

**Vesper Propers, January 17, 2016**  
**Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee**

**Our venerable father Anthony the Great**, who, bereaved by his parents' death, accepted the evangelical commands, distributed all his goods to the poor and retired in solitude to the Thebaid in Egypt. He began to lead an ascetic life and diligently worked to strengthen the Church, sustaining confessors of the faith during the persecution of the Emperor Diocletian. He supported St. Athanasius against the Arians. He had many disciples, and is thus considered the father of monks. (356)

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

*Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 24), stichera 10-8.*

**Cantor:** (Tone 1) Let your ears be attentive  
(on 7) to the voice of my pleading.

**Stichera of the Publican and the Pharisee - Tone 1 samohlasen**

O faith-ful, let us not pray as the Phar-i-see, for those who exalt themselves  
shall be hum - bled. Let us hum-ble our-selves be - fore God, and with the  
Pub - li - can let us say: "Lord have mer-cy on me a sin - ner."

**Cantor:** 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. *All repeat "O faithful..."*

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

The Phar - i - see, o - ver-come with his pride, and the Pub - lican, bent down in

re - pent - ance, came be - fore you, the on - ly Lord; the first trusted in himself  
 and was deprived of your bless - ings; the oth - er spoke but a few words and  
 received your blessings in a - bun - dance. Be - hold my tears and strengthen me, O  
 Christ our God, for you are in - deed the Lov - er of us all.

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

**Stichera for our venerable father Anthony the Great - Tone 4 samohlasen**

You were enlightened by the rays of the Spi - rit, when the love of God inflamed  
 you and made your soul soar to desire the truly in - fin - ite Love. Then you turned  
 a - side from flesh and blood and left the world, while re - main - ing united with it  
 through great abstin - ence and si - lence. There - fore, as you de - sired, you have been

**Troparia**

*Troparion of the Resurrection in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 34), then:*

**Cantor:** (Tone 4) Glory...

**Troparion of our venerable father Anthony the Great - Tone 4**

Fa - ther An - thony, you imitated E - li - jah in his zeal, and you fol - lowed  
 John the Baptist in his ho - ly way of life. You took up your abode in the  
 des - ert and strength - ened the world by your pray'rs. In - tercede with Christ our  
 God that he may save our souls.

**Cantor:** Now and ever...

*Festal theotokion in the same tone (Tone 4, p. 68).*



to have mer - cy on our souls.

**Cantor:** (Tone 5) Now and ever...

**Aposticha doxastikon of the Publican and Pharisee - Tone 5 samohlasen**



Be - cause of my sins, my eyes are weight - ed down, and I can no longer raise



them up to see the light of heav - en. But grant that I may re - pent like the



Pub - li - can: O Lord, have mer - cy on me.



filled with blessings and ra - di - at - ed them, en - lightening our souls as a star, O



An - thon - y.

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

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



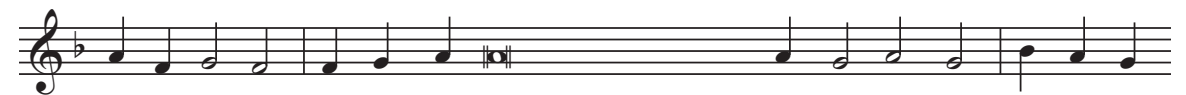
By the grace of the di - vine Spir - it, you became radiant with di - vine light



and broke the bows and arrows of the dev - ils. By di - vine teachings, you exposed all



