

Supplication Service
to the Holy Devout Martyrs Raphael and
Nicholas, and Irene the Virgin Martyr

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PRIEST

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

READER

Amen.

Psalm 142 (143).

O Lord, hear my prayer; give ear to my supplication in Your truth; answer me in Your righteousness; do not enter into judgment with Your servant, for no one living shall become righteous in Your sight. For the enemy persecuted my soul; he humbled my life to the ground; he caused me to dwell in dark places as one long dead, and my spirit was in anguish within me; my heart was troubled within me. I remembered the days of old, and I meditated on all Your works; I meditated on the works of Your hands. I spread out my hands to You; my soul thirsts for You like a waterless land. Hear me speedily, O Lord; my spirit faints within me; turn not Your face from me, lest I become like those who go down into the pit. Cause me to hear Your mercy in the morning, for I hope in You; make me know, O Lord, the way wherein I should walk, for I lift up my soul to You. Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord, for to You I flee for refuge. Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God; Your good Spirit shall guide me in the land of uprightness. For Your name's sake, O Lord, give me life; in Your righteousness You shall bring my

soul out of affliction. In Your mercy You shall destroy my enemies; You shall utterly destroy all who afflict my soul, for I am Your servant.

[SAAS]

Then "God is the Lord" is sung four times, with or without the verses.

CHOIR

Mode 4.

God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. [SAAS]

Verse 1: *Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His name.*

or: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

Verse 2: *All the nations surrounded me, but in the name of the Lord I defended myself against them.*

Verse 3: *And this came about from the Lord, and it is wonderful in our eyes.*

Troparia.

Mode 4. You who were lifted.

Let us in earnest seek the awesome protection * of the devout and holy Martyrs of Thermi, * who recently appeared, and let us shout to them: * "Blessed Fr. Raphael, and divine deacon Nicholas, * and most noble St. Irene, we entreat you to save us * from every harm, necessity and threat, * for we depend on your intercession on our behalf." [SD]

Glory. **Repeat.**

Both now. **Theotokion. Same Melody.**

We the unworthy shall not ever be silent, * O Theotokos, from proclaiming your powers. * For were you not concerned to intercede for us, * who would have delivered us * from

such manifold dangers, * and who else would up to now * have preserved us in freedom? * O Lady, we shall not depart from you, * for you ever save your servants * from evils of every kind. [SD]

READER

Psalm 50 (51).

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your great mercy; and according to the abundance of Your compassion, blot out my transgression. Wash me thoroughly from my lawlessness and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my lawlessness, and my sin is always before me. Against You only have I sinned and done evil in Your sight; that You may be justified in Your words, and overcome when You are judged. For behold, I was conceived in transgressions, and in sins my mother bore me. Behold, You love truth; You showed me the unknown and secret things of Your wisdom. You shall sprinkle me with hyssop, and I will be cleansed; You shall wash me, and I will be made whiter than snow. You shall make me hear joy and gladness; my bones that were humbled shall greatly rejoice. Turn Your face from my sins, and blot out all my transgressions. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your guiding Spirit. I will teach transgressors Your ways, and the ungodly shall turn back to You. Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall greatly rejoice in Your righteousness. O Lord, You shall open my lips, and my mouth will declare

Your praise. For if You desired sacrifice, I would give it; You will not be pleased with whole burnt offerings. A sacrifice to God is a broken spirit, a broken and humbled heart God will not despise. Do good, O Lord, in Your good pleasure to Zion, and let the walls of Jerusalem be built; then You will be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with offerings and whole burnt offerings; then shall they offer young bulls on Your altar. [SAAS]

The Canon

CHOIR

Ode i. Mode pl. 4. Of old when the Israelite.
Saints of God, intercede for us.

We pray you, all-blessed St. Raphael, * Nicholas the deacon, and Irene, now with the divine * hosts of holy Martyrs, to entreat God, * that from distress of all kinds He deliver us. [SD]

Saint of God, intercede for us.

Unearthed from its hiding place, your divine * body sanctifies now pious Christians throughout the world. * O St. Raphael the wonder-worker, * sanctification give us and deliverance. [SD]

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

Your relics, O Nicholas and Irene, * appeared as noetic fragrant flowers that blossomed forth. * The mystical grace of God within them * dispels the unpleasant smell of anxieties. [SD]

*Both now and ever and to the ages of ages.
Amen.*

Theotokion.

