January 23rd

The Holy Martyr Agathangelos

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Mode 4
Special Melody: *As one valiant*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

1) With good tid - ings wast thou made rich by thē ex - cel - lent
Clem - ent's grace as his fel - low ath - lete and
fel - low trav - el - er; with him tra - vers - ing di -
-vine roads, thou wast tor - tured up - on the rack,
un - der - go - ing sun - dry pains, O re - nowned A - ga -
-than - gel - os, till thou hadst be - come a per - fect - ed crown -
-bear - er and didst pass un - to the heights, where with thē
An - gels thou dost re - joice___ now and ev - er - more.

2) Spent with scrap - ings and bit - ter stripes, thou wast roast - ed up -

- on the fire and with flam - ing torch - es wast

burned up - on thy sides. Thou wast stretched out on an

i - ron grill, O wise A - ga - than - gel - os,

be - ing baked up - on the coals like a pure loaf of

spot - less bread and wast of - fered up for the heav - en - ly

ta - ble; and thou pray - est God to spare from ev - 'ry

tor - ment all who re - vere thee with faith and love.

3) Ruth-less thrash-ings didst thou en - dure; thou wast stretched out up -

- on a stock, val - iant - ly a - bid - ing the

man - gling of thy flesh; and at thē end of thy

con - tests, when they cut____ off thy bless - ed head,

O wise A - ga - than - gel - os, with the streams of thy

ho - ly blood thou didst wa - ter all of the ven - 'ra - ble

Church, which now doth laud thy no - ble deeds and splen - did

tri - umphs, O boast of Mar - tyrs, great con - quer - or.