

Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast
March 18, 2007
The Holy Martyrs Chrysanthus and Daria

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

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.

Tone 4 samohlasen

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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 - diance. 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 - - - tyrs!

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.