

July 10th

St. Joseph of Damascus
Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried" (1st set)

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Tone 5, Plagal First Mode
Special melody: O Righteous Father

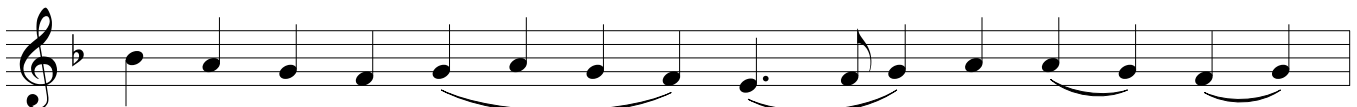
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6) When, for the love of the Cre - a - tor, thou emp - tied thy - self, Christ



filled thee with the bless - ing of ser - vice and min - is - try, and



He en - trust - ed thee with the care of



His sheep. There - fore, with un - wan - ing guid - ance and giv -



- ing, thou didst en - com - pass An - ti - och with - out be - ing



con - strained. And as we hon - or thy mem - o - ry,



and glo - ri - fy it with ut - most de - light and



great joy, we ven - er - ate and praise the

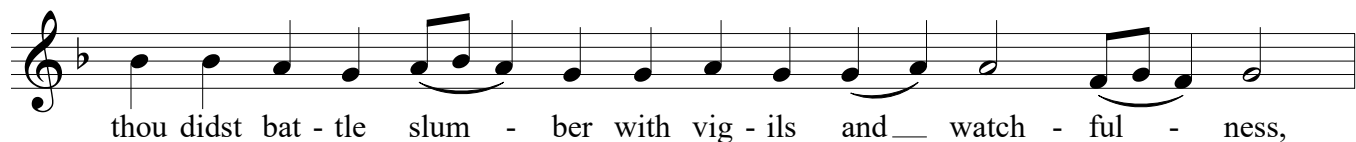
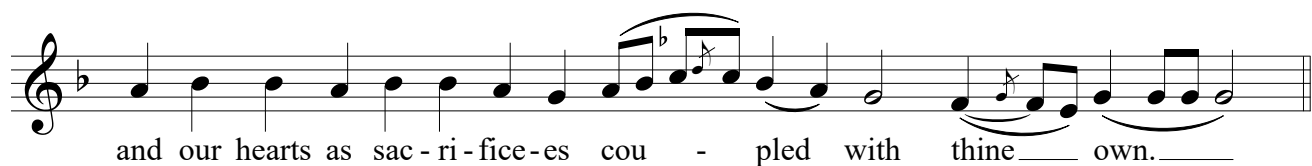
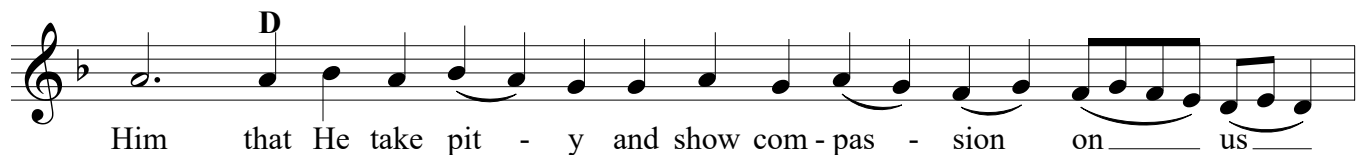
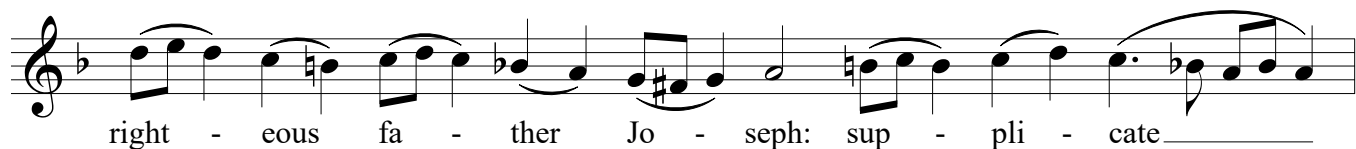


Lord Who glo - ri - fied thee. Thus, O our

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- va - tion. And thou didst prompt those who came to thee

to strive and work for the Church's ed - i - fi -

- ca - tion, pre - par - ing them to be true

ser - vants of the Word, God, and glo - ri -

- fy and hon - or the Most ho - ly Trin - i -

- ty in their life on earth and in their ho - ly sa - cred min - is -

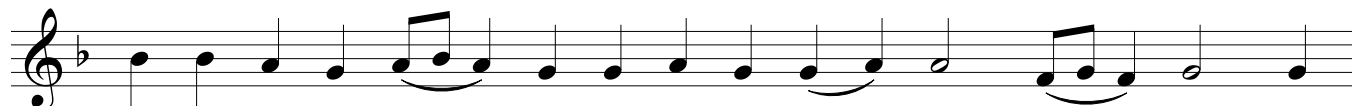
- try. O Jo - seph, pray thou and ask the Lord God, to

quick - ly send good work - ers to care for His vine - yard.

