

June 26 Venerable David of Thessalonica

TROPARION - Tone 8

The image of God was truly preserved in thee, O father, /
For thou didst take up thy cross and follow Christ /
By so doing thou didst teach us to disregard the flesh, for
it passes away /
But to care instead for the soul, since it is immortal ///
Therefore thy spirit, O holy David, rejoices with the angels.

KONTAKION - Tone 1

Perched in a tree like a melodious sparrow, O blessèd David, /
Thou wast an ever-flowering branch bearing the fruits of
the virtues; /
And thou didst become like a new Paradise /
Wisely nurturing in thy heart that tree of Life which
is Christ our God. /
And having tended it, thou hast nourished us with grace. ///
Cease not to pray for us, O divinely-wise one.