

**Vesper Propers for the  
Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast:  
Our Holy Mother Mary of Egypt**

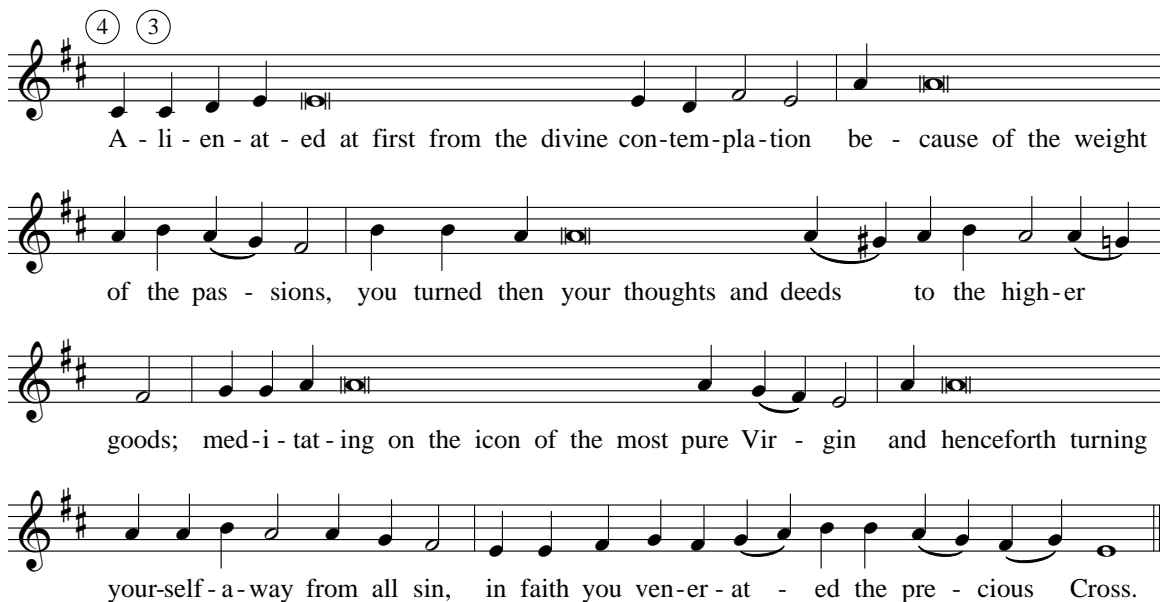
*Supplement for The Order of Vespers for Sundays after Pentecost, 2006*

*Lamplighting Psalms in the tone of the week, stichera 10-5.*

**Cantor:** (Tone 6) Let the watchman count on daybreak  
(on 4) and Israel on the Lord.

**Stichera of our venerable mother Mary of Egypt - Tone 6 samohlasen**

(4) (3)

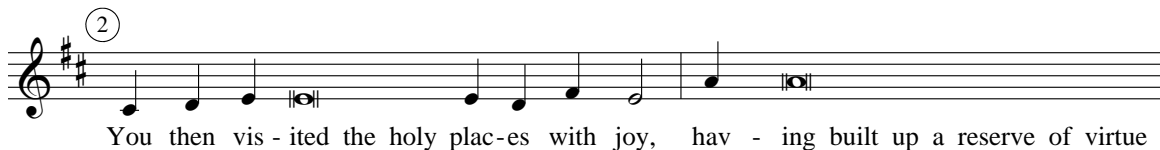


A - li - en - at - ed at first from the divine con - tem - pla - tion be - cause of the weight  
of the pas - sions, you turned then your thoughts and deeds to the high - er  
goods; med - i - tat - ing on the icon of the most pure Vir - gin and henceforth turning  
your - self - a - way from all sin, in faith you ven - er - at - ed the pre - cious Cross.

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

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

(2)



You then vis - ited the holy plac - es with joy, hav - ing built up a reserve of virtue

on the way of sal - va - tion; you made haste on the road to ho - li - ness.

You crossed the streams of the Jor - dan, and you dwelt in the desert of the

Bap - tist; con - trol - ling the power of the pas - sions of the flesh,

you made the savage powers of the pas-sions dis - ap - pear by your holy life

O ven - er - a - ble Moth - - - er.

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

<sup>1</sup>  
Dwell - ing in the des - ert, you put the images of the pas - sions far from your soul,

and with the light of the virtues, you in - scribed the im - age of God.

You were re - splen - dent with such a bright - ness that you walked upon the surface

of the wa - ters; and on earth you were caught up in pray'r to God.



