October 4 - St Arseny Variable Parts of Matins

















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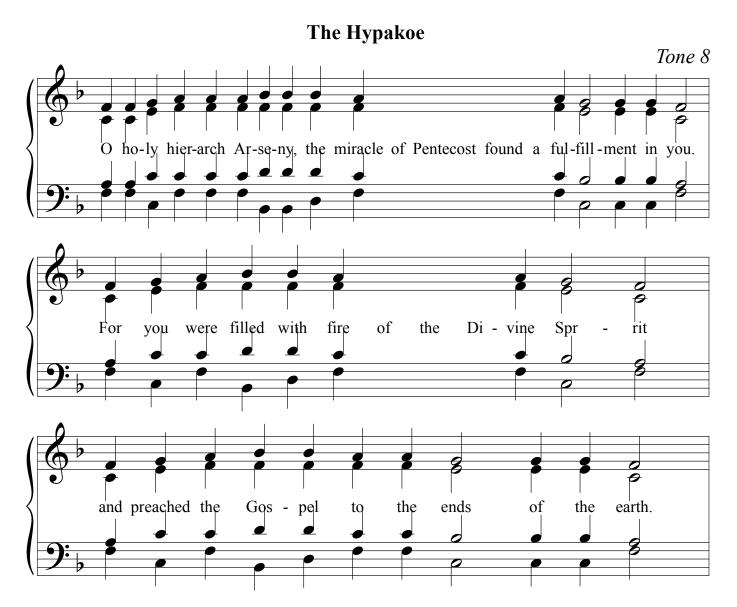
Reader: Hear this, all nations; give ear, all inhabitants of the world!

People: We magnify...

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, glory to You, O God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, glory to You, O God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, glory to You, O God.

People: We magnify...



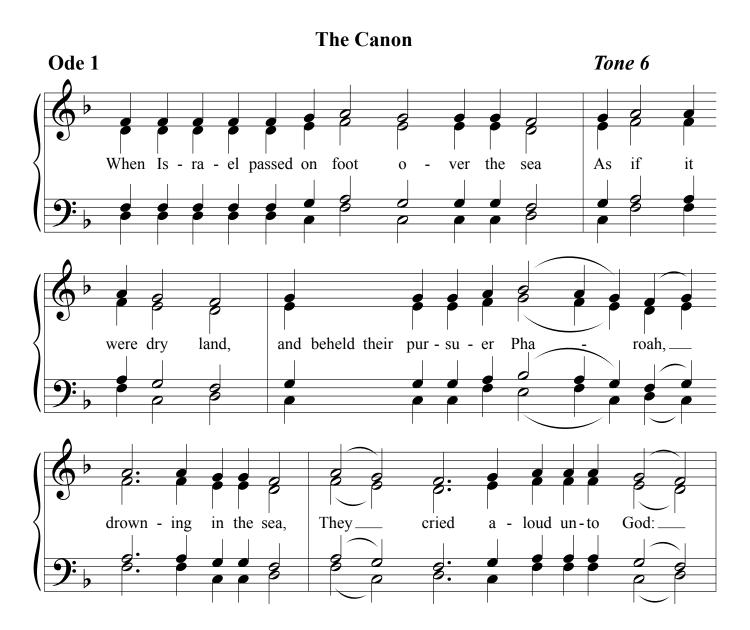


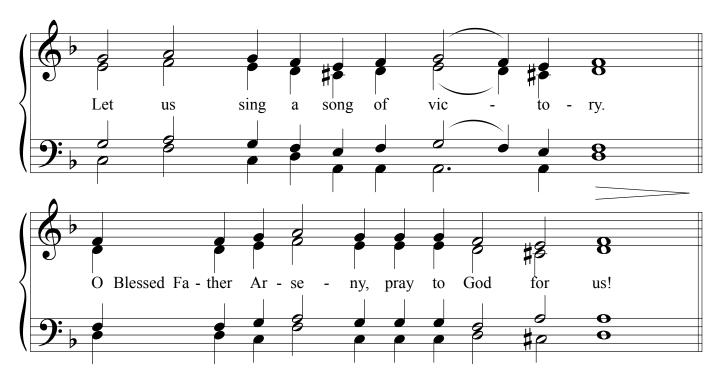
The Prokeimenon



verse: What shall I render to the Lord for all His bounty to me?

