

**Vespers Propers on the Evening of the
Second Sunday of the Great Fast
March 16, 2014**

Our venerable father Alexis, Man of God. Today we remember the man of God celebrated under the name of Alexius, at Rome in the church on the Aventine Hill, who, as tradition relates, left his rich home that he might become poor and beg alms incognito. (411)

Supplement for The Order of Vespers on Sunday Afternoons in the Great Fast.

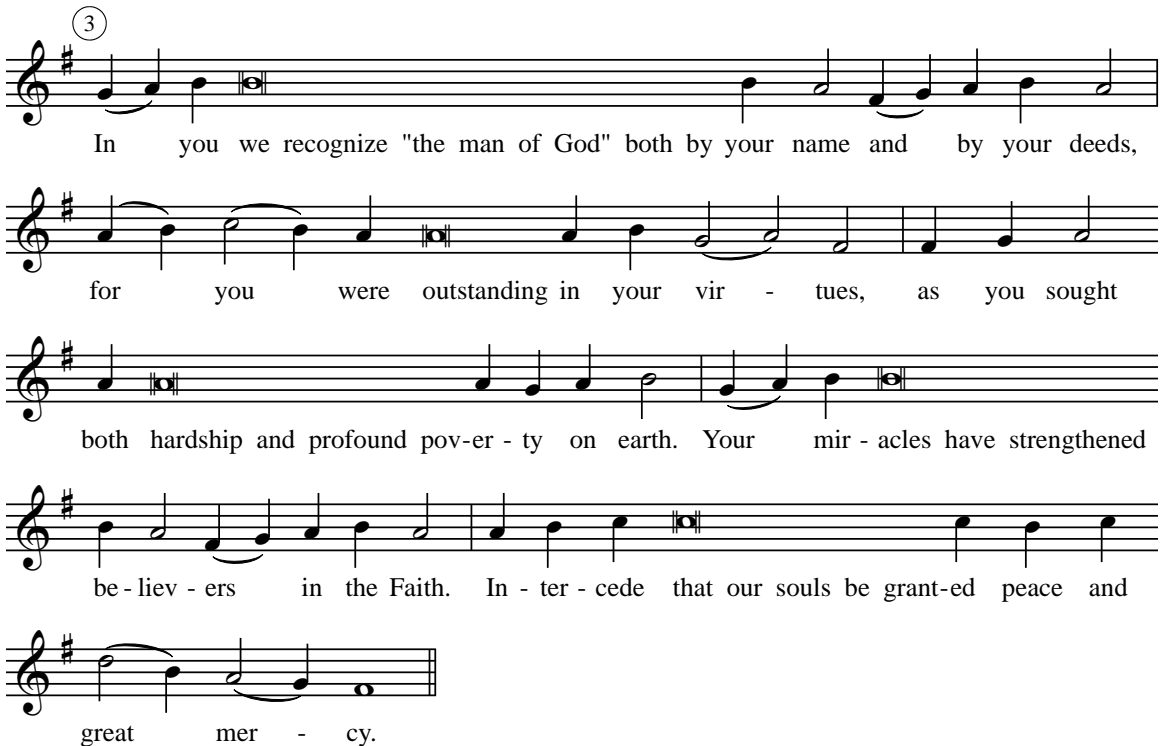
Psalm 140 and Stichera of Forgiveness in the tone of the week (Tone 2, p. 28)

Stichera of the second Sunday of the Great Fast, p. 65

Cantor: (Tone 2) Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.
(on 3) Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Stichera of our venerable father Alexis, Man of God - Tone 2 samohlasen

