

## **The 6<sup>th</sup> Day of April**

### **Our Father among the Saints, Eutychius, Archbishop of Constantinople.**

#### **Vespers**

**At “Lord, I call...,” 3 stichera, in Tone 2: *To the melody, “Down from the tree....”***

**T**hou was chosen by the Church of God, O blessed Eutychius /  
As the invincible champion of the reason-endowed sheep of Christ, /  
Repelling from her the blasphemy of the impious Nestorius, /  
Who denied that the all-glorious and most pure Mother of God /  
Was truly the Theotokos; ///  
Him did you reject and cast away.

**T**hou didst wisely guide thy flock /  
To the green meadows of the Orthodox Faith; /  
To the waters of true wisdom, to the sanctuary of sweet repose ; /  
And to the pastures planted by God ripe with the ever-abundant food of incorruption; ///  
Preaching with thy lips the divine words of everlasting life and enduring wisdom

**S**licing through the roots and thorns of heresy /  
With the sharp blade of thy instructive words, /  
Cutting them down for they were rotten in their heart /  
Sowing in their place the healing truth of divine commandments; /  
Thereby reaping a fruitful harvest thou didst double the talent given thee ///  
And didst bring it to thy Master.

**Glory..., now and ever..., Theotokion, in the same Tone: *(and melody)***

**W**e have truly acquired no other defender, /  
Nor mighty bastion or invincible rampart /  
Other than thee, O most pure Lady; /  
And to thee to we run fleeing for help, O Mother of God /  
And we cry: Help us, for we are perishing! /  
Show forth thy grace upon us and the power of thy glory ///  
And the majesty of thy merciful loving-kindness!

**Or the Stavrotheotokion:**

**B**eholding thee nailed to the wood of the Cross, O Jesus /  
She who knew not wedlock cried out weeping: /  
“O sweet Child, Thou Unapproachable Light of the All-unoriginate Father, /

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Why hast Thou left me alone, who gave birth to Thee?  
But hasten Thou and glorify Thyself ///  
That they who glorify Thy divine sufferings may receive divine glory!”

*Or Dogmatic Theotokion if a Resurrection service.*

**The Troparion of the Saint, in Tone 4:**

**I**n truth thou wast revealed to thy flock as a rule of faith,  
A model of humility and teacher of abstinence, /  
So thou didst win the heights of humility, riches by poverty; /  
O holy hierarch, father Eutychius, /  
Intercede with Christ our God to save our souls. /

**Matins**

**The Canon of Saint Eutychius, in Tone 4:**

*having the acrostic “I marvel at the wonderworking Eutychius,” by Theophanes  
—incomplete as of 1/2013*

**Kontakion of the Saint, in Tone 8:**

**C**ome, all ye people and let us rightly bless the godly Eutychius /  
And let us praise him as a great pastor and minister; /  
As an all-wise teacher and an expeller of heresies, ///  
For he prays to God for of us all.

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