O Virgin, the well-spring of the divine *
compassion, pour out salvation's sweetness
into my soul, * and counter the bitterness
within me, * which countless passions of mine
have been oozing there. [SD]

Ode iii. O divine Master Builder.

Saint of God, intercede for us.

The abundant divine grace that you, O
Saint, have from God * actively dispenses
great blessings to all through miracles. *
Therefore we pray you grant healing of soul
and of body * unto us who run to you for aid,
O Raphael. [SD]

Saints of God, intercede for us.

We entreat you, O Martyrs of Christ,
who with Nicholas * and Irene for His sake
competed according to the rules: * Save us
from injuries by our unruly opponent, *
through your earnest prayers to our tender-
loving Lord. [SD]

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

It was truly fulfillment of some divine
mysteries * when you were revealed to the
world and your relics came to light. * We pray
you grant to us the fear of God as a virtue, *
sacred Martyrs Raphael, Nicholas and Irene.

[SD]

*Both now and ever and to the ages of ages.
Amen.*

Theotokion.

As the radiant dwelling and as the
glorious throne * of the King of glory almighty

and Ruler over all, * all-blameless Virgin pure,
make of my soul a bright vessel * of a life of
purity, so that I may be saved. [SD]

Deliver us, * who run with faith to your
aid, holy father Raphael, * and Sts. Nicholas
and Irene, and preserve us from * all kinds of
evil and perils and all diseases. [SD]

Look graciously upon your servant,
all-praiseworthy Theotokos, and upon my
painful physical suffering, and remedy my
anguish of spirit. [SD]

PRIEST

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

*(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord,
have mercy.)*

Let us pray for pious and Orthodox
Christians.

*(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord,
have mercy.)*

Again we pray for (episcopal rank)
(name).

*(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord,
have mercy.)*

Again we pray for mercy, life, peace,
health, salvation, protection, forgiveness,
and remission of the sins of the servants of
God, all pious Orthodox Christians residing
and visiting in this city: the parishioners, the
members of the parish council, the stewards,
and benefactors of this holy church.

*(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord,
have mercy.)*

Again we pray for the servants of God...
(At this time the Priest commemorates those
for whom the Paraklesis is sung.)

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Again we pray for those who bear fruit and do good works in this holy and all-venerable church, for those who labor and those who sing, and for the people here present who await Your great and rich mercy.

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

PRIEST

For You are a merciful God Who loves mankind, and to You we offer up glory, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

CHOIR

Kathisma.

Mode 2. In seeking the heights.

O wise Raphael and Nicholas, we sing your praise, * for you have become our protectors in recent years. * Holy Martyrs, every day * you fulfill the requests of the believers all, * who have seen you in dreams and awake * when you make your miraculous appearances. [SD]

Ode iv. I have heard the report.

Saint of God, intercede for us.

We who call on your sacred name * Father Raphael, pray that you will keep us free * from all illnesses and suffering, * knowing you watch over us invisibly. [SD]

Saints of God, intercede for us.

Martyrs Nicholas and Irene, * it widely known that you rescue those who run * with sincerity to you for help * from the unseen enemy's assaults on them. [SD]

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

We entreat you, O Martyr Saints * Raphael and Nicholas and Irene, to pray * that salvation of body and soul * be obtained by all who run to you with faith. [SD]

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

Theotokion.

By your kindness, O Virgin pure, * heal the wounds and trauma I carry in my soul. * For my twofold health entreat the Lord, * and for the forgiveness of my trespasses. [SD]

Ode v. Sovereign Lord our God.

Saint of God, intercede for us.

Father Raphael, * many saw you and were filled with joy. * So we pray you to bring joy into our life, * for the bitter tribulations make it sorrowful. [SD]

Saints of God, intercede for us.

Hear our voice, divine * deacon Nicholas, and you Irene * who are wondrous and whose name in Greek means peace; * we entreat you, give our life divine untroubled peace. [SD]

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

People on the Greek * isle of Lesbos have you as their joy. * Free us also from the sorrows we confront, * holy Martyrs Raphael, Nicholas and Irene. [SD]

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

Theotokion.

