Great LentDaily Prayers for the Great Fast



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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 mercy and compassion be upon us forever. / Amin.

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 on us! (Repeat three times)

Lord, have mercy on us!

Lord, be kind and have mercy! Lord, accept our service and our prayers! Have mercy on 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.

TUESDAY EVENING PRAYER

Vespers/Ramsho

Qaumo

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

May His mercy and compassion 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 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 to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Moriyo Qrithokh At)

Lord, when <u>we</u> call u<u>pon</u> You Hear our pray'r and have mercy

> We be<u>seech</u>, Lord, Your <u>me</u>rcies Hear our pray'r and <u>have me</u>rcy

On a<u>ccount</u>, Lord, of <u>Your</u> grace, Accept our fasting <u>and</u> prayer

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

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

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Come, let <u>us</u> praise the <u>Fa</u>ther, 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 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, Halleluyah w'Halleluyah, who <u>crushed</u> Satan's pow'r...*Barekmor*

† Glory 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." Halleluyah w'Halleluyah, 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 Halleluyah w'Halleluyah, and grace 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)

O You the slain – who by Your slaying slew both Death and Satan Slay the sin, which – dwells in me and makes me its Slave by my will

O Good Shep<u>herd</u> – who went in search of Sheep that strayed <u>from</u> – the flock and were lost O seek for me – who am lost like the one coin Out of ten, which

The woman lost – and did seek

<u>Be</u>cause You are – He who finds those who are lost

Halleluyah <u>praise</u> – be to You...*Barekmor*

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

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<u>Fear</u> not sinner – to turn back and walk the way <u>Of</u> repentance For Your Lord has – gone out in search of you and

<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

He will stretch His – hand to you as to Peter

And grant to you

As to the thief - Paradise

<u>He</u> will rejoice – and bear you on His shoulders Halleluyah 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] Barekmor. / 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.

Halleluyah, Halleluyah. 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, Quglions 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, / you who stand by night in the house of the Lord.

Barekmor. 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)

Belov`ed, let us awake
In this holy and pure fast
And be diligent so that
You may receive full reward
Glory to You, O Lord
Projec to You Projec to You

<u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have mercy!</u>

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 mercy!</u>

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, have mercy! Bless`ed are the diligent Who gain the spiri*tual* life By the labor of justice In the great vineyard of Christ

Glory to You, O Lord
Praise 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

Glory to You, O Lord <u>Praise</u> to You; Praise to You Merciful One, <u>have</u> <u>mercy!</u>

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, Halleluyah

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 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!

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† 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*

At night, before God, with the strings of his harp,

QOLO

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

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 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 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

† Halleluyah, Halleluyah! 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 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 char*iot* 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 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 and ever. 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

Hymn of the Angels & Concluding Prayers (In Chant)

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 all seasons:

Glory be - to God in the <u>high</u>est, / and on earth / peace, good-will and good hope for the sons <u>of mankind!</u>

<u>Lord</u>, <u>we praise</u> You, /<u>Lord</u>, <u>we bless</u> You; <u>we worship</u> You, / we raise up a hymn of <u>praise to</u> You.

We give You thanks /because of Your great glory, / Lord our - Creator, / O King of Heaven, / God the Father Almighty.

<u>Lord</u> God, - only Son/ Only-B<u>ego</u>tten, / <u>O</u> Lord - Jesus Christ, / with the <u>Holy</u> Spirit;

<u>Lord</u> God, - Lamb of God, /<u>Word of</u> the Father, /<u>who take a</u>way, / or rather have taken away, the sin of the world; / have mer<u>cy</u> on 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 all.

For You alone - are holy, /You alone, O Lord, / Our 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.

<u>Bless</u>`ed - are You, / <u>Lord</u> Al<u>mighty</u>, / <u>God</u> of - our fathers, / and Your name is bless`ed and glorified in praise <u>fore</u>ver.

Glory - to You, / worship to You, / honor - to You / God of all, Father of truth, / with the only Son and the living Holy Spirit, /now and forever. A-min.

Concluding Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ,

Close – not Your door – of mercy – upon us
We confess we are sinners; / have mer<u>cy on</u> us!
Lord, – your love made – You descend – for our sake
That by Your death our death might – be destroyed
Have mer<u>cy on</u> us!

(Trisagion)

Holy art Thou, O God! Holy art Thou, Almighty! Holy art Thou, Immortal!

