Lord, by Your abundant grace, have <u>mercy</u>...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

"Repent, O sinner," Justice cries <u>a</u>loud The strict judge has prepared the rods <u>of</u> wrath Let us forgive each other and <u>repent</u> That we may not perish by the <u>Lord's</u> sword – Halleluiah O Just Judge, have mercy upon <u>us</u> all

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Your judgment is harsh and our sins <u>are</u> great Justice threatens and I cannot <u>e</u>scape When You come, Lord, to the place of <u>ju</u>dgment Do not enter into judgment <u>with</u> us – Halleluiah Do not remember our faults, O <u>Just</u> Judge

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

(Etro)

QOLO

(Quqoyo - Reesh Qolo)

Haughtiness has pulled down the proud from their places, And greatness has been bestowed upon the humble The arrogance – and pride of Pharaoh Caused his armies – to drown in the sea Moses, who became humble, divided the sea The people crossed it shouting, "Glory to You, Lord!" Halleluiah - w'Halleluiah...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

O Christ, on the day of Your manifestation When all generations give account of their deeds; When You divide – the good from evil, And each goes to – where they're worthy of; When the sea of fi`re roars against the wicked, May Your grace uphold us, and have mercy on us Halleluiah - w'Halleluiah

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O Sinner, why do you leave the sanct`u`a`ry When your Lord is *being* offered upon the altar? Why do you not – ask for forgiveness, But, instead, you – leave for no reason? O Sinner, remain and beg for mercy from God Cry out: "Holy, holy, holy are You, O God!" Halleluiah - w'Halleluiah

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> The Judge vested with authority and pow`er: His rank is glor`i`ous and His honor is great;

His word is exalted and His armies obey; He is celebrated as One who has no end

> O daytime, how luminous and glor'*ious* are you! How beautiful and rich and diligent are you!

But woe to you, for the dark evening will arrive Its darkness obscures you, covers you, and blinds you

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> > (Scripture Readings)

Morning Praise for the Fast

Lord of all, - by your great mercies, Make us servants w<u>or</u>thy to be preserved today in justice, without the scars <u>of</u> sin. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>, - O God <u>of</u> - our fathers, And Your Holy <u>name</u> is mag<u>ni</u>fied and glorified forever. <u>A</u>min.

Lord, may Your - grace and <u>me</u>rcies be upon us, for our trust is <u>in</u> You. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! - O Lord, teach – and show us The way of Your co-mmand-ments. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! – By Your grace – make us to Understand the way of <u>Your</u> laws

Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! – Holy One, - enlight<u>en</u> us With your lumi<u>nous</u> rays Lord, may Your mer<u>cies</u> be up<u>on</u> us Do not neglect, <u>or</u> leave – the work <u>of</u> Y<u>our</u> hands

> <u>Glo</u>ry bef<u>its</u> You, <u>Ho</u>nor bef<u>its</u> You, <u>And</u> praise bef<u>its</u> You, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, Now and fore<u>ver</u>. <u>A</u>min!

Morning Praise

It is good to give You thanks – O Lord God, And to sing praise to Your name And to proclaim Your grace in – the morning And Your faithfulness, Lord, in the night! (*Psalm* 92:1-2)

(Repeat the stanza above three times and kneel/prostrate)

At morning, you shall hear <u>my</u> voice; I have prepared myself to appear be<u>fore</u> You

<u>Holy are</u> You, O God <u>Ho</u>ly O Almighty <u>Ho</u>ly O Immortal †Crucified for us, have mer<u>cy</u> – on us (*Repeat three times*) Lord, have compassion <u>on</u> us; Forgive the sins of all of us, <u>O</u> Lord; **O Holy One, let Your right hand rest up<u>on</u> us;** Forgive our weakness, for Your name is forever!

Glory to You, <u>O</u> God Glory to You, <u>O</u> God Glory, our hope fore<u>ver</u>...Barekmor

Our Father, who art in heaven...

(In Prose) **Morning Praise**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praise to Your name, Most High, to proclaim Your grace in the morning and Your faithfulness in the night.

Lord, in the morning You shall hear my voice and in the morning I have prepared myself to appear before You. Lord, have compassion on Your people; Lord, pardon and forgive the sins of all of us. Holy One, let Your right hand rest upon us and pardon our infirmity because Your name is forever. Amin.

Qaumo

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THURSDAY 3RD HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(Sohde Aphisunuy - Reesh Qolo)

Bless'd is he who from this world Gathers provisions for the jour<u>ney</u> And prepares glor`*ious* gar<u>ments</u> for that Day When the True Bridegroom en<u>ters</u> To see the guests He has invited,

He will go to the banquet and rejoice...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Our Lord said in His Gospel To those who were placed at His right <u>hand</u>, "When I was hungry, you <u>gave</u> food to Me; You gave me drink in My thirst, And you visited Me in prison; You have loved Me and have hated this world."

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(Tone 5)

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all

O Rich One, do not deny The pleas of the diligent, For You love the repentant And Your grace longs for the poor

> Praise the Merciful Father, The Son who is the Savior And praise the Holy Spirit; May He have mercy on us

Son, who freed us by Your fast Have mercy upon us all O Christ, who fasted for us Accept our fasting and pray'r

Qaumo

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THURSDAY 6TH HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(Sohdau Atun – Tone 5)

A <u>ho</u>ly fast – is <u>beau</u>tiful; vigil is right, And pray'r <u>is</u> pleasant These <u>three</u> things stand – a<u>gainst</u> wrath, and they sanctify The soul <u>and</u> body Glo<u>ry</u> to You – my Lord, who re<u>con</u>ciles with mankind Through fast<u>ing</u> and pray'r...*Barekmor* **†** *Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore* Grant <u>us</u>, O Lord – Your <u>me</u>rcy and Your compassion And for<u>give</u> our sins Grant <u>us</u> new life – in <u>the</u> Kingdom and mercy in The co<u>ming</u> judgment Lord, <u>on</u> that day – when all that is <u>hi</u>dden is revealed Grant us <u>the</u> kingdom

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> The righteousness of many is very much loved It has the pow'r always to grant ev'ry request

Though drops of rain are sep*arate* from one another, Together they are a flood which cannot be crossed

> So, like the drops with gather into a torrent, Which cannot be crossed on account of its greatness...

