

✠ VIGIL NOTES ✠

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In accordance with the Kalendar of the Antiochian Orthodox Western Rite

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 26, ANNO DOMINI MMIX

Sunday, April 26

LOW SUNDAY (*Dominica in Albis*) AND OCTAVE OF EASTER [*Greater Double, I Class*]

III Nocturns, XII Lessons –

- **INTRODUCTION** – Invit. “The Lord is risen” & Hymn, *Rex sempiternae* [399]
- **I NOCTURN** – Paschaltide Ant. “Alleluia, the stone” & Pss. from Psalter [4] / *Ps.* “The Lord is risen from the tomb” [9] / Absol. “Hear, O Lord” [9] / Blessings I-IV [9] / Lessons I-IV (Colossians) with *R. R.* [424]
- **II NOCTURN** – Paschaltide Ant. “Alleluia, woman” & Pss. from Psalter [10] / *Ps.* “The Lord is risen indeed” [14] / Absol. “May his mercy” [14] / Blessings V-VIII [14-15] / Lessons V-VIII (Augustine) with *R. R.* [426]
- **III NOCTURN** – Canticles of Easter [19], under 1 Ant. “Alleluia, weep not” [427] / *Ps.* “Then were the disciples” [427] / Absol. “From the chains” [22] / Blessings IX-XII [22] / Lessons IX-XII (Gregory) with *R. R.* [427]
- **CONCLUSION** – All as in Psalter [22-23], with: / Gospel from John 20 [428] / Greg. Collect, “Grant, we beseech thee”; or Tik. Collect “Almighty Father” [428]

Monday, April 27

SAINT GEORGE, MARTYR (*Archdiocese Patron*) (*Transferred*) [*Double I Class, Com. Oct.*]

III Nocturns, XII Lessons –

- **INTRODUCTION** – Invit. “Let the Saints” [62*] / Hymn, *Deus tuorum militum* [43*], except with the Paschaltide doxology, “To thee who, dead, again dost live” [62*]
- **I NOCTURN** – Pss. from Common of One Martyr [8*], under 1 Ant. “Then shall the righteous man” [62*] / *Ps.* “O ye holy” [62*] / Absol. “Hear, O Lord” [133*] / Blessings I-IV [133*] / Lessons I-IV (Wisdom) with *R. R.* [62*]
- **II NOCTURN** – Pss. from Common of One Martyr [10*], under 1 Ant. “The Righteous” [63*] / *Ps.* “Light perpetual” [63*] / Absol. “May his mercy” [133*] / Blessings V-VIII [133*] / Lessons V-VIII (Ambrose) with *R. R.* [63*]
- **III NOCTURN** – Canticles for One Martyr [48*], under 1 Ant. “Light perpetual” [64*] / *Ps.* “Everlasting joy” [65*] / Absol. “From the chains” [133*] / Blessings IX-XII (XI, “May he whose feast”) [133*] / Lessons IX-XII (Augustine) from Proper [795] / *R. R.* IX-XII from Common [65*]
- **CONCLUSION** – All as in Psalter on Sunday [22-23], with: / Gospel as on St Mark’s Day, ending at ¶ [798] / Collect, “O God, who makest” [796]

Tuesday, April 28

SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST (*Transferred*) [*Double II Class*]

III Nocturns, XII Lessons –

- **INTRODUCTION** – Invit. “The Lord, the King of Apostles” & Hymn, *Tristes erant Apostoli* [43*]
- **I NOCTURN** – Pss. for Apostles [2*], under 1 Ant. “Then shall the righteous man” [41*] / *Ps.* “O ye holy” [41*] / Absol. “Hear, O Lord” [133*] / Blessings I-IV [133*] / Lessons I-IV (Ezekiel) from Common of Evangelists [40*] / With *R. R.* from Common of Apostles in Paschaltide [41*]
- **II NOCTURN** – Pss. for Apostles [5*], under 1 Ant. “The Righteous” [42*] / *Ps.* “Light perpetual” [42*] / Absol. “May his mercy” [133*] / Blessings V-VIII [133*] / Lessons V & VI (Jerome) from Proper [797]; Lessons VII & VIII = V & VI (Gregory) of Sept. 21 in Proper [984] / With *R. R.* from Common [42*]
- **III NOCTURN** – Canticles for Apostles [37*], under 1 Ant. “Light perpetual” [42*] / *Ps.* “Everlasting joy” [42*] / Absol. “From the chains” [133*] / Blessings IX-XII (XI, “May he whose feast”) [133*] / Greg. Lessons IX-XII (Gregory), as on Oct. 18 [1017]; or Tik. Lessons IX-XII (Augustine) [797] / With *R. R.* from Common [42*]
- Lessons IX-XII (Augustine) from Proper [795] / With *R. R.* from Common [42*]
- **CONCLUSION** – All as in Psalter on Sunday [22-23], with: / Greg. Gospel from Luke 10, as on Oct. 18 [1017]; or Tik. Gospel from John 15 [798] / Greg. Collect, “O God, who didst exalt”; or Tik. Collect “O Almighty God” [799]