Rescue us, we pray, * from the mad assaults the enemy * like a killer lion launches

on our lives * every day, O Theotokos ever-virgin Maid. [SD]

Ode vi. I pour out my supplication.

Saint of God, intercede for us.

O Raphael, the devout blessed Martyr, * by the faithful you were seen through your many * appearances and in visions, revealing * knowledge of things that were previously unknown. * Now will you mystically appear, * and to us grant our earnest requests, we pray.

[SD]

Saints of God, intercede for us.

O Nicholas, and Irene pious maiden, * you were hidden underground for a long time. * As from a sanctum emerging, O Martyrs, * you now appear to the world, and you pray for us, * and thus you readily dispense * to all people the wealth of the love of God. [SD]

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

Deliver us from our life's many troubles, * and watch over us, we pray you, O Martyrs, * the Church's new shining stars, who competed * of old in contests of martyrdom and excelled, * O God-inspired Raphael * and Irene and divine deacon Nicholas. [SD]

*Both now and ever and to the ages of ages.
Amen.*

Theotokion.

O Virgin pure, grant that I be delivered * from the vileness of my passions, and save me * from every sinister plot of the devil, * by interceding for me with your Son and God. * And ask the Lord to give me tears * of repentance to save me, O blessed Maid. [SD]

Deliver us, * who run with faith to your aid, holy father Raphael, * and Sts. Nicholas and Irene, and preserve us from * all kinds of evil and perils and all diseases. [SD]

Entreat for us, * O spotless Maiden who gave birth to the divine Word * inexplicably through a word in the latter days, * since you indeed * speak with motherly freedom. [SD]

PRIEST

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

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Let us pray for pious and Orthodox Christians.

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Again we pray for (episcopal rank (name).

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, protection, forgiveness, and remission of the sins of the servants of God, all pious Orthodox Christians residing and visiting in this city: the parishioners, the members of the parish council, the stewards, and benefactors of this holy church.

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venerable church, for those who labor and those who sing, and for the people here present who await Your great and rich mercy.

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

PRIEST

For You are a merciful God Who loves mankind, and to You we offer up glory, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

CHOIR

Kontakion.

Mode 2. *In the pools of your blood.*

As ardent helpers of all, Martyr Raphael * and godly-minded St. Nicholas and Irene, * you always give help to the suffering, * and by your speedy assistance you alleviate * the pain and distress of our illnesses. [SD]

(The Antiphon may be omitted, in which case we immediately sing the Prokeimenon.)

Antiphon I.

Mode 4.

Since my youth have many passions waged war against me. O my Savior, nonetheless help me and save me. (2) [SD]

You, the haters of Zion, be put to shame by the Lord, for like thatch in fire you will be completely dried up. (2) [SD]

Glory.

From the Holy Spirit every soul receives life, and through cleansing is lifted and brightened, in a hidden, sacred manner, by the trinal Monad. [SD]

Both now.

From the Holy Spirit do the streams of grace well forth; they irrigate everything created, so that life be engendered. [SD]

Prokeimenon.

God is wondrous in His saints. (2)

Verse: *To the saints on His earth, in them the Lord magnified all His will.*

God is wondrous in His saints. [SAAS]

PRIEST

Let us pray to the Lord our God that we may be made worthy to hear the holy Gospel.

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

PRIEST

Wisdom. Arise. Let us hear the Holy Gospel.

PRIEST

Peace be with all.

(And with your spirit.)

PRIEST

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

PRIEST

Let us be attentive.

(Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You.)

PRIEST

Lk. 21:12-19

The Lord said to his disciples, "Beware of men who will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. This will be a time for you to bear testimony. Settle it therefore in your minds, not to meditate beforehand how to answer;

for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and kinsmen and friends, and some of you they will put to death; you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives."

[RSV]

(Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You.)

CHOIR

Glory. **Mode 2.**

At the intercession of the holy Martyrs, O Lord of mercy, blot out my many offences. [SD]

Both now.

