December 8th
Venerable Patapios of Thebes
Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone 1
Special melody: O all-lauded Martyrs
Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

1) O all-lauded father, with the fire of asceticism,
   thou didst wholly wither the motions of the flesh; and thou didst dwell,
   as once did Elias, in the barren wilderness,
   to purify thy mind through unceasing supplications unto God.
   O Patapios, entreat Him now that He grant peace and Great Mercy to our souls.

2) O father Patapios, in truth thou art numbered with the
   choirs of the ascetics, while wearing fair dispassion as a robe;
   thou hast made thy dwelling in the mansions of the Saints.
where in the Light unwaning doth shine, where in is
found the Tree of Life. Wherefore, intercede now with the Lord
that He grant peace and Great Mercy to our souls.

3) From Egypt thou shonest like a star, and with flashing rays of
wonders thou didst guide all the world with light, while driving off the gloom
of oppressive sickness and of soul-corrupting ills,
and making all the darkness of demons to abate; now do thou pray, O our Father, wise Patapios,
that we find peace and Great Mercy for our souls.