

cease-less-ly implore the All-Ho-ly Trin-i - ty that the faith-ful who celebrate their  
sa-cred mem-o - ry be de-liv - ered from mortal tri-als and all dan - ger.

**Cantor:** (Tone 7) Now and ever...

*Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 7, p. 98)*

*Sunday aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 7, p. 99).*

*Troparia in the Tone of the Week (Tone 7, p. 101).*

**Vesper Propers, November 15, 2009  
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

**The holy martyrs and confessors Gurias, Samonas, and Habib.** Gurias, ascetic, and Samonas suffered at Edessa in Osrhoene. They were condemned to death under Diocletian the emperor by the prefect Mysian after lengthy and savage torture and then were beheaded by the sword. Habib was a deacon who suffered for the faith later. (322)

*Supplement for The Order of Vespers for Sundays after Pentecost, 2005*

*Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 7, p. 92), stichera 10-4.*

**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 Gurias, Samonas and Habib - Tone 4 samohlasen**

The ho - ly mar-tyr Ha-bib, the won-drous Sa - mo - nas and the illus-tri - ous  
Gou - ri - as now form a choir with all be - liev - ers and ex - ult  
with us who share their com - mon joy. For the souls of his wit-ness - es,  
God grants the power to see what oc - curs here be - low.

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

Hav - ing suffered the pains of intoler-a-ble pun - ish - ments, and hav - ing fought

val-iant-ly, O three martyrs, equal in number to the di-vine Trin-i - ty: Sa -  
 mo - nas, Gouri-as and Ha-bib, you now en-joy the fruit of your la - bors:  
 the joy and eternal blessedness which Christ has giv - en you: en-treat him to save  
 our souls.

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

O vic-to - ri - ous mar - tyrs, hav - ing found the harbor not bat-tered by waves,  
 the tranquil life, the har-bor of peace, you have ac-quired the impass-ible  
 dwell - ing, its e - ter - nal change-less - ness, as you re - ceived  
 from our God the reward merited by your pains, O bless-ed Ath - letes,  
 and the prize for your ex - - - ploits.

**Cantor:** *(Tone 2)* Glory...

**Doxastikon of the holy martyrs Gurias, Samonas and Habib - Tone 2 samohlasen**

E - des - sa rejoices in pos-sess-ing as a treas - ure the rel - ics of  
 the mar - tyrs Gourias, Sa-mo - nas and Ha - bib. Call - ing to - geth - er  
 the people who love Christ, it says, "Come, O friends of the martyrs: shine with  
 joy on their me - mo - ri - al!" Come, O feast - - - lov - ers, shine:  
 and see these heavenly luminaries beam-ing on earth! Come, hear what death these  
 no-ble jewels of mar-tyr-dom have suf-fered for that life which has no end."  
 These sin-cere ho - ly ones saved a young girl who was cast alive in - to a grave,  
 and hand-ed o - ver to perdition as a pi - ti-less mur-der - er the sor-did man  
 who vi - ola - ted his pro - mi - ses to them. They