

The 23rd Day of July

Commemoration of Holy Martyrs Trophimus, Theophilus and the 13 Martyrs with them; also, the Commemoration of the Appearance of the Pochaev Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos, which service is found following this. — *incomplete as of 3/2017.*

Vespers

At “Lord, I call...,” 3 stichera, in Tone 1: *To the melody, “O all-praised martyrs....”*

Bravely thou didst enter into the judgement hall /
And bravely didst thou endure great torments and suffering; /
Thou wast wounded, but thou didst maim the enemy /
And took victory away from him. /
Therefore, beseech the Lord, O martyr Trophimus, ///
That He may grant our souls peace and great mercy.

Thou didst suffer, O most-wise one, /
Thyself leading a company of holy martyrs, /
And rejoicing together with them thou didst worthily receive the blessings of
heaven. /
Together with them remember us who praise thee with faith, /
And entreat Christ, O martyr Theophilus, ///
That He may grant our souls peace and great mercy.

Let us worthily praise, O ye faithful, /
Trophimus and Theophilus and the thirteen martyrs who were with them, /
For, having extinguished the fire of spiritual delusion with their precious blood, /
They now abide in the kingdom on high /
Ever beseeching Christ God ///
That He may grant our souls peace and great mercy.

Glory..., now and ever..., Theotokion, in the same Tone:

Woe is me! What shall I do? /
My mind and soul and body are defiled by my transgressions! /
What shall I do? How shall I avoid the unbearable flames /
And the eternal and unbreakable chains? /
Yet, before the end, O all-immaculate one, ///
Beseech thy Son to grant me remission of my sins.

Or this Stavrotheotokion, in the same Tone:

When the unblemished Virgin beheld upon the Tree, /

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Him whom she bore in her womb without seed, /
Not able to endure her maternal pain, she tore her hair and cried:
“How art Thou, Who by a gesture, upholdest all création, /
Raised upon the Cross as one condemned, ///
In Thine absolute desire to save mankind?”

The Troparion of the Martyrs, in Tone 4:

Thy holy martyrs, Trophimus and Theophilus, O Lord, /
Through their sufferings received their incorruptible crowns from Thee, our God /
For having Thy strength they laid low their enemies /
And shattered the powerless boldness of demons ///
Through their intercessions, O Christ God, save our souls.

Matins

The Canon

The Canon of the Saints, Tone 4

*the composition of St. Andrew of Crete
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[No Kontakion is given in either the Greek or Slav Menaion.]

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