

Vigil Divine Liturgy Propers, December 6*

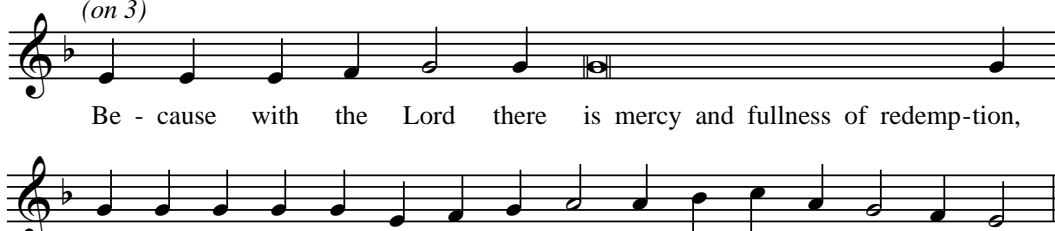
OUR HOLY FATHER NICHOLAS, ARCHBISHOP OF MYRA IN LYCIA, THE WONDERWORKER. A native of Lycia, he became a monk at the New Sion monastery. When his parents died, he gave his entire inheritance to the poor. Ordained a priest in Patara, he was famous for his almsgiving. He was chosen as archbishop of Myra, and was a model shepherd in his care for the people of his flock. He was present at the First Ecumenical Council (Nicaea, 325). Full of years, he entered into rest. (343)

Supplement for The Divine Liturgies of our holy fathers John Chrysostom and Basil the Great, 2006

*The Vigil Divine Liturgy begins on page 104 in the **Divine Liturgies** book. The beginning verses of the Lamp-lighting Psalms ("O Lord, I have cried") are sung in Tone 2 (page 128). At the Psalm verse "on 3" toward the bottom of page 116, continue as follows:*

(on 3)

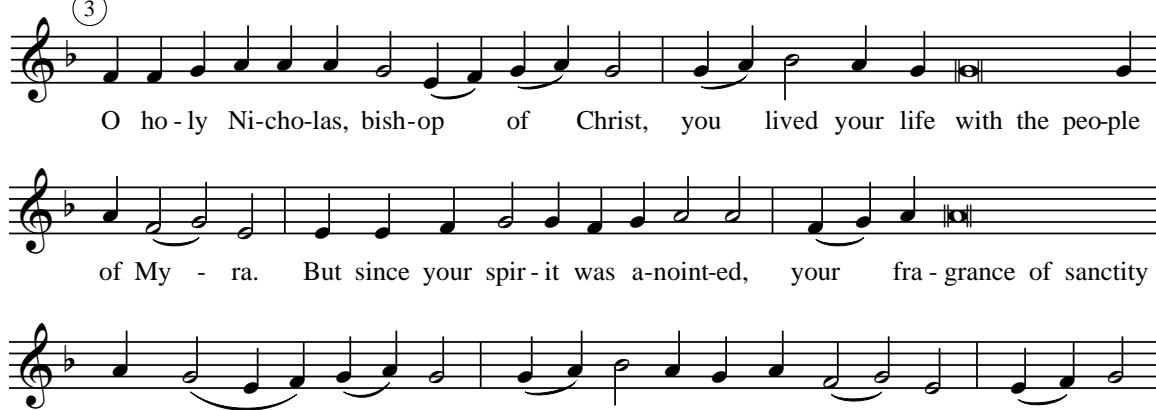
Cantor



Be - cause with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemp-tion,
Is - ra - el in - deed he will re - deem from all its in - i - qui - ty.

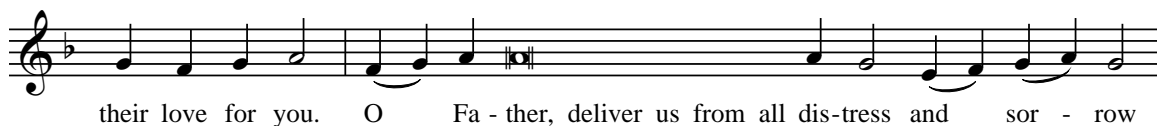
Stichera of our holy father Nicholas the Wonderworker - Tone 2 samohlasen

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O ho - ly Ni - cho - las, bish - op of Christ, you lived your life with the people
of My - ra. But since your spir - it was a - noint - ed, your fra - grance of sanctity
was known by all. Now you a - noint the faith - ful who show

* to be sung on the evening of December 5.



their love for you. O Fa - ther, deliver us from all dis-tress and sor - row



as you pray to the Lord for us.

