

**Vesper Propers, June 12, 2016**  
**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Our venerable father Onuphry the Great, anchorite**, who piously spent his life for sixty years in the desolate wilderness. (400)

**Our venerable father Peter of Mount Athos**, a soldier by profession. Captured and imprisoned by the Arabs, he was miraculously freed. He immediately set out for Rome, where he was tonsured a monk by the Pope. He was guided in a vision to Mt. Athos, and spent thirty-five years in the ascetic life. (734)

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

*Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 3, p. 36), stichera 10-7.*

**Cantor:** (Tone 8) If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?  
(on 6) But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you.

**Stichera of our venerable father Onuphrius the Great - Tone 8 samohlasen**

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O di - vine - ly - wise fa - ther O - nu - - phry, you cut yourself off from the  
tu - mult of the world, and as - cend - ed to celestial per - fec - tion, hav - ing de - sired  
him who is the Source of all good things, and there you attained true love, O  
bless - ed one. Il - lu - mined with that true light, res - cue us from the  
dark - ness of sin by your sup - pli - ca - - - tions.

**Cantor:** My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word.  
(on 5) My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak.

O di-vine-ly-wise fa-ther O - nu - phry! you en-dured the cold of night and the burn-ing heat of day in your hope of things to come, O ven - 'ra - ble one!  
And hav - ing morti-fied your mem-bers here on earth, you have re-ceived the life of heav - en, and have en - tered joyously into the bridal chamber, O ho - ly one,  
to behold the infin-ite beau-ty of your Cre - a - - - tor.

**Cantor:** Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord.  
(on 4)

O di-vine-ly-wise fa-ther O - nu - phry, the glo - rious Paphnutius found you in the des - ert hid-den like a treas - ure, and he clear - ly pro-claimed to those in the world the cor - rec - tions of your strug - gles,

but behold the Holy Trini-ty in pu - ri - ty, pray for those who hon - or you with faith and love.

**Cantor:** (Tone 6) Now and ever...

*Aposticha theotokion in the same tone (Tone 6, p. 90).*

*Troparia in the Tone of the week (Tone 3, p. 57).*

*Aposticha in the Tone of the week (Tone 3, p. 54), concluding with:.*

**Cantor:** (Tone 6) Glory...

**Aposticha Doxastikon of the venerable fathers - Tone 6 Samohlasen**

Hav - ing pre - served un - harmed that which was created according to the im - age  
of God, and through fast - ing es - tab - lished your mind o - ver all per - ni - cious  
pas - sions to ar - rive at the like - ness of God, in - so - far as you were a - ble.  
Hav - ing man - fully done violence to your na - ture, you strove to make the  
baser subject to the high - er, en - slav - ing the flesh to the spir - it.  
By this you have been shown to be the summit of mo - nas - tics, cit - izens of the  
desert, teachers of those who run the good race, the man - i - fest rule of the  
vir - tues. And now in heaven, where you no longer see through a glass, dark - ly,

and en - riched the faithful with his ac - count of your God - pleas - ing life,  
O all - praised one! By your sup - pli - ca - tions, O glo - rious one,  
show us to be im - i - ta - tors of your life.

**Cantor:** Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,  
(on 3) Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

**Stichera of Peter of Mount Athos - Tone 8 samohlasen**

We have rec - og - nized you, O ven - er - a - ble one, as the name - sake of the  
di - vine Pe - ter, who tru - ly fol - lowed him and pi - ously shared  
in his zeal for the Faith; for you loved the good Law  
and de - sired its divine precepts, O fa - ther, and a - dorned your soul with  
all the vir - tues. Where - fore, we hon - or and bless you.

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

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O ven - erable and most rich fa - ther, through com - punc - tion of soul  
you ob - tained true pa - tience, love un - feigned, stead - fast hope and per - fect  
hu - mil - i - ty. In this way you became a temple of the di - vine Spir - it.  
Hav - ing re - ceived his light in pu - ri - ty, you be - came to mor - tals a  
sec - ond - ar - y sun, through the pu - ri - ty of your life.

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

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O ven - erable and divinely - in - spired fa - ther, though you hid, unseen, on  
earth for man - y years, you still became known through the Spir - it  
by man - y signs and won - ders, and by the sweet sa - vor of myrrh,

for you poured forth a living radiance and ho - li - ness, tru - ly show - ing the grace  
of the di - vine Spir - it to those who love you.

**Cantor:** (Tone 6) Glory...

**Doxastikon of the venerable fathers - Tone 6 Samohlasen**

O ven - er - a - ble fa - thers, the sound of your cor - rec - tions  
has gone forth in - to all the earth. Be - cause of this, you have found  
the reward of your labors in the heav - ens, have de - stroyed the hordes of de - mons,  
and at - tained membership in the an - gels' ranks, whose lives you emu - lat - ed  
blame - less - ly. As you have bold - ness be - fore the Lord, ask for  
his peace for our souls.

**Cantor:** (Tone 3) Now and ever...

*Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 3, p. 53)*