

December 4: St. John of Damascus
Troparion, Tone 8
Kiev Caves Lavra

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A

O in - struc - tor of Or - tho - dox - y, teach - er of piety and

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B

Detailed description: This block contains the first line of the troparion. It features two staves: a Soprano (S) staff in the treble clef and a Bass (B) staff in the bass clef. Both staves are in the key of D major (one sharp). The music is written in a homophonic style with block chords. The lyrics are: "O in - struc - tor of Or - tho - dox - y, teach - er of piety and".

pur - i - ty, bea - con for the whole world, John most wise:

Detailed description: This block contains the second line of the troparion. It features two staves: a Soprano (S) staff in the treble clef and a Bass (B) staff in the bass clef. Both staves are in the key of D major. The music continues with block chords. The lyrics are: "pur - i - ty, bea - con for the whole world, John most wise:".

by thy doc - trines thou hast il - lu - mined all. O harp

Detailed description: This block contains the third line of the troparion. It features two staves: a Soprano (S) staff in the treble clef and a Bass (B) staff in the bass clef. Both staves are in the key of D major. The music continues with block chords. The lyrics are: "by thy doc - trines thou hast il - lu - mined all. O harp".

of the Spi - rit, entreat Christ God that our souls be saved.

Detailed description: This block contains the fourth line of the troparion. It features two staves: a Soprano (S) staff in the treble clef and a Bass (B) staff in the bass clef. Both staves are in the key of D major. The music continues with block chords. The lyrics are: "of the Spi - rit, entreat Christ God that our souls be saved.".

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