Wednesday, April 29

Of the Octave of St George [*Semidouble*]

II Nocturns, III Lessons –

- **INTRODUCTION** – Invit. “Let the Saints” [62*] / Hymn, *Deus tuorum militum* [43*], except with the Paschaltide doxology, “To thee who, dead, again dost live” [62*]
- **I NOCTURN** – Pss. of Wednesday [51], under Ant. “Then shall the righteous” [62*] / *Ps.* “Everlasting joy” [64*] / Absol. “From the chains” [133*] / Blessings I-III (II, “May he whose feast”) [134*] / Lessons I-III (Ambrose) from II Nocturn in Common (Lessons VI & VII joined in one as Lesson II) [63*] / With *RxRx* IX-XI from Common [65*]
- **II NOCTURN** – Pss. of Wednesday [56], under Ant. “The Righteous” [63*] / Chapter “How is he numbered” & *Ps.* “Right dear” [129*]
- **CONCLUSION** – All as in Psalter on Monday [39-40] / Collect, “O God, who makest” [796]

Thursday, April 30

THE OCTAVE DAY OF ST GEORGE [*Greater Double*]

III Nocturns, XII Lessons – All as on the Feast Day

Friday, May 1

SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES [*Double II Class*]

III Nocturns, XII Lessons –

- **INTRODUCTION** – Invit. “The Lord, the King of Apostles” & Hymn, *Tristes erant Apostoli* [43*]
- **I NOCTURN** – Pss. for Apostles [2*], under 1 Ant. “Then shall the righteous man” [41*] / *Ps.* “O ye holy” [41*] / Absol. “Hear, O Lord” [133*] / Blessings I-IV [133*] / Lessons I-IV (James) as on Easter IV [439] / With *RxRx* from Common of Apostles in Paschaltide [41*]
- **II NOCTURN** – Pss. for Apostles [5*], under 1 Ant. “The Righteous” [42*] / *Ps.* “Light perpetual” [42*] / Absol. “May his mercy” [133*] / Blessings V-VIII [133*] / Lessons V-VIII (historical) from Proper [802] / With *RxRx* from Common [42*]
- **III NOCTURN** – Canticles for Apostles [37*], under 1 Ant. “Light perpetual” [42*] / *Ps.* “Everlasting joy” [42*] / Absol. “From the chains” [133*] / Blessings IX-XII (XI, “May they whose feast”) [133*] / Lessons IX-XII (Augustine), from Proper [803] / With *RxRx* from Common [42*]
- **CONCLUSION** – All as in Psalter on Sunday [22-23], with: / Gospel from John 14 [804] / Greg. Collect, “O God, who makest”; or Tik. Collect “O Almighty God” [804]

Saturday, May 2

St Athanasius, B.C.D. [*Double*]

II Nocturns, III Lessons –

- **INTRODUCTION** – Invit. “The Lord, the King of Confessors” (with “alleluia”) & Hymn, *Iste Confessor* [129*]
- **I NOCTURN** – Pss. of Saturday, under Paschaltide Ant. [83] / *Ps.* “Then were the disciples” [88] / Absol. “From the chains” [133*] & Blessing “May the King of Angels” [135*] / Single Lesson (historical) from Proper [805] / With *Rx* “Well done” [129*]
- **II NOCTURN** – Pss. of Saturday, under Paschaltide Ant. [89] / Chapter, “In glory” & *Ps.* “The righteous” (with “Alleluia”) [130*]
- **CONCLUSION** – As in Psalter for Monday [39-40], with: / Collect “O Lord, we beseech thee” from Common [130*]