Gospel: John 10:9-16

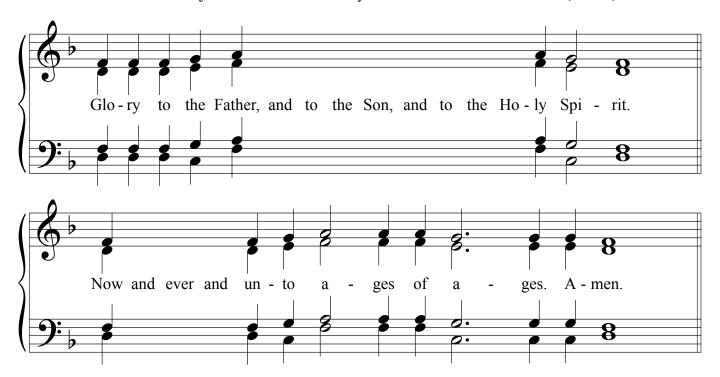




Reader: In your youth, O blessed one, you cared tenderly for your father's flock of sheep. Through these labours, God taught you the ways of a true shepherd, calling you in the fullness of time to care for the flock of your Heavenly Father. Now that you are glorified, you still care for the flock of God. Holy Arseny, pray for the salvation of our souls!

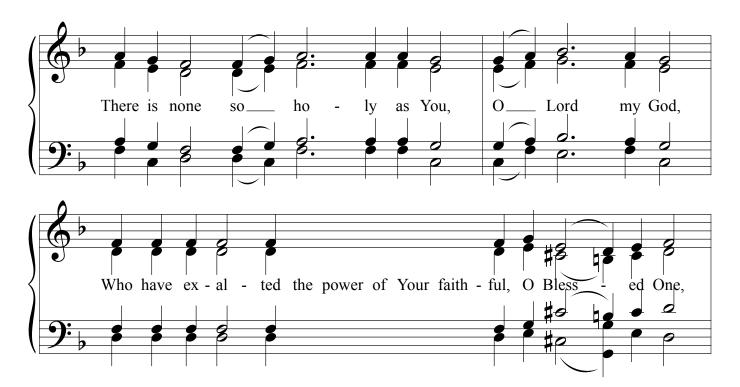


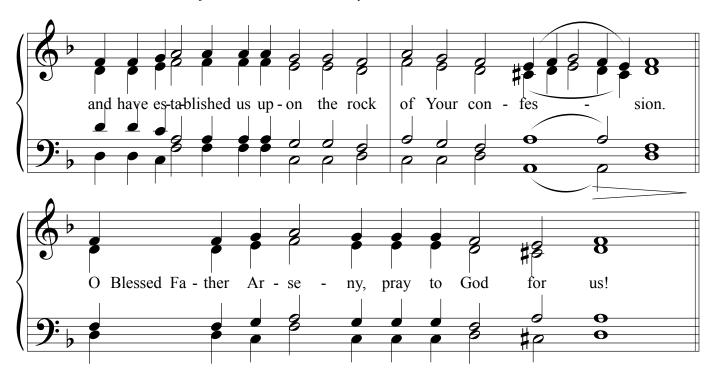
Reader: In your youth, O blessed one, you were orphaned by your father, and left with the care of his five younger children. Through these labours, God taught you the ways of a father, and through His grace you protected those entrusted to you. Now that you are glorified, you still care for your spiritual brothers and children. Holy Arseny, pray for the salvation of our souls!



Reader: In your youth, O blessed one, you took a bride, and lived with her in love until God took her from you. Through these labours, God taught you the ways of a bridegroom. Now that you are glorified, you still care for the Church, the Bride of Christ. Holy Arseny, pray for the salvation of our souls!

