

**Vespers Propers on the Evening of the
Third Sunday of the Great Fast
March 20, 2022**

Our venerable father and confessor James, bishop of Catania, who died in the Iconoclastic persecutions. (8th century)

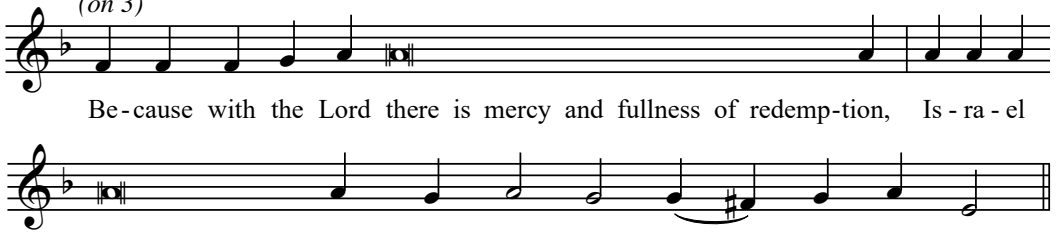
Supplement for The Order of Vespers on Sunday Evening for the Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheesefare Sunday) and the Sundays of the Great Fast.

Psalm 140 and Stichera of Forgiveness in the tone of the week (Tone 2, p. 26)

Stichera of the Third Sunday of the Fast, p. 72. Then:

Tone 4 samohlasen

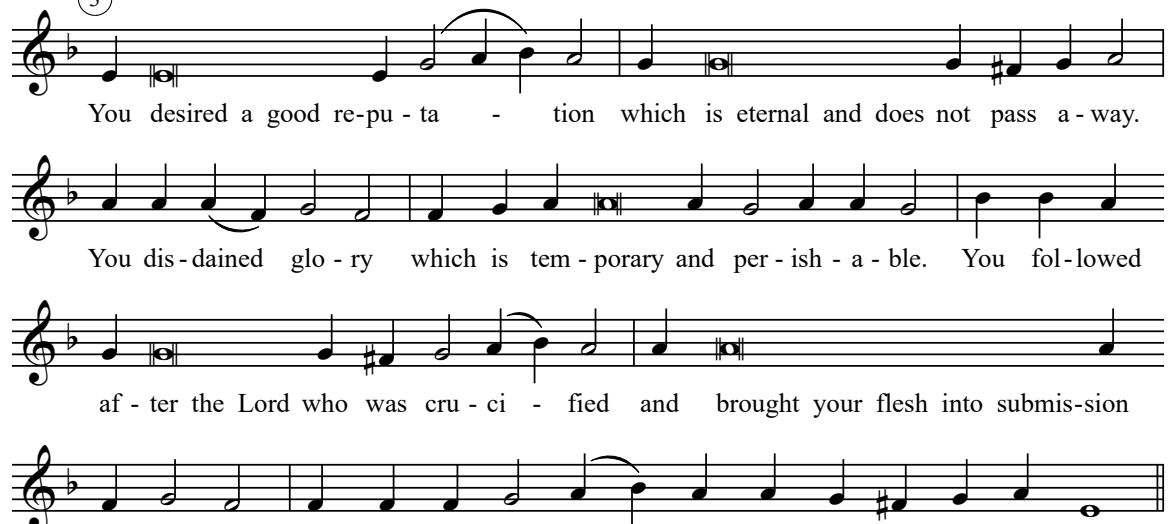
Cantor *(on 3)*



Be-cause with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemp-tion, Is - ra - el
indeed he will re-deem from all its in - i - qui - ty.

Stichera of our venerable father James of Catania - *Tone 4 samohlasen*

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You desired a good re-pu - ta - tion which is eternal and does not pass a-way.
You dis-dained glo - ry which is tem - porary and per - ish - a - ble. You fol-lowed
af - ter the Lord who was cru - ci - fied and brought your flesh into submis-sion
by fast - ing. There-fore we ce - le - brate your mem - o - ry, O James.

Cantor (on 2)

Praise the Lord, all you na-tions, ac-claim him all you peo - ples!

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You were cru - ci - fied to the world and the passions, O fa - ther James,

pre - serving your soul undivid-ed and pure, un - taint-ed by base ha - bits

and tak-ing wing to the heavens in mys-tic vi - sions. You lived your life as a true

friend of Christ and his faith - ful fav - ored son, O ven - er - a - ble

fath - - - er.

Cantor (on 1)

Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faith-ful for - ev - er.

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O ever-memora-ble fa - ther, you were revealed to be in-no-cent, guile-less,

mer-ciful and full of bro-ther-ly love, of hum-ble mind and meek, full of love,

a - dorned with alms - giving and prayer, gift-ed with pa - tience, filled with
 faith and hope, and shining with ho - ly and di - vine glo - ry.

The faithful STAND.

Cantor

Glo - ry to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir-it, now and
 ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

Theotokion - *in the same tone*

Take away the de - file - ment of my pas - sion - ate heart, O glorious
 The - o - to - kos. Cleanse all its wounds and taints which come from sin, O pure
 lad - dy. Put an end to the wa-ver - ing of my mind, that
 I, your wretched and unprofit-a - ble ser - vant, may proclaim the greatness of your



The service continues with the Hymn of the Evening, “O joyful light,” on page 9.

Prokeimenon for the Third Sunday, p.10.

Aposticha of the Third Sunday, p. 75.