August
The Procession of the Life-giving Cross

August 1

Apolytikion

Intonation: #1
First Mode

Save, O Lord, Thy people and bless Thine inheritance; grant Thou unto the faithful victory over adversaries. And by the power of Thy Cross do Thou preserve Thy commonwealth.

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The Procession of the Life-giving Cross

August 1

Kontakion

Fourth Mode

Intonation: #10

Allegro \( \frac{1}{150} \)

\[ G \] Thou Who wast raised up on the Cross of Thine

\[ E \] own will, O Christ our God, do Thou bestow

\[ G \] Thy compassions upon this, Thy new commonwealth named

\[ Un. \] after Thee. Glad-den with Thy sov-reign might our most

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Orthodox hierarchs, and vouchsafe them victory over every false teaching; and

as Thy help in war, may they possess the weapon of peace,

the trophy invincible.
The Holy Seven Maccabbee Children, Solomone Their Mother, and Eleazar their Teacher

August 1

Apolytikion

Fourth Mode

Let us acclaim the seven Maccabbee children

with their mother, the holy Solomone, and their teacher Eleazar; for they excelled in lawful contest as guardians and keepers of the teachings of the

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Law. And now, as gloriously triumphant Martyrs of Christ, they intercede unceasingly for the world.
The Translation of the Relics of Saint Stephen the First Martyr and Archdeacon

August 2

Apolytikion

Fourth Mode
"Be quick to anticipate"

The crown of the Kingdom hath adorned the brow of thy head because of the contests that thou hast endured for Christ God, thou first of the martyred Saints; for when thou hadst censured the Jews' madness, thou sawest Christ thy Saviour standing...
at the right hand of the Father. O Stephen, ever
pray Him for us, that He would save our souls.

SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR
Saints Isaacius, Dalmatus, and Faustus

August 3

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10

Fourth Mode

Allegro \( \text{\texttt{\#150}} \)

O God of our Fathers, ever dealing with us according to Thy gentleness: take not Thy mercy from us, but by their entreaties guide our life in peace.
The Holy Seven Youths of Ephesus

August 4

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10

"Be quick to anticipate"

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since they possessed Thy strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the
de-mons' strength-less pre-summ-ion. O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art mer-ciful.
The Forefeast of the Transfiguration

August 5

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10
"Be quick to anticipate"

Come, let us all welcome the Transfiguration of Christ,

and joyously celebrate the bright pre-festive O ye

faith-ful, and let us cry: Nigh at hand now is the
day of God-given glad-ness, as the Sov-reign Mas-ter
E Un.
go - eth up on Mount Ta - bor to flash forth with the beau - ti - ful light of His Di - vin - i - ty.
The Forefeast of the Transfiguration

August 5

Kontakion

Intonation: #8
Fourth Mode (modified)
"On this day Thou hast appeared"

All of mortal nature now divinely shineth on this day with the divine Transfiguration ere the time; and in great gladness, she crieth out: Christ is transfigured,
and sav - eth the race of man.
The Holy Martyr
EUSIGNIUS

August 5

Apolytikion

Fourth Mode
"Be quick to anticipate"

Thy Martyr, O Lord, in his courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crown of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since he possessed Thy strength, he cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the
Psalmody—bringing about choral singing, a bond, as it were, toward unity, and joining people into a harmonious union of one choir—produces also the greatest of blessings: love.

- St. Basil the Great
Saint Oswald
King of Northumbria

August 5

Apolytikion

Third Mode

Intonation: #8

Allegro

By the power of the precious Cross, thou didst gain a mighty victory over the heathen foe, O noble sov'reign. By thy faith and zeal for piety, thou didst lead thy people unto the truth of Christ, the King...
of all. O all-famed Oswald, do thou entreat Christ

God that we be granted great mercy.
Saint John the Romanian
of Hozeva Monastery

August 5

Apolytikion

Intonation: #8
Third Mode

Allegro \(\text{\textcopyright 150}\)