...One petition from many weak mouths will be heard And the Great and Just Judge will never reject it

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

MANITHO of MOR SEVERUS

By the prayers of Your Mother – and those of all Your Saints I exalt You, Lord and King, - The Only-Begotten Son; <u>Word</u> of the Father; Immortal in His nature and who <u>by</u> His grace <u>De</u>scended for – <u>all</u> mankind To bring life and salvation for our fallen <u>hu</u>man race; <u>Who</u> did become – <u>in</u>carnate – <u>of</u> the pure Virgin, The holy and glor`i`ous The`<u>o</u>`tokos <u>He</u> became man – <u>with</u>out change And was crucified for us, Christ who is our <u>Lord</u> and God. <u>He</u> trampled death – <u>by</u> His death - <u>and</u> destroyed our death. Christ, who is one of the Holy <u>Trin</u>ity; <u>Who</u> is worshipped – <u>e</u>qually With His Father and Spirit; Have mercy up<u>on</u> us all!

Qaumo, Nicene Creed

Forty Prostrations

Kurieleison (x10) Lord, have mercy upon us (x10) Lord, be kind and have mercy (x10) Answer, Lord, and have mercy (x10)

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. Barekmor

Our Father, who art in heaven...

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THURSDAY 9TH HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(l'Malkuth Rawmo – Reesh Qolo)

Gracious Holy One, – by Your great kindness Absolve my sins and – pardon my iniquities; Make me worthy with the just And with the saints who pleased You To sing glory to You, Lord, And enter – Your bridal chamber ...Barekmor **†** Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore How narrow the door – and straight the path, which Leads to the Kingdom! - He who wants to follow it Needs restraint and discipline He who relaxes his guard Is drawn to the path of sin By his will – he will lose his soul Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> O You who fast, call to the poor and give them bread, And not when they come to you, but go after them, For the fields do not go after the ones who sow But those who sow carry seeds and go to the fields

When the poor knock, do not tell them, "The Lord will give." Those words are vain and they bring no reward to you Instead, give and then you may say, "The Lord provides," For the poor know better than you that God provides

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> > Qaumo

FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER

Vespers/Ramsho

Qaumo

† Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

May His grace and mercy be upon us, weak and sinful, in both worlds forever and ever. Amin.

Introductory Prayer

Grant us, Lord God, that while our bodies rest from the labors of the day and our souls are released from worldly thoughts, we may stand in Your presence with tranquility at this time of evening and that we may offer You ceaseless praise and uninterrupted thanksgiving; that we may acknowledge Your loving kindness by which You direct and rule our lives and protect and save our souls; to You we offer praise and thanksgiving, now and always and forever, Amin.

Psalms of Evening

[*Psalm 141*] Kurielaison / Lord, I have called upon You, / answer me; hear and receive my words.

Let my prayer be like incense in Your sight, / the offering of my hands like the evening offering. / Set a guard, Lord, before my mouth, /a guard before my lips, / that my heart may not turn to evil words / and I may not do deeds of wickedness.

Let me not take salt with impious men; / let the just man teach me and reprove me; / let not the oil of the impious anoint my head / because my prayer was against their evil-doing. / Their judges have been restrained by the side of the rock, / and they have heard how gentle are my words.

As when a plough cleaves the earth, their bones have been scattered at the mouth of Sheol. / I have lifted up my eyes to You, Lord, / and in You have I put my trust; / do not cast away my soul.

Keep me from the hand of the proud, who have laid snares for me; / let the wicked fall into their nets, while I pass on.

[*Psalm* 142] With my voice I cried to the Lord; / with my voice I besought the Lord and poured out my prayer before him; / I showed him my affliction, when my spirit was troubled, / but You know my path.

In the way of my walking they have laid a snare for me; / I look to the right and see none that knows me; / the way of escape has gone from me and there is none who cares for my soul. / I cried to You, Lord, and said: / You are my hope and my portion in the land of the living.

Hear my petition because I am brought very low; / deliver me from my persecutors because they are too strong for me. / Lead me forth from prison that I may give thanks to Your name; / Your just ones shall have hope when You shall reward me.

[Psalm 119, 105-112] Your word is a lamp to my feet and light to my path; / I have sworn and am resolved to keep the judgments of Your justice. / I am greatly brought low, Lord, / give me life according to Your word; / be pleased with the words of my mouth, Lord, / and teach me Your judgments.

My soul is ever in my hands, and I have not forgotten Your law; / sinners have laid snares for me and I have not strayed from Your commands. / I shall inherit Your testimony forever because it is dear to my heart; / I have turned my heart to do Your commands forever in truth.

