

July 22nd

Mary Magdalene, Myrrh-bearer & Equal-to-the-Apostles

Stichera at the Aposticha at Vespers

(May also be sung as the Praises at Orthros)

Byzantine Chant Tone 8

Special melody: *O strange wonder*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih
from various sources



1) Thou didst fol - low in the steps of Christ when He ap -
- peared un - to us, and didst min - is - ter
un - to Him with all zeal, O mod - est one,
in thē up - right - ness of thy mind. And when He
died, thou didst not a - ban - don Him,
but went - est forth and didst bring Him myrrh with tears
in thy great sym - pa - thy, O all - famed Myrrh - bear - er;
Un. where - fore, we ob - serve a most sol - emn feast on
C thine all - sa - cred mem - o - ry.

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2) Mar - y, who shin - est su - preme - ly bright, long - ing to
 look on our Life slain and laid in the
 sep - ul - cher, thou didst come forth in the night
 and thou heard - est thē An - gels say: Lo, Christ is
 ris - en, as He fore - told to you;
 which thou didst tell His dis - ci - ples with all speed,
 O mod - est Mag - da - lene, and in cast - ing off the
 Un. sad - ness of thy soul, thou wast grant - ed joy un -
 C - told in - stead of bit - ter tears.

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3) As we the faith - ful de - light to - day, O ho - ly
 bear - er of myrrh, on thy mem - 'ry, we
 glo - ri - fy Him that made thee glo - ri - ous,
 Christ our Lord, the su - preme - ly good. Be - seech Him
 cease - less - ly, O all - ven - 'ra - ble,
 that we at - tain to the splen - dor of the Saints,
 O Mar - y blest of God, and to ev - er - last - ing
 glo - ry, since thou hast bold - ness to speak free - ly
 un - to Him at an - y time.