

October 16th

The Holy Martyr Longinus the Centurion, Who Stood at the Cross of Christ

Byzantine Mode 4

Special Melody: *As one valiant*

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

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E Un.



1) See-ing Him Who be - came a___ man free - ly suf - fring up -

E



- on the Cross, cov - er - ing with dark - ness the



shin - ing of the sun, and mak - ing sav - ing for -



- giv - ness to gush forth___ from His ho - ly side,



O di - vine Cen - tu - ri - on, wise Lon - gi - nus most



glo - ri - ous, with the grate - ful thief thou didst cry___ out, con -

G



- fess - ing Him as Lord and God Who free - ly bare the

E



Pas - sion for His un - bound - ed com - pas - sion's sake.

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2) On be - hold - ing the fruit - ful_ Vine which was hang - ing up -

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- on the Tree gush - ing forth the wine___ of for -

-give - ness and of life, thou didst stand un - der its

streams and_ part the lips_____ of thy heart and drink;

be - ing filled with joy of heart, thou com - plete - ly didst

vom - it up bit - ter un - be - lief. For with pru - dence, O

G

glo - ri - ous Lon - gi - nus, thou didst choose that which is

E

bet - ter o - ver the worse,___ be - ing tru - ly wise.

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3) Hav-ing smit - ten the ty - rant dead with thy bold and cou -

E



- ra - geous speech, of thine own thou went - est to



slaugh - ter will - ing - ly, not fear - ing death which pro -



- cured thee life im - mor - tal by grace di - vine.



Hence, with long - ing and with faith, O Lon - gi - nus ex -



- tolled of all, we keep fes - ti - val on thē all - fes - tive

G



day_ of thy me - mo - ri - al, im - plor - ing thee with

E



fer - vor to in - ter - cede_ with the Lord for us.