[*Psalm 117*] **Praise the Lord, all your nations; praise him, all you peoples, / for His grace is strong over us; / truly the Lord is forever.**

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Yaumono)

On this <u>day</u> our Sa<u>vior</u> fasted for us in the desert And instead of bread He gave us The Word of Life, that Adam's <u>race</u> May eat of it <u>and</u> live by it

God was <u>pleased</u> when Mo<u>ses</u> fasted a pure <u>and</u> holy fast Elijah fasted and went up Into heaven, so let us <u>fast</u>, That all our sins <u>may</u> be pardoned

Fasting <u>and</u> pray`er <u>are</u> a treasure for <u>one</u> who believes Its richness cannot be pillaged, And by this treasure those who <u>fast</u> Inherit the <u>e</u>ternal life

Come men <u>of</u> discern<u>ment</u>, let us observe <u>the</u> holy fast For by it all our debts and faults Are forgiven and our God <u>will</u> Reconcile with <u>us</u> in mercy

By fas<u>ting</u> the righ<u>teous</u> became glo'ri`<u>ous</u> and pleased God: Moses, David, Hanoch, Daniel, And Elijah; so let us <u>fast</u> And pray to es<u>cape</u> from judgment...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

We be<u>seech</u> Your mer<u>cies</u>, O God, the Lov<u>er</u> of mankind Absolve our sins as you wish and With the thief and sinful wo<u>man</u> Make us worthy <u>of</u> the Kingdom

Staumen Kalos, Kurielaison

(Promion & Sedro)

QOLO

(Quqoyo – Reesh Qolo)

Our God dwells within a heart which has no deceit The Holy Spirit dwells in pure and sincere souls Fasting and prayer – are beautiful and A sincere heart – exceeds both of them With pure hearts, the just labored in our Lord's vineyard May their pray'rs protect us all from the evil one Halleluiah – by day and by night...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Where shall I flee from Your presence, O Son of God, For heaven and earth pass away at Your command Like that woman – who touched Your garment And who was healed – from the flow of blood, I take refuge in Your holy body and blood Absolve all my sins by Your abundant mercies Halleluiah – Have mercy on me

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Our Lord has said, "Gird yourself; be watchful and pray And let the provisions for the way be prepared For you know not – the day nor the hour When the Lord shall – come in His glory" Take oil in your lamps and welcome Him when He comes That the Bridegroom may see you and you shall enter Halleluiah – His bridal chamber

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

(Etro)

QOLO

(Barubto Brishith – Reesh Qolo)

Everyone who fasts From bread alone is not <u>truly</u> fasting Our Lord hates such fasts, For it profits not if one does <u>not</u> fast Halleluiah w'Halleluiah – from <u>i</u>niquity...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

The Lord rejoices In fasting and pray'r, and <u>one</u> who keeps them Is the Lord's temple, For the Spirit dwells in him and he will Halleluiah w'Halleluiah – rej<u>oice</u> in Eden

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Lord, deliver us From the sea of fire and <u>the</u> dread crossing As You delivered Hananiah and his friends from <u>the</u> flames Halleluiah w'Halleluiah – and <u>shamed</u> Babylon

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just, Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> In the fi`re, the rich man spoke amidst the flames He groaned and implored as he was burned by the fire:

"Bless'd is he who does not love riches as I did, For though I was rich, I am now burned by the flames."

> Bless'd is he who does not spend life in luxury He will rejoice in the Kingdom like Lazarus

Bless'd is he who in weariness completes this life And does not thirst for water which is denied him

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses, Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

(Gospel)

Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, do not close the door of Your mercy in our faces. We confess that we are sinners, have mercy upon us. / O Lord, Your love made you descend to us from Your place, /that by Your death our death might be abolished. / Have mercy upon us. Amin.

Qaumo

FRIDAY PROTECTION PRAYER

Compline/Sutoro Qaumo

QOLO

(Sohdau Atun - Tone 1)

<u>We</u> know that <u>our</u> sins Are great Lord and we <u>know</u> that – great are <u>Your</u> mercies <u>And</u> if Your <u>mer</u>cy Should not persuade you, <u>we</u> shall – perish <u>from</u> our sins <u>Take</u> not away – Lord Your hand from us, whom you have <u>saved</u> By Your <u>prec</u>ious blood...*Barekmor*

+ Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.

<u>If</u> a slave <u>of</u>fends His master he takes <u>re</u>fuge - in his <u>mas</u>ter's friend <u>By</u> that friend's <u>plea</u>ding The master forgives <u>the</u> slave – of his <u>of</u>fences <u>We</u> take refuge - In Your Cross that Your mercy may <u>come</u> Quickly <u>up</u>on us

Lord have mercy upon us and help us!

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

O Lord, - our Lord, we – call to You – come to our – aid Hear our – requests and – have mercy – upon our – souls

Adam – instructed – his children – of what rea-son He and – Eve were called – to depart – from Para-dise He spoke – to them of – his former – author-ity And of – his fall and – his exile – when he was – shamed:

"It is – not fitting – for the foot – that ran to – the Tree to – tread the ho-ly place when – it is not – clean It is – not right for – the hand that – plucked the fruit – in Eden – to wave o-ver the off-'ring of the Lord"

Christ, who – came and walked – on the earth - and uproot-ed Its thorns, - by You A-dam returned – to Paradise

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

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Psalms of Sutoro

[*Psalm* 91] Bless me, O Lord. / He who sits under the protection of the Most High / and glories in the shelter of God will say to the Lord,

"My trust is in You, / God is my refuge in whom I trust".

For the Lord shall deliver you from the snare, which makes you stumble / and from talk of vain things.

He will keep you safe under his feathers / and you shall be protected beneath His wings. / His truth shall enclose you as an armor.

You shall not be afraid of the terror of the night / nor of the arrow, which flies by day.

Nor of the word, which walks in the darkness/ nor of the spirit that destroys at midday.

Thousands shall fall at your side / and ten thousand at your right hand, / but it shall not come near you

But with your eyes alone / you shall see the reward of the wicked

Because You have made the Lord your trust; / You have made Your dwelling in the heights

Evil shall not come near you, / affliction shall not come near your tent

Because He has commanded his angels concerning you; / that they should keep you in all your ways

And receive you in their arms; / that you may not stumble with your foot

You shall tread upon the adder and the basilisk; / You shall trample upon the lion and the dragon

"Because he has cried to me", says the Lord, / "I will deliver him and strengthen him."

Because he has known my name, He shall call upon me and I will answer him, / I will be with him in distress.

I will strengthen him and honor him; / With length of days I will satisfy him and show him my salvation".

[*Psalm 121*] I have lifted up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come?

My help is from the Lord, / who made heaven and earth

He will not suffer your foot to slip, / your guardian shall not sleep.

