

**Vesper Propers on the Evening of the
Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast
March 17, 2024**

The holy martyrs Chrysanthus and Daria, in the catacomb of Thraso on the Via Salaria Nova, whom Pope St. Damasus praised. (c.253)

Supplement for The Order of Vespers on 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 1, p. 22)

Stichera of the fifth Sunday of the Great Fast, p. 82

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 martyrs Chrysanthus and Daria - Tone 4 samohlasen

Re - ceiving the illumination of the knowl - edge of God, which enlightened your
spir - it - ual vi - sion, you wisely left the shad - ows of er - ror and con - fessed
Christ to be the Lord of all, who took flesh. Then, O Chrys - an - thos, strengthened
by the power of the Spir - it, you were seen to be su - per - i - or to your
tor - - - ments.

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

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The seductions of the en - e - my and the at - trac-tions of pleas - ure
were nothing more than cob-webs to you; en - dur-ing a dark dun - geon,
you were en-light-ened by di-vine ra - diancance. In the midst of filth, you were
filled with a sweet spir-it - ual fra-grance. When a wom-an tried to cor-rupt you,
as an ex-cel-lent teach - er, you led her to Christ as a spot-less bride.

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

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The love of the Cre - a - - tor pierced you with its gen - tle ar - rows.
Then you completely abandoned the false worship of the pa - gans, go-ing to the
di - vine bridegroom in his dwell - ing, u - nit-ed to him through countless torments

in your bod - y: O far famed Da-ri - a, di-vine tem-ple of the Spir - it,
splen - dor of virgins and a - dorn - ment of mar - - - tyr's!

Cantor: (Tone 4) Glory...now and ever...

Theotokion - Tone 4 samohlasen

O most immaculate Vir-gin Moth - er, trans - form the infirmity and impo-tence
of my soul in - to might and pow-er, that, with fear and love, I may keep and observe
the stat-utes of Christ, that I may a-void the un-bear-a-ble fire, and, ev-er re-joic-ing,
may in - her - it through you the legacy of heav - en and life
un - sur - passed.

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Aposticha of the fifth Sunday of the Great Fast, p. 85