

The 12th Day of April

Saint Basil the Confessor, Bishop of Parium.

Evening Service

At “Lord, I call...,” 3 Stikhera, in Tone 8: *To the melody, “O most glorious wonder....”*

We joyfully celebrate thy memory, O hierarch Basil, /
With bright hymns of praise, /
And the assemblies of the Orthodox [faithful] rejoice, /
For thou wast a lover of righteousness, /
And didst ever embody and honor /
The pure beauty of chastity ///
And the virtues of meekness and peace.

Patiently imitating the divine Paul in thy banishment, O hierarch Basil, /
Thou didst endure a life of sorrows and need /
Passing from place to place, yet being richly comforted. /
Now having received from God thine abode in a place of eternal gladness ///
Thou dwellest in the land of delight and peace.

As a worthy hierarch pleasing to God /
It was given thee to see the never-setting Sun /
Of the mystical paradise /
And to behold the things of heaven, /
Clad in the robes of Truth and girded with righteousness, ///
Seeing, face to face, the sublime splendor of the wise, O richly blesst one.

Glory..., now and ever..., Theotokion: *Same Tone and melody:*

Save me, O most-pure sovereign Lady, /
Who ineffably bore Christ [our] Savior! /
For I have thee as my invincible wall and protection; /
O mediatrix, joy and divine consolation of my soul, /
Thou alone can deliver me from the [gnawing of] the worm that never sleeps ///
And from the eternal fire, O Mother of Christ God.

Or the Stavrotheotokion: *(in the Same Tone and melody)*

**“What is this sight that I see, /
What do mine eyes behold, O Master? /
Thou, Who sustainest all creation, lifted up on the Tree, /
Dost die granting life to all,” /
Cried the Theotokos, weeping, when she beheld upon the Cross ///
The God-man Who had ineffably shone forth from her.**

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Or Dogmatic Theotokion if a Resurrection service.

[No Troparion is given for the Saint in the Menaion]

Morning Service

The Canon of the Saint, in Tone 8

... incomplete as of 1/2014

The Kontakion of the Saint, in Tone 2: *To the melody, "Seeking the highest..."*

Being illumined, O blessèd one, by the light on-high, /
Thou dost enlighten all who lovingly venerate thine hon' rable sufferings, /
O holy hieromartyr, father Basil, ///
Ceaselessly pray to Christ God for us all.

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