Ode 3

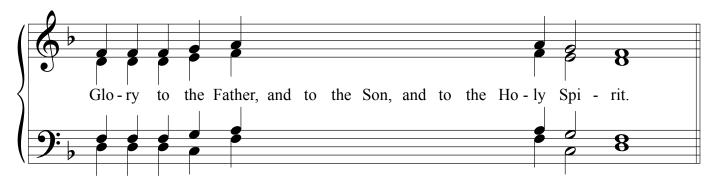


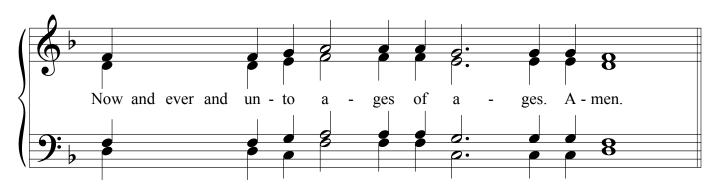


Reader: God has exalted you, O Blessed Father Arseny, rewarding the humility of your monastic labours by giving you power to rise above grief and sorrows and find your consolation in Him. Now that He has exalted you, do not cease to pray for us!



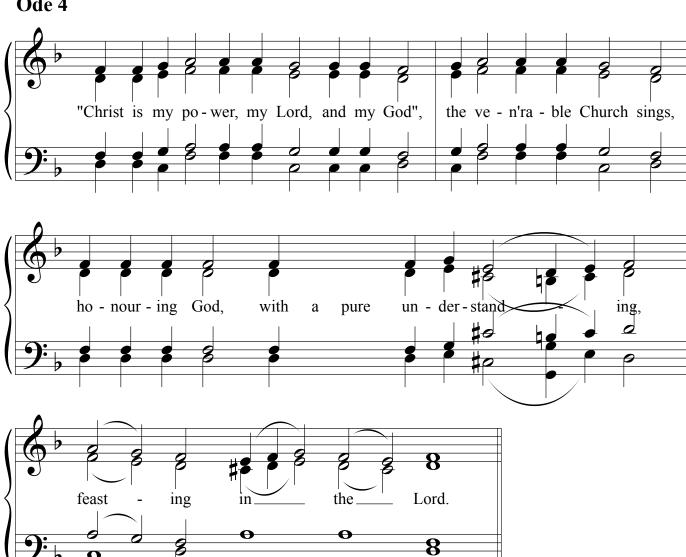
Reader: God has exalted you, O Blessed Father Arseny, raising you above your monastic brothers to the dignity of an Abbot in the Kuriansk Monastery. Now that He has exalted you, do not cease to pray for us!





Reader: God has exalted you, O Blessed Father Arseny, calling you to leave your native fatherland and be transported to the New World to labour there as a preacher. Now that He has exalted you, do not cease to pray for us!



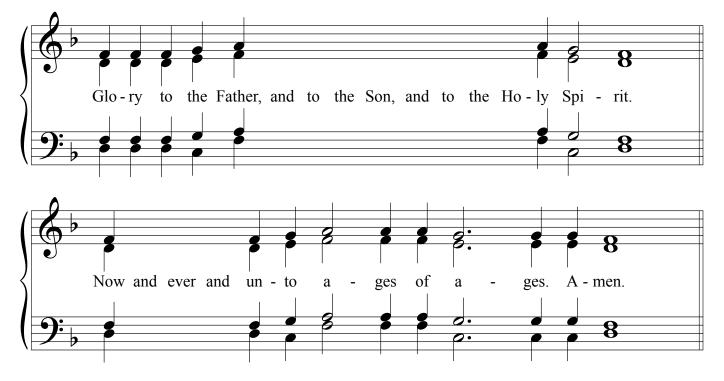




Reader: Coming to America, O Blessed Father Arseny, you worked with "the believers in Troy, Mayfield, and Simpson", establishing them as "the stamp of your apostolate," honouring God. Pray for us, that we also may sing worthily to the Lord!



Reader: Coming to America, O Blessed Father Arseny, you worked with St. Alexis Toth, bringing back many souls to the fullness of Orthodoxy, honouring God. Pray for us, that we also may sing worthily to the Lord!



Reader: Coming to America, O Blessed Father Arseny, you worked with St. Raphael, founding St. Tikhon's Monastery and Orphan's Home, that many voices might glorify the Lord, honouring God. Pray for us, that we also may sing worthily to the Lord!