Cantor (on 2)



Praise the Lord, all you na - tions; ac-claim him all you peo - ples!

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O ho - ly Ni - cho - las, true ser - vant of Christ, you are tru - ly



a protector of your faith - ful flock, and when - ev - er you were asked for help,



you glad - ly assist - ed those who sought your aid. Now you are al - so



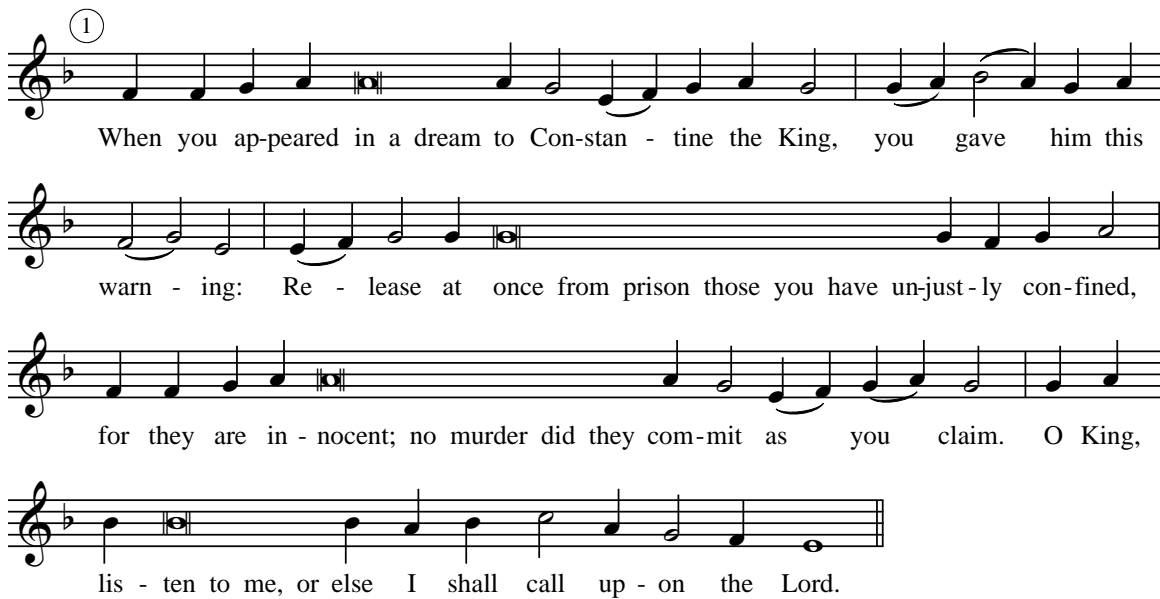
read - y by day or night to de - liv - er us from all dis - tress and sor - row.

Cantor (on 1)



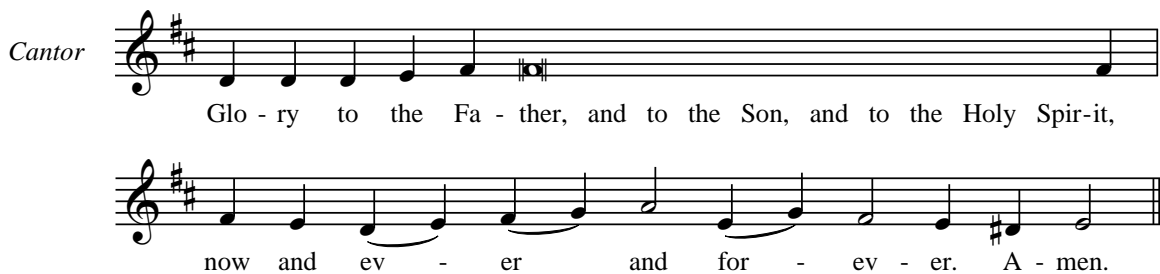
Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faith - ful for - ev - er.

