Akathist to the Theotokos, our Quick Helper



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From the Athonite monastery of Dochiariou

Opening Prayers:
For the prayers of our Holy Fathers, Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us and save us! Amen.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, amen.

Glory to You, our God, Glory to You! (x3)

O Heavenly King, Comforter, the Spirit of truth, Who art everywhere present and fillest all things, Treasury of good things and Giver of life, come and abide in us, and cleanse us from any impurity, and save our souls, o Good One!

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us! (x3)

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

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

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

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

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

Through the prayers of the Most Holy Theotokos, of our Holy Fathers, and of all the Saints, Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, have mercy on us. Amen.

Troparia of humility

Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us, for not understanding us of any answer, this prayer we give to You, as to a Master, we sinners and Your servants; have mercy on us.

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

Lord, have mercy on us, for in thee we have put our hope: do not be angry with us, nor remember our iniquities, but seek Ye as a merciful man, and deliver us from our enemies, for Thou art our God, and we are Thy people, all the works of Thy hands, and we call upon Thy Holy name.

Both now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Open to us the door of thine mercies, o blessed the Mother of God, so that we may not all perish who hope in you, but let us in turn be saved by your compassion from all difficulties, for you are the salvation of the Christian nation.

The Creed

I believe in one God, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages; Light of Light, true God of true God, begotten, not made, of one essence with the Father through Whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became man. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried; And He rose on the third day, according to the Scriptures. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. And His kingdom shall have no end.

And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father, Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, Who spake through the prophets.

In one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the age to come.

Amen.

Lord have mercy (x 12)

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

O Come, let us worship and bow down before our King and God.
O Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ, our King and God.
O Come, let us worship and bow down to Christ Himself, our King and God.

Psalm 142

O Lord, hear my prayer; give ear to my supplications in your faithfulness; answer me in your righteousness.
Do not enter into judgment with your servant, for no one living is righteous before you.
For the enemy has pursued me, crushing my life to the ground, making me sit in darkness like those long dead.
Therefore my spirit faints within me; my heart within me is troubled.
I remember the days of old, I think about all your deeds, I meditate on the works of your hands.
I stretch out my hands to you; my soul thirsts for you like a waterless land.
Quickly hear me, O Lord; my spirit has fainted away.
Turn not Thy face away from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.
Cause me to hear Thy mercy in the morning; for in Thee have I put my hope.
Cause me to know, O Lord, the way wherein I should walk; for unto Thee have I lifted up my soul.
Rescue me from mine enemies, O Lord; unto Thee have I fled for refuge. Teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God.
Thy good Spirit shall lead me in the land of uprightness; for Thy name's sake, O Lord, shalt Thou quicken me.
In Thy righteousness shalt Thou bring my soul out of affliction, and in Thy mercy shalt Thou utterly destroy mine enemies.
And Thou shalt cut off all them that afflict my soul, for I am Thy servant.

Psalm 50

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Thy great mercy; and according to the multitude of Thy compassions blot out my transgression.

Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know mine iniquity, and my sin is ever before me.

Against Thee only have I sinned and done this evil before Thee, that Thou mightest be justified in Thy words, and prevail when Thou art judged.

For behold, I was conceived in iniquities, and in sins did my mother bear me.

For behold, Thou hast loved truth; the hidden and secret things of Thy wisdom hast Thou made manifest unto me.

Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be made clean; Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me to hear joy and gladness; the bones that be humbled, they shall rejoice.

Turn Thy face away from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.

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

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and with Thy governing Spirit establish me.

I shall teach transgressors Thy ways, and the ungodly shall turn back unto Thee.

Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, Thou God of my salvation; my tongue shall rejoice in Thy righteousness.

O Lord, Thou shalt open my lips, and my mouth shall declare Thy praise.

For if Thou hadst desired sacrifice, I had given it; with whole-burnt offerings Thou shalt not be pleased.

