

Stichera at "Lord, I Call"

Martyrs Zenobius and Zenobia - October 30

Tone 4
Sticheron 1

Optina Monastery Chant
To the melody: "As one valiant"

Soprano Alto

Tenor Bass

Thou didst dye thy vestments, O Ze - no - bi - us,

with the blood— of mar - tyr - dom. Through grace thou didst ac -

com - pish what is most sa - cred and didst enter into the

holy of holies, O glo - ri - ous one. As a wise high priest,

[thou wast offered...]

thou wast offered as a perfect and all-pure of - fer -

ing and as an un-blem - ished sac - ri - fice //

to Him Who was sacrificed for thee, O most ho - ly one.

Sticheron 2

Thy bo - dy was burned, O all - worthy hieromartyr Ze -

no - bi - us, yet the inner beauty of thy soul shone

[forth more brightly.]

forth— more bright - ly. Thou art the glo - ry of priests, O

god - ly mind - ed one; the boast of cham - pions;

a spring ever - flow - ing with won - ders. Thou didst

put the de - mons to flight, // O di - vine

war - rior of Christ.

Sticheron 3

Thy sis - ter Ze - no - bi - a

was of one mind with thee, O all - wise one.

She vol - un - tar - i - ly chose to suf - fer with thee.

With courage she endured with thee threat of fire and a

vio - lent death, and received with thee the crown of

[vic-to-ry]

vic - to - ry, en - ter - ing with thee, O Ze -

no - bi - us, // in - to the King - dom on high.