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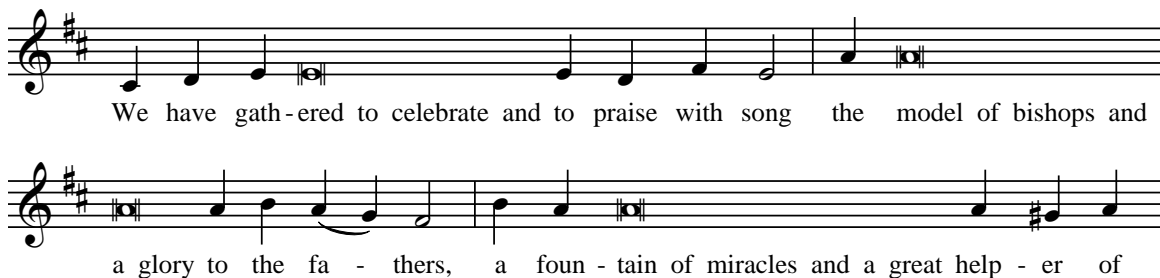
When you ap-peared in a dream to Con-stan - tine the King, you gave him this
 warn - ing: Re - lease at once from prison those you have un-just - ly con-fined,
 for they are in - nocent; no murder did they com-mit as you claim. O King,
 lis - ten to me, or else I shall call up - on the Lord.

Cantor



Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir-it,
 now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

Doxastikon of our holy father Nicholas the Wonderworker - Tone 6 samohlasen



We have gath-ered to celebrate and to praise with song the model of bishops and
 a glory to the fa - thers, a foun - tain of miracles and a great help - er of

be - liev - ers. Let us sing to the saint - ly Ni - cho - las: Re - joyce, O
 Pro - tec - tor of My - ra who was re - vered as its leader and strong - est
 pil - lar. Re - joyce, O radiant star, whose light of miracles shines through - out the
 world. Re - joyce, O divine joy to those in sor - row. Re - joyce, O defender of
 those who are op - pressed; for e - ven now, all - ho - ly Ni - cho - las,
 you still pray to God for us who cele - brate your feast with faith and who
 hon - or you with zeal and joy.

As the doxastikon is sung, the clergy enter the Holy Place with the gospel book and censer.

The service continues on page 117 with the singing of the Hymn of the Evening, "O Joyful Light".

The prokeimenon of the day of the week is sung (pages 120-121).

Then the following Old Testament readings are chanted. One reading may be chosen if desired.

Readings:	Composite 1	(FM 486)
	Proverbs 10: 31 through 11: 12	(EOT 312-313)
	Wisdom 4: 7-15	(EOT 308)

After the Small Litany (page 122), the Divine Liturgy continues with the Thrice-Holy Hymn ("Holy God") on page 27 of the *Divine Liturgies* book.

Prokeimenon of our holy father Nicholas - Tone 7 (Psalm 63:11,2):



The just man will re-joyce in the Lord, re - joyce in the Lord
and will put his trust in him.

Verse: Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to you.

Alleluia of our holy father Nicholas - Tone 4 (Psalm 131:9; 111:1):



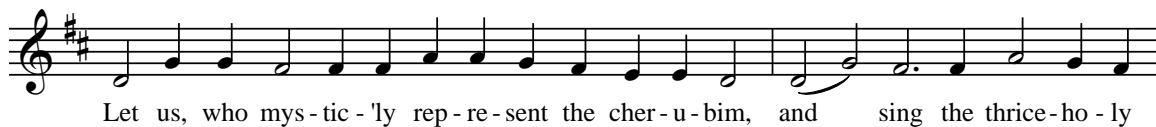
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - - ia!

Verse: Your priests will be clothed with righteousness and your saints will rejoice.