Indeed, He neither slumbers nor sleeps, / the guardian of Israel.

The Lord is your guardian. / The Lord shall shelter you with His right hand

By day the sun shall not harm you, / nor the moon by night,

The Lord shall guard you from all evil, / the Lord shall guard your soul

The Lord shall guard your going out and your coming in. / From henceforth and forevermore.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

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

Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah. Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.

Prayer of St. Severus

He who sits under the protection of the Most High, / beneath the shadow of the wings of Your loving kindness will say,

"Protect us, O Lord, and have mercy upon us; / You who hear all, / hear the prayer of Your servants in Your loving kindness.

Grant us, O Christ our Savior, / an evening full of peace and a night of holiness, / for You are the King of Glory.

Our eyes are turned to You. / Pardon our offences and our sins; / Have mercy upon us / both in this world and in the world to come;

O Lord, / may Your mercy protect us / and Your grace rest upon our faces. / May Your † Cross guard us from the evil one and his powers.

May your right hand rest upon us / all the days of our lives, / and Your peace reign among us /and give hope and salvation to the souls of those who pray to You.

By the prayer of Mary, who bore You and of all Your saints, / pardon me and have mercy on me, O God". Amin.

Praise of the Cherubim We make the sign of the Cross and kneel as we pray:

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever!

+ Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever!+ Blessed is the glory of the Lord, from His place forever and ever!

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us;

Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us; Holy and glorious Trinity, have compassion and mercy upon us.

You are holy and glorious forever

You are holy and glorious forever You are holy and blessed is Your name, forever and ever.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

Glory be to You, O Lord; Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*.

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Nicene Creed, Quqlions of the Theotokos & Saints
FRIDAY NIGHT VIGIL Lilyo

Qaumo

Introductory Prayer

Awaken us, Lord, from our sleep in the sloth of sin that we may praise your watchfulness, You who watch and do not sleep; give life to our death in the sleep of death and corruption, that we may adore Your compassion, You who live and do not die; grant us in the glorious company of the angels who praise You in heaven, to praise You and bless you in holiness, because You are praised and blessed in heaven and on earth, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever. Amin.

Introductory Psalms of Night Vigil

[Psalm 134] Barekmor. Bless the Lord, / all You servants of the Lord.

Barekmor. You who stand by night in the house of the Lord.

Lift up your hands to the holy place / and bless the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion, / He who made heaven and earth.

[*Psalm 119, 169-176*] Let my praise enter before You, Lord, / and give me life by Your word; / let my cry enter before You, Lord, / and deliver me by Your word.

My tongue shall pour forth Your word, / because all Your commands are just.

My lips shall speak Your praise when You have taught me Your commands; / let Your hand help me / because I have taken pleasure in Your commands.

My soul has longed for Your salvation /and I have meditated on Your law; / let my soul live and I will praise You /and Your judgments shall help me.

I have gone astray like a lost sheep; / seek for Your servant, / because I have not forgotten all Your commands.

[*Psalm 117*] Praise the Lord, all you nations, / praise Him, all you peoples,/ for His grace is strong over us; / truly, the Lord is forever.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Al Mono Rehmath)

The Only-Begotten came To the earth and – He fasted By it, He battled Satan, He raised up our – fallen state, And He restored Adam to Eden, his inhe-<u>ri</u>tance

By fasting, debts are pardoned And our sins are – blotted out; By it, blemishes are cleansed And the soul is – made glor`*ious* By it, spi`ri`*tual* wings grow; Bless'd is He who taught – <u>fast</u>ing

Both blessing and misery Are prepared in – the fasting -Misery to those who fast With lies and hate in their hearts, And blessings for those who fast With sincerity – <u>and</u> love

Greatly bless'd are those who fast Having cleansed their – heart from hate The Lord has promised, say`ing, "The one who keeps – fast from bread And from evil will receive Joy in the chamber – <u>of</u> light"...Barekmor

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore Praise to You, whom watchers praise And the earthly – be`ings serve You whom angels minister, Receive, O Lord, - our service And be reconciled with us, For we have angered - You, Lord

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

1ST QAUMO

EQBO

(Qum Paulos – In the Tone of the Day)

See the mountains, valleys, and rocks Lament if I do not repent See the hills lament and shed tears; They will mourn and repent for me They will bring the friends And the belov`ed Together to mourn And cry with sighs for my soul; They will beg the Lord for mercy, That the Lord may forgive my sins

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(l'Maryam Yodath Aloho – In the Tone of the Day)

Jesus has placed upon us the sign of life When Satan sees it on us, he flees from it Christ gave His Body for our absolution, And His blood that we may give thanks to His grace...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

David sang, "Rebuke me not in Your anger; Lord, do not punish me in Your displeasure" (*Psalm 38:1*) For God is full of mercy at all times and He does not wish His creation to perish

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(In the Tone of the Day)

O Lord, our Lord, we call to You come to our aid Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> The diligent are made to be glor`*ious* by pray'r, And in combat, the glor`*i*`ous seek this weapon Therefore, the Son of God has forged and polished it, So that the King's servants may be equipped with it

Have courage, you who pray; do not be negligent, For the whole pray'r of the Son of God is for you Add your pray'r to it, for there is pow`er in it, And because of His pray'r, your pray'r will be received

> Answer O Lord, answer O Lord, and have mercy Turn the hearts of the sons of men to repentance

Praise of the Cherubim

Prayed at the conclusion of 1st and 2nd Watches of Lilyo

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord… Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us… You are holy and glorious forever… Glory be to You, O Lord… Our Father who art in Heaven…

2ND QAUMO

EQBO

(Qum Paulos – In the Tone of the Day)

I am killed by anxiety, And my thoughts overwhelm my mind Woe to me, for what shall I do, For the tribunal awaits me Who will not shed tears With grief and worry And not weep for me On account of all my sins? Repentance is not received there Woe be to me, for I have sinned!

