

JAN 21

St. Maximus the Confessor; Martyr Neophytus

TROPARION of St. Maximus - Tone 8

As an instructor of Orthodoxy, a teacher of piety and purity, /
A lamp of the universe, and divinely-inspired enrichment of hierarchs, /
O most-wise Maximus, by thy teachings thou didst enlighten all ///
O spirit-filled voice, beseech Christ God to save our souls.

TROPARION of Martyr Neophytus - Tone 4

Thy martyr Neophytus, O Lord, /
Through his sufferings received his incorruptible crown from Thee,
our God. /
For having Thy strength he laid low his enemies /
And shattered the powerless boldness of demons ///
Through his intercessions, O Christ God, save our souls.

1st KONTAKION of St. Maximus - Tone 8:

Let us, the faithful, honor with worthy hymns the great Maximus, /
Who was most zealous for the Trinity, and courageously
taught faith in God, /
And glorified Christ in His two natures, two wills and action as
both God and man. ///
Therefore, let us cry aloud: Rejoice, O proclaimer of the
Orthodox Faith!

2nd KONTAKION of St. Maximus - Tone 6: *To the melody: "Steadfast Protectress..."*

The thrice-radiant light abiding in thy soul, /
Revealed thee as an elect vessel, O father Maximus,
And thou didst attain a divine repose, O all-blessed one, /
For, speaking eloquently of things beyond our meager understanding /
Thou didst clearly proclaim the Truth ///
Of Him who hath no beginning, the pre-eternal One.