

MARCH 5, 2026

Martyr Conon of Isauria/ Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts (sung on Wednesday, March 4, 2026)

"Lord I Call..." Tone 1

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v. (10) Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Your Name! Tone 1

Let us keep a spiritual fast, O brethren!

Let us speak no lies or deceit with our tongue!

Let us not give each other cause for stumbling,

but by repentance let the lamp of our soul shine brightly!//

Forgive us our sins in Thy love for mankind!

v. (9) The righteous will surround me; for You will deal bountifully with me.

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v. (8) Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice! Tone 1

O Martyrs, truly worthy of praise,

although you were dishonored on earth,

the heavens received you.

The gates of Paradise opened to you,

and now you enjoy the Tree of Life.//

Entreat Christ to grant us peace and His great mercy!

v. (7) Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! Tone 3

Through the prayers of Your divine Apostles, O Lord,

grant us to spend this time of fasting with compunction of heart,//

that being saved we may glorify You, O compassionate One!

v. (6) If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.

Great and awesome is Your coming, O Lord,

when You will sit in righteous judgment.

Despite my guilt, do not condemn me, O God,//

but by the prayers of Your Apostles, spare me!

*v. (5) For Your Name's sake I wait for You, O Lord. My soul has waited for Your word; my soul has hoped on the Lord. **Tone 6** (from the Lenten Triodion, by Theodore) (Having placed all their hope)*

O Apostles of Christ,
lights for those born on earth,
rich treasuries of the knowledge of God,
by your holy prayers deliver from temptations us who praise you.
Guide us safely through the course of the Fast,
and keep our lives in peace,
so that we may reach Christ's Passion unharmed//
and with boldness offer hymns of praise to our God.

v. (4) From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!

Tone 8 O unfading and divine radiance,
light-bearing brilliance of the commandments of God,
ever-memorable passion-bearer and most excellent of martyrs,
you have dispelled the gloom of darkness like a brilliant star.
You are a good offering, an unblemished sacrifice, O blessed one;//
therefore, ever entreat Christ that He may save our souls!

v. (3) For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.

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v. (2) Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!

O proclaimer of the Truth,
you revealed yourself to be a sword-wielding enemy of ungodliness.
You cut off the head of the Enemy with your suffering, O all-wise one,
and clearly proclaimed the commandment of God,
declaring the good news to the untaught people.
Entreat the Savior, O Conon who dwell with the martyrs://
"Deliver from the passions Your servants who honor You with hymns!"

v. (1) For His mercy is confirmed on us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.

What a good change the Lord of our fathers made in you / by the right hand of the Most High!/
Most glorious athlete, you were revealed to be a fruit that blossoms from the root of unbelief. /
Most blessed and all-praised Conon,
you had Christ as your most excellent Commander;//
as with might you overthrew the throngs of demons.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 8 Rejoice, O resting place of the divine Light,
brightest star, and veil of sanctification!

You shine forth the Light Who illumines us from your all-pure womb.

You enlighten the ends of the world with your own grace.

Rejoice, O most pure Virgin, the source of salvation;//

rejoice, awesome report and word to those who hope in you!

Deacon: Wisdom! Upright!

Choir: O Gladsome Light...

1st Reading—Genesis 4:16-26

Deacon: Let us attend!

Priest: Peace to all!

Reader: and to your spirit!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The prokeimenon in the sixth tone: Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O you righteous!

Choir: Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O you righteous!

Reader: Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven.

Choir: Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O you righteous!

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Choir: and rejoice, O you righteous!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading is from Genesis.

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: But Cain went out from the face of God and dwelt in the land of Naad opposite Eden. And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived and gave birth to Enoch. And he was building a city; and he named it with his son's name, Enoch. To Enoch was born Gaidad; and Gaidad begot Maleleel; and Maleleel begot Mathousala; and Mathousala begot Lamech. And Lamech took two wives; the name of the one was Ada and the name of the second Sella. And Ada gave birth to Jobel; he was the father of those who dwell in tents and feed cattle; and the name of his brother was Joubal; it was who he revealed psaltery and harp. While Sella too gave birth, to Thobel, and he was a smith, a bronze smith of bronze and iron; while Thobel's sister was Noema. Now Lamech said to his wives, Ada and Sella, 'Hear my voice, wives of Lamech, give ear to my words: because I have killed a man to my wounding, and a youth to my bruising. Because it has been revenged on Cain seven times, but on Lamech seventy times seven'. Now Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived and gave birth to a son, and named his name Seth, saying: For God has raised up for me other seed in place of Abel, whom Cain killed. And to Seth there was a son; he named his name Enos; he hoped to call on the name of the Lord God.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The prokeimenon in the first tone: Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on you.

Choir: Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on you.

Reader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.

Choir: Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on you.

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EVERYONE KNEELS.

Deacon: Command!

Priest: Wisdom! Upright! The Light of Christ illumines all!

2nd Reading – Proverbs 5:15-6:3

Reader: The reading is from Proverbs.

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: My son, drink water from your own vessels, and from the source of your own wells; let the waters from your source overflow for you, let your waters go through your streets. Let them be for you alone, and let no stranger share with you. Let your source be for you your own, and be glad with the wife of your youth. Let the hind of love and the colt of your graces be your companion, let her be considered your own, and let her be with you at every moment; for living in the company of her love, you will achieve much. Be not much with a strange woman, do not be held in the arms of woman not your own; for the ways of a man are before the eyes of God, he keeps watch on all his tracks. Iniquities hunt a man; while each one is bound in ropes of his own sins. This man dies with the uninstructed; he has been cast out of the abundance of his own livelihood, and he has perished through folly. My son, if you go surety for your friend, you will entrust your hand to an enemy; for a man's own lips are a strong snare, and he is caught by the lips of his own mouth. Do, my son, what I command you, and be safe.

Priest: Peace to you!

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