A sacrifice unto God is a broken spirit; a heart that is broken and humbled God will not despise.

Do good, O Lord, in Thy good pleasure unto Sion, and let the walls of Jerusalem be builded.

Then shalt Thou be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with oblations and whole-burnt offerings.

Then shall they offer bullocks upon Thine altar.

Troparion

To the Theotokos, let us all who are in trouble – misfortunes, needs – run and fall before her Holy Icon with faith, saying from the depths of our souls: Hear our prayer quickly, O Virgin, who called yourself "Quick Helper" – for we, your servants, have you as a ready helper in our needs.

Kontakion 1:

To the chosen one of all nations, the Mother of God and Queen, who hastens to hear the prayers of the humble and pours out rivers of healing upon the faithful from her holy icon, we offer songs of thanksgiving! And you, the all-merciful Intercessor, bend with good will to our voices of praise and from all needs deliver us, who cry out to you: Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Oikos 1:
The hosts of angels humbly serve you, and all the heavenly powers with unceasing singing bless you, O Virgin Theotokos, as you gave birth to the King of angels – Christ our God! And we, sinners, daring to follow you and not considering ourselves worthy of glorifying you, with wise humility we say to you:
Rejoice, dwelling place of the near Godhead
Rejoice, the unceasing wonder of the angels
Rejoice, Holy table that feeds us with the bread of life
Rejoice, olive tree with good fruit, that anoints our hearts with the oil of mercy
Rejoice, inexhaustible treasure of divine gifts
Rejoice, ever-flowing river of miracles
Rejoice, protector of the oppressed
Rejoice, comfort of the sorrowful
Rejoice, helper of those in misfortunes
Rejoice, healer of the sick
Rejoice, strengthener of the weak
Rejoice, liberator of the captives
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 2 :
Seeing Your inexhaustible mercy, O Lady, and the multitudes of Your miracles that You have shown and continue to show through Your Holy Icons, which, like illuminated stars of God, have adorned the entire Orthodox world, we pray to You with love for You have exalted the human race through Your good will, and we glorify Your Most Honorable Image, singing to Your Son Christ God: Alleluia!

Oikos 2:
Showing heavenly wisdom, O Mother of God, you have deigned to decide through earthly fates to glorify your icon from the Holy Mount Athos, which you yourself - the Quick Helper - called by the Divine voice that was heard from her, so that all, seeing her, may praise you with songs:
Rejoice, merciful Mother to us all before Christ
Rejoice, dwelling place of the Holy Spirit
Rejoice, manifestation of God's love for people
Rejoice, exaltation of the human race
Rejoice, luminous palace of God the Word
Rejoice, greater than the Holy of Holies

Rejoice, you who gave birth to the Lamb of God
Rejoice, you who raised for us the ear of life
Rejoice, golden keeper of the imperishable food
Rejoice, nourisher
Rejoice, O Nourisher of the world , through whom we hope to be saved.
Rejoice, through whom we await the heavenly inheritance.
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 3:
Seeing with divine power the refectory Nil from the Dochiariou monastery, who walked unworthily before Your Holy Icon, You punished him with blindness and weakness, O Virgin Theotokos, so that no one would dare defame the image of Your Holy Icon, which, as a pledge of Your benevolence, You mercifully bestowed upon the entire Holy Mount Athos, so that all its inhabitants, with pious voices, might sing to Him who was born of You, our God the Word: Alleluia!

