

## Burial of a Priest or Bishop during Bright Week

1. Usual Paschal beginning with the Triple-bar candle, cross and censor.
2. Blessed is our God... Christ is Risen 3X by the clergy and 3 X by the choir.
3. Clergy... Let God Arise... Choir... Christ is Risen, etc.
4. Clergy... Christ is Risen from the dead, trampling down death by death.
5. Choir... And upon those in the tombs bestowing life.
6. Deacon: Great Litany for the Departed. (This is not sung in the melody for the departed but only straight)
7. Priest: O God of Spirits... (taken quietly) and the exclamation "For thou art the Resurrection...")
8. Then is sung the antiphons, epistles, and gospels (Pages 25-78 from the Funeral of a priest which I have attached also) [*from the OCA website*]
9. PASCHAL CANON... This is the Day of Resurrection... (*the full canon is sung and not only the irmosi*)
10. After the 3<sup>rd</sup> ode, SMALL LITANY FOR THE DEPARTED (*litanies are always sung straight and never in the funeral melody*) and EXCLAMATION.
11. IPAKOI – Before the dawn
12. Canon continues... After the 6<sup>th</sup> ode, again, Litany for the departed.
13. KONTAKION "With the Saints" and also the Ikos.
14. CHOIR: "As Many as have been baptized... (as at Liturgy)
15. Prokimenon and Epistle "of the Day"
16. Gospel (1<sup>st</sup> Resurrection Gospel as taken at Matins)
17. Prayer of Absolution
18. Choir "Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ" (1X) and "Jesus, having risen from the dead" (1X)
19. Canon continues... After the 9<sup>th</sup> ode, again, Litany for the Departed.
20. Exapostilarion "In the Flesh..." (3X)
21. "Blessed art Thou, O Lord" as taken at Matins and NOT at a Panikhida.
22. "Let God arise..." (This is in place of the last kiss.)
23. Triple Litany... "Have mercy on us..."
24. Wisdom! and ending like at the end of Matins on Pascha.
25. Memory Eternal... (Memory eternal may be sung or if the priest wishes, Christ is Risen may be sung.

*Taken from Nikolski Ustav*