Fleeing the clamour of the godless authority

and embracing the peaceful solitude of the desert,

thou didst strive with fasting and ceaseless tears to


cleanse thy heart. By thy prayers the earth shook and the
mountain moved to cover the holy bones of the cave-dwelling Fathers. Having acquired unceasing prayer in a pure heart, thou didst intelligently speak of the many woes of the last times. By the gift of thine incorrupt relics, our Saviour hath taught us to flee unto thee. Wherefore, we cry out: Purify our hearts and keep us faithful unto death, O our God-bearing Father John the Romanian.
ni - an.
The Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ

August 6

Apolytikion

Intonation: #21
Grave Mode

Allegro \text{ \texttt{\textfrak{\textipa{150}}}}

Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to Thy disciples Thy glory as each one could endure. Shine forth Thou on us, who are sinners all, Thy light ever-enduring,

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through the prayers of the The-o-to-kos. Light-be-stow-er,
glo-ry to Thee.

Finale:
glo-ry to Thee.

August 6 - The Transfiguration
The Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ

August 6

Kontakion

Intonation: #21
Grave Mode

On the mount Thou wast trans-fig-ured, and Thy dis-ci-ples, as much as they could bear, be-held Thy glo-ry, O Christ our God; that when they should see Thee cru-ci-fied, they would know Thy Pas-sion to be will-ing, and would preach
to the world that Thou, in truth, art the Efulgence of the Father.
The Holy Righteous Martyr
Dometius

August 7

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10
"Be quick to anticipate"

Thy Martyr, O Lord, in his courageous contest for Thee

received as the prize the crown of incorruption and life from

Thee, our immortal God. For since he possessed Thy

strength, he cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the
Q: Many times, when I chant, I feel myself being puffed up.

When this happens, how should I confront the thoughts?

A: When the heart becomes puffed up during psalmody, remember that it is written:

"Let not them who embitter Him be exalted in themselves." (Ps. 65:7) Embittering Him is when we sing without understanding (Ps. 47:7) and without the fear of God.

If you examine yourself to see if your thoughts are wandering during psalmody, you will definitely find that they have been wandering and you are angering God.

- Sts. Barsanuphius and John
The truth of things hath revealed thee to thy flock as a rule of faith, an icon of meekness, and a teacher of temperance; for this cause thou hast achieved the heights by humility, riches by poverty. O
Fa-ther and Hier-arch Em-i-li-an, in-ter-cede_with
Christ God that our souls be saved.

The chanting that is done in churches is an entreaty towards God
to be appeased for our sins. Whoever begs and prayerfully
supplicates must have a humble and contrite
manner; but to cry out manifests a
manner that is audacious
and irreverent.

Canon LXXV of the Sixth Ecumenical Synod
The Holy Apostle Matthias

August 9

Apolytikion

Third Mode

Intonation: #8

Allegro \( \frac{1}{4} \)\(^{150} \)

\[ \text{C} - \text{D} - \text{F} \]

O holy Apostle Matthias, intercede with the merciful God that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of offences.

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The Holy Martyr Laurence
Archdeacon of Rome

August 10

Apolytikion

Fourth Mode
"Be quick to anticipate"

Thy Martyr, O Lord, in his courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crown of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since he possessed Thy strength, he cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the

O μάρτυς σου Κύριε

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de-mons’ strength less pre-sump-tion. O Christ God, by his
prayers, save our souls, since Thou art mer-ci-ful.
The Holy Martyr
Euplus the Deacon

August 11

Apolytikion

Fourth Mode
"Be quick to anticipate"

Thy Martyr, O Lord, in his courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crown of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since he possessed Thy strength, he cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the
For to sing the Psalms demands such concentration of a man's whole being on them that, in doing it, his usual disharmony of mind and corresponding bodily confusion is resolved, just as the notes of several flutes are brought by harmony to one effect; and he is thus no longer to be found thinking good and doing evil, ...so he who sings well puts his soul in tune, correcting by degrees its faulty rhythm so that at last, being truly natural and integrated, it has fear of nothing, but in peaceful freedom from all vain imaginings may apply itself with greater longing to the good things to come.