Ode 5

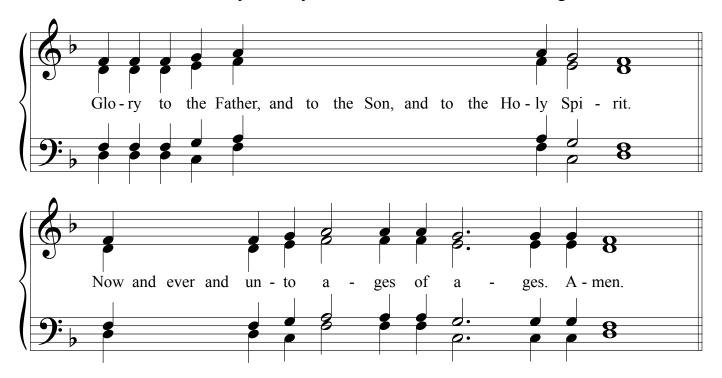




Reader: Coming to Canada, O Preacher of God, you served in Winnipeg, and brought the warmth of God's love to the cold Canadian prairies. Holy Arseny, illumine us with the divine light of Christ!



Reader: Coming to Canada, O Preacher of God, you strove among Ukrainians, Bukovinians and Galicians, reconciling an entire parish to Orthodoxy in Edmonton, and leading all back to the true God who recalls us all from the darkness of sin. Holy Arseny, illumine us with the divine light of Christ!



Reader: Coming to Canada, O Preacher of God, you tirelessly laboured in "the depths of virgin forests, through the limitless wide prairies," that all might know the fullness of the Word of God. Holy Arseny, illumine us with the divine light of Christ!



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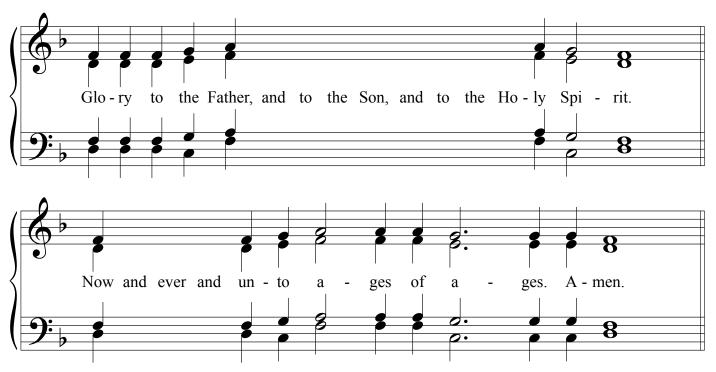
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Reader: Returning to Russia, you trained other priests to fulfill their calling as missionaries, preparing them to preach the Word of God during a time of temptations. Holy Arseny, through your prayers, bring us to the calm haven of God!



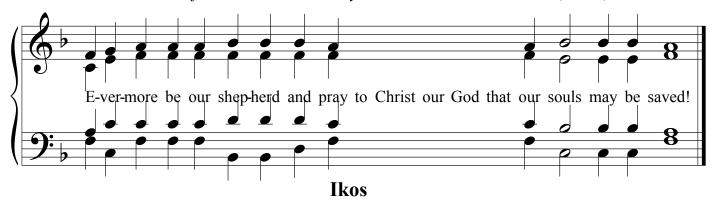
Reader: Returning to Russia, you worked with the White Armies during times of war and storm, comforting the soldiers as a good shepherd, thinking nothing of your own safety. Holy Arseny, through your prayers, bring us to the calm haven of God!



Reader: Returning to Russia, you served as a "missionary preacher," fulfilling God's plan there before being sent by Him to Serbia. Holy Arseny, through your prayers, bring us to the calm haven of God!

Kontakion (Tone 8)



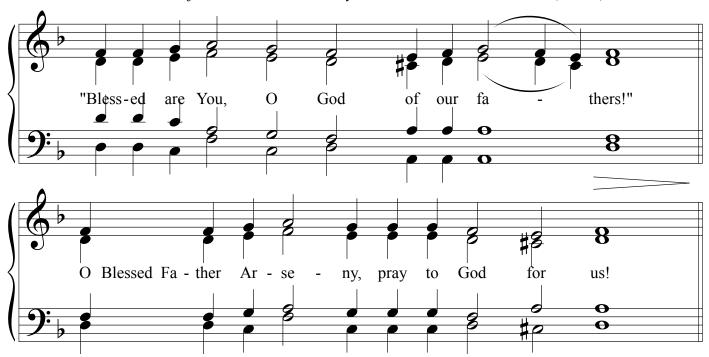


Reader: O holy Father Arseny, in all your many labours on earth, like your Lord you endured suffering and distress, even being prepared "to give your life for your brothers." Through all the storms you endured, God raised up your life, preserving you to do His will as a missionary and as our advocate before God.



