

 **Transfer of the Precious Relics (438) of Our Father among the Saints John Chrysostom; January 27.**

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Troparion (Tone 8): The divine Church rejoices* and the whole world keeps feast with radiance* at the transfer of your relics, O venerable hierarch John Chrysostom.* Your life as bishop was godly and you willingly became a martyr.* Therefore we cry to you, O martyr, passion-bearer and hierarchs' companion.* Pray to Christ God that our souls may be saved.

+Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion (Tone 1): The precious Church rejoices mystically at the transfer of your holy relics* and treasuring them as costly gold* it lavishly grants to those who hymn you the grace of healing,* by your prayers, O John the Golden-mouthed.

Prokimenon (Tone 1): My mouth shall speak wisdom* and the meditation of my heart understanding (Ps 48:4).

verse: Hear the things, all you nations; give ear all you inhabitants of the world (Ps 48:2).

Epistle: (Heb 7:26-8:2): *Brethren*, it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever. Now the main point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent that the Lord, and not any mortal, has set up.

Alleluia (Tone 2):

verse: The mouth of the just man shall meditate wisdom and his tongue shall speak judgment (Ps 36:30).

verse: The law of his God is in his heart, and his steps will not falter (Ps 36:31).

Gospel: (Jn 10: 9-16): *The Lord said to the Jews:* “I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. ‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.”

Communion Verse: The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;* of evil hearsay he shall have no fear (Ps 111:6-7). Alleluia! (3x).