

**MORNING WORSHIP
OF
THE HOLY CROSS (SLEEBA)**

SLEEBA MORNING WORSHIP

✠ 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 grace and mercy be upon us forever. Amen.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, by whose glory, the heaven and earth are filled, Hosanna in the Highest.

Blessed is He, who has to come, and is to come, in the name of the Lord God, Glory be to Him in the Highest.

Holy art thou, O God!
Holy art thou, Almighty,
Holy art thou, Immortal,
✠ Crucified for us,
Have mercy on us. (Repeat Thrice)

Lord, have mercy upon us,
Lord be kind, and have mercy,
Lord accept Thou our offices
And our entreaties
Have mercy upon us.

Glory be to Thee, O God!
Glory be to Thee, O Creator,
Glory be to Thee, O King,
Christ who dost pity
Sinners thy servants, Barekmor.

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, Amen.

Hail Mary, full of grace, - our Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women, - and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, - our Lord Jesus Christ. O, Virgin Saint Mary, - O Mother of God, - pray for us sinners, - now at all times, - and at the hour of our death, Amen.

Opening Prayer

Priest: Glory be to the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: May His grace and mercy be upon us, weak and sinful, in both worlds forever and ever. Amen.

Priest: O Lord Jesus Christ, who became incarnate of the holy virgin; lived as man in this world; and united Your Father and us mortals by Your sacrifice on the Cross, accept the office we offer you in remembrance of Your holy mother, the holy prophets, martyrs and all Your saints. By their prayers, may we get spared from wrathful punishments, from evil spirits, and evil men; and live a life holy and well pleasing to You. We offer you praise and adoration now and forever more. Amen.

Psalm 51

Have mercy on me O God, according to your unfailing love, according to your great compassion, blot out my transgressions.

Wash away all my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgression, and my sin is always before me.

Against you, you only have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak, and justified when you judge. Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place. Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean, wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.

Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out, all my iniquity.

Create in me a pure heart O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from thy presence, or take away your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me by your generous spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will turn back to you.

Save me from bloodguilt, O God, the God who saves me, and my tongue will sing your righteousness. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

You do not delight in sacrifices, or I would bring it, and you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

In your good pleasure, make Zion prosper, build up the walls of Jerusalem. Then there will be righteous sacrifices, whole burnt offerings to delight you, then bulls will be offered on your altar.

And to you belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

Shubaho... Meni olam...

O merciful Lord, have mercy upon us by your grace. Moriyo rahem..

Psalm 63

My God! You are my God, earnestly I will seek you.

My soul thirsts for you, and my body longs for you, as the dry and weary land cry for water.

I looked at you in the Sanctuary, to behold your power and glory.

My lips will glorify you, because your loving kindness is better than life.

I will praise you as long as I live, and I will lift up my hands like this, in your name.

My soul will be flourished as with marrow and fat, and my mouth shall praise you with singing lips.

I remember you upon my bed, I think of you through the watches night.

Because you are my help, I sing in the shadow of your wings.

My soul clings to you, your right hand upholds me.

They who seek my life will be destroyed; they will go down to the depths of the earth.

They will be given over to the sword, and become food for foxes.

But the king will rejoice in God. All who swear by God's name will praise Him, while the mouths of the liars will be silenced.

And to you belongs the praise, O God. Barekmor.

Shubaho... Mení olam...

(Tune: *Nishtayil ninnepetta*)

- A1. With Mary - virgin blest
Who bore Thee in holiness
Lord and our God - Make us worthy
To extol - Thy Name!
- A2. With Thy pro-phets divine
Who foretold of Thy coming
Lord and our God - Make us worthy
To extol - Thy Name!
- A3. With martyrs - confessors
Who suffered for Thy Name's sake
Lord and our God - Make us worthy
To extol - Thy Name!
- A4. With Basil - Father great
And noble Gregorios
Lord and our God - Make us worthy
To extol - Thy Name!
- A5. Parumala Gre-gorios
And with Father Dionysios
Lord and our God - Make us worthy
To extol - Thy Name!
- A6. With those five - virgins pure
Who kept their lamps burning through

Lord and our God - Make us worthy
To extol - Thy Name!

A7. With that thief - who trusted
Whom thou granted paradise
Lord and our God - Make us worthy
To extol - Thy Name! Barekmor
Shubaho... Mení olam

A8. With those heavenly host
Who adore Thee without end
Lord and our God - Make us worthy
To extol - Thy Name!

Psalm 113

Praise the creator of light, praise O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord.

Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and for
evermore.

From the rising of the sun, to the place where it sets, the
name of the Lord is to be praised.

The Lord is exulted over all the nations, His glory above the
heavens.

