

September 28th

Our Righteous Father Chariton the Confessor

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone/Mode 4
Special Melody: *Unto them that fear thee*

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E Un. E

1) Thou didst with - er up the pas - sions of the bod - y by

Un. E

ab - sti - nence and by earn - est un - ceas - ing prayer, while

G E

drown - ing in floods of tears the de - ceit - ful ser - pent;

so wast thou ex - ceed - ing - ly pleas - ing un - to Christ the Lord,

O right - eous Fa - ther Cha - ri - ton blest of God. Hence,

Je - sus Christ, the Sav - ior of our souls and mer - ci - ful

G E

Friend of man, hath a - dorned thee for ev - er - more

with the heav - en - ly gifts of grace.

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2) Quench-ing with the sweat of thine as - cet - ic deeds all the

Un. E

fier - y coals of the pas - sions, O won - drous one, thou

G E

brave - ly didst bear the fire of harsh pains and tor - tures,

preach - ing the di - vine self - a - base - ment of the Word made flesh

be - fore in - iq - ui - tous judg - es o - pen - ly; hence

thou art now be - come a Mar - tyr fair a - dorned with the

G E

var - ied wounds of hard tor - ments of ev - 'ry kind,

O God - bear - er su - preme - ly blest.

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3) Thou didst flee a - far off to the moun - tains and to the

Un. E

wil - der - ness, to pre - serve thy soul free of stain, be -

G E

-com - ing the Trin - i - ty's house, O blest Cha - ri - ton;

by Whose pow - er thou built - est sa - cred hous - es to His praise

and sa - cred folds where - in com - pa - nies of monks laid

hold up - on sal - va - tion, e - ven they who now hon - or

G E

faith - ful - ly thine all - ho - ly me - mo - ri - al,

O re - nowned and most sa - cred Saint.