their e - vil snares. You are a ra - diant light for monks, the first glory



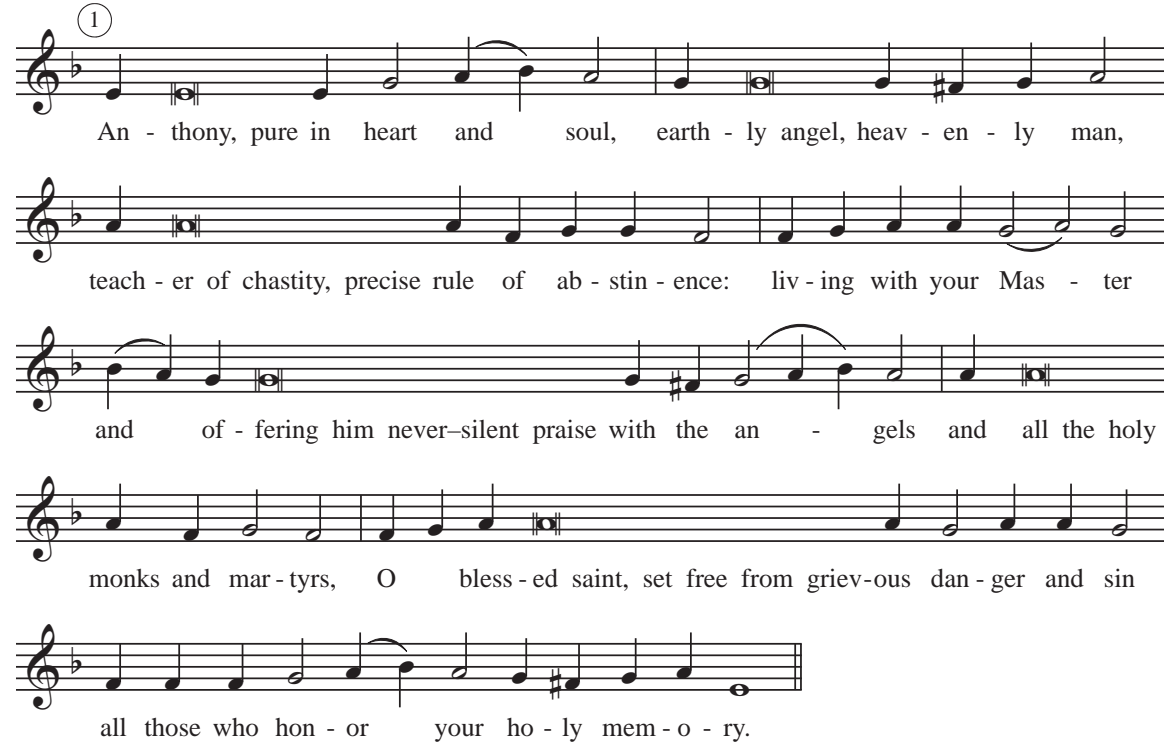
of the des - ert, a most pre - cious and skilled physi - cian for the sick, and the first



liv - ing example of the life of vir - tue, O Fa - ther An - thon - y.

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

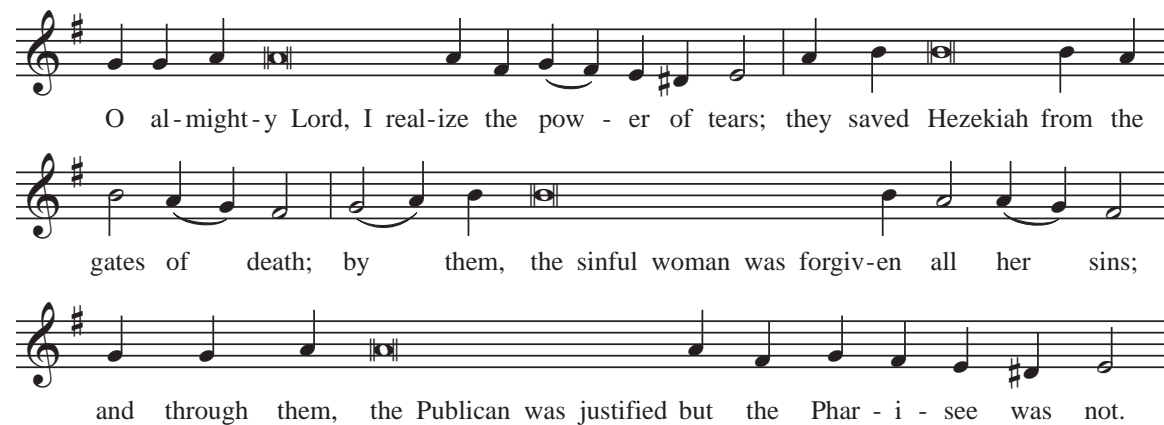
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An - thony, pure in heart and soul, earth - ly angel, heav - en - ly man,  
teach - er of chastity, precise rule of ab - stin - ence: liv - ing with your Mas - ter  
and of - fering him never-silent praise with the an - gels and all the holy  
monks and mar - tyrs, O bless - ed saint, set free from grievous dan - ger and sin  
all those who hon - or your ho - ly mem - o - ry.