Who is like the Lord our God, the one who sits enthroned on
High, who stoops down to look on the heaven, and the earth.

He raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from
the ash heap. He seats them with princes, the princes of the
people. He settles the barren women in her home, as a happy mother
of children. Praise the Lord.

Psalm 148

Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the heights above.

Praise him all His angels, praise him all his heavenly hosts.

Praise him sun and moon, praise him all you shining stars. Praise him you highest heavens, and waters above the skies. Let them praise the name of the Lord.

For he commanded and they were created, he set them in place forever and ever; He gave them a decree that will never pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths, lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding.

You mountain and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds, let them praise the Lord.

Kings of the earth and all nations, you princes and all rulers on earth, young men and maidens, old men and children, let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and heaven.

He has raised up for His people a horn, the praise of all his saints of the children of Israel, the people close to his heart. Praise the Lord.

Psalm 149

Praise the Lord. Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise in the assembly of the saints. Let Israel rejoice in their maker. Let the

people of Zion be glad in their king.

Let them praise his name with dancing, and make music to him with tambourine and harp. For the Lord takes delight in His people, He crowns the humble with salvation.

Let the saints rejoice in this honor, and sing for joy on their beds.

May the praise of God be in their mouth, and a double-edged sword in their hands to inflict vengeance on the nations, and punishments on the peoples. To bind their kings with fetters, their nobles with shackles of iron. To carry out the sentence written against them. This is the glory of all his saints. Praise the Lord.

Psalm 150

Praise the Lord. Praise God in His sanctuary, praise him in his mighty heavens.

Praise him for his acts of power, praise him for his surpassing greatness. Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre.

Praise him with tambourine and dancing, praise him with the strings and flute. Praise him with clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals. 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

Shubaho... Mení olam

(Tune: *Nin Jananee Mariyam*)

Mary who - brought Thee forth
And John who - baptized Thee
They shall pray for us - unto Thee, O Lord!
Have mercy - on us

Staumen Kalos
Kurielaison

Promeon

PRIEST: Glory and thanksgiving, praise and adoration, and exaltation unceasing, truly at all times and all hours, may we ascribe unto Thee, O Lord, (variable Promeon follows)

PEOPLE: Amen

(Long prayer follows and ends with the people responding with Amen)

(Tune: *Krupe Cheyyename*)

LEADER: *Lord have mercy, have mercy on us*

Bl. Almighty God
Absolve us from sins
And our offences
By this incense sweet that we
Have now offered unto Thee
Make us stand at Thy right hand
Living Son! As mercy dawns
Lord, thou did save us by Thy cross. Barekmor
Shubaho... Mení olam

- B2. From those unseen heights
Humbling Thy glory
Thou came down O, Lord!
And became man by Thy will
Effaced woes and sorrows of
Adamís race, Thou Eternal
Thou Son of Father Divine
Praise to Thee, great is Thy glory.
- B3. Trembled Mount Sinai
In Thy presence Lord!
And Virgin Mary
Carried Thee who dost carry
Mountains and depths in Thy Land
She conceived Thee sans marriage
And gave birth amazingly
Magnify her memory, Lord!
- B4. Virgin Mary blest
Archangel brought Thee
Peace; and thus spoke he:
iKing of kings shall dwell in you
You bear him without marriage
Thou art blest, virgin Mary
Thou gave birth to that great Son
Who gives light to all creationsî
- B5. Saints are invited
To that high kingdom
And life Eternal
That no eye hath ever spied
Never heard by mortal man
Nor discerned by human hearts
Greatly blessed are righteous ones

Who did love, Christ with all their heart.

- B6. Martyrs thus cry out
iCrown that awaits us
And our recompense
Lord of love shall bequeath us
In His glorious kingdom; for
We suffered by fire and sword,
As He promised, he consoles
Those who love him, in Paradise!†
- B7. O, Christ, my king!
Always do I knock
At Thy mercyís door
Grant me from Thy treasure house
Mercy, grace, and compassion
Help me Lord, my sole refuge!
Shame me not I confessid you
Thou, my Lord, my hope forever.
- B8. Rather small is door
And narrow the road
Leading to heaven
Those who would enter therein
Patient and diligent be
Laziness shall prove fatal
Leading to sin and evil
And destroy, soul by oneís own will.
- B9. Those our departed
Received seal of Christ
In their Baptism
They did eat His body, and
Drank from His atoning blood
They shall be raised from the dust

To life eternal and shall
Put on bright, garments of glory.

Moriyorahe...

