March 25th & October 5th
Our Father Among the Saints Tikhon the Confessor, Patriarch of Moscow
Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone 8
Special melody: O Lord, though Thou didst stand

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

1) Lord, when the ship of the divine Church was troubled in sudden darkness and raging storms, Thou gavest her Tikhon as helmsman to steer her bravely and skillfully unto the heavens above where all is bright tranquillity, where he now earnestly intercedeth that we also may be brought to moor.

2) Lord, since Thou sawest Moses' meekness in Tikhon, the Rod of God gavest Thou to him to lead Thy much-suffering people through that Red Sea of ungodliness;

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and as is meet, he became the name-sake of Thy faithful Church, which scorned the flesh-pots and fear of Pharaoh and went boldly to the promised land.

3) Lord, Who hast joined Thy sacred Martyr's remembrance unto the venerable festival of Thy dread and wondrous conception from our pure Lady in holiness, receive the pleadings and prayers brought unto Thee in our behalf by Thy brave Martyr and Virgin Mother, and deliver us from every harm.