

Holy Martyrs Akepsimus & Company

Stichera on "Lord I have cried..." Tone 8, Special Melody "O most glorious wonder..." Optina Hermitage Melody

(6) Reader: In the 8th Tone, Special Melody "O most glorious wonder"
If Thou shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand

I-descant
II-chant
melody



For with Thee there is for-give - - - - ness.



O most glo-ri-ous won - - der! The come-ly A-kep - si-mus,



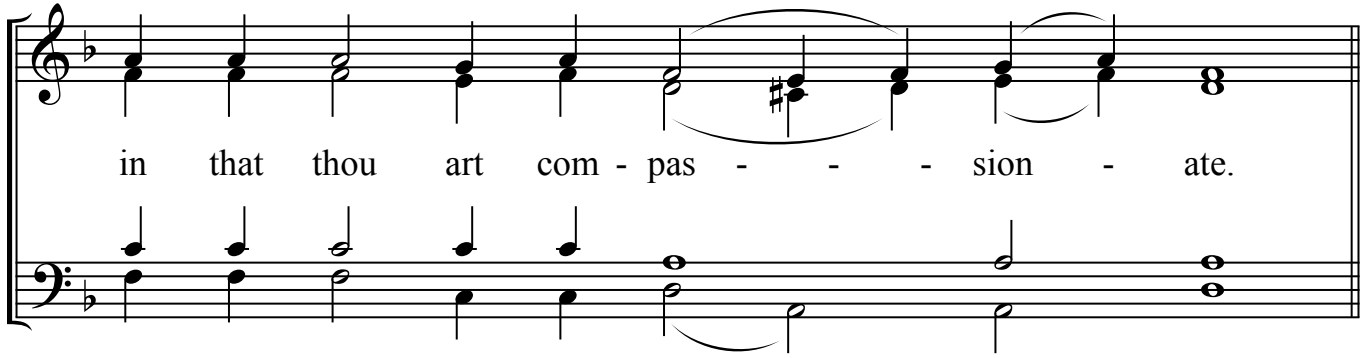
the min-is - ter to the mar - - tyrs, is crowned today with a

wreath _____ of hymns. He pre-sent-eth us with the suffering to which

he wast subjected for his wor - ship of God, and doth wound the

in - cor - por - e - al foe. O what liberal gifts of grace he hath _____

re - ceived! Through his prayers, O Christ _____ save _____ thou our souls,



in that thou art com - pas - - - sion - ate.

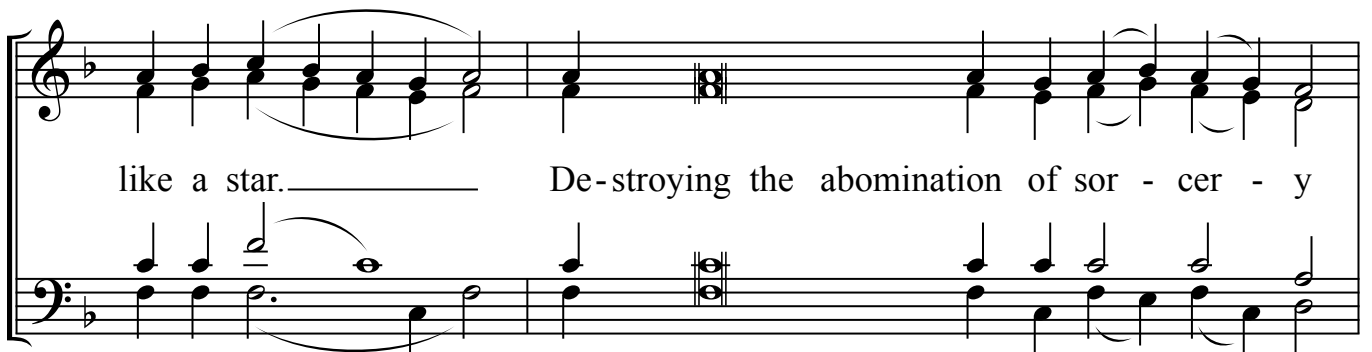
(5) *Reader:* For Thy name's sake have I patiently waited for Thee, O Lord;
my soul hath waited patiently for Thy word,



My soul hath hoped in the Lord.



O most glo-ri-ous won - der! Joseph hath shown forth from Persia



like a star. De-stroying the abomination of sor - cer - y

by the Spi - - - rit, he hath ex - tin - guished the un - god - ly

wor-ship of fire with the streams of his blood. O the strength where -

with he cast down the de - mons! Through his prayers, O Christ -

save thou our souls, in that thou art com-pas - sion - ate.

(4) Reader: From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch

Let Is - ra - el hope in the Lord.

O most glo - ri - ous won - - der! The stead-fast Aith - a - las,

the namesake of a champion of suf - fer-ing, is shown to be an ever -

blos-som-ing gar - den, which, cut down, doth bloom with wounds,

and when slain doth but be-gin to live. O the strength of nature which

he en-dured! Through his prayers, O Christ

save— thou our souls, in that thou art com-pas - sion - ate.