**Cantor:** (Tone 8) Glory...

**Doxastikon of the Publican and the Pharisee - Tone 8 samohlasen**



O al-might-y Lord, I real-ize the pow - er of tears; they saved Hezekiah from the  
gates of death; by them, the sinful woman was forgiv-en all her sins;  
and through them, the Publican was justified but the Phar - i - see was not.



Num - ber me with them, O Lord, and have mer - cy on me.

**Cantor:** (Tone 1) Now and ever...

*Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 30).*

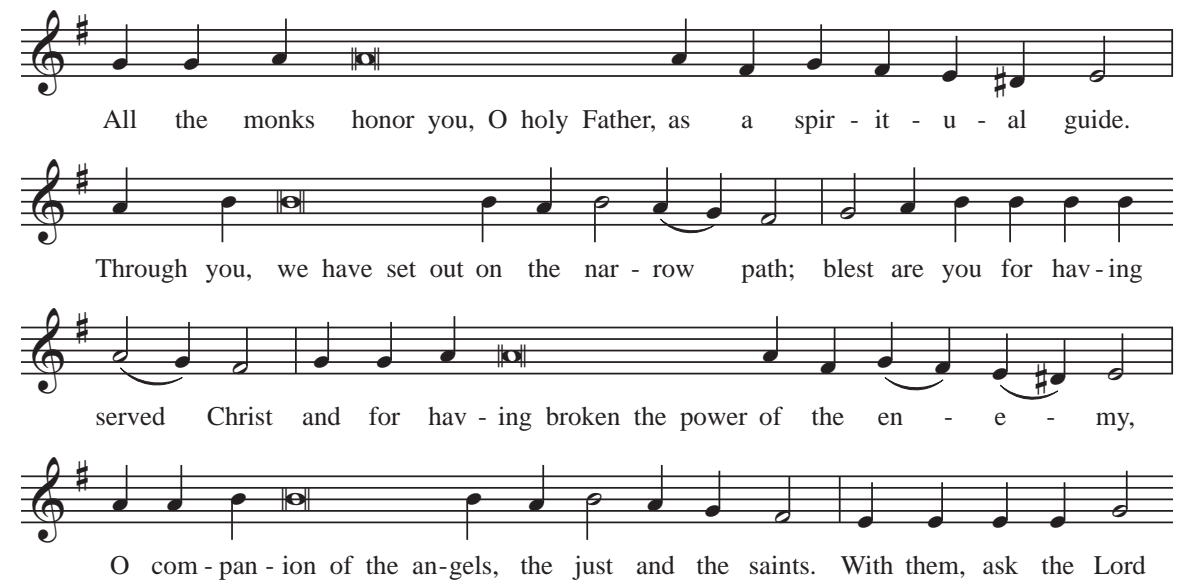
**Readings:** Wisdom 3: 1 - 9  
Wisdom 5: 15 - 6: 3  
Wisdom 4: 7 - 15

### Aposticha

*Aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 31), concluding with:*

**Cantor:** (Tone 8) Glory...

**Aposticha doxastikon of our venerable father Anthony the Great - Tone 8 samohlasen**



All the monks honor you, O holy Father, as a spir - it - u - al guide.  
Through you, we have set out on the nar - row path; blest are you for hav - ing  
served Christ and for hav - ing broken the power of the en - e - my,  
O com - pan - ion of the an - gels, the just and the saints. With them, ask the Lord