November 27th

The Holy Great Martyr James the Persian
Stichera on "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Tone 2
Special Melody: When he took thee

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1) Thou forsookest all the world's delights, with the high nobility of thy descent and beauty and wealth;
2) When thy fleshly members were hewn off, and thou didst endure the unbearable pains of tortures and wounds, boldness before Christ, fervently help and protect every feeling and the things of sense didst all who keep with faith thy high and solemn
3) O all blessed James, thou wonder-thy thou deny; and with joy thou didst follow Christ, Martyr of Christ, then thou bravely didst trample down festival; from all dangers deliver us,
4) O James, imitating His dread Passion when thy body the tyrants' great cruelty, and thou didst receive the precious and free us from sufferings; rescue us from ev'ry onset
5) was cut limb from limb. Wherefore, crown of victory; wearing of adversities; grant our

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having shared in His sufferings, thou art also
thy bright crown as adornment, with thy fellow
souls eternal salvation by thy holy

now a participant of His
athletes thou standest now at
prayers, that we all might glorify

Kingdom and His glory in the heights.
the divine throne of the Master, Christ.
-sfy thy splendid contests filled with light.

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