Ethro

PRIEST: O, Lord God, who called and chose the prophets to foretell your coming; Virgin Mary for your incarnation; Apostles and messengers to preach your saving and life giving gospel; martyrs to die for you and priests to protect and rule over your holy church, accept this incense that we offer you in the day of their remembrance. By their prayers grant peace to the world, growth to the holy church, and a life of holiness to the children of the Church. Enable us to live in holiness and in steadfast faith, all through our lives, taking refuge in their prayers. May we and our departed ones praise and adore you in your kingdom in the company of your saints, now and forever. Amen.

PEOPLE: Amen

(Tune: *Rijumathikalkirulil dyuthiulavai*)

LEADER: *Righteous get light in darkness*

C1. Veil of darkness recedes O, Lord!
Brilliant light doth shine on us
Firmament and earth worship Thee
Sisters two who came anon

Firmament above the seas
Earth is abode for water
Anon like bridal chamber

Airy vastness came between
Glorious Thy handiwork, Lord! Barekmor
Shubaho... Meni olam

- C2. Glory to the Holy Father
 Who sent forth His Holy Son
 Who did dwell in that holy womb
 In godly ways, most holy
 That we may become like Him
 He put garb of our likeness
 And did become Son of Man

 That Godís children we become
 And partake with Holy Ghost
- C3. Mary was standing in prayer
 Pouring herself before God
 Fiery angel appeared anon
 Clothed in flame; and thus spoke he:
 ìGlorious castle! Peace to you,
 In thee dwelleth Son of King
 Rich as He is above all

 He lifted thy lowliness
 That He may feed all nationsî
- C4. Son of God, living, dawned from thee
 Blessed most Virgin Mary
 Heavenís trader descended, and
 Dwelt in thee, ship all adorned
 Received Heavenís architect
 Gave birth all in holiness
 Shining castle sans equal
 Lord is great, who was born from
 Thee; blessed are you forever
- C5. Said the Lord to His own people
 ì True Light am I forever

Those who do walk in this light shall
 Never be in darkness deepî

Blessed are those disciples
 Who walked in that light of Christ
 Behold! Their memíry is blest

Joyously do we extol;
 Their prayer is refuge for us.

- C6. Come in peace, shepherd great thou art
 Leader, fountain of learning
 Foundation like the apostles
 For the Church; thou art like Paul
 Comrade for cloud of prophets
 Counted among the apostles
 Glorious like Elijah great
 Ascetic like Yuhanon
 Church is blest receiving thee

LEADER: *Lord be kind and have mercy*

- C7. Thou never denied Thy mercy
 On sinners who call on Thee
 Lord, in Thy mercy, save us from
 Rod of wrath and chastising
 Grant us joy and abundance
 Days and months and year along
 With that great sign of the cross
 Efface evil one from us
 Thy mercy we glorify
- C8. Let me not cease praising Thee, Lord
 And strains of Halleluiah
 Judge me not in thy righteousness

I confess my sinfulness
If you discern my failings
Hell shall be my portions, sure
Without access to Thee Lord

I get drowned in silent death;
In mercy, forgive my sins.

C9. Lord grant rest and remembrance for
Our fathers and brothers who
Are asleep; may Thy worshipers
Join Thy saints; as you sit

On Thy throne high above all
Divides good from evil men
Mercy meet them at judgment

As Thy majesty appears
May they stand at Thy right hand.

Gospel

(Begins with Hallelujah and announcement by deacon)

PRIEST: Peace be unto you all.

PEOPLE: May the Lord God make us worthy - With
Thy Spirit.

PRIEST: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
life giving preaching from (Mathew - John the
Apostle) the preacher who preaches life and
salvation to the world.

PEOPLE: Blessed is He - who has come and is to come
- Praise be to Him - who sent Him for our salvation,
- and His mercy be upon us all - forever.

PRIEST: Now in the time of the dispensation of our Lord and

our God and our Savior Jesus Christ, the word of life, God who had taken the flesh of the Holy Virgin Mary, these things did come to pass in this manner. ✠

PEOPLE: We believe and confess.

(Priest ends reading by saying:)

PRIEST: ✠ Peace be unto you all.

Kukilion

Kings daughter stands in glory Hal - u - Hal

At thy right hand stands - the princess

Righteous shall prosper like palm tress Hal - u - Hal

And thrive like the cedars of - Lebanon

Like fatherís mercy flows out to children Hal - u - Hal

Lord love those who - fear His name

Barekmor

Shubaho... Mení olam

Glory be to God on high

To his mother honor be

Crown of glory to martyrs

And mercy upon those dead

Stoumen Kalos, Kurielaison

Blessed Mary was given

Peace by Father from Heaven

Through fiery angel Gabriel

Mouthful of peace, he came down

And spoke, ìOur Lord is with thee

Behold, He shall dawn in thee.î

Barekmor

Shubaho...

