

The 26th Day of May
Holy Apostle Carpus, one of the Seventy.

Evening Service

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

O richly blessed Carpus /
Training thy mind on thoughts of divinity /
Thou wast illumined with a pleasing radiance /
And thou didst go forth to preach Christ /
Teaching all to worship Him as the Lover of mankind; /
Do thou now entreat Him ///
To grant our souls peace and great mercy.

Thou wast revealed as a radiant star /
Shining forth with divine brightness /
Illumining all the ends of the universe /
With the light of thy teachings, O blessed one, /
Chasing away the dark troubles that beset us all. ///
Pray now that our souls be granted peace and great mercy.

O richly bless’t Apostle Carpus /
Thou didst make the perfect bloodless sacrifice to God. /
For which cause, thou wast slain for Him, O holy martyr, /
Becoming thyself a sweet-smelling spiritual sacrifice. ///
Pray now that our souls be granted peace and great mercy.

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

We beseech thee, all-praised Lady, /
The hope and confirmation of all the faithful, /
Our refuge and our helper: /
Preserve us, thy servants from every calamity, /
Who with faith worship Him Who was born of thee. ///
Pray to Christ that He grant our souls peace and great mercy.

Or the Stavrotheotokion, in the same Tone: *(and melody)*

As she beheld her Lamb upon the Cross, /
Bereft of form or comeliness, /
The unblemished ewe-lamb, the sovereign Lady, cried lamenting: /
Woe is me! Where hath Thy beauty fled? /

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Where is Thy splendor, O most Sweet One? ///

Where is the radiant grace of Thine image, O my most beloved Son?

Or, on Friday or Saturday Evening, the Dogmatic Theotokion in the Tone of the week.

The Troparion of the Saint, in Tone 3:

O holy Apostle Carpus, /

Intercede with our merciful God, /

That He may grant to our souls ///

The remission of our transgressions.

Matins

The Canon of the Saint, in Tone 4,

*having the acrostic: “with divine love I praise the glorious Carpus,” the composition of Joseph.
— incomplete as of 4/2013*

The Kontakion of the Saint, in Tone 4:

The Church hath acquired thee as a brightly shining star, O Apostle Carpus /

And is constantly illumined by thy compassionate miracles; ///

Save those who with faithfully honor thy memory.

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