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(l'Maryam Yoldath Aloho – In the Tone of the Day)

Come, let us beseech the Lord God with sorrow And offer pray'rs and entreaties before Him The Lord is near to those who call upon Him, And because of His mercies, He answers them...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Let us wash our clothes with the tears of our eyes, For the Coming of the Son of God is near The world's end is at the door, as St. Paul said Bless'd is He whose judgment shall be with mercy

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR EPHREM

(In the Tone of the Day)

Lord, have mercy upon us O Lord receive our service

Let not your body stand there While your heart is distracted May your body be a church Your mind, a sanct`u`ary

Your glory surpasses that Of those who glorify You Lord, You have loved our nature Glory to You who saved us

> Lord, who hears our petitions Answer us in Your mercy Lord, be reconciled with us Have compassion upon us

Prayed at the conclusion of 1st and 2nd Watches of Lilyo

† Blessed is the glory of the Lord… Holy and glorious Trinity, have mercy upon us… You are holy and glorious forever… Glory be to You, O Lord… Our Father who art in Heaven…

3RD QAUMO

EQBO

(Qum Paulos – In the Tone of the Day)

Lord, open Your door of mercy Accept the tears that I offer Lord, as with the sinful woman, Grant me forgiveness of my sins O Living Water, I have taken You As my companion; May I not seek water there, For I heard that the rich man begged For water there from Abraham

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy (Kurieleison, Kurieleison, Kurieleison)

Lord, have mercy upon us Lord, be kind and have mercy Answer, Lord, and have mercy

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. *Barekmor*

QOLO

(l'Maryam Yoldath Aloho – In the Tone of the Day)

Adam cried out, "Stand up, help me, and save me, For the serpent conquered me among the trees I transgressed, for I ate the fruit from Eve's hand, And I stripped off the glory I had put on"...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Your Church stands at Your door and beseeches You Because of the Passion You endured for us Have mercy on her and her faithful children, Lord, by the great sign of Your life-giving Cross

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR BALAI

(*In the Tone of the Day*)

Lord, who has mercy even on sinners Have mercy on us on Your judgment Day!

> At Your door O Lord, the afflicted knock Answer their requests in Your compassion

Jesus, Your door is a door of mercy! He who enters with sins departs with grace

> Father in heaven, we do beseech You! Accept our service; have mercy on us.

Praise Him who said, "Call and I will answer; Knock, I will open; Ask and I will give."

> Lord of those above! Hope of those below! Accept this service; have mercy on us

† Halleluiah, Halleluiah, Halleluiah! Glory to You, O God! (*Repeat three times*)

Be compassionate towards us in Your mercy, / O God of compassion; / in our sacrifices and our prayers / we make memory of our fathers /who taught us while they were alive, / to be children of God; / O Son of God, / raise them up in the heavenly kingdom / with the just and the righteous / in the world, which does not pass away.

Lord, have mercy upon us and help us

Psalms of Night Vigil

Awake, you that sleep, and rise and sing praise. [*Psalm* 148] Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the heights.

Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all his hosts.

Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all stars of light; praise Him, heaven of heavens, and the waters above the heavens; let them praise the name of the Lord.

For He spoke and they were made, He commanded and they were created; He established them forever and ever. He gave them a law, which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, sea-monsters and all depths, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy winds that fulfill His word;

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and birds that fly;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all judges of the earth; young men, too, and maidens; old men and boys; let them praise the name of the Lord.

For His name alone is exalted; His praise is on earth and in heaven, and He has lifted up the horn of His people; praise for all the just, the children of Israel, the people who draw near to Him.

[*Psalm* 149] Praise the Lord with a new praise in the assembly of the just; let Israel be glad in her Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Let them praise His name with the timbrel and the drum; let them sing to Him with the harp, for the Lord takes pleasure in His people, and gives salvation to the poor.

Let the just exult in glory; let them praise Him on their beds; let the high praises of God be in their throats, and two-edged swords in their hands,

To execute vengeance on the nations, and to rebuke the peoples; to bind their kings with chains, their nobles with fetters of iron; to execute on them the judgment which is written; that is the glory of the just.

[*Psalm* 150] Praise the Lord in His holy place, praise Him in the firmament of His strength.

Praise Him for His mighty deeds, praise Him for His abounding greatness, praise Him with the sound of the trumpet, praise Him with lyre and harp.

Praise Him with the timbrel and the drum, praise Him with the soft strings, praise Him with the loud cymbals; praise Him with the sound of the voice; let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

[*Psalm 117*] Praise the Lord, all you nations; praise Him, all you peoples, for His grace is strong over us; truly the Lord is forever.

And to you belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Praise to the Holy Trinity!

Praise to the Holy Trinity!

We praise the glorious Trinity, self-existent and eternal; and to You belongs the praise, O God, at all times.

QAUMO of PRAISE

QOLO

(Enono Nuhro Shareero - Reesh Qolo)

Adam ate – the fruit in Eden Because of his gluttony – and he was – expelled from Eden But our Savior descended And defeated gluttony By His holy fast for us Bless`ed is the Good One who Defeated the evil one, Who had deceived God's servant...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

This is the – holy fast by which Those who have discernment grow My brethren, - take refuge in it By it, let us win vict'ry Over the adversary Let us cry with discernment Bless`ed is He who made us To put on this great weapon To conquer the evil one

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> Where is my table full of all kinds of fine things? I beg for water, but it is not given me Where is the gold which I have gathered together? If it can be exchanged for water, let it go

O Dew of Mercy which was sprinkled on the fire, Do not reject us from Your presence when You come Spread joy and put the garment of glory on us That we may conquer the darkness with Your brightness

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

Hymn of the Angels

As the angels and archangels on high in heaven sing praise, / so we poor children of earth sing praise and say:

At all times and at all seasons, Glory to God in the heights / and on earth, peace and tranquility and good hope for the sons of men.

