

*January 4th*

## Venerable Theoktistos, Abbot of Cuomo in Sicily

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Tone 2

Special Melody: *When he took thee*

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The musical score consists of nine staves of music for a single voice. The first staff begins with a G clef and a common time signature. The lyrics for the first staff are: "1) Wound - ed in thy soul with love di - vine, thou, O The - ok -". The second staff continues with the lyrics: "- tis - tos most bless - ed, didst glad - ly take up thy cross". The third staff begins with "and with joy didst fol - low af - ter Christ the". The fourth staff begins with "Cru - ci - fied; thou, on slay - ing the car - nal mind". The fifth staff begins with a G clef and the lyrics: "with fast - ing and tem - p'rance, didst re - ceive the". The sixth staff begins with a F clef and the lyrics: "Spir - it's liv - ing pow - er in thy - self". The seventh staff begins with a F clef and a G clef, and the lyrics: "to dis - pel the win - ter of sick - ness". The eighth staff begins with a G clef and the lyrics: "with a warmth of prayers heard in Heav - en.". The ninth staff concludes with the lyrics: "For this cause, with one ac - cord we\_\_ call thee blest."

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2) When with firm and nev - er - ceas - ing fasts and per - sis - tent  
 prayers thou hadst pu - ri - fied well the eye \_\_\_\_ of thy soul,  
 Fa - ther, thou didst then be - come a tem - ple  
 and a - bode of the Three - Sun Di - vin - i - ty,  
 re - ceiv - ing the ho - ly and di - vine a -  
 - noint - ing of the priest - hood wor - thi - ly.  
 En - t'ring the un - en - tra - ble, thou didst  
 sac - ri - fice Him sac - ri - ficed for thee  
 in His con - de - scen - sion which no tongue can tell.

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3) Since, in thine integ - ri - ty of mind, thou, O The - ok -

- tis - tos, our Fa - ther, wast most for - bear - ing and meek,

thou hast now in - her - it - ed in truth the

land of the meek; and since thou hast been de - i - fied

by par - tic - i - pa - tion in the God - head,

thou hast true glad - ness, de - light, and joy.

Where - in ev - er bring to re - mem - brance

us who hon - or thee now sin - cere - ly,

laud - ing thy di - vine fall - ing - a - sleep to - day.