

October 13th

St. Jacob of Hamatoura

Stichera at the Praises

*(Byzantine notation begins
after the 3rd page.)*

Byzantine Chant Tone 8, Plagal Fourth Mode
Special melody: *O strange wonder*

Chadi Karam



O strange won-der! O dread mys-ter - y! The mar-tyr, lov - er of God,
fa - ther Ja - cob, the glo - ri - ous, tri-umphed o - ver death to - day,
through the pow - er of Christ the Lord. He suf - fered his
tor - tures most pa - tient - ly, and prayed with joy - ful and
nev - er - fail - ing songs, chant - ing un - ceas - ing - ly,
like thē An - gels, due prais - es to the Lord, thank - ing Him at
all times for His a - bun - dant good - ness.

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O strange and most sol-lemn hap-pen-ing! for Christ the Lord hath af-firmed
and re-vealed thee, O Ja-cob, tri-um-phant in all the wars
and a mar-tyr who hast been crowned. For God's own Spir-it
did then in-spire thee to coun-ter those who hāt-
-ed thy wis-dom. Woe to their wretch-ed-ness!
For their hearts were dark-ened with du-plic-i-ty, they be-head-ed
thee, O Saint, with mal-ice and fool-ish-ness.

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 Ja - cob most be - at - i - fied, thou art an in - ac - ces - si - ble fence.

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 Thou pro - tect - est the faith - ful from all kinds of their ill - ness - es,

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 as they ask for the Vir - gin's help. Thou didst be - come a

might - y in - ter - ces - sor and to thy mon - as - ter -

- y, a strong sup - port. Thou _____ who didst earn the crowns

G↓
 and a - bun - dant bless - ings: con - stant - ly im - plore Christ to be -

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 - stow up - on us His peace and great mer - cy.

THE PRAISES

Plagal Fourth Mode

(Original Melody: O strange wonder)

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