O what a divine and noble bee of the Church of Christ, thou all-beatified Basil;
for when thou didst arm thyself with the sting of divine passion, thou didst wound the blasphemies of God transgressing heresies; and didst store in the souls of believers the sweetness of true worship.

Wherefore, having now arrived at the resting place of the everlasting divine pastures remember us when thou standest before the consubstantial Trinity.
My mouth shall speak wisdom, and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.

Thou hast acquired, our Father Basil, the virtues of all the saints; the humility of Moses, the zeal of Elijah, the confession of Peter, and the eloquence of John in theology. And like Paul thou dost still cry: Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is offended, and I burn not?

Wherefore, since thou dwell est with them, plead for the salvation of souls.
The mouth of the righteous shall meditate wisdom;
and the lips of righteous men know graces.

O Basil, the revealer of noble things, having verily studied the
nature of creatures and contemplated the instability of all things, thou didst find but One who is stable, the Transcendent in essence, the Creator of all, to whom as thou didst the more incline,
thou didst the more cast off desire of things transient.

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Wherefore, intercede for us that we may attain our divine desire.