Oikos 3:
Having boundless love for people, redeemed by the blood of Your Son and Our God, O all-good Lady, You mercifully accepted the repentance of the refectory Nil and granted him healing from blindness and weakness, so that he might unceasingly serve You and bring unceasing prayers before Your healing icon, saying thus:
Rejoice, holy offspring of Joachim and Anna.
Rejoice, for you gave birth to Him who crushed the head of the ancient serpent.
Rejoice, most blessed among women.
Rejoice, for you gave birth above nature to the Savior of our souls.
Rejoice, for you united virginity and birth.
Rejoice, for you preserved yourself blameless between the two.
Rejoice, for you are the great miracle of the whole world
Rejoice, the wonder of all the nations of the earth
Rejoice, the correction of those who err
Rejoice, the strengthening in doing good of those who sin
Rejoice, the punisher who does not remember evil, the vengeful one
Rejoice, the wise one with a good heart
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 4:
Escaping the storms of life and taking refuge in the calm harbor of salvation, Mount Athos, those gathered there found wholesome consolation and divine help from Your Holy Icon, Theotokos, from which rays of miracles and rivers of inexhaustible mercies flow. For this reason, all those who, in the deserts of Athos, want to attain salvation, glorifying Your Motherly mercies, and with thanksgiving sing to God: Alleluia!

Oikos 4:
Hearing the Divine voice from Your Holy Icon, O Lady, the refectory Nil recognized You as the quick helper of all who with faith and love run to Your wonderworking Face and, receiving from Him wisdom in their carelessness and the illumination of their spiritual eyes, cry out to You with all their soul with thanksgiving:
Rejoice, who through temporal punishment dost make the careless wise
Rejoice, who mercifully receive repentance from those who sin
Rejoice, who guide the erring on the path of correction;
Rejoice, who mercifully heal the wounds of our spiritual sins;
Rejoice, who lovingly rebuke those who persist in carelessness;
Rejoice, who through the bitterness of bodily sufferings dost deliver them from the torments of the world.
Rejoice, you who calm the waves and turmoil of passions.
Rejoice, you who extend a helping hand to those who perish.
Rejoice the hope of the hopeless.
Rejoice, the joy of the sorrowful.
Rejoice, the clothing of the naked
Rejoice, the protection of the orphans.
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 5:
Hearing Your words inspired by God, the inhabitants of the Dochiariou monastery built You - O quick helper - a church near the archondarik, where Your miracle-working icon, the Most Pure Virgin, was located, and which comforts all believers with the signs of Your mercy. Therefore, you did not neglect us, the humble, who, according to our duty, praise You and sing to the Miracle-Worker God: Alleluia!

Oikos 5:
Seeing the rivers of miracles flowing from Your Holy Icon – O Quick Helper – all the inhabitants of Mount Athos run to it for worship! And You, Mother of God, give to all according to each one's need, without ceasing, the gifts of Your mercy, urging them with

thanksgiving to sing to You:
Rejoice, Mother of mercy and compassion
Rejoice, the animated table of the Almighty
Rejoice, you who lent the Son of God with flesh
Rejoice, the storehouse of the seedless conception
Rejoice, you who incarnated the bodiless One
Rejoice, you who united God with men
Rejoice, the much-desired sight of the pious
Rejoice, the divine joy of the fasting
Rejoice, the quiet joy of the hermits
Rejoice, the strong hope of the monks
Rejoice, you who conquer the legions of demons
Rejoice, you who shame the
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 6:
Mount Athos proclaims Your mercies and wonders, Most Blessed Mother of our Lord, and is illuminated with the multitude of Your icons, among which Your icon called "Quick Helper," like a full moon shines with rays of miracles, illuminating our souls with the multitude of Divine gifts and making us sing, magnifying God the Trinity, Who has glorified You: Alleluia!

Oikos 6:
Through Your icon, Most Honorable Mary, Theotokos, You have shone the light of salvation to all those who wander in the darkness of sins and passions, and You have called it: The speedy helper, so that those who pray before Her with faith and humility of soul may sing to You:
Rejoice, lightning that illuminates souls
Rejoice, thunder that terrifies those who deny You
Rejoice, gentle shelter of those tired of the turmoil of the sea of life
Rejoice, calm haven of those who are troubled by the waves of passions
Rejoice, preaching to the purity of the soul of the young
Rejoice, cover and defense of virginity
Rejoice, that which softens the hardness of the heart
Rejoice, that which wonderfully warms the coldness of the soul
Rejoice, you who guide the faithful on the path of salvation.
Rejoice, you who guide the repentant from the path of destruction.
Rejoice, our intercessor before the Son of God .

