

December 27th

## Proto-martyr Stephen the Archdeacon

### Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Mode 4

Special Melody: *As one valiant*

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The musical score is written in a single system on a grand staff (treble clef). It consists of eight lines of music. The first line is marked with a large 'E' above the staff and 'Un.' above the first measure. The second line is marked with a large 'E' above the staff. The seventh line is marked with a large 'G' above the staff. The eighth line is marked with a large 'E' above the staff. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words connected by hyphens across lines. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, slurs, and accidentals (sharps and flats).

1) Since thy mind had been made to shine with the grace of the  
Com - fort - er, thou wast seen to be as an  
An - gel out - ward - ly; for through thy bod - y, O  
Ste - phen, was thine in - ward light shed a - broad,  
which made plain for all to see that most fair bright - ness  
of thy soul, through which thou didst find the di - vine light of  
vi - sion when the Heav - ens o - pened won - drous - ly be -  
- fore thee, thou boast and first - fruits of mar - tyred Saints.

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E Un.

2) The thick show - ers of stones be - came loft - y lad - ders and

E

steps to thee, for as - cent to Heav - en; and

mount - ing there - up - on, thou saw - est stand - ing at

God the Fa - ther's right hand the Lord of all

with His quick - en - ing right hand hold - ing out un - to

thee the crown for which thou art named. Now, O Ste - phen, thou

G

stand - est in His pres - ence as a vic - tor in the

E

con - test and as th ath - letes' most loft - y peak.

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**E** **Un.**

3) Flash - ing bright - ly with won - drous signs, and with doc - trines and

**E**

mir - a - cles, thou didst quell the coun - cil of

th in - iq - ui - tous; and as they stoned thee to

death, thou m d - est prayer — for thy mur - der - ers,

that the Lord for - give their sin; and in this, — thou didst

im - i - tate Christ the Sav - ior's words; then, O Ste - phen, didst

**G**

thou com - mit thine hon - 'ra - ble and tru - ly sa - cred

**E**

spir - it in - to His hands — and didst fall a - sleep.