At the intercession of the Theotokos, O Lord of mercy, blot out my many offences. [SD]

Mode pl. 2. *When the saints deposited.*

Verse: *Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your great mercy; and according to the abundance of Your compassion, blot out my transgression.*

In the Church of Christ you are like stars that recently lit up, * rising from the Island of * Lesbos, and you shine on all * by your miracles, * holy great Raphael, Nicholas the deacon, * and the beautiful virgin Irene. * Full of the sympathy * and the grace of God, you appear to us * believers all, and you indeed * drive away the gloom of our suffering. * Therefore we entreat you, O wise and holy Martyrs: Never cease * rescuing us and protecting us * from all harm throughout our life. [SD]

PRIEST

O God, save your people and bless your inheritance. Look upon your world with mercy and compassion. Raise the Orthodox Christians in glory, and send down upon us your rich mercies, through the intercessions of our most pure Lady the Theotokos and ever-Virgin Mary, the power of the precious and life giving Cross, the protection of the honorable, bodiless Powers of heaven, the supplications of the honorable and glorious prophet, and forerunner John the Baptist, the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy Apostles, our Fathers among the Saints, the great hierarchs and ecumenical teachers, Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom, Athanasios, Cyril, and John the Merciful, patriarchs of Alexandria; Nicholas, bishop of Myra, Spyridon, bishop of Trimythous, Nektarios of Pentapolis, the wonder-workers; the holy, glorious great Martyrs George the Victorious, Demetrios the Myrobletes, Theodore the Teron, and Theodore the General, Menas the Wonderworker, the Hieromartyrs Haralambos and Eleftherios; the holy, glorious, and victorious martyrs; the glorious great Martyr and all-laudable Euphemia; the holy and glorious Martyrs Thecla, Barbara, Anastasia, Katherine, Kyriake, Fotene, Marina, Paraskeve and Irene; of our holy God-bearing Fathers; (local patron saint); the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, the holy and glorious Devout Martyrs Raphael and Nicholas, and Irene the Virgin Martyr, and of all your Saints. We beseech you, only merciful Lord, hear us sinners who pray to you and have mercy on us.

CHOIR

Lord, have mercy. (12)

PRIEST

Through the mercy, compassion, and love of mankind of your only-begotten Son, with whom you are blessed, together with your all-holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

CHOIR

Ode vii. *The Servants from Judea.*

Saint of God, intercede for us.

Blessed God-bearing father, * many people have seen the celestial sight of you; * and they received a blessing: * the light of godly gladness. * So to me grant the saving gift * of your protection and help, * O Raphael, I pray you. [SD]

Saints of God, intercede for us.

We entreat you to cease not * from providing the cures for the passions that afflict * our ailing souls and bodies, * O Nicholas thrice-blessed, and all-decorous St. Irene. * And every day free us from * distressing situations. [SD]

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

You were known by the Master * from of old. Now, O Sts. Raphael and Nicholas, * the world has come to know you * as famous wonder-workers. * For when people request your help * with ardent faith, you are there * providing aid and shelter. [SD]

*Both now and ever and to the ages of ages.
Amen.*

Theotokion.

Being born as a human * from your all-holy body, the Lord and God of all * made

you, all-blameless Virgin, * protectress of the whole world. * Therefore rightly we honor you, * and pray that you keep us free * from all distress and danger. [SD]

Ode viii. *O praise and bless Him.*

Saint of God, intercede for us.

Grant us well-being * and health of both soul and body * when we come and venerate your holy relics * and as we extol you, O Raphael all-blessed. [SD]

Saint of God, intercede for us.

By your entreaties * may we be truly successful * and with faith live out our lives without sorrow, * godly-minded Martyr St. Nicholas, we pray you. [SD]

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

When circumstances * of life are hard grant me courage; * when I suffer from depression grant me comfort, * recently revealed holy trinity of Martyrs. [SD]

*Both now and ever and to the ages of ages.
Amen.*

Theotokion.

O Virgin Maiden, * in your most caring compassion, * heal my troubled soul, I earnestly entreat you. * Alleviate my pain and my physical discomfort. [SD]

Ode ix. *You are the Theotokos.*

Saint of God, intercede for us.

O Raphael most sacred, * you were given great gifts * of grace divine by our Lord God and Savior Christ. * You have become our supporter and great protector, O Saint. [SD]

Saints of God, intercede for us.

And you, O holy Martyrs, * glorified together, * O bride of God St. Irene and St. Nicholas, * from the inglorious passions deliver us, we pray. [SD]

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

Invisibly from heaven * never cease to guard us, * O holy priest Raphael and St. Nicholas * and St. Irene; and protect us who now extol you with faith. [SD]

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

Theotokion.