We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, / we raise up a hymn of praise to You.

We give thanks to You because of Your great glory, / Lord our creator, king of heaven, / God the Father Almighty.

Lord God, only Son, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son and Word of the Father, /who take away, or rather have taken away, the sin of the world / have mercy upon us.

You who take away, or rather have taken away the sin of the world, / incline Your ear to us and receive our prayers; / You who sit in glory at the right hand of the Father, / have compassion on us.

Because You only are holy, You only, Lord Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amin.

At all times and all the days of my life, / I will bless and praise Your name, which is holy and blessed forever, / and which remains forever and ever.

Blessed are You, Lord Almighty, God of our fathers, / and Your name is blessed and glorified in praise forever.

To You belongs glory, to You belongs praise, to You belongs honor, / God of all, Father of truth, / with the only Son and living Holy Spirit, now and always forever. Amin.

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Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, do not close the door of Your mercy in our faces. We confess that we are sinners, have mercy upon us. / O Lord, Your love made you descend to us from Your place, /that by Your death our death might be abolished. / Have mercy upon us. Amin.

Qaumo

FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER

Matins/Safro

Qaumo

Psalms of Morning

[*Psalm* 51] Have mercy upon me, O God, in Your loving kindness;/ in the abundance of Your mercy blot out my sin.

Wash me thoroughly from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin./ For I acknowledge my fault and my sins are before me always.

Against you only have I sinned and done evil in Your sight, / that You may be justified in Your words and vindicated in Your judgment. / For I was born in guilt and in sin did my mother conceive me.

But you take pleasure in truth and You have made known to me the secrets of Your wisdom. / Sprinkle me with Your hyssop and I shall be clean; / wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

Give me the comfort of Your joy and gladness, and the bones, which have been humbled shall rejoice. / Turn away Your face from my sins and blot out all my faults.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, / and renew Your steadfast spirit within me. / Do not cast me from Your presence / and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

But restore to me Your joy and Your salvation / and let Your glorious spirit sustain me; / that I may teach the wicked Your way / and sinners may return to You.

Deliver me from blood, O God, God of my salvation / and my tongue shall praise Your justice. / Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall sing Your praise.

For you do not take pleasure in sacrifices; / by burnt offerings You are not appeased. / The sacrifice of God is a humble spirit, / a heart that is contrite God will not despise.

Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion and build up the walls of Jerusalem. / Then shall You be satisfied with sacrifices of truth and with whole burnt-offerings; / then shall they offer bullocks upon Your altar.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O Merciful God! Have mercy upon us in your mercy!

Lord have mercy upon us and help us.

[Psalm 63] My God, you are my God, I will seek You.

My soul thirsts for You and my flesh seeks for You like the thirsty earth, which is parched and begging for water.

So have I looked for You in truth, that I may see Your power and Your glory.

Because your loving-kindness is better than life, / my lips shall praise You.

So I will bless You while I live and will lift up my hands in Your name.

My soul shall be enriched as with marrow and fat / and my mouth shall praise You with lips of praise.

I have remembered You upon my bed / and in the nighttime I have meditated on You.

For You have been my helper / and in the shadow of Your wings is my protection.

My soul follows after You / and Your right hand upholds me.

Those who seek to destroy my soul shall enter into the lower parts of the earth.

They shall be delivered over to the sword and shall be food for foxes; / but the king shall rejoice in God.

Everyone who swears by Him shall glory, / but the mouth of those who speak lies shall be stopped.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

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ENIYONO

(Haw Dat'in Kul Beryotho)

When one sees his evil acts, That one despises himself And he will condemn himself When he sees how – he has sinned When the - hidden things will be Revealed, - it will be fearful At judgment, we will receive According to our - actions Woe to us, who did not act Despite our Lord's – example Woe to us! Our negligence Has made us lose - Paradise Brethren, - behold how fear has Fallen – over creation; The Sun has turned to darkness And the moon's brightness – has gone The just wear the glor'ious light That shall never - fade away Their light shines more than the sun They surpass all – in glory While the – wicked have put on The thick - darkness of their sins My tongue is incapable Of narrating their – <u>tor</u>ments The watchers of spirit fly, And in the blink – of an eye, They will catch the wicked men And throw them in – the fi`re There will – be gnashing of teeth

And they – will be tormented At the fearful, dread judgment They will burn in <u>Gehe</u>nna The wicked cry from the midst Of the *fire* like – the rich man They ask for a drop of water but none gives – what they ask Your <u>com</u>-passion is greater Than <u>our</u> – in`i`quity, Lord Forbid that eternal *fire* From consuming Your – <u>i</u>mage...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

> Lord, open the doors of Your Kingdom that we – might enter, For You saved us from bondage And brought us in-to Your flock May our – hearts sing and rejoice For we – have beseeched Your name Make us drunk at Your table By the richness of – <u>Your</u> spring

[*Psalm 19*] *Kurielaison*. The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. / Day to day brings forth speech; / night to night declares knowledge;

There is no speech, nor are their words; their voice is not heard. / Yet their good tidings go out through all the earth,/ and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens, He has set His tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber;/ it will rejoice like a strong man to run his course.

