

**✝ Repose of Our Venerable Father Cyril,
Equal to the Apostles and Teacher of the Slavs (869)
Venerable Father Auxentius Venerable Maron the Wonderworker and Hermit;
February 14.**

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Troparion (Tone 4): From your childhood you befriended wisdom,* O God-inspired Cyril.* Beholding her as a pure virgin all radiant,* you took her as a bride for yourself,* and as with beads of gold* she adorned your mind and soul.* O blessed Cyril,* like your namesake of Alexandria* we have found you wise in name and truth.

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

Kontakion (Tone 2): With teaching that was sound and divinely inspired* you enlightened the world as with luminous rays.* Flashing like lightning and surrounding the world,* you scattered the radiant word of God* in the west, the north and the southern lands,* bringing light to the world with your wonders, O blessed Cyril.

Prokimenon (Tone 7): Precious in the sight of the Lord* is the death of His venerable ones (Ps 115:6).

verse: What shall I render to the Lord for all the things He has rendered me?
(Ps 115:3)

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: Blessed is the man who fears the Lord; he shall delight exceedingly in His commandments (Ps 111:1).

verse: His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth (Ps 111:2).

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).