

**Vesper Propers, January 29, 2017**  
**Thirty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**Translation of the relics of the holy bishop and martyr Ignatius of Antioch.** Ignatius was martyred in Rome at the beginning of the second century. His remains were later translated to Antioch, the place of his birth and his episcopate. During the invasion of the Persians, the relics were once again taken from Antioch to Rome (in the sixth century).

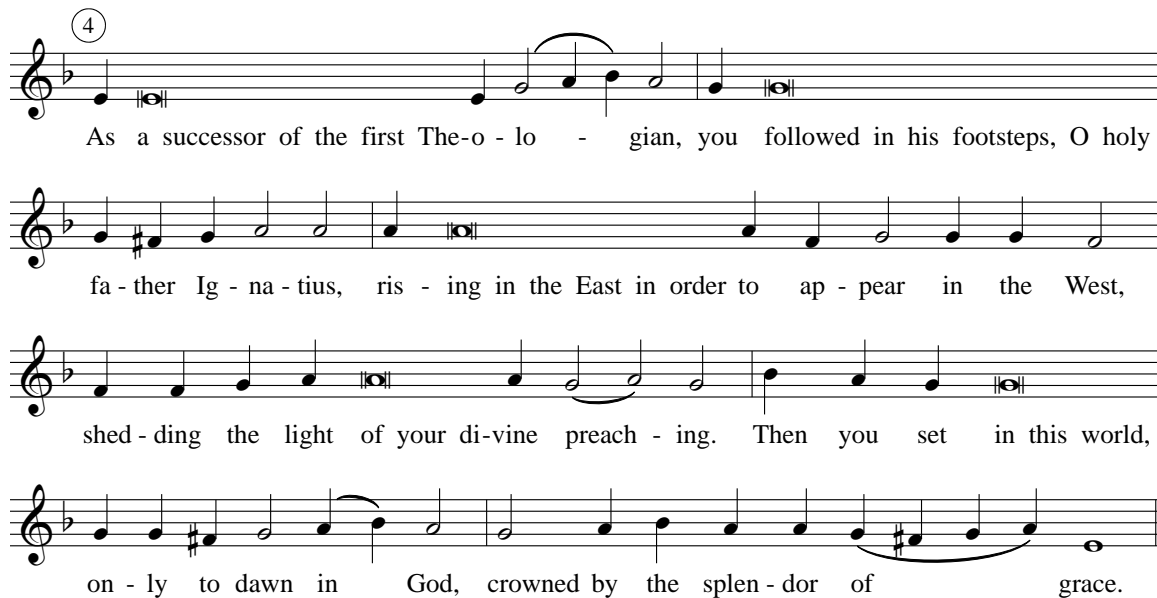
*Supplement for **The Order of Vespers for Sundays After Pentecost**, 2006*

*Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 4, p. 58), stichera 10-5.*

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

**Stichera of the holy bishop and martyr Ignatius of Antioch - Tone 4 samohlasen**

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As a successor of the first The-o - lo - gian, you followed in his footsteps, O holy  
fa - ther Ig - na - tius, ris - ing in the East in order to ap - pear in the West,  
shed - ding the light of your di - vine preach - ing. Then you set in this world,  
on - ly to dawn in God, crowned by the splen - dor of grace.

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

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Your relics, wondrous-ly sanc - ti - fied by your strug-gles as a mar - tyr,



were reverently restored to your cit - y. Ra - diant with grace, they grant us the festive



celebration of their re - turn, fill - ing us with a divinely - inspired joy, O most wise



God - bear - er, and bringing happiness to the faith - ful as they glo - ri - fy you.

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



Bril - liant as the sun through the Spir - it's rays, you brought light to the



ends of the earth by your won - drous strug - gles. You fervently fulfilled your duties



as a lead - er, writ - ing those treas - ures of the Faith, your letters of teach - ings.