Be-cause you have great sway with Christ, pray to him for the salvation of our souls,



O ven - er - a - ble Moth - - - er.

**Cantor:** (Tone 2) Glory...

**Doxastikon - Tone 2 samohlasen**



The pow-er of the Cross has worked won-ders, O Lord; she who for-mer-ly



was a har - lot has giv - en herself completely to the struggle of an



as - cet - ic - al life. De - spite her weak - ness, she has courageously con - tend - ed



with the dev - il; and hav - ing re - ceived the prize for her vic - to - ry,



she now in - ter - cedes with you for our souls.

**Cantor:** (Tone of the week) Now and ever...

**Dogmatikon in the tone of the week**

## Aposticha

*Aposticha in the tone of the week, concluding with:*

**Cantor:** (Tone 2) Glory...

**Aposticha doxastikon - Tone 2**

With the sword of tem - p'rance you have cut down the pas-sions of the  
soul and flesh; you choked e - vil thoughts with the silence of an as-cet - ic - al life.  
Wat-'ring the des-ert with the streams of your tears, you bore the fruits  
of re-pent - ance. We now ce - lebrate the memory of your holiness, O ven-'ra - ble  
Moth - - - er.

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

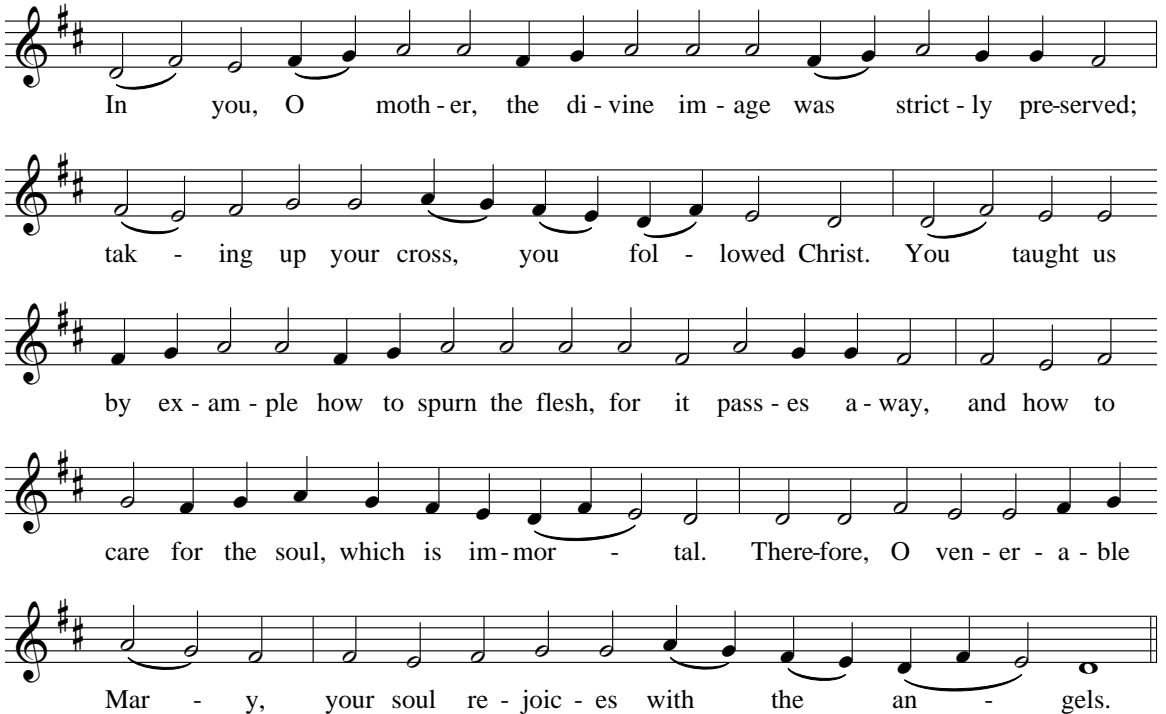
*Aposticha theotokion in the same tone (Tone 2, p. 45)*

## Troparia

*Troparion of the Resurrection in the tone of the week*

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

**Troparion of our venerable mother Mary of Egypt - Tone 8**



In you, O moth-er, the di-vine im-age was strict-ly pre-served;  
tak-ing up your cross, you fol-lowed Christ. You taught us  
by ex-am-ple how to spurn the flesh, for it pass-es a-way, and how to  
care for the soul, which is im-mor-tal. There-fore, O ven-er-a-ble  
Mar-y, your soul re-joic-es with the an-gels.

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

*Festal theotokion in the same tone (Tone 8, p. 111)*