Its departure is from the end of the heavens / while its repose is at the end of the heavens and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

The law of the Lord is flawless and it turns the soul. / The testimony of the Lord is trustworthy and makes infants wise. / The commandments of the Lord are right and they make the heart rejoice. / The precepts of the Lord are chosen and they illumine the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is pure and it endures forever. / The judgments of the Lord are true and are more righteous than all. / They are more desirable than gold and even than precious stones. / They are sweeter than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover, Your servant will be warned by them; / If He keeps them, he will be greatly rewarded, but who can discern his errors? / Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep Your servant away from iniquity, lest the evil doers have dominion over me. / And I shall be purified from my sins. / O Lord, my helper and Savior, / let the words of my mouth be according to Your will / and the meditation of my heart be acceptable before You.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor

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ENIYONO

(Mshiho Damlakh)

Lord, we beseech Your mercies In the times of affliction My Lord, You are the Rich One Who does not deny the poor

> Do not disregard Your Church Nor Your covenant with her, For she calls on You always; In mercy, come to her aid

Lord, receive our petition Do not deny our request Incline Your ear to our pray'rs, You who are full of mercy

> O God, the Merciful One Who guides all of creation, You answer our petitions And You protect all our souls

Unite Your will with us all And be our Mediator We have raised our eyes to You O Lord, have mercy on us...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

> O Lord, we beseech Your name To receive Your forgiveness With sighs, we supplicate You To absolve our debts and sins

[Isaiah 42:10-13, 45:8] Kurielaison. Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise from the ends of the earth! Let those who go down to the sea in its fullness, the islands and their inhabitants, praise the Lord!

Let the desert and its villages rejoice! Let Kedar be meadows; let the inhabitants of steep rocks praise Him! Let them shout from the top of mountains. Let them give glory to the Lord and declare His glory in the islands!

The Lord will go forth like a mighty man and like a warrior, He stirs up His fury; He will cry out and become mighty and will triumph over His enemies;

Let the clouds rain down righteousness; let the earth open and salvation increase; and let righteousness sprout forth altogether. I am the Lord who created them...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Yaumono)

How fair is – the fasting – which is free from <u>hate</u> and slander The love free from deceit is rich Come, let us love one ano<u>ther</u> That our fasting may be received

> My brethren, - let us fast – from iniqui<u>ty</u> and envy, And let us supplicate the Lord With mourning and tears of sor<u>row</u> That me might rejoice with the King

I have been – defiled by – the multitude <u>of</u> all my sins Lover of Man, I do not dare To look up to the heights a<u>bove</u> By Your grace, Sa<u>vior</u>, - have mercy!

> Woe to the – evil one – for he was jea<u>lous</u> of Adam Satan stripped him of his glory But Gehenna awaits Sa<u>tan</u> And Paradise <u>a</u>waits Adam...*Barekmor*

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Glory to – the Father, - the Son and the <u>Ho</u>ly Spirit Glory to the Threefold Myst'ry: Three Persons, Three Names, but One <u>God</u> To Him belongs <u>glo</u>ry from all

[*Psalm 113*] Amin. Praise you servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

May the Lord's name be bless'd forever and ever.

From the rising of the sun to its setting / great is the name of the Lord.

The Lord is high above all peoples/and his glory is above the heavens.

Who is like the Lord, our God, who sits on high / and looks upon the depths in heaven and on earth?

He raises up the poor from the dunghill / and makes him sit with the princes of the people.

He makes the barren woman keep house / and be a joyful mother of children.

And to You belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Unto the ages of ages and forevermore.

EQBO

(Abun d'Bashmayo/Mor Balai – Tone 5)

Father in Heaven, we do beseech You Accept our service; have mercy on us!

Stoumen Kalos, Kurieleison

(Promion & Sedro)

QOLO

(Ptah Li Tar'e Dahnonokh – Reesh Qolo)

We are the temples of God The Spirit of God dwells <u>in</u> us Do not destroy this dwelling Where the King has made His home Let us wipe out from our souls All defilements – and all sins To please Him who has – humbled Himself for our sake...*Barekmor*

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

When we are in pain, we weep But, then, when our pains are <u>re</u>lieved We forget the Physician For no one thinks that the end Is standing near at the door O God, do not – forsake us For we have eaten – Your holy body and blood

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

Rich One, who never grows poor Behold those in need at <u>Your</u> door Open Your rich treasure-house And satisfy all their needs As Your holy mouth promised: "Call me and I – will answer Knock upon the door – and I will open for you."

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

(Etro)

QOLO

(Lokh Moriyo Qorenan - Reesh Qolo)

O Lover of Man, we know that we have sinned So we do not have courage to look – at heaven We are ashamed to call upon You, O Lord May Your compassion intercede to – Your justice Hear, O Lord, - the sound as we weep And accept – our pleas for mercy O Compassionate Lord, have pity and mercy!...Barekmor

† Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

My Lord, I remembered the Day of Judgment And when I recalled my sins, my tears – flowed freely I have labored with many in Your vineyard Jealous Satan saw me and robbed me – of my wealth O my Lord – do not reject me And place me – on the left-hand side May Your body and blood be with me – at Judgment

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O Judge, who does not take bribes from any man, What can I offer You as a bribe – for Your love? O Lord, I have heard that You greatly love tears And that You have no use for gold or – precious stones Lord, receive – my tears of sorrow And forgive – all my debts and sins By Your grace, have pity and mercy – upon me

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> Gold burdens and shackles the ones who possess it Those who unite their souls with God possess true wealth

All the treasures of all the Kings upon the earth Are lesser in worth than the one who trusts in God

> All possessions of the world are but deadly fruit One who possesses nothing will never taste it

Even if one takes pains ev'ry day for his wealth, It is nothing but evil and not worth his toil

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> > (Scripture Readings)

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Morning Praise for the Fast

Lord of all, - by your great mercies, Make us servants w<u>or</u>thy to be preserved today in justice, without the scars <u>of</u> sin. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>, - O God <u>of</u> - our fathers, And Your Holy <u>name</u> is mag<u>ni</u>fied and glorified forever. <u>A</u>min.

Lord, may Your - grace and <u>me</u>rcies be upon us, for our trust is <u>in</u> You. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! - O Lord, teach – and show us The way of Your co-mmand-ments. Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! – By Your grace – make us to Understand the way of <u>Your</u> laws

Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! – Holy One, - enlight<u>en</u> us With your lumi<u>nous</u> rays Lord, may Your mer<u>cies</u> be up<u>on</u> us Do not neglect, <u>or</u> leave – the work <u>of</u> Y<u>our</u> hands

> <u>Glo</u>ry bef<u>its</u> You, <u>Ho</u>nor bef<u>its</u> You, <u>And</u> praise bef<u>its</u> You, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, Now and fore<u>ver</u>. <u>A</u>min!