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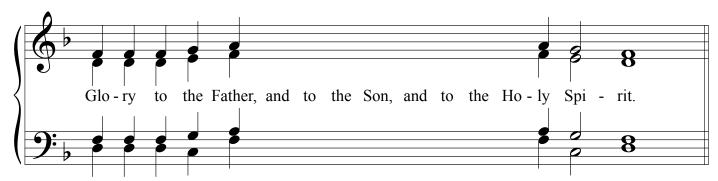
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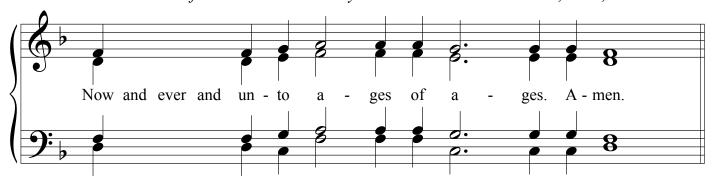


Reader: O Almighty Saviour, in Your boundless love for Your North American flock, You did not leave us fatherless, but sent Your servant, St. Arseny, to return once again to be our shepherd and Bishop. Blessed are You, O God of our fathers!



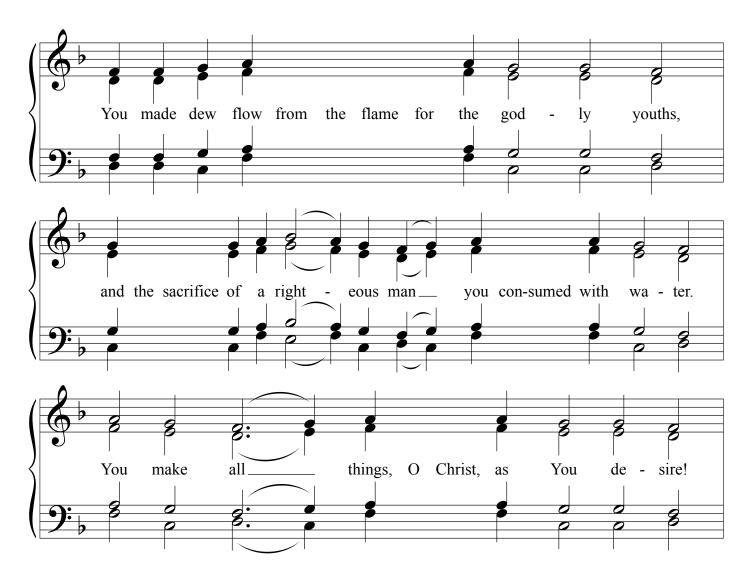
Reader: O compassionate Master, out of Your boundless might, You came to the aid of Your weakened flock when it was distressed by heresies and schisms, for You sent Your servant, St. Arseny, to defend us from spiritual wolves and keep us in the safety of unity. Blessed are You, O God of our fathers!





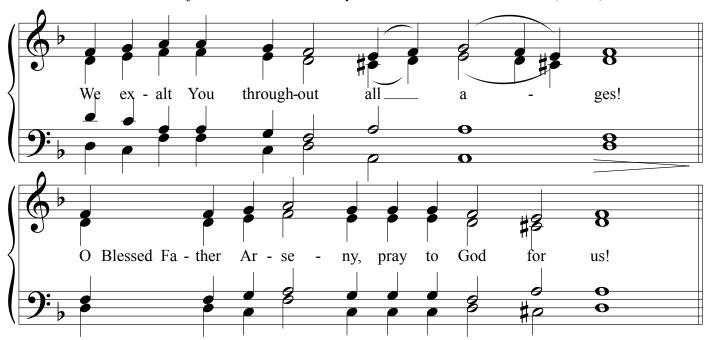
Reader: O merciful King, in Your love for mankind, You to called all to the fullness of Orthodoxy, for You sent Your servant, St. Arseny, to speak with all who confessed the Name of Christ in our land, that all might unite in Your truth. Blessed are You, O God of our fathers!

