

July 15th

## Martyrs Kyrikos & His Mother Julitta of Tarsus

### Stichera at the Aposticha at Vespers

Byzantine Chant Tone 1

Special Melody: *Thou art the joy*



1) Three years of age in his bod - y, but as an



el - der in soul, Kyr - i - kos bold - ly preach-eth of the



King of the Heav-ens; and torn a - way with mal - ice from his



moth - er's em-brace, he is of - fered in sac - ri - fice



un - to the Lord as a Mar - tyr; and af - ter him,



doth his moth - er fol - low will - ing - ly.



2) With joy we hon - or Ju - lit - ta, who suf - fered

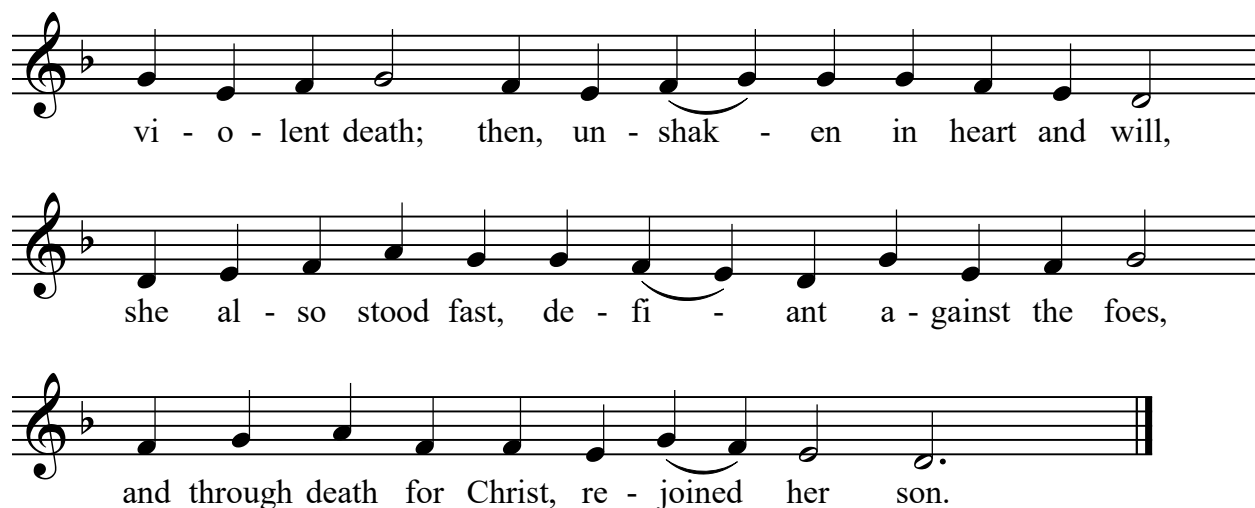


two - fold pangs, first in the pains of child-birth, then in



see - ing her young - ling part - ed from her, suf - fring a

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vi - o - lent death; then, un - shak - en in heart and will,  
she al - so stood fast, de - fi - ant a - gainst the foes,  
and through death for Christ, re - joined her son.

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3) Let us sing praise of that sa - cred pair of a  
moth - er and child who fought with no - ble cour - age in most  
val - or - ous con - test; let us ask them al - ways to  
plead with the Lord to grant mer - cy and peace to us  
who keep their ho - ly me - mo - ri - al faith - ful - ly,  
while ex - tol - ing their mar - tyr - ic pains.