

December 20th

Hieromartyr Ignatius the God-bearer, bishop of Antioch

1st Exaposteilarion

Byzantine Mode 2

Special Melody: *Upon that mount in Galilee*

1) Thou didst pro - claim: I am the wheat of Christ my God and
Sav - ior, and now must I be milled and ground
by the sharp teeth of wild beasts, that I be-come in this
man - ner a bread most sweet and spot - less for God, the
Ho - ly Trin - i - ty. O God-bear - er Ig - na - tius, as
thou dost stand in His pres-ence, keep in re-mem - brance
all them that keep thy shin - ing mem - o - ry,
O wise High Priest and Mar - tyr.

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2nd Exapostelarian & Theotokion

Byzantine Mode 2
Special Melody: *Hearken, ye women*



2) Wound - ed with yearn - ing for__ the love of thy Lord, thou didst
3) Be - fore the Lord's Na - tiv - i - ty, with faith let us__ make



cry__ a - loud: Lo, Christ, my Love, of__ His own will
fes - tal songs re - sound a - broad O__ ye faith - ful;



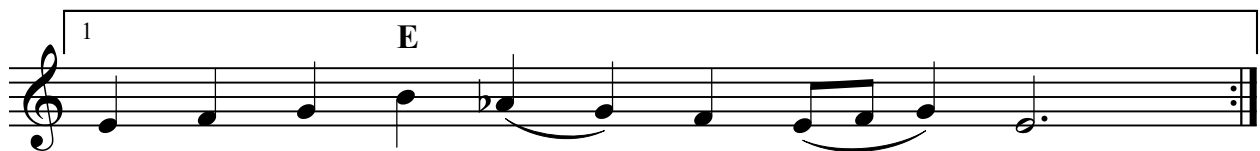
is cru - ci - fied; for__ this rea - son do I thirst to__ be
for Christ is come, and__ ap - proach - eth now to be born in



thirst - ed for; while liv - ing, I__ long to__ be loved, and great - ly
Beth - le - hem a mor - tal from the Vir - gin Maid, and to be



yearn now to__ be - come a shar - er both of__ His Pas - sion
seen a lit - tle babe, laid in a man - ger__ and swad - dled,



and of His heav - en - ly King - dom.



Who was be - fore all thē ag - - es.