For a soul rightly ordered by chanting the sacred words forgets its own afflictions and contemplates with joy the things of Christ alone.

- St. Athanasios the Great
The Holy Martyrs
Photius and Anicetus

August 12

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10
"Be quick to anticipate"

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee
received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from
Thee, our immortal God. For since they possessed Thy
strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the

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demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by their

prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.
Saint Maximus the Confessor

August 13

Apolytikion

Intonation: #25

Plagal Fourth Mode

Guide of Orthodoxy, teacher of piety

and holiness, luminary of the world, God-inspired adornment of monastics,

O wise Maximus, by thy teachings thou
Un. hast en-light-ened all, O harp of the Spirit.

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Intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

SAINT MAXIMUS THE CONFESSOR
Saint Tikhon of Zadonsk

August 13

Apolytikion

Plagal Fourth Mode

Intonation: #25

Allegro $\downarrow\text{150}$

From thy youth thou didst love Christ,  O blessed

one, and thou wast a model to all in word, life, love,

spirit, faith, purity, and humility.

Wherefore, thou hast now taken up thy dwell -
Un. F

...ing in the heavenly mansions where, as thou

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standest before the throne of the Most Holy Trinity,
do thou pray, O Saint Tikhon, that our souls

be saved.

SAINT TIKHON
OF ZADONSK
The Forefeast of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos

August 14

Apolytikion

Fourth Mode

"Be quick to anticipate"

In faith, O ye people, leap for joy while clapping your hands; and gather in gladness on this day with longing and shout in radiant jubilance. For the Theotokos cometh nigh to departing from the earth unto the
heights; and we glorify her with glory as the

Mother of God in our unceasing hymns.
The Forefeast of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos

August 14

Kontakion

Intonation: #8

Fourth Mode (modified)

"On this day Thou hast appeared"

In the Immaterial Spirit, the whole world hath been mystically adorned upon thy glorious memory; and it doth cry joyously: Rejoice, O Virgin, thou...
boast of the Christian race.
The Holy Prophet
Michaias (Micah)

August 14

Apolytikion

Second Mode

Intonation: #4

Allegro \( \frac{1}{150} \)

As we celebrate the memory of Thy

Prophet Michaias, O Lord, through him we beseech Thee to

save our souls.
In giving birth, thou didst preserve thy virginity; in thy dormition, thou didst not forsake the world, O Theotokos. Thou wast translated unto life, since thou art the Mother of Life; and by thine inter-
cessions dost thou redeem our souls from death.

Finale:

our souls from death.
The Dormition of Our Lady
the Theotokos and Ever-virgin Mary

August 15

Kontakion

Intonation: #4
Second Mode

Allegro \( \frac{1}{150} \)

The grave and death could not hold the The- o - to -

kos, who is un-sleep - ing in her in - ter - ces - sions

and an un-fail - ing hope in her me - di - a -

tions. For as the Moth - er of Life she was trans - lat - ed to

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life by Him Who dwelt in her ever-virgin womb.
The Translation of the Holy Icon of Jesus Christ Not Made by Hands

August 16

Apolytikion

Intonation: #4
Second Mode

We worship Thine immaculate icon, O Good One, asking the forgiveness of our failings, O Christ our God; for of Thine own will Thou wast well-pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh, that Thou might-est deliver from
slavery to the enemy those whom Thou hadst fashioned. Wherefore, we cry to Thee thankfully: Thou didst fill all things with joy, O our Saviour, when Thou camest to save the world.
The Holy Martyr
Myron

August 17

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10
"Be quick to anticipate"

Thy Martyr, O Lord, in his courageous contest for Thee
received as the prize the crown of incorruption and life from
Thee, our immortal God. For since he possessed Thy
strength, he cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the
O Christ God, by his prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.
The Holy Martyrs
Florus and Laurus

August 18

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10
"Be quick to anticipate"

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee

received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from

Thee, our immortal God. For since they possessed Thy

strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the

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O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.
The Holy Martyr
Andrew the Commander
and the 2,593 Martyred With Him

August 19

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10

"Be quick to anticipate"

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee

received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from

Thee, our immortal God. For since they possessed Thy

strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the

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Now [in 1911] theatrical tunes and melodies have even penetrated into the Church, forcing out ancient chant.