Peace shall be unto prophets
 Peace unto Apostles too
 Peace always unto martyrs
 Above all they loved the Lord
 Peace un-to the holy Church
 Abode for children of God

Mení olam...

We re-member forefathers
 Taught us during their life time
 That we be children of God
 Son of God shall comfort them
 In hea-ven, along with his
 Elect saints and righteous ones

Moriyo rahem...

Boovootho Mar Yakob

- D1. Make us share, Lord - in the memíry of thy mother
 And saints by their - prayers bless us and - our departed.
- D2. Blessed are you - Mary, you were - represented
 As a symbol - in mystery by - Ark of Moses
- D3. Table(t)s of Law - written by God - were in that Ark
 In thee likewise - Mary, truly - was Bread of Life
- D4. Blest are those dead - who have slept and - rested in peace
 Buried within - them is flesh of - Son as a pledge.
- D5. They shall go forth-and greet Him who - come in his might
 Doors of Hades - he shall tear down - and turn to dust.
- D6. Son of God who - was born from dau-ghter of David
 Pour forth thy mer-cy on Thy flock - in abundance.

LEADER: Holy art thou, O God! - Halleluiah

Holy art thou, Almighty, - Kurielaison
 Holy art thou, Immortal, † Crucified for us,
 Have mercy on us. (Repeat Thrice)

LEADER: Lord, have mercy on us, - Halleluiah
 Lord be kind, and have mercy, - Kurielaison
 Lord accept Thou our offices, and entreaties
 have mercy upon us.

LEADER: Glory be to Thee, O God! - Halleluiah
 Glory to Thee, Creator, - Kurielaison
 Glory to Thee, Christ who dost pity
 Sinners thy servants, Barekmor.

Our Father...

Hail Mary...

THIRD HOUR

Kauma

E1. Thrice blessed is Virgin Mary
 Who gave birth to Son of God
 Amazingly did she carry
 Lamb of God on her bosom
 By His power he did carry
 Her; that she be not harmed by
 Flaming fire and His brilliance
 His chariot cherubs carry
 She carried him on her knees. Barekmor
 Shubaho...

E2. Miracles three Church upholds to
 Those who question virgin birth

Wondrous fruit bearing tree and rock
Hardened; and mysterious fish

Wondrous tree brought forth a lamb
Water flowed from hardened rock
Drachma from mouth of the fish

Obvious examples all three
Heretics they do silence

Moriyo rahem...

Bovootho Mar Yakob

- F1. Mother blessed - may your prayer be - with us always
Lord may show mercy on us by thine entreaties
- F2. All amazed shall - I speak of her - earthly daughter
Wondrous she did - ascend to great - heights of glory
- F3. Son graciously - humbled Himslef - and dwelt in her
She was favored - became mother - for Son of God
- F4. ìIn whom shall I - dwell exceptions - meek and gentle?î
Sayeth Lord; and he dwelt in vir-gin most humble.
- F5. Never was one - exalted like - Virgin Mary
Nor even was one - seen more humble - than Mary blest
- F6. By pleadings of - her who carried - Thee in her womb
For nine months, Lord! Remove from us rod of Thy wrath.

Kauma

SIXTH HOUR

Kauma

G1. Peace to thee Mary
 Ark of mysteries
 That Moses did make
 Thy symbol as veil divine
 That contained water of life
 Peace to thee that strong city
 Magnified by King David
 Jesse's son; God come forth from thee! Barekmoor
 Shubaho...

G2. Martyrs did carry
 Armour of the Cross
 And fought evil one
 Some of them were cut by sword
 Some were burnt in cruel flames
 Enemy got all angry for
 They never turned back in warfare
 By their prayers - absolve us, O Lord!
 Mení olam...

G3. Lord, our departed
 who did partake of
 Thy Body and Blood
 In Thy love make them enjoy
 Table laid for righteous ones
 Upholding Thee in their lives
 They died with all hope in Thee
 Uphold them before Thy Father.

Moriyo rahem....

Bovootho of Mar Balai

H1. Absolve us O Lord, and our departed
 By entreaties of Thy mother and saints

- H2. Mary's memory be a great blessing
And her prayers be a fortress for our souls
- H3. Prophets, Apostles, Martyrs and righteous
Beseech and beg for mercy for us all
- H4. Sprinkle Lord Thy dew of gladness upon
Father and brethren, who sleep in Thy hope
- H5. Praise to thee who extol remembrance of
Holy Mother and saints, and raises the dead.
- H6. Absolve us O Lord, and our departed
By entreaties of Thy mother and saints