Rejoice, you who unceasingly ask Him to have mercy on us sinners.
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 7:
Wanting to show Your great love for the human race, Mother of God, All-Good, you chose Mount Athos where you multiplied monastic dwellings, so that all who are agitated by worldly vanities may find there a calm and beneficial haven for salvation and, helped by You, may be worthy of the heavenly inheritance and sing, together with the Saints, to the Most Holy Trinity: Alleluia!

Oikos 7:
New signs of Your mercy, O Lady, you have shown, through the wondrous glorification of Your Holy Icon – The Quick Helper – not only to the monks of Mount Athos, but also to all true Christian worshipers who reverently honor the image of this Your Icon, so that all may sing to You:
Rejoice, Mother of Our God !
Rejoice, for before and after Your birth You are a Virgin !
Rejoice, for all nations praise You !
Rejoice, for the Almighty has glorified You !
Rejoice, for the Lord has sought Your humility!
Rejoice, for He has been pleased with Your goodness, the King of kings !
Rejoice, blessed daughter of the Heavenly Father !
Rejoice, Mother of the Son of the Pre -eternal!
Rejoice, recipient! Rejoice, immaculate one of the Holy Spirit.
Rejoice, healing treasure of Divine Grace .
Rejoice , beautification of the world above.
Rejoice, protector of the world below .
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 8:
We are pilgrims and sojourners on earth, and, according to the word of the Apostle, having here no permanent city to dwell in, to whom shall we run, O Lady, in our sorrows and troubles, if not to You, Most Good! Do not turn us away, O Mother of God! Do not say to us: I do not know you because of your sins, but instead have mercy on us, the lonely and

helpless, and receive us into the eternal dwellings – our Shelter – that we may joyfully sing in the heavenly glory of the Heavenly King, Christ: Alleluia!

Oikos 8:
It is comforting for all believers to look at Your icon, Most Holy Lady, in which we see You holding in Your arms the most eternal Infant, our Lord Jesus Christ, whom we humbly worship as our Creator and God, and to You, the true Mother of God, we humbly say:
Rejoice, ever Virgin, who was made worthy of the good news of the Archangel Gabriel.
Rejoice, ever Virgin bride.
Rejoice, Mother of the Most High Light, who enlightens the souls of all.
Rejoice, animated throne of the Creator of heaven and earth.
Rejoice, gentle dove.
Rejoice, immaculate lamb.
Rejoice, cup overflowing with joy.
Rejoice, inexhaustible vessel of the water of life without end.
Rejoice, ark of the sweet-smelling myrrh of Jesus Christ
Rejoice, for through You the stench of our passions is removed
Rejoice, for through You we have come to know the Son of God
Rejoice, for through You we have learned to worship God in the Trinity
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 9:
All nations rightly bless You, O Theotokos, for from the rising of the sun to the setting of the sun Your name is praised! And the inhabitants of Mount Athos consider You to be their Protector, for You have marked that place with special favor, performing many miracles and pouring out Your rich mercies upon those who dwell there, so that they may with thanksgiving sing through You to God: Alleluia!

