

'Lord I Call' - Martyrs Galacteon and his wife, Epistemis

November 5

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

Tone 8

Obikhod

Thou wast raised on the milk of the ascetic life,
coming to Christ in maturity, O Galacteon.
Through many torments and afflictions,
thou didst give thyself as an acceptable offering and perfect sacrifice.
By thy free will, and firm, unwavering faith,
thou didst come to God and now dwell in divine glory.

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Reader (2): Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!

Tone 8

Obikhod

Thou didst wise - ly seek the Source of all bless - ings,

and the consummation of all desire, O E - pi - ste - mis.

By His illumination thou wast enlightened in soul and un - der - stand - ing.

By thy stead - fast - ness, O divinely bless - ed One

thou didst destroy the ancient and crafty ser - pent.

Thou art the divine adornment of monastics, O long - suffering mar - tyr.

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Reader (1): For His mercy is confirmed on us; and the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Tone 8

Obikhod

The two ra - di - ant stars arise by grace from the spir - i - tual east,
enlightening with virtue the whole cre - a - - tion,
shining with the brilliance of their struggles and the divine
grace of heal - ing. As we cel - e - brate their feast,
let us glo - ri - fy Christ, Who through them sanc - ti - fies all.

MARTYR GALACTEON AND HIS WIFE EPISTEMIS, AT EMESA (3RD C.)

Troparion - Tone 1

Russian Imperial Court Chant
arr. from L'vov/Bakhmetev

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

Let us the faith - ful honor these two be - trothed.

ath - letes: Galácteon and modest E - pi - stém - is.

Their as - cet - ic labors blossomed in - to mar - tyr - dom,

therefore we cry to them: "Glo - ry to Him who has

strength-ened you! Glory to Him who has crowned you!

[glory to Him...]