

July 9th

Hieromartyr Pankratios, Bishop of Taormina in Sicily

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

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

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

1) As he went a - bout through - out the world, he that was the

2 Rock of dis - ci - ples sup - port - ed all with his strength;

3 then he found thee as a pre - cious gem and

4 made of thee a foun - da - tion - stone of the Church,

5 O all - bless - ed Fa - ther, o - ver - turn - ing i - dols' tem - ples

6 and their mon - u - ments

7 by the sov - 'reign strength and di - vine might

8 of the Word of God, Whose good pleas - ure

9 it had been to dwell a - mong men in the flesh.

The musical score is written on nine staves, each corresponding to a line of text. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is in Byzantine Tone 2. The score includes various musical notations such as whole, half, quarter, and eighth notes, rests, and accidentals. The text is in English and is a Stichera for Hieromartyr Pankratios, Bishop of Taormina in Sicily. The score is adapted by Dn. John El Massih.

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10 **G**
 2) When thou by thy word hadst put to flight foul and wick - ed

11
 spir - its of e - vil, then by the Good Spir - it's grace

12
 thou didst make men spir - i - tual, O wise Pan -

13 **F**
 - kra - ti - os; and on til - ling the fur - rows of

14 **G**
 their hearts, O blest Mar - tyr, thou didst sow the God - be - stowed and

15 **F**
 sav - ing seed in them;

16 **F** **G**
 whom thou didst then of - fer to Christ God,

17
 the Ce - les - tial Hus - band - man, ev - er

18
 in - ter - ced - ing for those prais - ing thee with faith.

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19 **G**
 3) With no - et - ic rays of fier - y light, thou didst make the

20
 West a bright O - ri - ent all a - blaze with the sun

21
 of God - giv - en knowl - edge of Him Who dawned

22 **F**
 forth on us from a Vir - gin in - ef - fa - bly;

23 **G**
 and set - ting in con - test, thou hast dawned in light un - wan - ing,

24 **F**
 where the look - ing glass

25 **F** **G**
 hath been done a - way and thou see - st

26
 Him Who set thy con - test, O Fa - ther,

27
 in His longed - for beau - ty, O Pan - kra - ti - os.

Theotokion

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

28 **G**
 All ___ those who with faith flee un - to thee, with thy might - y

29
 hand dost thou shel - ter, O pure one, as ___ thou art good;

30
 no one else have we who sin as a per -

31 **F**
 - pet - u - al in - ter - ces - sor for us with God

32 **G**
 in dan - gers and sor - rows, we who have been bur - dened down with

33 **F**
 our a - bun - dant ___ sins,

34 **F** **G**
 Moth - er of ___ God in the high - est.

35
 Where - fore, we all fall down be - fore ___ thee;

36
 res - cue us, thy ser - vants, from ad - ver - si - ties.