We praise your grace and favor, * highly favored Maiden, * for everyday you deliver and rescue us, * and you unerringly guide us to do the will of God. [SD]

Megalynaria.

It is truly right to call you blest, O Theotokos, the ever-blessed and all-blameless one and the Mother of our God. [SD]

Greater in honor than the Cherubim, and in glory greater beyond compare than the Seraphim; you without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos. You do we magnify. [SD]

Ithaca's divine son, O Raphael, * patron saint of Souli, we salute you and say: Rejoice! * Rejoice, O illustrious Nicholas the deacon! * Rejoice, Irene the virgin, fragrant bouquet for Christ! [SD]

You competed mightily in the past; * recently in Souli you are famous and known to all. * You shine in the world by performing

many wonders * to glorify the Savior, * thrice-blessed martyr Saints. [SD]

Luminous with glory that is divine, * as devout and holy divine Martyrs of Christ the Lord, * by many appearances you have for the believers * clearly uncovered knowledge of things had been unknown. [SD]

Pride and joy of Souli, and patron Saints * of so many churches that were named after you, rejoice, * Raphael all-blessed and Nicholas the deacon, * and St. Irene the virgin, beacons of light divine! [SD]

Godly-minded St. Raphael, rejoice, * along with St. Nicholas, the treasures we have obtained. * You enrich the faithful with gifts of cures and healings, * and sanctify the churches bearing your holy names. [SD]

Raphael and Nicholas and Irene, * deliver from every danger all those who reverently * seek refuge in you trusting in your intercession. * And pray the Lord to grant us forgiveness of our sins. [SD]

Join the Theotokos, all you arrays * of angelic powers, honored Forerunner of the Lord, * holy Twelve Apostles * and all the Saints together, * and pray for our salvation, and intercede for us. [SD]

READER

Trisagion Prayers.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (3)

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

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us.
Lord, forgive our sins. Master, pardon our transgressions. 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 the Son and the Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and to 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 evil.

PRIEST

For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory, of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

CHOIR

Amen.

Mode pl. 2.

Have mercy on us, Lord have mercy on us. For with nothing to say in our own defense, we sinners offer this supplication to you our Master. Have mercy on us. [SD]

Glory.

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

hands, and now we have invoked Your name. [SD]

Both now. **Theotokion.**

Open the gate of compassion for us, O blessed Theotokos. For hoping in you, let us not fail in our aim. Through you may we be delivered from adversities. For you are the salvation of the Christian race. [SD]

PRIEST

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

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

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

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

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

(Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

PRIEST

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

For you are a merciful and loving God, and to you we give glory, to the Father and

the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever
and to the ages of ages.

(Amen.)

PRIEST

Glory to You, our God. Glory to You.

May Christ our true God, through
the intercessions of His all-pure and all-
immaculate holy Mother, the power of the
precious and life-giving Cross, the protection
of the honorable, bodiless powers of heaven,
the supplications of the honorable, glorious
prophet and forerunner John the Baptist, of
the holy, glorious, and praiseworthy apostles,
of the holy, glorious, and triumphant martyrs,
of our righteous and God-bearing fathers,
(local patron saint); of the holy and righteous
ancestors of God Joachim and Anna, the holy
and glorious Devout Martyrs Raphael and
Nicholas, and Irene the Virgin Martyr, and of
all the saints, have mercy on us and save us,
for He is good and loves mankind.

CHOIR

Mode 2. *Joseph took You down.*

All those who with unfaltering faith *
venerate your all-holy relics, * O holy Martyrs
of Christ, * look to you for quick assistance
when they need urgent help * every day, O
thrice blessed Saints * and great wonder-
workers, * Raphael and Nicholas and holy
maiden Irene. * Rescue them from bitter
diseases, * injury, disaster and sorrow, * by the
grace of God that richly dwells in you. **[SD]**

Lady, receive the supplications of your
servants, and rescue us from all necessity and
affliction. **[SD]**

O Mother of God, I have committed my
every hope wholly unto you. Keep me under
your shelter. **[SD]**

PRIEST

Through the prayers of our holy fathers,
Lord Jesus Christ, our God, have mercy on us
[and save us].

(Amen.)