

February 26th

## St. Porphyrios, Bishop of Gaza

### Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

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



1) As with the streams of thy tears— thou didst cleanse thy  
2) *In Or - tho - dox - y's di - vine— heights, thou wast il -*  
3) Once an in - i - ti - ate of— the dread al - tar



soul— from stains, so didst thou quench the burn - ing of the  
*- lus - tri - ous, set on the shin - ing lamp-stand as the*  
here— be - low, Por - phyr - i - os— doth of - fer to the



blame - wor - thy pas - sions. Now, O blest Por - phyr - i - os,  
*glo - ry of high priests. As a wor - thy lab - or - er*  
Lord in the Heav - ens in an im - ma - te - ri - al



thou art a - dorned in a fair— roy - al pur - ple robe,  
*thou hast in truth reaped the wag - es of thy tra - vails;*  
way the Di - vine Im - ma - te - ri - al Sac - ri - fice;



and thou a - bid - est in Heav - en e - ter - nal - ly  
*and for this rea - son hast thou— now re - ceived from God*  
and he doth ev - er watch o - ver us in his prayers



in ex - ceed - ing glad - ness cease - less - ly.  
*gifts and grac - es, O all bless - ed one.*  
of - fered to the Ho - ly Trin - i - ty.