Meanwhile, the latter is more highly artistic,

but people don't understand this.

- St. Barsanuphius of Optina
The Holy Prophet Samuel

August 20

Apolytikion

Second Mode

Intonation: #4

As we celebrate the memory of Thy

Prophet Samuel, O Lord, through him we beseech Thee to

save our souls.
The Holy Apostle Thaddæus

August 21

Apolytikion

Intonation: #8
Third Mode

Allegro  \-150

O holy Apostle Thaddæus, intercede with the merciful God that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of offenses.
Allegro

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee,

received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since they possessed Thy

strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the

August 21

Apolytikion

Fourth Mode

"Be quick to anticipate"
Those who chant should offer
their psalmodies with great care to God,
Who looks into the hidden recesses of the heart,
i.e., into the psalmody and prayer that are
done mentally in the heart rather
than uttered in external cries.

- Canon LXXV of the Sixth Ecumenical Synod
The Synaxis of the Icon of the Mother of God of Prusa

August 22

Apolytikion

First Mode

"While Gabriel was saying"

Intonation: #1

Allegro ♩130

O Lady, by thine icon of Prusa thou art shown

forth as the great protectress of Greece and a worker

of dread wonders; for thou grantest sight unto the

blind, O thou all-spotless Mariam; thou dost
cast out wicked demons and heal est all that flee

unto thee while crying: Glory unto thy

child birth without seed. Glory to Him that hath

made thee wondrous. Glory to Him that work -

eth such manner of marvels through thee.
The Holy Martyrs
Agathonicus and Lupus

August 22 and 23*

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10

Fourth Mode
"Be quick to anticipate"

Oι μάρτυρες σου Κύριε

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee

received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from

Thee, our immortal God. For since they possessed Thy

strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the

* The hymns of Saint Lupus (who would celebrate on August 23rd) are transferred to August 22nd because of the Apodosis of the Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos.
demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.
Saint Irenaeus
Bishop of Lyons

August 23

Apolytikion

Intonation: #13
Plagal First Mode
"Let us worship the Word"

Let us praise I-renae-us, the hier-arch of the Lord, the
Ho-ly Spir-it's pure ves-sel and ra-diant star of Ly-
ons; for he kept the ho-ly Faith free from all her-e-
sy by his di-vine-ly writ-ten books, which still
guide the Church of Christ into that most peaceful heaven. Wherefore, now crowned as a Martyr, he intercedeth that our souls be saved.
The Holy Hieromartyr Eutyches
Disciple of St. John the Theologian

August 24

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10

Fourth Mode

As a sharer of the ways and a successor to the throne of the Apostles, O inspired of God, thou foundest discipline to be a means of ascent to divine vision. Wherefore, having rightly divided...
Even though the meaning of the words [of psalmody] be unknown to you, teach your mouth to utter them meanwhile. For the tongue is made holy by the words when they are uttered with a ready and eager mind.

- St. John Chrysostom
The Translation of the Relics of Saint Peter Metropolitan of Moscow

August 24

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10

Fourth Mode

Allegro \( \frac{1}{60} \)

On this day hath come the glorious feast of the translation of thy precious relics, O Saint Peter, which doth exceedingly gladden thy flock and all Christian people. Fail not to pray for them to Christ our God Who en-
trusted His flock to thee, that it be kept unharmed from enemies, and that our souls be saved.
With odes let us acclaim the renowned Cosmas, who gloriously excelled among the choirs of the martyrs, priests, and ascetics, and let us gather in his honour, for he dispenses healing to them that
have recourse to him with faith, since, as an equal of the Apostles, he hath boldness before Christ.
Saint Cosmas of Aetolia
Equal to the Apostles

August 24

Kontakion

Intonation: #10

Fourth Mode

"Thou Who wast raised up"

Come from Aetolia, O God-bearing Father, thou didst become a righteous monk on Mount Athos; and as a true initiate of the glory of God, thou didst preach the word of truth

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to all men,_ O most blest one, and didst bring them all to
Christ as a true em - u - la - tor of
the A - pos - tles' choir, and thou didst prove a hier - o - mar -

No one should seek their own good,
but the good of others.