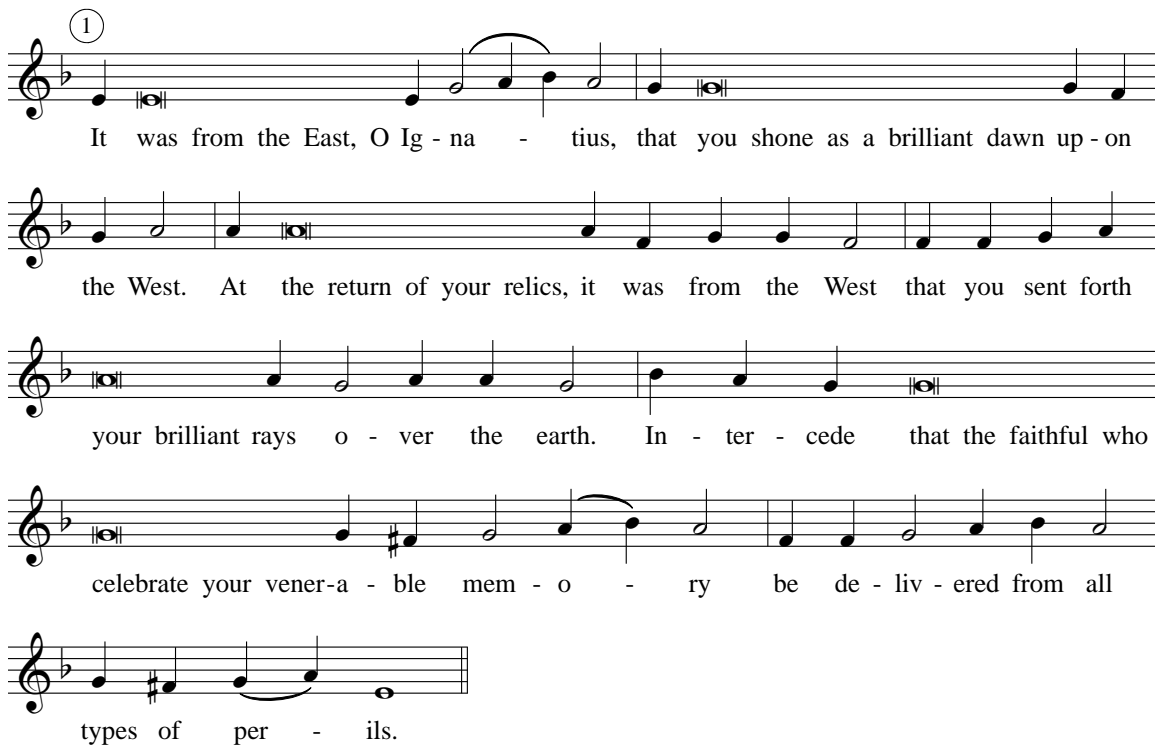
Then, O bless - ed father Ignatius, you be - came bread for the Lord, who never ceases



to give bread to the world in his good - ness.

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

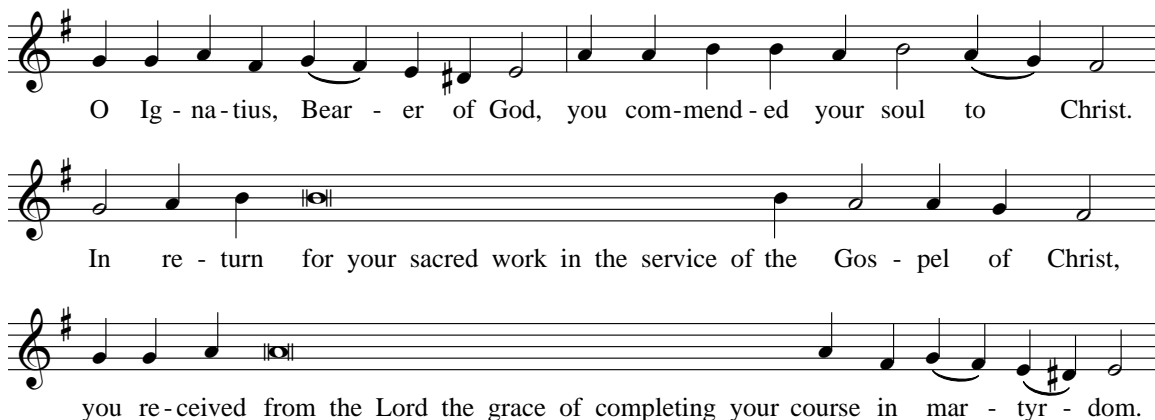
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It was from the East, O Ig - na - tius, that you shone as a brilliant dawn up - on  
the West. At the return of your relics, it was from the West that you sent forth  
your brilliant rays o - ver the earth. In - ter - cede that the faithful who  
celebrate your vener - a - ble mem - o - ry be de - liv - ered from all  
types of per - ils.

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

**Doxastikon - Tone 8 samohlasen**



O Ig - na - tius, Bear - er of God, you com - mend - ed your soul to Christ.  
In re - turn for your sacred work in the service of the Gos - pel of Christ,  
you re - ceived from the Lord the grace of completing your course in mar - tyr - dom.

You, the wheat of the im-mor-tal Farm - er, were ground in the jaws of the  
 wild beasts to be - come an acceptable bread for the Sav - - - ior.  
 In - ter - cede for us, O bless - ed mar - tyr!

**Cantor:** (Tone 4) Now and ever...

*Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 4, p. 64).*

### Aposticha

*Aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 4, p. 65), concluding with:*

**Cantor:** (Tone 1) Glory...now and ever...

**Aposticha doxastikon of the holy bisshop-martyr Ignatius of Antioch - Tone 1 samohlasen**

O Ig - na - tius, worthy of e - ter - nal hap - pi - ness, O per - severing and well - tem - pered  
 soul! In the un - yield - ing desire which you had for your Be - lov - ed,  
 you said: There is no devouring fire with - in me, but rath - er an abundance of



life-giv-ing wa - ters. They speak within my depths, saying: Come to the Fa - ther!



Thus moved by the Spir - it, you urged the wild beasts to separate you quick - ly



from this world send - ing you on to Christ, whom you loved.



Pray to him to save our souls.

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

*Aposticha theotokion in the same tone (Tone 1, p. 33).*

*Troparia in the Tone of the week (Tone 4, page 68).*