# VESPERS PROPERS FOR JULY 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

## from the Menaion & Octoechos

<sup>1</sup>Our venerable mother Macrina, sister of Basil the Great, Gregory of Nyssa and Peter of Sebaste, in the monastery of Annesinus on the river Irim in Pontus, virgin. She was learned in the Sacred Scriptures and led a solitary life, and provided a wonderful example of those possessing the desire for God, who had forsaken the vanity of the world. (379)

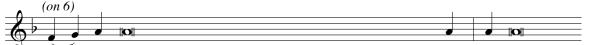
Our venerable father Dios at Constantinople, called the Wonderworker, archimandrite, who left his home in Antioch and was ordained in Constantinople and founded a monastery under the Rule of the Akoemeti (i.e., the "Unsleeping"). (430)



## Stichera at the Lamplighting Psalms

3 stichera for our venerable mother Macrina from the Menaion:

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



If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would sur-vive? But with you is



#### (6) Sticheron

You have preserved your virginity uncorrupted \* and without stain; \* you lived a life of integrity and distributed all your wealth. \* You made the law of Christ the reality of your life; \* you have followed him by renouncing the vanities of the world, \* even while living on this earth. \* Because of this you were granted a reward in heaven by Jesus \* the Lover of us all \*\* and the Savior of our souls.

#### **Cantor:**



My soul is wait-ing for the Lord. I count on his word. My soul is longing for the Lord



#### (5) Sticheron

You have shown that the spiritual \* is truly noble, eternal, and wise. \* Because of this, you were drawn to avoid every taint of sin, \* to be free of all worldly cares, \* to even transform the bonds of the family \* which have neither blemish nor fault but rather are pleasing to God. \*\* And so you appeared pure and immaculate before your Bridegroom.

#### **Cantor:**



Let the watch - man count on day-break and Is - ra - el on the Lord.

## (4) Sticheron

At the time of your death, \* O most praiseworthy one, \* your countenance became as bright as the stars. \* You were extolled by Christ as his holy virgin \* because you were

kind and merciful, \* compassionate and God-like. \* Having lived a life equal to the angels, \*\* you became pleasing to God by your life of virtue.

3 stichera for our venerable father Dios from the Menaion:

#### **Cantor** – (*Tone* 4):



Is - rael indeed he will re-deem from all its in - i - qui - ty.

#### (3) Sticheron

We sing to you, O blessed Dios, \* as a star rising mystically in the firmament of the Church. \* Your divine light ceaselessly illumines the soul and spirit \* of those who venerate your radiant feast each year, \* acclaiming you as the author of miracles, \*\* a holy priest and the jewel of monks.

#### **Cantor:**



## (2) Sticheron

Like another Aaron, \* whose staff blossomed, \* you entered the holy priesthood. \* Like Moses, you drew water from the rock. \* Like Elijah, you raised a dead person by your prayers. \* You are glorified by incomparable miracles \* and crowned by the fame of holiness, \*\* O blessed and godly-minded father Dios.

#### Cantor:



## (1) Sticheron

Having manifestly inherited the lights of the Holy Spirit, \* you drove out the spirits of evil \* and built a holy place for spiritual contemplation. \* There, each day, mercy is found by the multitude \* who venerate in faith your memory, \* your valiant struggles and your wondrous miracles, \*\* O Dios, glory of the fathers!

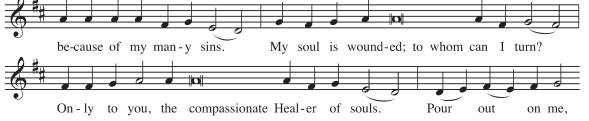


Aposticha - (p.21)

*The aposticha are from the Octoechos:* (*Tone 7*)

# **Aposticheron:** O Ben - e - fac - tor, as a prodigal I come to you. Re - ceive me as I fall O before you like one of your serv - ants, God. Have mer - cy on me, O Lov - er of us all. Cantor: To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens; my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords. Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of so our eyes are on the Lord our God till he show her mistress, us his mer - cy. **Aposticheron:**

Like one who has fall - en among thieves and is wound-ed, so have I fall - en





#### Cantor:

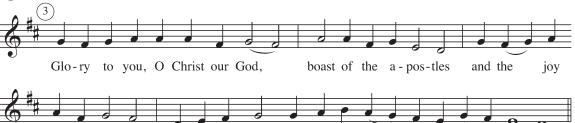


mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. We are filled with contempt. Have Indeed all too



full is our soul with the scorn of the rich, with the proud man's dis-dain.

## **Aposticheron:**



of the mar-tyrs who pro claimed the Trin - i - ty, one in es-sence.

## Cantor (Tone 7):

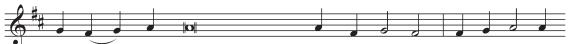


Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir-it, now and ever and



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#### **Theotokion**



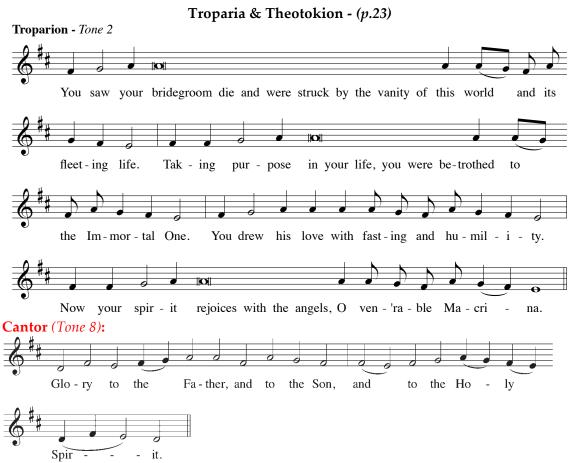
trothed to God, together with the Arch - an - gel Be we call out to







Continue with the Prayer of the Holy Prophet Simeon (p. 21).









Continue with the Litany of Daily Vespers (p.23) and then the Dismissal (p. 24).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Format 3: Two Saints on a Weekday