I Corinthians 10:24
The Holy Apostles
Bartholomew and Titus

August 25

Apolytikion

Intonation: #8
Third Mode

Allegro  \( \frac{1}{150} \)

\'Απόστολοι ἁγίοι

O holy Apostles, intercede with the merciful God that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of offenses.
The Meeting of the Icon
of the Mother of God of Vladimir

August 26

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10
Fourth Mode

Allegro \( \frac{4}{4} \) 150

Today the most glorious city of Moscow rejoiceth

radiantly, for it receiveth as a ray of the

sun thy wonder-working icon, O Lady; and as we

now have recourse there-to, we pray to thee and cry:
O most wonderful Lady Theotokos, pray to Christ our God, Who was incarnate of thee, that this city and all Christian cities and countries be kept unharmed from all assaults of the enemy, and that our souls be saved, for He is merciful.
Saints Adrian and Natalie

August 26

Apolytikion

Intonation: #8

Third Mode

"Thy confession"

Thou didst deem that Faith which hath salvation to be riches never lost or plundered. Thou forsook est thy fathers' impiety, and thou didst follow thy Master, becoming rich in His di -
vine gifts, O glorious Adrian. With the godly minded Natalie, who emboldened thee, entreat Christ God, O Martyr, that our souls be saved.
The Holy Martyr Phanurius

August 27

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10

"Be quick to anticipate"

A heavenly song of praise is brightly sung on the earth;

the hosts of the Angels keep an earthly festival now in

splendour and radiant joy; from on high, they praise with

hymns thy sufferings and struggles; and below, the Church doth
laud the heavenly glory thou foundest by thy

contests and pains, O glorious Phanu-

ri-us.
Saint Pimen

August 27

Apolytikion

Intonation: #25
Plagal Fourth Mode

Alegro \( \frac{1}{4} \) 150

With the streams of thy tears, thou didst cultivate the barrenness of the desert; and by thy sighings from the depths, thou didst bear fruit a hundred-fold in labours; and thou becamest a luminar-

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y, shining with miracles upon the world,

O Pimen our righteous Father. Intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.
Thou didst prove to be a citizen of the desert, an angel in the flesh, and a wonder-worker, O Moses, our God-bearing Father.

By fasting, vigil, and prayer thou didst obtain
heavenly gifts, and thou healest the sick

and the souls of them that have recourse to thee with faith.

Glory to Him that hath given thee strength.

Glory to Him that hath crowned thee. Glory to

Him that worketh healings for all through thee.

The value of prayer can be inferred from the way the demons attack us during services in church.

- St. John of the Ladder
The Synaxis of the Fathers of the Far Caves in Kiev

August 28

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10
Fourth Mode

Allegro \( \text{\texttildelow} \)

Together with the whole assembly of the monastic

Saints, we honour today the noetic sun and brilliant

moon of the founding Fathers of the Kiev Caves. For

these illumine the firmament of the Church and en...
What state can be more blessed than to imitate on earth the choirs of angels?
to begin the day with prayer, and honor our Maker with hymns and songs?
As the day brightens, to betake ourselves, with prayer attending on it
throughout, to our labors, and to season our work with hymns,
as food with salt? The consolation from hymns produces
a state of soul that is cheerful and free of sorrow.