Morning Praise

It is good to give You thanks – O Lord God, And to sing praise to Your name And to proclaim Your grace in – the morning And Your faithfulness, Lord, in the night! (*Psalm* 92:1-2)

(*Repeat the stanza above three times and kneel/prostrate*)

At morning, you shall hear <u>my</u> voice; I have prepared myself to appear be<u>fore</u> You

<u>Holy are</u> You, O God <u>Ho</u>ly O Almighty <u>Ho</u>ly O Immortal †Crucified for us, have mer<u>cy</u> – on us (*Repeat three times*) Lord, have compassion <u>on</u> us; Forgive the sins of all of us, <u>O</u> Lord; **O** Holy One, let Your right hand rest up<u>on</u> us; Forgive our weakness, for Your name is for<u>e</u>ver!

Glory to You, <u>O</u> God Glory to You, <u>O</u> God Glory, our hope fore<u>ver</u>...Barekmor

Our Father, who art in heaven...

(In Prose) **Morning Praise**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praise to Your name, Most High, to proclaim Your grace in the morning and Your faithfulness in the night.

Lord, in the morning You shall hear my voice and in the morning I have prepared myself to appear before You. Lord, have compassion on Your people; Lord, pardon and forgive the sins of all of us. Holy One, let Your right hand rest upon us and pardon our infirmity because Your name is forever. Amin.

Qaumo

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FRIDAY 3RD HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(Quqoyo – Reesh Qolo)

My Lord, let not Satan mock me in Gehenna, Say`ing, "I have deceived you and brought you with me" Merciful One – save me from his hands; According to – Your will, Lord, lead me May Your cross be a weapon at the dread crossing And with it may I conquer Satan and his pow'r Halleluiah – w'Halleluiah...Barekmor † Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

O world, ocean of debts, I sinned greatly in you, And my evil de`si`re has led me astray

I am afraid – of the Judgment Day And frightened by – the river of fire May the Sign of the Cross be my companion there, And by it, may I cross the ocean of fi`re,

Halleluiah – Lord, by Your mercy

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> O rich man, you are proud and your sight is pleasant You have borrowed splendor and put on fair garments How much honor and lux`u`ry is given you, And how people shower you with ly`ing praises!

O handsome one, look at the great beauty of day It has put on splendor, glory, and is rad*iant*, But the evening approaches and obscures the day, and when the night arrives, it strips off its beauty

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

Qaumo

FRIDAY 6TH HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(Ptah Li Tar'e Dahnonokh – Reesh Qolo)

I spent the days of my life In vanity with the devil And the evil one made me A captive by his deceit O my Savior, have mercy On Your image – corrupted By sin and evil; - Do not leave it to decay...Barekmor † Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore The high mountains cannot be Compared to all my offenses Set me free and cleanse my sin, O my Lord, by a drop from The ocean of Your mercies Merciful One, - grant us life By the compassion - with which You created us

Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> Behold, the love for eternal life is despised But see how the love for the world burns like a flame! No one seeks to listen to the word of teaching, But they run around to gather the world's riches

Let all gentiles offer glory, Lord, to Your might How patient You are toward the rebellious ones! In all times, by all means, You long that they repent Praise to You on account of Your abundant love

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

MANITHO of MOR SEVERUS

By the prayers of Your Mother – and those of all Your Saints I exalt You, Lord and King, - The Only-Begotten Son; <u>Word</u> of the Father; Immortal in His nature and who <u>by</u> His grace <u>De</u>scended for – <u>all</u> mankind To bring life and salvation for our fallen <u>hu</u>man race; <u>Who</u> did become – <u>in</u>carnate – <u>of</u> the pure Virgin, The holy and glor`i`ous The`<u>o</u>`tokos <u>He</u> became man – <u>with</u>out change And was crucified for us, Christ who is our <u>Lord</u> and God. <u>He</u> trampled death – <u>by</u> His death - <u>and</u> destroyed our death. Christ, who is one of the Holy <u>Trin</u>ity; <u>Who</u> is worshipped – <u>e</u>qually With His Father and Spirit; Have mercy up<u>on</u> us all!

Qaumo, Nicene Creed

Forty Prostrations

Kurieleison (x10) Lord, have mercy upon us (x10) Lord, be kind and have mercy (x10) Answer, Lord, and have mercy (x10)

Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, O Lord Glory be to You, our hope forever. Barekmor

Our Father, who art in heaven...

FRIDAY 9TH HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(Tubayk 'Idto – Tone 5)

How lovely is_ the day of Resurrection In_ which the bodies of men Rise up – in wond'rous manner_ How beautiful and glorious Are_ those who are chase and those Who keep - vigil and fasting_ In the Kingdom they will all Re_joice at the table of Blessings – as God has promised_...Barekmor † Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore Up in the heights_, tens of thousands of watchers Serve You and tens of thousands Of Your – angels praise Your name_ Because of Your love, O Lord You_humbled Yourself before Mankind - and received glory_ Those above cry out: "Holy Are_You, Lord," and those on earth Receive – Your body and blood_ Lord have mercy upon us and help us

BO'UTHO of MOR JACOB

(To be sung in one of the tones for the Fast)

O Christ, who did accept the fasting of the just Accept our fast and pray'rs and have mercy on us

> Who does not know that the end of our life is death, And the moment of death hovers above our heads? Who does not know that this world is a passing dream, A shadow that cannot be possessed forever?

Who does not know, even if you give all your wealth, It will be rejected as a bribe by the Judge? Who does not know, even if you have great riches, Your riches remain here at the time of your death?

> O Christ, who did accept the fasting of Moses Hear our requests and have mercy upon our souls

> > Qaumo