† Crucified for us, have mercy on us! (Repeat three times)

Lord, have mercy on us!

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

Glory to Thee, O God!
Glory to Thee, Creator!
Glory to Thee, Christ the King
Who has mercy upon us sinners...*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.

TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER

Matins/Safro

Qaumo

Psalms of Morning

[Psalm 51] Have mercy on 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. / O 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 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] Kurielaison. 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, / and 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 to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

(Haw d'Uhdono)

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

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

Christ our God who by – Your holy fast delivered us from <u>Satan</u> and from the err`or of sin, I <u>come to</u> 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>come to</u> You; Lord have mercy!

God who through fasting – strengthened us all To spirit`ua`lly nourish Us with the divine teachings, I come to You; Lord have mercy!...*Barekmor*

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

> You, who do not wish – for sinners' deaths, But rather that they repent And be redeemed from evil, I <u>come to</u> You; Lord have mercy!

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

There is no speech, nor are there 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 to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

ENIYONO

('Erbo No' Mor Abeedo)

My Lord, I am the lost sheep
Which has left the way of life
I ran after vanity;
Good Shepherd, go 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 - Chamber

Pardon all my debts, O God
And forgive my transgressions,
Because I have greatly sinned
And have angered 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 - Your saints

Just like the prodigal son,
I call upon You, with sighs:
"I have sinned against heaven
And before You, 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 - who saves... Barekmor

† Glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Unto the ages of ages and forevermore

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 the 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 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 spout 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

(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, are glo*rious!*

May our fast please You, O Lover of Mankind,
And may our pray'rs be accepted in Your sight
Lord, as You reconciled with the Nine-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, apo<u>stle</u>ship...Barekmor

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

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 blessed / forever and forever.

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 gives the barren woman a home / and makes her 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.

EOBO

(Bhaw Nuhro Gayo)

All the angels 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)

OOLO

(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
Halleluyah – who gave it to us...Barekmor

† Glory 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
Halleluyah – 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
Halleluyah – w'Halleluyah

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
Halleluyah w'Halleluyah
Lord, bless'd is Your fast which conquered <u>Sa</u>tan...Barekmor

† Glory 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
Halleluyah w'Halleluyah
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
Halleluyah w'Halleluyah
Woe to me when you judge; Lord have <u>mer</u>cy!

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 mercy,
Make us all worthy
To be preserved today in justice, without the scars of sin.
Bless`ed are You, - O God of - our fathers,
And Your Holy name is magnified
And glorified forever. Amin.

Lord, may Your - grace and <u>me</u>rcy
Be upon us, for our trust is <u>in</u> You.
Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! - Teach us <u>and</u> - show us all
The way of Your command<u>ments</u>, Lord;
Bless`ed are <u>You</u>! - <u>By Your</u> grace make us
Understand the way of Your 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>cy</u> be up<u>on</u> us; Lord, do not neglect nor leave - the work <u>of</u> Y<u>our</u>hands!

> Glory befits You, Honor befits You, And praise befits You, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, Now and forever. Amin!

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 my voice;

I have prepared myself to appear before You

Holy are You, O God

Holy O Almighty

Holy O 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, O Lord;

O Holy One, let Your right hand rest upon us;

Forgive our weakness, for Your name is forever!

Glory to You, O God

Glory to You, O God

Glory, our hope forever...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

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† Glory 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 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 who 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! (Psalm 145:1)

The Only-Begotten Son, - Word of the Father,

Immortal in His nature and who by His grace

Descended for - all mankind

To bring life and salvation for our fallen <u>hu</u>man race;

Who did become - incarnate - Of the pure Virgin,

The holy and glor'i'ous The'o'tokos;

He became man - without change

And was crucified for us, Christ, who is our Lord and God;

<u>He</u> trampled death - <u>by</u> His death

And destroyed our death,

And He is one of the Holy <u>Tri</u>nity;

Worshipped and praised - equally

With His Father and Spirit;

Have mercy upon 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...

TUESDAY 9TH HOUR PRAYERS

Qaumo

QOLO

(More d'Ramsho – Tone 5)

Bre<u>thren</u>, let us – be dil<u>ig</u>ent in
Fasting and pray'r, – tears, and <u>in</u> vigil,
For <u>by</u> them we – will join <u>the</u> angels
And inherit – the King<u>dom</u> of God...Barekmor
† Glory 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