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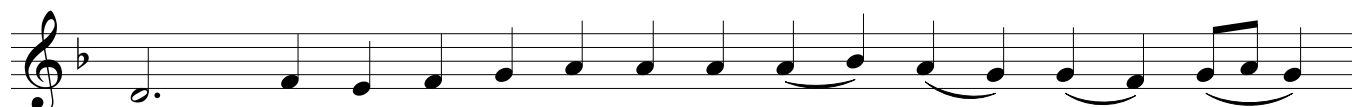
4) Thou didst have a heart that was blaz - ing with love__ for__ God



Who be-came in - car - nate for the sal - va - tion of__ all from



Mar - y the Most Ho - ly__ and ev - er - Vir -



- gin. Him thou didst re - sem - ble in love__ and__ self - giv -



- ing, in the vis - i - ta - tion and__ care__ for__ the__



faith - ful. As a re - ward for thine of - fer - ings,



He did be - stow on thee spir - i - tual gifts__ and__

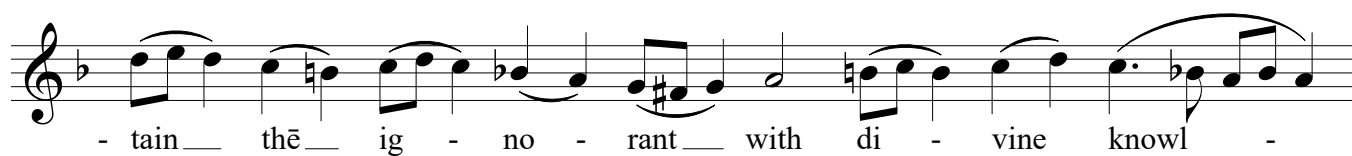


wis - dom that thou might - est strength - en__ those who__



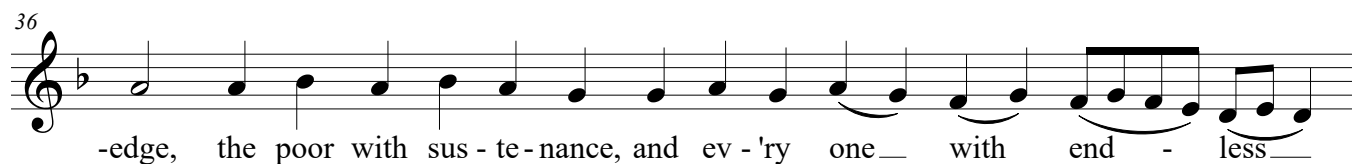
did__ seek thee__ for__ ref - uge. Thou didst sus -

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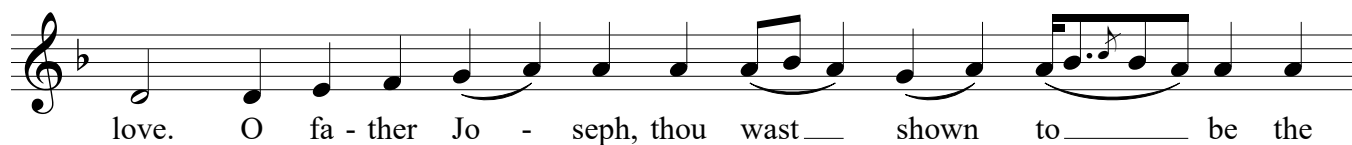


- tain__ thē__ ig - no - rant__ with di - vine knowl -

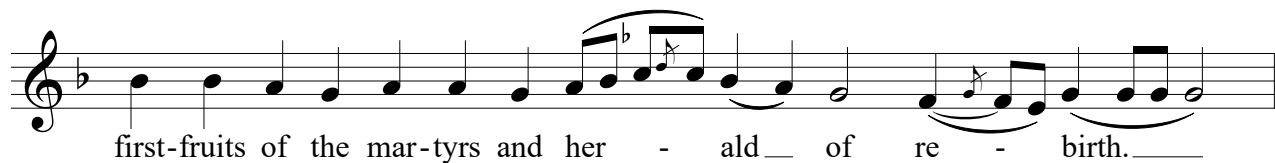
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-edge, the poor with sus - te - nance, and ev - 'ry one__ with end - less__



love. O fa - ther Jo - seph, thou wast__ shown to__ be the



first-fruits of the mar-tyrs and her - ald__ of re - birth.____

AT "O LORD, I HAVE CRIED"

(Melody: O righteous Father)

Plagal First Mode

Ἦχος λ̣ π̣ ᾠ Πα

When, for the love of the Creator, thou emptied thyself, Christ filled thee with the blessing of service and ministry, and He entrusted thee with the care of His sheep. Therefore, with unwilling guidance and giving, thou didst encompass Antioch without being constrained. And as we honor thy memory, and glorify it

with ut- - - most ___ de- light ___ and great ___ joy, π ρ we

ven- er- ate ___ and ___ praise the ___ Lord ___ Who glo- - ri-

fied ___ thee. π ρ (κ) Thus, O our right- eous ___ fa- ther ___ Jo- -

- seph: sup- - pli- cate ___ Him χ ρ (π) that He take pit- - y

and show com- pas- - sion on ___ us ___ all, π ρ and re-

ceive in heav- en our low- ly ___ con- - - test χ ρ $\hat{5}$ and

our hearts as sac- ri- fic- es cou- - pled ___ with thine ___ own.

Δ π

(π) 3 **W** hen thou didst per- ceive the per- va- sive-ness of ig- no-

χ ρ rance, thou didst bat- tle slum- - ber with vig- ils and ___ watch- ful-

ness, striving to acquire and keep the godly knowl-

edge. A beacon thou becamest, a model

of true love, when in the heart thou didst take the

light of salvation. And thou didst

prompt those who came to thee to strive and work for the

Church's edification, preparing

them to be true servants of the

Word, God, and glorify and honor the

Most Holy Trinity in their life on

earth and in their holy, sacred ministry.

