

January 26th

Venerable Xenophon, his wife, Mary, and their two sons,
Arkadios and John, of Constantinople

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Tone 2
Special Melody: *When he took thee*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

1) Shin - ing with high dig - ni - ty — of soul, thou didst make thy -
- self more il - lus - tri - ous through thine alms - deeds and faith;
for with joy didst thou dis - perse thy rich - es
to — the — poor. Hence, O Fa - ther, thy right - eous - ness
a - bid - eth for ev - er, shin - ing on thy soul that fair and
nev - er - set - ting — light,
where thou see - st thy right - eous chil - dren
and their bless - ed moth - er now dwell - ing
in the heav - 'nly cit - y, O wise Xen - o - phon.

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2) Per - ish - a - ble glo - ry did ye scorn, and ye were vouch -
safed the un - per - ish - ing grace and glo - ry of God
for ye tram - pled un - der - foot ev - 'ry de -
light of life, long - ing ar - dent - ly af - ter Christ,
the tru - ly de - light - ful, Who hath saved you from the storm and
bil - lows of the world
and hath brought you forth to cast an - chor
in that peace - ful life filled with bright - ness,
O God - bear - ers who are bless - ed in all things.

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3) Hav - ing slain the pas - sions of the flesh, ye ar - rayed your -
-selves in the gar - ment of true dis - pas - sion, O Saints,
which by spot - less pu - ri - ty of life ye
wove with skill; and for liv - ing thē An - gels' life
while yet in the bod - y, ye have been vouch-safed an - gel - ic
glo - ry in the heights,
where ye all re - jice and take pleas - ure
in div - ine and heav - en - ly splen - dor,
O ye great of spir - it, who strove val - iant - ly.