Oikos 9:
The wise, proud of their wisdom, cannot comprehend the mystery of Your Everlasting Virginity, O Mother of God, nor can they explain the miracle-working power that flows from Your most honorable icons, for the healing of the suffering and for any spiritual or physical benefit for people! And we, confessing you as the ever-Virgin with all faith and without doubt, worship your holy icon and say these things to you:
Rejoice, the doubtful hearing of unbelievers
Rejoice, the honorable praise of the faithful

Rejoice, for you gave birth to Christ without blemish from a pure womb
Rejoice, for you did not break the keys of virginity during childbirth
Rejoice, Mother and Virgin, Most Blessed
Rejoice, glorified Theotokos
Rejoice, the praise of virgins
Rejoice, the unceasing joy of mothers
Rejoice, One without blemish and One among women
Rejoice, for you gave birth to the Promised One - the Crusher of the serpent's head
Rejoice, for you delivered from condemnation
Rejoice, for by your birth you opened the closed Heaven to people.
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 10:
Working for the salvation of Christ-loving people, you deigned, O Mother of God, to choose Mount Athos to be inhabited by monks, and you said in a vision to the first hermit of Athos, the most pious Peter: “May this mountain always be the dwelling place of monks,” comforting him with a good promise that you will be the helper of all those who will spend their lives there in a wonderfully pleasing way to God, granting them what is fitting and delivering them from all troubles so that they may unceasingly sing to God: Alleluia!

Oikos 10:
You are a wall of defense, O Virgin, for all true believers, the keepers of virginity and purity! For this reason, you have decreed that Mount Athos, chosen by you, should be uninviting to women, so that the monastic inhabitants may live there without the temptation of sin, placing their only hope of salvation in you, according to God, and may sing to you such hymns as these:
Rejoice, unfading flower of purity
Rejoice, lily of the field of purity
Rejoice, candlestick bearing heavenly light, who enlightens those who desire purity
Rejoice, scripture of divine wisdom, who makes wise those who preserve virginity
Rejoice, intercessor of salvation for monks who spend their lives according to God
Rejoice, cover and protector of the inhabitants and hermits of Mount Athos
Rejoice, who pours beneficial joy into the hearts that love God
Rejoice, who gives spiritual comfort to the souls of the afflicted
Rejoice, good nourisher of virgins and motherless orphans.
Rejoice, you who sweeten the virginal bands with the Love of the Immortal Bridegroom.
Rejoice, powerful helper in the difficult struggle with bodily passions.

Rejoice, sleepless overseer of monastic establishments.
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 11:
Do not overlook our humble song that we bring to You from the fullness of love and zeal, O Most Pure One, and do not turn away from us, who are defiled with many sins, and help us, O Most Good One, to purify ourselves through repentance and to grow in a pure and God-pleasing life, having You as our helper and guide in perseverance, so that, according to worthiness and righteousness, we may sing to the Lord: Alleluia!

Oikos 11:
Your holy icon, Mother of God, unwaveringly shines with the rays of your miracles and illuminates the whole world, driving away all the enemy's work with the power of God that flows from it! For this reason, we sinners also rejoice, having such a pledge of Your Goodwill towards us. O speedy helper, we cry out to You with thanksgiving:
Rejoice, ray of the sun that never sets;
Rejoice, dawn of the unsettling day;
Rejoice, you who have risen in the morning of our salvation;
Rejoice, you who have given birth to the immortal Bridegroom of our souls;
Rejoice, you who fulfill our desires that are pleasing to God;
Rejoice, you who in abominations and in troubles hasten to our aid for good;
Rejoice, Heaven imagined by the mind, full of spiritual consolation
Rejoice, you who from Your fullness also flow drops of consolation to us;
Rejoice, you who cool the flame of our passions;
Rejoice, you who diligently give a beneficial state of soul to those who seek it
Rejoice, you who greatly love all who live in the purity of virginity;
Rejoice, you who Who through dreams and visions dost thou examine the elect of God?
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 12:
The grace of God that dwells in Your Holy Icon, called by You – Swift Helper – Mistress, draws to it all who are sorrowful and burdened, and not in vain do they turn from this source of Your mercies and compassions, O Mother of God! In abominations – joy, in calamities – appearance, in illnesses – free healing, receiving from the miracle worker Your image, O Most Good Holy Mother of God, and with gratitude sing to the giver of good, God: Alleluia!

