

## The 1<sup>st</sup> Day of March

### Commemoration of the Venerable Nun-Martyr Eudóxia (Evdokía).

#### Vespers

**At “Lord, I call...,” 3 stichera, in Tone 4:** *To the melody, “Thou hast given a sign....”*

**H**aving first set out upon the ascetic life /  
Thou didst tame the passions of the flesh through abstinence, /  
And when thou didst take up the battle against the cunning enemy /  
Thou didst utterly destroy him through thy sufferings, /  
And didst triumph over him, O divinely-bless’t Eudoxia. /  
Therefore, thou didst receive a double crown of victory ///  
From Jesus the Lover of mankind and the Savior of our souls.

**T**hou didst plant the seed of piety /  
In the fertile furrows of thy heart, O divinely-inspired one, /  
And having watered it with thy sufferings,  
It sprouted forth a hundredfold. /  
Therefore, thou was gathered as a spiritual harvest /  
Through the grace and power of the Spirit that had transformed thee, /  
O all-praised Eudoxia.

**H**aving first mortified the passions of thy flesh /  
Through the pain of abstinence and fasting /  
Thou wast given the grace to raise the dead /  
By thy life-restoring prayers, O glorious Eudoxia. /  
And having, with the help of the Spirit, completed thy course through thy sufferings /  
Thou dost now abide with the host of martyrs in heaven ///  
Praying for all who are faithfully singing thy praises.

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

**R**ejoice, thou divine radiance /  
Rejoice, thou throne of the never-setting Sun /  
Who shone forth with Its ineffable Light upon the world! /  
Rejoice, O divine perception, shimmering with knowledge divine, /  
Flashing with the lightening that enlightens the ends of the world! /  
Rejoice, thou good, all-pure and golden radiance, ///  
That shines the unwaning Light upon us the faithful.

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**Or the Stavrotheotokion, in the same Tone:**

**B**ehold Christ, who loveth mankind, crucified, /  
His side pierced by a spear, /  
The all-pure one, cried aloud, lamenting: /  
“What is this, O my Son? /  
How have these thankless people rewarded Thee /  
For all the good things Thou hast done for them? /  
Dost Thou hasten to leave me childless, O most belovèd Son? ///  
I marvel, O Compassionate One, at Thy voluntary crucifixion!”

**The Troparion of the Martyr, in Tone 8:**

**W**isely binding thy soul with the love of Christ /  
Thou didst disregard all the transitory things of beauty of the world; /  
Thou didst mortify the passions through thine abstinence /  
And as a disciple of Word thou didst shame the enemy through thy sufferings /  
Therefore, thou didst receive a double crown of victory from Christ our God. ///  
O glorious and venerable martyr Eudoxia, beseech Him that our souls may be saved.

**Morning Service**

**The Canon of the Martyr, in Tone 2,**

*— incomplete as of 1/2015*

**The Kontakion of the Martyr, in Tone 4:**

**T**hou didst fight the good fight by thy sufferings, /  
And, in death, dost sanctify us with streams of thy miracles. /  
Therefore, we celebrate at thy shrine with joy and gladness /  
And we pray thee, O ven’rable martyr Eudoxia, ///  
Deliver our souls from spiritual afflictions and grant us the grace of thy miracles.

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