- St. Basil the Great
Saint Job of Pochaev

August 28

Apolytikion

Fourth Mode

Intonation: #10

Allegro  \( \text{\textsuperscript{\large \textbf{150}}} \)

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Having acquired the patience of the long-suffering forefather, having resembled the Baptist in abstinence, and sharing the divine zeal of both, thou wast granted to receive their names, and wast a fearless preacher.
of the true Faith. In this way thou didst bring a multitude of monastics to Christ, and thou didst strengthen all the people in Orthodoxy, O Job, our holy Father. Pray that our souls be saved.
Saint Susanna
Queen of Georgia

August 28

Apolytikion

Intonation: #13
Plagal First Mode
"Let us worship the Word"

Allegro \( \text{\textcopyright} \text{Music} \)

Let us honour Susanna, the wise hand-maid of God, the
godly boast of Iberia, the bright lamp of the
Faith, the far-shining and great beacon of true piety. For, by her confession of the Truth, she hath

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shown forth unto all the path leading to salvation; and she maketh fervent entreaty that we be granted life and mercy from God.
The Beheading of Saint John the Forerunner

August 29

Apolytikion

Intonation: #4
Second Mode

The memory of the just is celebrated with hymns of praise, but the Lord's testimony is sufficient for thee, O Forerunner; for thou hast proved to be truly even more venerable than the Prophets, since
thou wast granted to baptize in the running waters Him Whom they proclaimed. Wherefore, having contested for the truth, thou didst rejoice to announce the good tidings even to those in Hades: that God hath appeared in the flesh, taking away the sin of the world and granting us great mercy.
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The glorious beheading of the Forerunner was a
certain divine dispensation, that the coming
of the Saviour might also be preached to those in Ha-
des. Let Herodias lament, then, that she de-

The Beheading of
Saint John the Forerunner

August 29

Kontakion

Plagal First Mode

'H toú Prodróμou

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manded a wicked murder; for she loved

not the Law of God, nor eternal life, but one

false and fleeting.
Saints Alexander, John, and Paul the New, Archbishops of Constantinople

August 30

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10

Fourth Mode

Achro

O God of our Fathers, ever dealing with us according
to Thy gentleness: take not Thy mercy from us,
but by their entreaties guide our life in peace.

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The Synaxis of the Holy Hierarchs of Serbia

August 30

Apolytikion

Fourth Mode

Intonation: #10

Allegro  \( \frac{4}{4} \) 150

O our first Hierarchs and God-bearing Fathers, as enlighteners of Serbia, her holy chief shepherds and patriarchs, true guardians of the apostolic traditions, unshakeable pillars and teachers of
Orthodoxy, entreat Christ, the Master of all,
for the peace of the world and great mercy for our souls.
The Synaxis of the Holy New Martyrs of Serbia

August 30

Apolytikion

Intonation: #10

"The soldiers standing guard"

The scar - let of your blood, shed for Christ’s sake, O

Mar - tyrs, doth or - na - ment the Church like fine lin -

en - and pur - ple. The crim - son seed of the Faith____

is a - gain sown with gen - 'rous hand. Lo,____ the
When chanters chant with the tongue and also with the mind, they greatly benefit not only themselves but also those who want to hear them.

- St. Athanasius the Great
The Deposition of the Precious Sash of the Theotokos

August 31

Apolytikion

Intonation: #25  
Plagal Fourth Mode

Allegro  \( \frac{3}{4} \)

\[ \text{Qeotovke aeipavrxe} \]

O Ever-virgin Theotokos, shelter of mankind, thou hast bestowed upon thy people a mighty investiture, even thine immaculate body's raiment and sash, which by thy seedless
child-birth have remained incorrupt; for in thee nature
and time are made new. Wherefore, we implore thee
to grant peace to the world, and great mercy to our souls.
The Deposition of the Precious Sash of the Theotokos

August 31

Kontakion

Second Mode

Thy precious sash, O Theotokos, which encompassed thy God-receiving womb, is an invincible force for thy flock, and an unfailling treasury of every good, O only Ever-virgin Moth-

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The Holy Hieromartyr
Cyprian of Carthage

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Apolytikion

Guide of Orthodoxy, teacher of piety
and holiness, luminary of the world, God-inspired adornment of confessors, O wise Cyprian, by thy teachings thou

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Plagal Fourth Mode

Allegro

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hast enlightened all, O harp of the Spirit.

Intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.