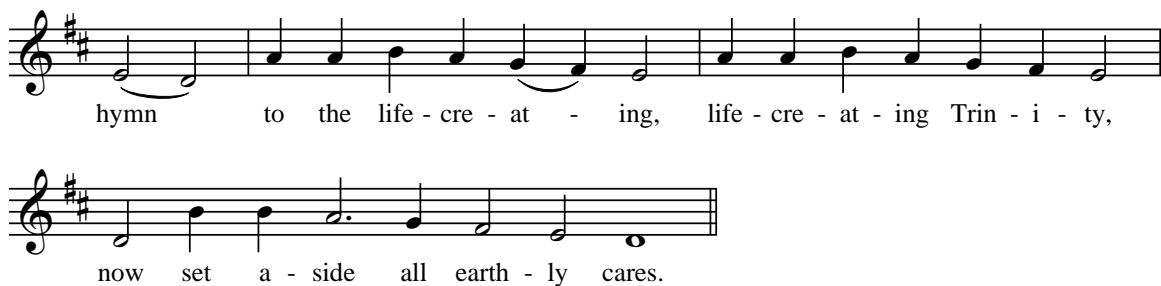
Verse: Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.

Cherubic Hymn

on the hymn, "O kto, kto"

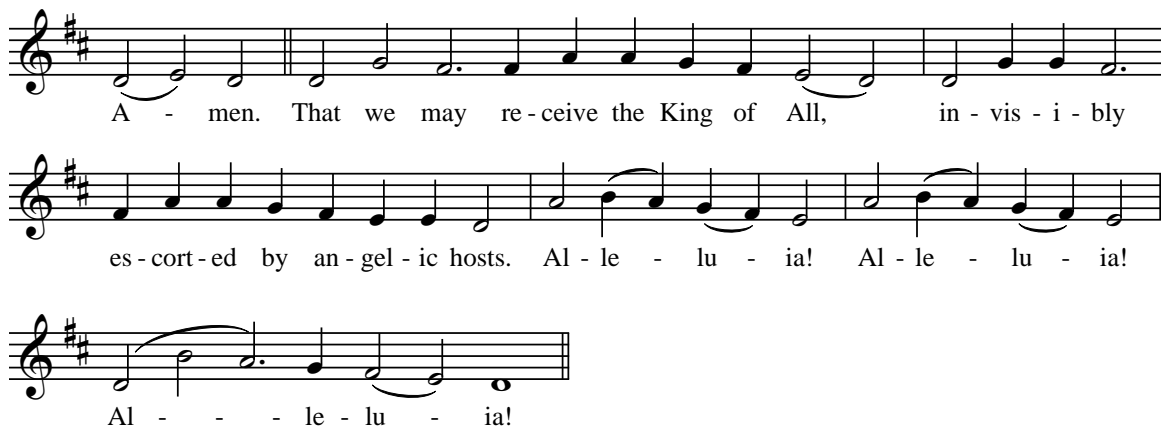


Let us, who mys - tic - 'ly rep - re - sent the cher - u - bim, and sing the thrice - ho - ly



hymn to the life - cre - at - ing, life - cre - at - ing Trin - i - ty,
now set a - side all earth - ly cares.


After the commemorations:



A - men. That we may re - ceive the King of All, in - vis - i - bly
es - cort - ed by an - gel - ic hosts. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - - - le - lu - ia!

Anamnesis Acclamation


on the hymn, "O kto, kto"



We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, thank you, O Lord,
and we pray to you, our God, and we pray to you, our God,
and we pray to you, our God.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

on the hymn, "O kto, kto"



The just man will be re-mem-bered for ev - er; e - vil news he will not fear.

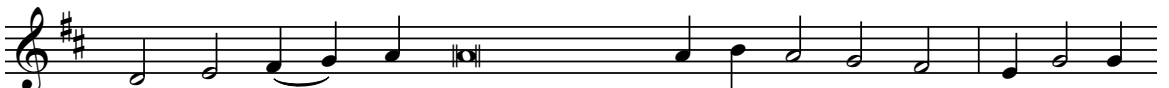
Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The following hymn may be sung at the end of the Divine Liturgy if desired, either after the Ambon Prayer (if bread is blessed) or after the dismissal.


Troparion of the holy father Nicholas the Wonderworker - Tone 4



Your life has shown you to your flock as a rule of faith, an im - age



of gentleness, and a teacher of mod - er - a - - tion. You ac - quired great - ness through



hu - mil - i - ty and wealth through pov - er - ty. O fa - ther and arch - bish - op



Nich - o - las, in - tercede with Christ our God to save our souls.