

Vesper Propers, August 26
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The holy martyrs Adrian and Natalia were both of noble families in Nicomedia, and had been married only thirteen months before their martyrdom. They were tortured during the persecution of the emperor Maximian.

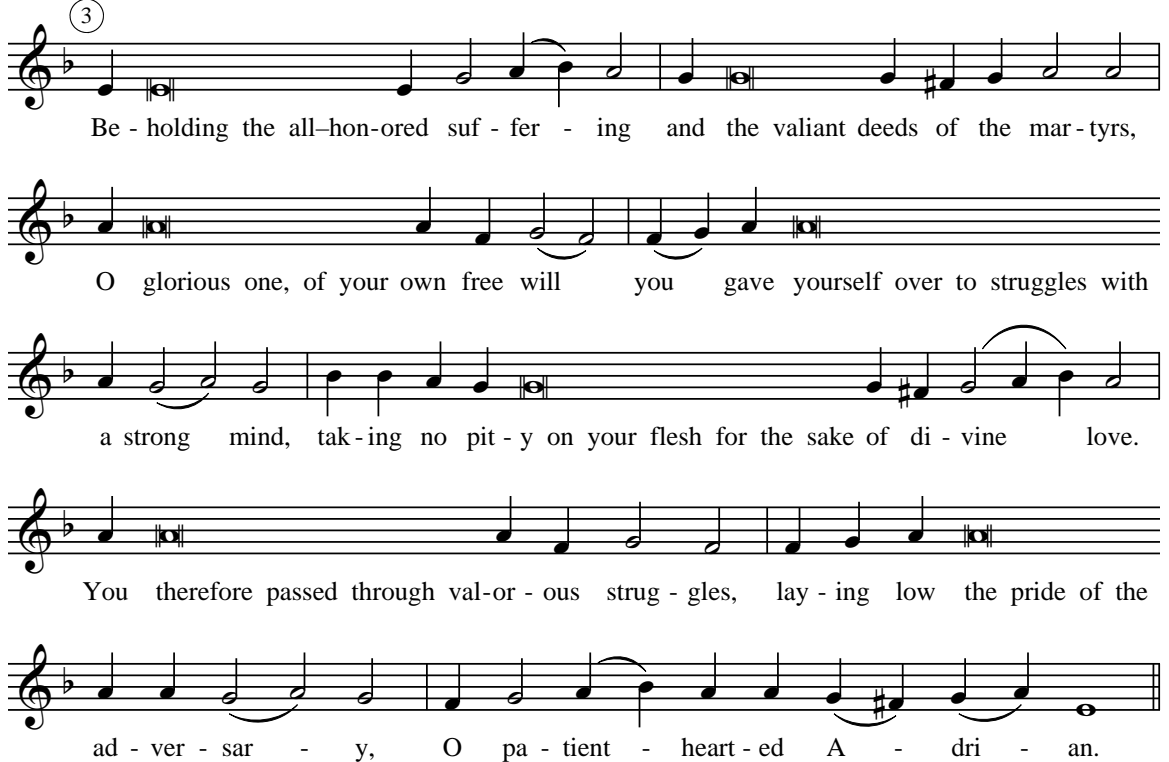
Supplement for The Order of Vespers for Sundays after Pentecost, 2006

Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 4, p. 58), 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 Adrian and Natalia - Tone 4 samohlasen

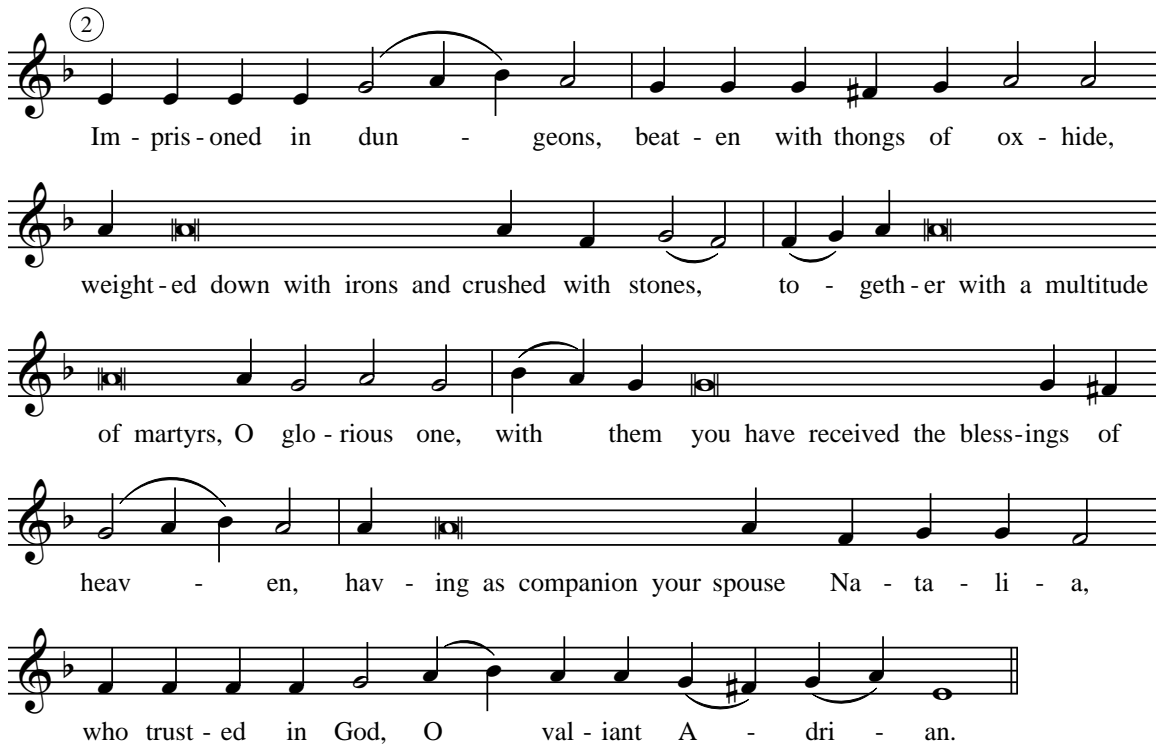
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Be - holding the all-hon-ored suf - fer - ing and the valiant deeds of the mar - tyrs,
O glorious one, of your own free will you gave yourself over to struggles with
a strong mind, tak - ing no pit - y on your flesh for the sake of di - vine love.
You therefore passed through val - or - ous strug - gles, lay - ing low the pride of the
ad - ver - sar - y, O pa - tient - heart - ed A - dri - an.