Oikos 12:
Singing Your wonders, O Lady, and Your great mercy towards the human race, we know that we are unworthy to glorify You, who are more honorable than the Cherubim and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim, but hoping for Your boundless mercy, O Most Holy Theotokos, we humbly offer You these hymns:
Rejoice, gentle shelter of those who seek honor;
Rejoice, all-sweet conversation of the silent
; Rejoice, beneficial joy of those who live in the mountains and deserts;
Rejoice, secret wisdom of the servants of God who secretly dwell in this world;
Rejoice, reconciliation with God of sinners who repent;
Rejoice, greatest ruler of Mount Athos.
Rejoice, for you enlightened Peter, the lover of fasting, through your vision
Rejoice, for you bestowed many benefits on Athanasius, the wise of God, through your appearance
Rejoice, for you glorified many saints of Athos with heavenly glory
Rejoice, for you showed special love to the inhabitants of that mountain
Rejoice, the free healer of our bodies
Rejoice, the guide of our souls to the most high Kingdom
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Kontakion 13: (**this kontakion is said three times**)
O! All-sung Mother, who art called the Swift Helper in Thy icon, Theotokos, Mary! Receive with mercy this little prayer of ours, which we offer to Thee with zeal, faith, and love, and pray to the ever-honored Trinity to deliver us from the fiery hell, from the impenetrable darkness, and from eternal labor! That through Thy intercession we may inherit the Kingdom of Heaven and be worthy to sing to God with the Saints: Alleluia!

Then the Oikos 1 is said again:
The hosts of angels humbly serve you, and all the heavenly powers with unceasing singing bless you, Virgin Theotokos, as you gave birth to the King of angels - Christ our God! And we, sinners, daring to follow you and not considering ourselves worthy to glorify you, with wise humility we say to you:
Rejoice, dwelling place of the near Godhead Rejoice, the unceasing wonder of the angels
Rejoice, Holy table that feeds us with the bread of life
Rejoice, olive tree with good fruit, that anoints our hearts with the oil of mercy
Rejoice, inexhaustible treasure of divine gifts
Rejoice, ever-flowing river of miracles

Rejoice, defender of the oppressed
Rejoice, comfort of the sorrowful
Rejoice, helper of those in misfortunes
Rejoice, healer of the sick
Rejoice, strengthener of the weak
Rejoice, liberator of the captives
Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

and **Kontakion 1 is repeated**:
To the chosen one of all nations, the Mother of God and the Empress, who hastens to hear the prayers of the humble and pours out rivers of healing upon the faithful from her holy icon, we offer songs of thanksgiving! And you, the all-merciful Intercessor, bend with good will to our voices of praise and from all needs deliver us, who cry out to you:

Rejoice, all most good and quick helper – for you fulfill and turn our prayers towards good doing!

Prayer:
Most Blessed Lady, Ever-Virgin, Mother of God, who gave birth to God the Word above nature for our salvation and who showed Yourself as a sea of Divine gifts and an ever-flowing river of miracles and showering goodness upon those who run to You with faith! Falling before Your Wonderful Face, we pray to You, all-good Mother of the Lover of mankind, Lady! Pour out upon us Your rich mercies and hasten to fulfill our petitions which we bring to You, Swift Helper, which are of use to us, granting comfort and salvation to each one. Examine with Your grace, Most Merciful Mistress, Your servants and grant peace to those who are troubled, freedom to those who are bound, and comfort all who are saddened by various troubles! Deliver, Most Merciful Mistress, all cities and villages from famine, disease, earthquake, flood, fire, sword, and any other misfortune or punishment, temporary or eternal, removing, through Your Motherly boldness, all the wrath of God! Free Your servants from spiritual weakness, from the disturbance of passions and from falling into sin, so that without hindrance, living in this age, in all good honor to You, we may be worthy of the worthy good things through the Grace and love for people of Your Son and our God, to whom be all glory, honor and worship, together with His Beginningless Father and the Most Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever and ever!

Amen!