Saint Joseph of Optina

May 9

Apolytikion

Third Mode
"Awed by the beauty"

Ἱχος ᾿Γα

right with the gentleness and meekness of the Lamb,

thou wast a shining light in dark and troubled storms, and

little ships of souls found thee a haven, O Father Joseph. Anger never stirred the sea of thy deep and un-
clouded heart, which reflected unscrewed the divine ___

mysteries from above. Now, since the Lord will do what thou ask-
est, entreat Him to save us who revere thee.