

Vesper propers, November 18, 2012
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

The holy martyrs Plato and Roman. Born in the town of Ancyra in Galatia, Plato showed early and great perfection in virtue. Because he did not hide his faith, he was called before the governor for trial. After having been cruelly tortured, he was beheaded and died in 266. Roman was a deacon of the Church in Caesarea. Boldly accusing the governor of idolatry, he was tortured and killed. (303)

Supplement for The Order of Vespers for Sundays after Pentecost, 2006

Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 8, p. 102), stichera 10-7.

Cantor (on 6)

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would sur - vive?
But with you is found forgive-ness; for this we re - vere you.

Stichera of of the holy martyr Plato - Tone 8 podoben: O preslavnoho čudese

Filled with no - ble senti-ments, O Pla - to, you cou-ra-geous-ly suf - fered
the dis - lo - ca - tion of your limbs, cruel mu - ti - la - tions, the unbeara-ble
fire, hun - ger and death, seek - ing that glo - ry which will not pass a - way.
It had been pre - pared for you from be - fore all ag - es,

and you contemplated that e - ter - nal bliss in ad - vance.

Cantor (on 5)

My soul is longing for the Lord. I count on his word. My soul is longing

for the Lord more than watch - man for day - break.

Trans - cend - ing the sens - - - es and lift - ing up your spir - it

to the life on high with a gen - er - ous heart and god - ly thoughts,

you re - nounced the base - ness and little val - ue of vis - i - ble things.

Thus you en - dured cut - ting and the sear - ing flame

with cour - age for the sake of Christ.

Cantor (on 4)

Let the watch-man count on day-break and Is-ra-el on the Lord.
 Hav - ing blocked by grace ev-'ry up-ris-ing of the en - e - my
 and the per - se - cu - tors sur-round - ing you, O Pla - to, you were crowned
 as a vic - tor, gain-ing un - end - ing hap - pi - ness and the in - ef - fa - ble
 splen-dor of God: en - treat him to grant re-mis-sion of sins to those who sing to you.

Cantor: *(Tone 4)* Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
(on 3) Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Stichera of the holy martyr Roman - Tone 4 podoben: Jako doblja

Tem-pered by as-cet - i - ci - sm, sharp - ened by strug - gles,
 pol-ished by man - y suf-fer-ings, you were a dou-ble-edged sword which tore
 in - to the hordes of de - mons, O di-vine glo - ry of the ho - ly Church,

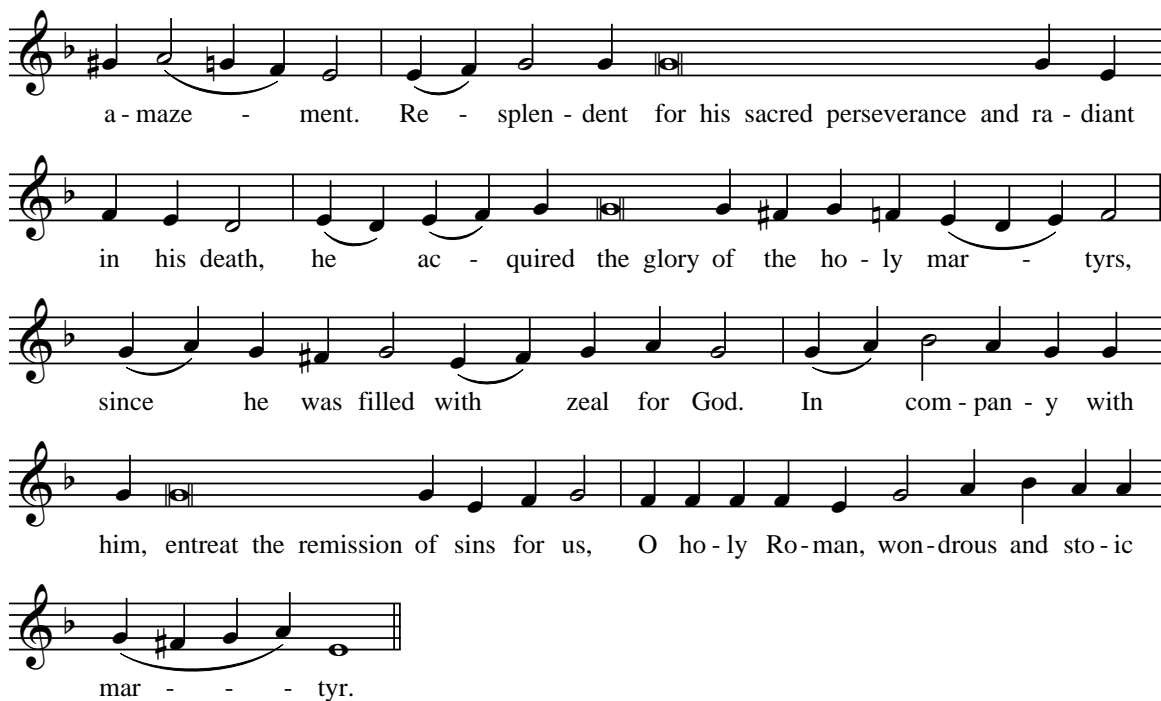
il - lus - tri - ous Ro - man, won - drous adornment of the ath - letes who
poured out their blood.

Cantor: Praise the Lord, all you nations, **Psalm 116**
(on 2) acclaim him all you peoples!

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Bound and lac - er - a - ted by blows, thrown in - to pris - on,
your tongue cut out and your jaw brok - en, O vic - to - rious martyr,
you at - tained your bless - ed end by viol - ent stran - gu - la - tion, O Ro - man.
But you re - mained firm with the aid of the Ho - ly Spir - it: thus we
ac - claim you in faith.

Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us;
(on 1) he is faithful forever.

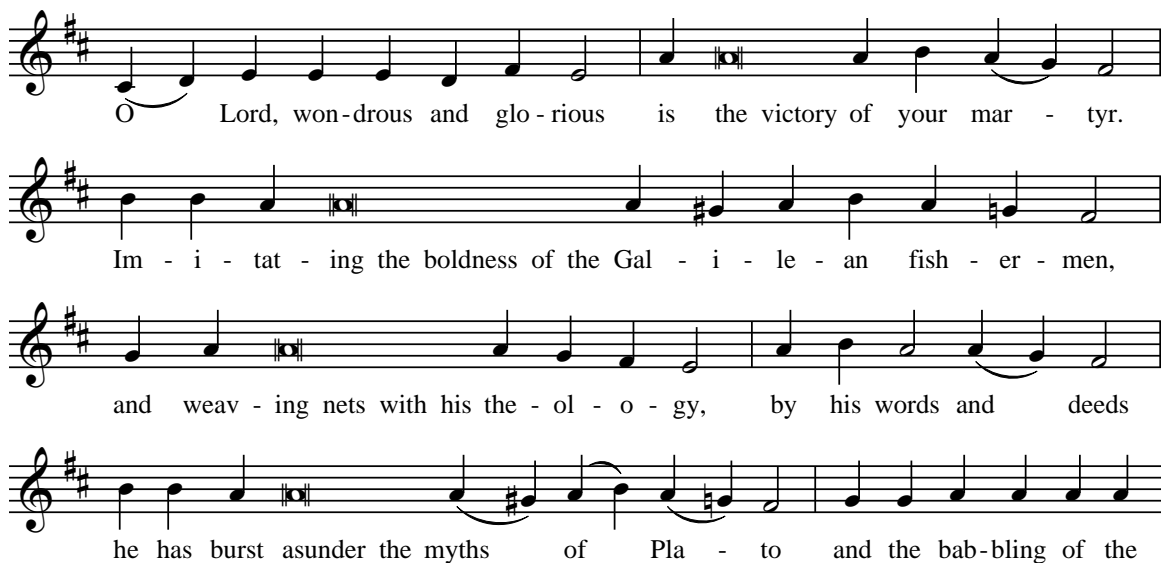
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One young man be - gan to speak and filled the foolish with



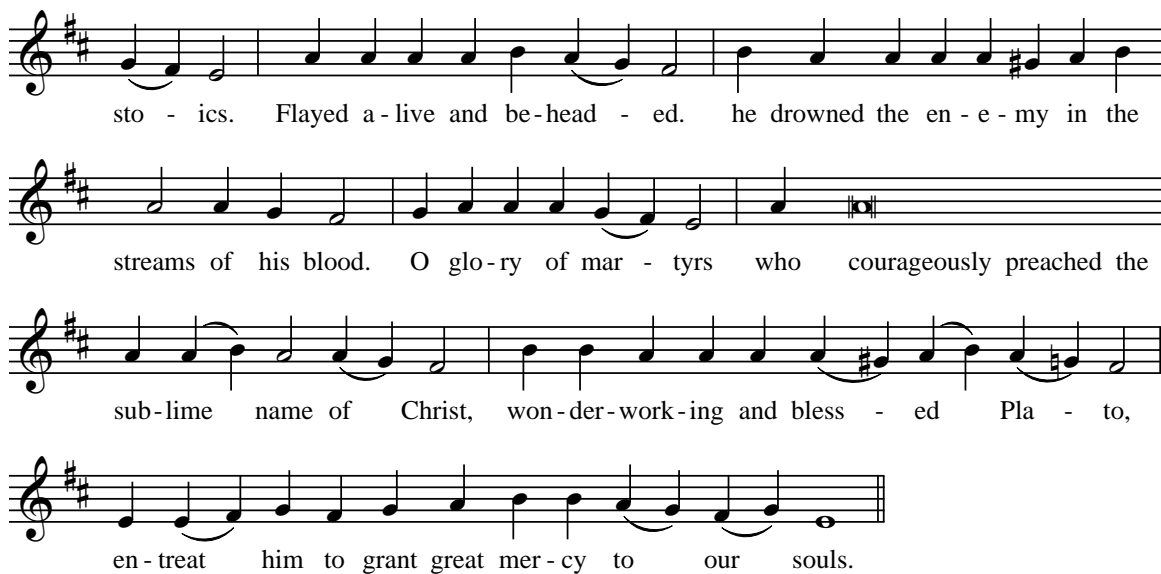
a - maze - ment. Re - splen - dent for his sacred perseverance and ra - diant
in his death, he ac - quired the glory of the ho - ly mar - tyr,
since he was filled with zeal for God. In com - pan - y with
him, entreat the remission of sins for us, O ho - ly Ro-man, won-drous and sto-ic
mar - - - tyr.

Cantor: (Tone 6) Glory...

Doxastikon of the holy martyr Plato - Tone 6 samohlasen



O Lord, won-drous and glo - rious is the victory of your mar - tyr.
Im - i - tat - ing the boldness of the Gal - i - le - an fish - er - men,
and weav - ing nets with his the - ol - o - gy, by his words and deeds
he has burst asunder the myths of Pla - to and the bab-bling of the



sto - ics. Flayed a - live and be - head - ed. he drowned the en - e - my in the
streams of his blood. O glo - ry of mar - tyrs who courageously preached the
sub - lime name of Christ, won - der - work - ing and bless - ed Pla - to,
en - treat him to grant great mer - cy to our souls.

Cantor: (Tone 8) Now and ever...

Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 8, p. 107).

Aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 8, p. 108).

Troparion and Theotokion in the Tone of the Week (Tone 8, p. 111).