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

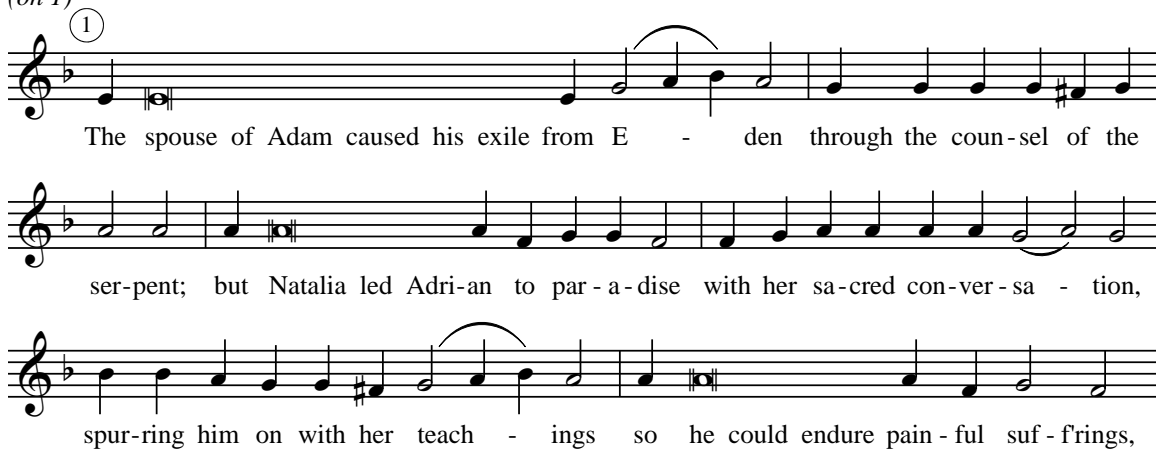
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Im - pris - oned in dun - geons, beat - en with thongs of ox - hide,
weight - ed down with irons and crushed with stones, to - geth - er with a multitude
of martyrs, O glo - rious one, with them you have received the bless - ings of
heav - en, hav - ing as companion your spouse Na - ta - li - a,
who trust - ed in God, O val - iant A - dri - an.

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

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The spouse of Adam caused his exile from E - den through the coun - sel of the
ser - pent; but Natalia led Adri - an to par - a - dise with her sa - cred con - ver - sa - tion,
spur - ring him on with her teach - ings so he could endure pain - ful suf - frings,

be - com - ing a mediator of heav'n - ly re - wards and ev - er - last - ing
 glo - - - ry.

Cantor: (Tone 6) Glory...

Doxastikon of the holy martyrs Adrian and Natalia - Tone 6 samohlasi

O ho - ly cou - ple, e - lect of the Lord! O eminent u - nion, blessed by our God!
 O longed - for cou - ple, be - lov - ed by Christ! Who does not mar - vel, hearing of
 their won - drous deeds? How did Natalia stand in val - iant man - ner
 a - gainst the arrogance of the ty - rant, and strength - en her hus - band
 A - dri - an, that he not give in to the wick - ed one, but choose ra - ther to
 die for the Faith? O! the di - vine - ly woven words of the all - wise Na - ta - li - a!

O the divine teachings which transcend the heav - ens and which set Adrian before
 he throne of the Great King he ac-knowl - edged! O ho - ly couple, pray to
 God for us, who keep with love your ho - ly mem - o - ry, that we be
 de - liv - ered from temp - ta - tions and from ev - 'ry trial of
 bod - y and of soul.

Cantor: (Tone 4) Now and ever...

Dogmatikon in the Tone of the week (Tone 4, page 64).

Aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 4, page 65).

Troparion and theotokion in the Tone of the Week (Tone 4, page 68).