Ode 8



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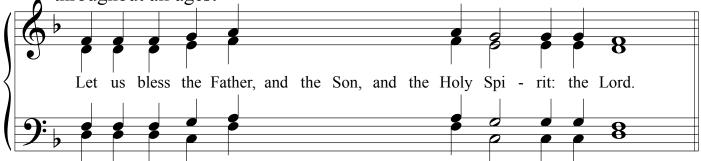
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Reader: O holy hierarch Arseny, in a babble of many discordant voices, you sounded the truth of Christ, and so won the reward of the righteous: the enemies of truth tried to kill you as you stood before the altar of God. Now you stand before God's heavenly altar as our friend and advocate. For this we exalt Christ

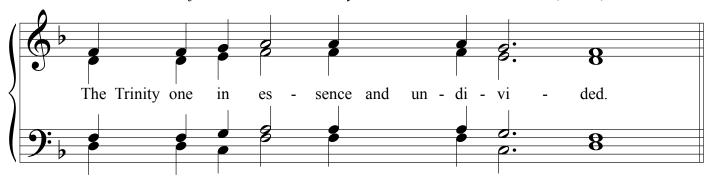


Reader: O holy hierarch Arseny, the men who loved darkness rather than light could not endure your words, since you shone the light of Christ upon all. Thus you were persecuted, as were the prophets before you, and now you stand before God's heavenly altar with a prophet's reward. For this we exalt Christ throughout all ages!

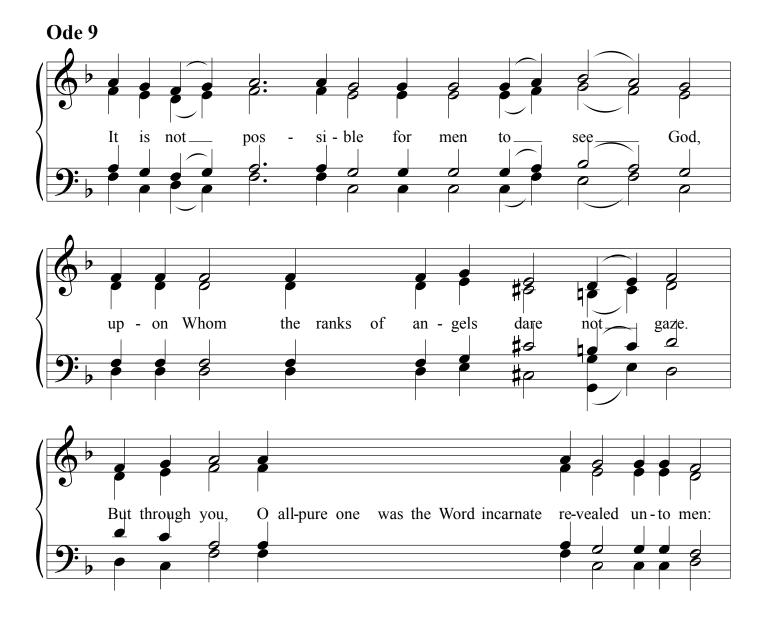


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Reader: O holy hierarch Arseny, in the year your son Dionysii became a hieromartyr in Kharkov, you proved yourself to be an imitator of your Lord, for godless men came to attack you with wooden clubs and with threats of violence, even as the Lord's enemies came to take Him. Sharing the sufferings of Your heavenly Lord, you stand before His throne in heaven, sharing His glory. For this we exalt Christ throughout all ages!



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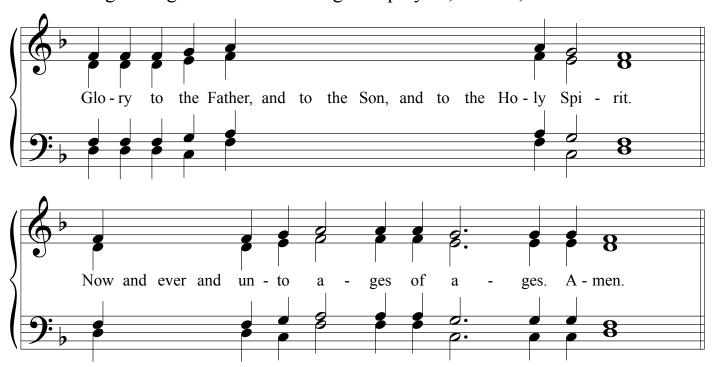
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Reader: We magnify You, O Incarnate Word, for Your holy servant Arseny, for even in his retirement he continued to work for Your people, founding a Pastoral School to raise up many priests for Your glory. Through his prayers, O Lord, save our souls!