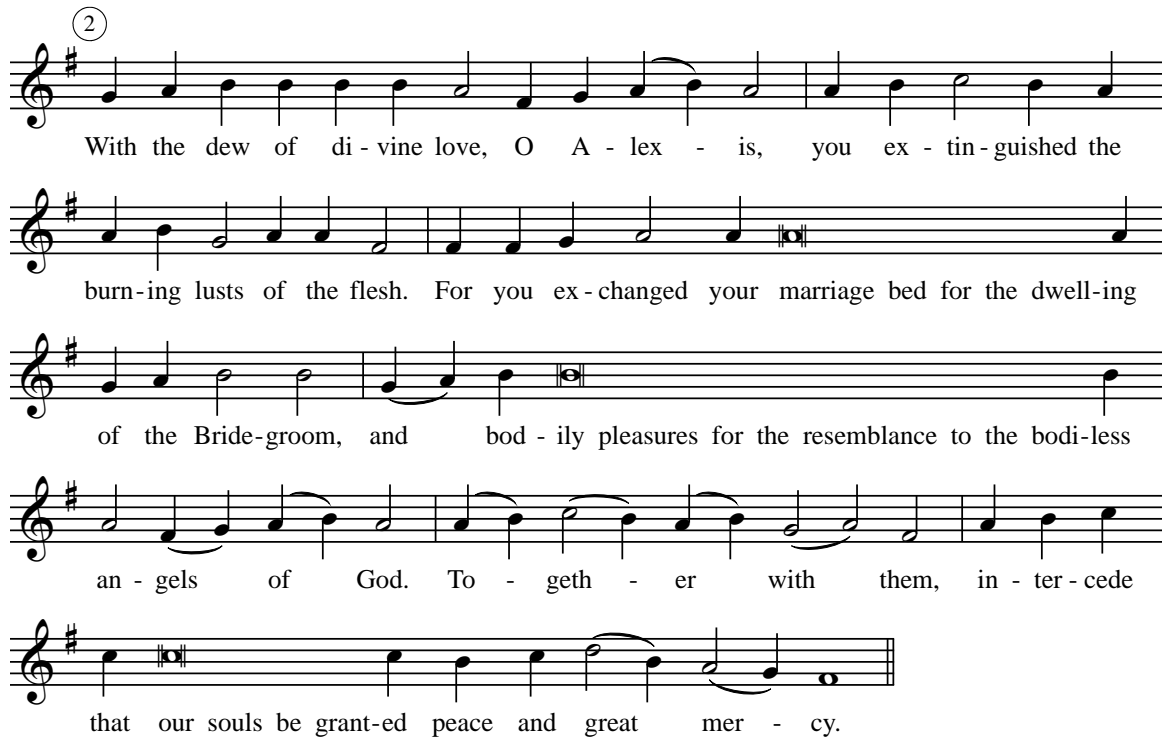
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In you we recognize "the man of God" both by your name and by your deeds,
for you were outstanding in your vir - tues, as you sought
both hardship and profound pov-er - ty on earth. Your mir - acles have strengthened
be - liev - ers in the Faith. In - ter - cede that our souls be grant-ed peace and
great mer - cy.

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

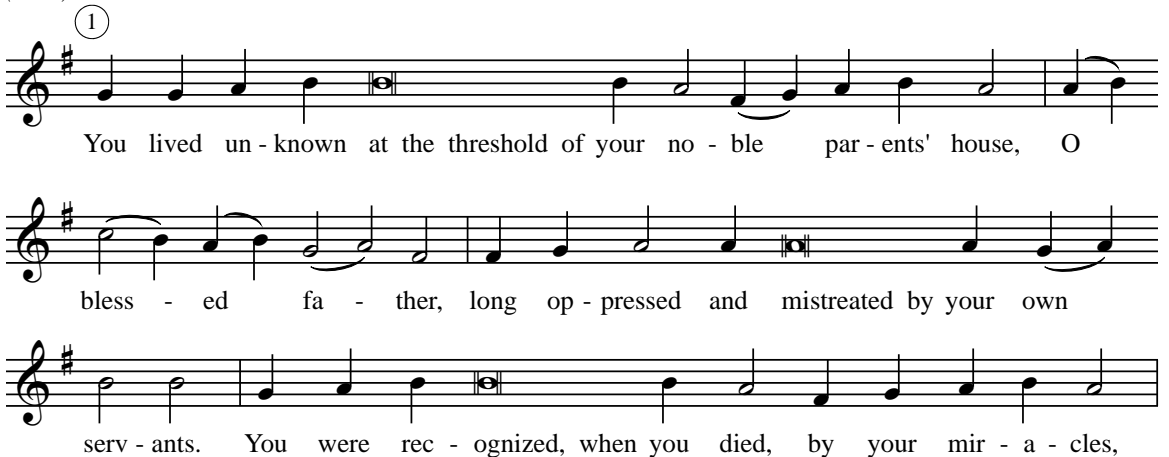
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With the dew of di - vine love, O A - lex - is, you ex - tin - guished the
burn - ing lusts of the flesh. For you ex - changed your marriage bed for the dwell - ing
of the Bride - groom, and bod - ily pleasures for the resemblance to the bodi - less
an - gels of God. To - geth - er with them, in - ter - cede
that our souls be grant - ed peace and great mer - cy.

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

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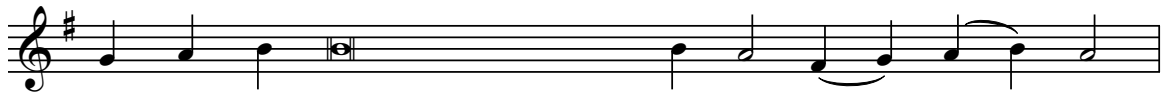
You lived un - known at the threshold of your no - ble par - ents' house, O
bless - ed fa - ther, long op - pressed and mistreated by your own
serv - ants. You were rec - ognized, when you died, by your mir - a - cles,



ban - ishing the destructive spir - its and heal - ing mal - a - dies.

Cantor: Glory...now and ever...

Theotokion - *Tone 2 samohlasen*



Heal my soul, which is grievously afflicted by e - vil pas - sions,



O all - ho - ly La - dy, for you gave birth to Christ,



the Heal - er and Sav - ior of all, who heals ev - ry



wound, who was wound - ed by the dev - il's ma - lev - o - lence



and has res - cued us from death.

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Prokeimenon for the second Sunday of the Great Fast, p.10

Aposticha of the second Sunday of the Great Fast, p. 67