

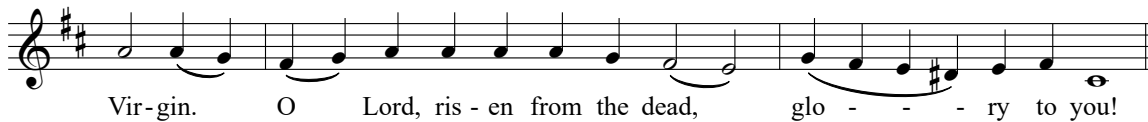
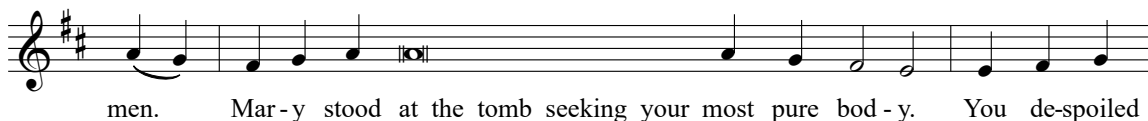
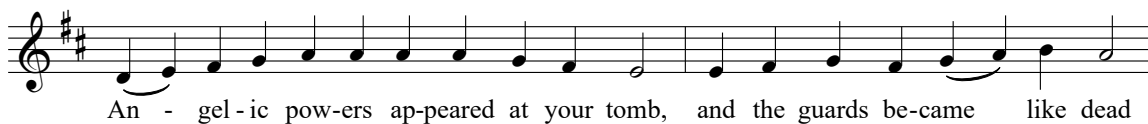
# THIRD HOUR PROPER FOR SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

## SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

<sup>1</sup>**The commemoration of the dedication of the Church of the Resurrection of the Lord in Jerusalem.** When St. Helena found the Lord's cross in Jerusalem, she stayed longer in the city and built churches in Gethsemane, in Bethlehem, on the Mount of Olives, and in other places connected to the life and death of the Lord. She began to build a huge church on Golgatha, which would house both the hill of Calvary and the tomb from which the Lord rose. St. Helena died before it was finished, and the church was consecrated on this date in 335.

**The holy bishop martyr Cornelius the Centurion**, who was an officer in Palestine converted by the Apostle Peter (cf Acts 10). That same apostle made him bishop and sent him to the pagan town of Skepseis. There he destroyed the temple of Apollo and baptized the local ruler. He was martyred in that town and buried with reverence by his church.

### Troparion of the Resurrection - *Tone 6*



### **Cantor** (*Tone 4*):



### Troparion of the Dedication - *Tone 4*



Lord, Life, and Re-sur-rec-tion of All, you showed the beauty of the holy dwelling-



-place of your glo - ry on earth like the splen-dor of the fir - ma-ment on high.



Make it stand firm for-ev - er. Through the The-o - to-kos, ac-cept our pray'rs



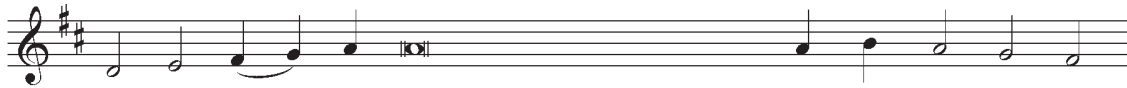
which we unceasingly of-fer to you with - in it.

### **Cantor** (*Tone 4*):



Now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

### **Theotokion of Third Hour** – *Tone 4*:



O The - o - to - kos, you are the true vine laden with the Fruit of Life;



where - fore, we im - plore you, O La - dy, to in - ter - cede



to - gether with the apos-tles and all the saints that we may obtain mer - cy



for our souls.

*Third Hour continues with "May the Lord God be blessed..." on p. 9*

**Kontakion of the Dedication - Tone 4:**

You have made the Church a resplendent heaven, enlightening the faithful. \* Therefore, we stand in the midst of this holy dwelling-place and cry out to you: \*\* Make firm this house, O Lord.

*Third Hour continues with "Lord, have mercy..." (40 times) on p. 11*

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<sup>1</sup>Special Format