Holy Martyr Charitina of Amisos
Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Mode 4
Special Melody: *As one valiant*

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1) With much pa-tience didst thou en-dure tor-ment great with the sharp-est pain, when thy teeth and nails__ all were torn out by the roots; and as the name-sake of joy hast thou in joy__ now de-part-ed hence to the heav-en-ly a-bodes and the bride-cham-ber found on high, where thou didst de-sire that thy cit-i-zen-ship should be, O all-au-gust prize-win-ner Char-i-ti-na, thou Vir-gin Mar-tyr of man-y crowns.

2) O con - tend - er in man - y___ fights, thou didst shat - ter the li - ons' jaws when thou brave - ly bar - est the break - ing of thy jaw; and in cou - ra - geous - ly suf - f'ring thē up - root - ing of all thy nails, thou didst tear up by the roots er - ror's wick - ed au - dac - i - ty; and when thou wast cast in the depths of the sea,___ O Char - i - ti - na, thou didst send un - to the bot - tom thē e - vil en - e - my's vil - lain - y.

3) When thou found-est thy bless-ed__ end, be-ing cast in the

brin-y deep, then thy fa-ther took___ thee to

bur-y thee, and cried in his a-maze-ment: How

is it___ now, my sa - cred and well-be-lov'd

Daugh-ter, that thou hast been graced with the tor - ments and

pains of this hal-lowed mar-tyr-dom, so ful-fill - ing thy

name as a true call-ing stamped by grace on thee be -

-fore - hand, O Char-i-ti - na most glo-ri-ous!