Reader: We magnify You, O Incarnate Word, for Your holy servant Arseny, for even until his end, he pastured Your holy flock, blessing altars and strengthening the faithful. Through his prayers, O Lord, save our souls!



Reader: We magnify You, O Incarnate Word, for Your holy servant Arseny, for throughout his holy life he proclaimed the glory of Your Name in all the world. Through his prayers, O Lord, save our souls!

Exapostilarion (Tone 6)

(can be read or sung - see next page for music)

Reader: From the east, like the rising sun, Your holy servant Arseny came to the furthest reaches of the west, to illumine Your children who sat in the darkness of sin, shining on them with the light of Your truth, preaching to all men the radiant glory of Christ our God.



The Praises**



^{**} If the stikhera for the day in the tone of the week are being sung, the following stikh is sung in the tone of the week instead of tone 6.

Reader: (Psalm 148, 149, 150)

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest! Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts! Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all you shining stars! Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the Lord, for He commanded and they were created. He established them for ever and ever; He fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed. Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps; fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling His command; mountains and all hills; fruit trees and all cedars; wild animals and all cattle; creeping things and flying birds; kings of the earth and all peoples; princes and all rulers of the earth; young men and maidens together; old men and children! Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His glory is above earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints, for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise in the assembly of the faithful. Let Israel be glad in its Maker; let the sons of Zion rejoice in their King. Let them praise His name with dancing, making melody to Him with tambourine and lyre. For the Lord takes pleasure in His people; He adorns the humble with salvation. Let the faithful exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their couches. Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged swords in their hands, to execute vengeance on the nations and chastisement on the peoples, to bind their kings with fetters and their nobles with chains of iron, to execute on them the judgement written.

(If the stikhera for the day in the tone of the week are being sung, they are inserted here.)
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This is the glory of all His faithful ones.

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Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty firmament! *6*

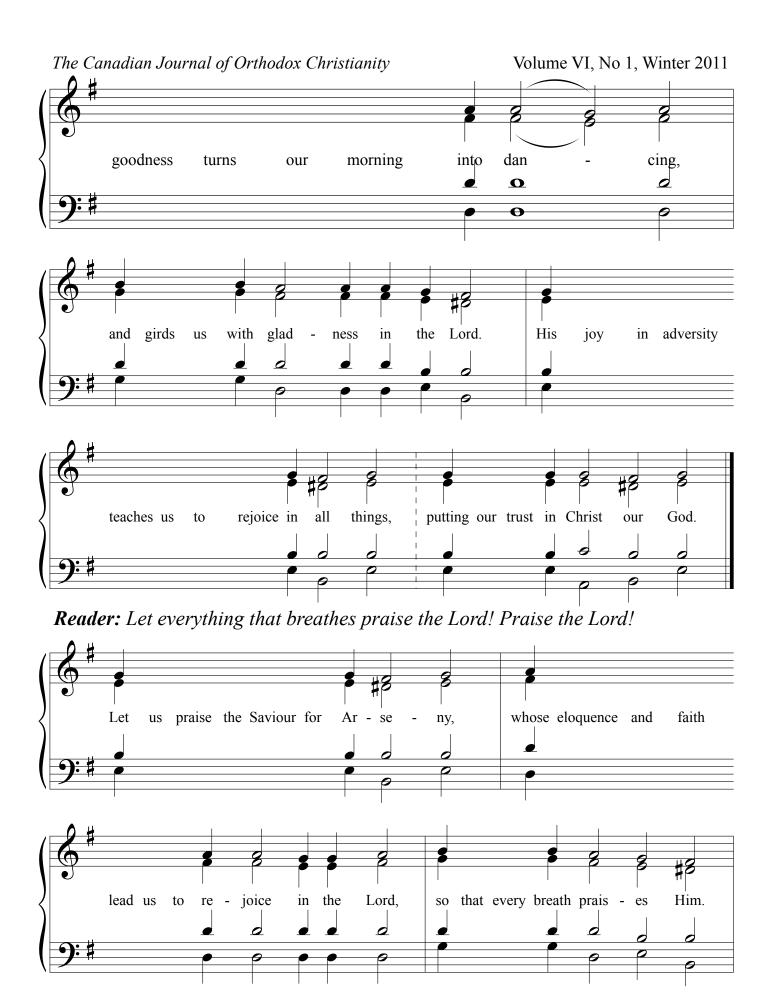
Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to His surpassing greatness! *5*

