

October 14th

Cosmas the Hymnographer, Bishop of Maïuma
Stichera at the Aposticha at Vespers

Byzantine Chant Tone 1
Special Melody: *Thou art the joy*

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1) By man - y vig - ils and fast - ings and cease - less

prayers to God, thou didst sub - due the pas - sions of the

flesh, slay - ing them all, and through deeds of vir - tue didst

quick - en thy soul with dis - pas - sion and god - li - ness,

O bless - ed Cos - mas; and thou wast con - veyed on high

un - to end - less and un - ag - ing life.

Verse: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saint.

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2) With words di - vine - ly ex - pressed and thy grace - ful

can - ti - cles, thou didst com - pose be - fit - ting fes - tal

hymns prais - ing Christ God and the pure and wor - ship - ful

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Moth - er of God, O blest Cos - mas, that ev - 'ry year
 their ho - ly feasts might be hon - ored by us with joy,
 fair a - doned by thy most come - ly songs.

Verse: The mouth of the righteous shall meditate wisdom and his tongue shall speak of judgment.

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3) As thou dost stand in the pres - ence of the ce -
 - les - tial Light, il - lu - mi - nate, O Cos - mas, with thy
 shin - ing en - treat - ies all those here on earth that ac -
 - claim thine au - gust and di - vine and light - bear - ing feast,
 driv - ing the night of af - flic - tions a - way from us
 and the pas - sions with their murk - y mist.