July 22nd

Mary Magdalene, Myrrh-bearer and Equal-to-the-Apostles

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone 1
Special melody: O all-lauded Martyrs

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1) Thou brought est sweet myrrh to Christ our God, Who was laid with in a sep ul cher and breathed res ur rec tion free ly in to all the dead;
and when thou didst see Him, thou wast first to wor ship Him
while weep ing tears of love, O God bear ing and pure
Mary Mag da lene. Do thou there fore inter cede with Him
that He grant peace and Great Mer cy to our souls.

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2) When thou didst behold the Savior Christ hanging nailed upon the Cross, O Mary Magdalene, thou didst weep with grief and cry aloud:

What meaneth this strange sight? How doth Life Himself now die, and seeing it, creation is shaken and the heavens' lights grow dark? Do thou therefore intercede with Him that He grant peace and Great Mercy to our souls.
3) O glorious Mary, thou wast filled with true knowledge and much wisdom, keeping company with thine own Creator; for this cause, thou didst preach to all men of His saving sufferings and awesome condensation, O thou whose praise is sung throughout the world. Do thou therefore intercede with Him that He grant peace and Great Mercy to our souls.