Praise Him with trumpet sound; praise Him with lute and harp!

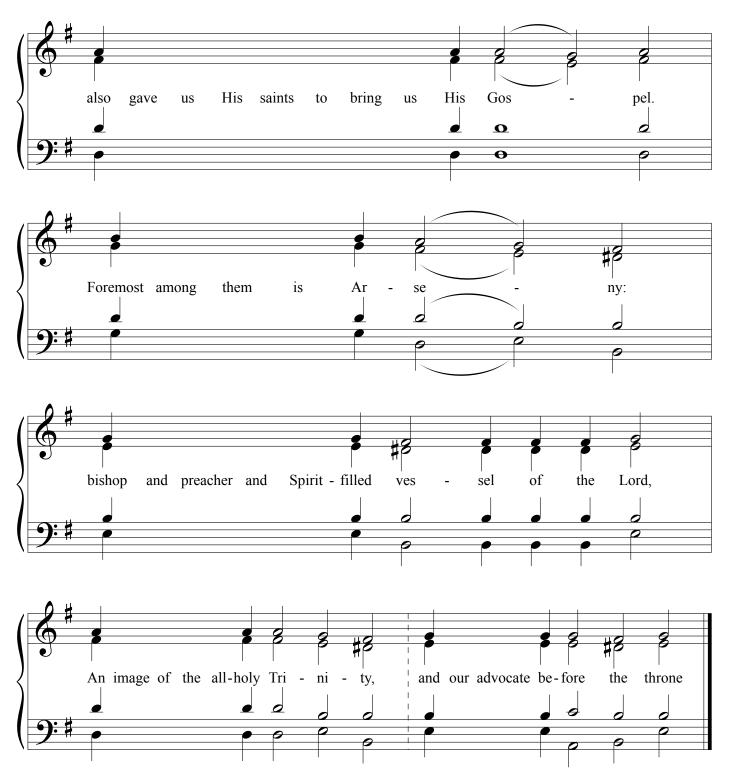
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Praise Him with tambourine and dance; praise Him with strings and pipe!

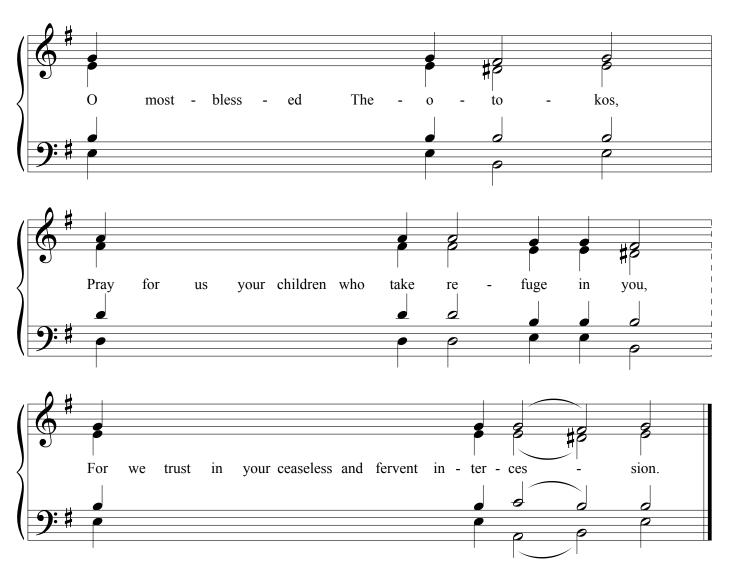








Reader: Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.



After the Doxology, the troparion for St. Arseny is sung once (in Tone 1 or 8 - see page 1)

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