

## The 27<sup>th</sup> Day of November

☩ **Commemoration of the Holy Greatmartyr James (Jacob) the Persian; and the Commemoration of our Venerable Father Palladius.**

### Evening Service

**At “Lord, I call...,” 6 stikhera of the saint, in Tone 2: *To the melody, “When from the tree....”***

**H**aving forsáken all the beautiful things of this world /  
The wealth and glory of thine inhéritance, /  
And casting aside the yéarnings of the flesh /  
And taming thy body by imitating the pássions of Christ, /  
Thou didst trúly become a partaker of his glory, [O greatmártyr James], ///  
And now art a communicant of the [heavenly] kíngdom. *(Twice)*

**S**uffering the dismemberment of thy bódy, /  
Enduring unbearable páin and wounds, /  
Thou didst courageously defeat the savagery of thy torméntors, /  
And didst receive the priceless crown of víctory. /  
Nów being thus adorned, O blessèd mártyr James ///  
Thou standest with those who suffered with thee before the throne of thy Máster. *(Twice)*

**H**áving great boldness before Chríst [the Lord], /  
Thou art a fervent intercessor for all who honor thy mémory with faith, /  
Delivering them from dangers and misfórtunes /  
And freeing them from all their pássions, /  
Réscuing them from every evil by thy divíne prayers ///  
That we may glorify thy magnificent and splendid deeds. *(Twice)*

### Glory..., in Tone 5:

**T**hou didst astonish all by thy courageous suffering /  
Bearing the severing of thy fingers, hands and feet, /  
And as thou didst pray, they cut off thy precious head. /  
O greatly-suffering martyr James, /  
Cease not to pray to Christ for us, ///  
That He may be merciful to our souls.

**Now and ever..., Theotokion, or the Stavrotheotokion in the Same Tone: *To the melody, “Rejoice....”***

**S**eeing her Lamb being led to the slaughter, /

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The ewe-lamb followed after Him, crying out: /  
‘Where dost Thou go, O Christ, my sweetest child? /  
For whose sake, dost thou run this course so swiftly? /  
O most-desired Jesus, the only sinless and most-merciful Lord, /  
Grant me a moment that I might speak to Thee: /  
O my [compassionate] and belovèd Son /  
Do not disdain in silence her who [ineffably bore Thee, without seed], /  
O Long-suffering and All-bountiful God, ///  
Who grants the world great mercy.’

*Or Dogmatic Theotokion if a Resurrection service.*

**The Apostikha from the Octoechos.**

**Glory..., of the martyr, in Tone 8: (by George Syncellus)**

Coming together with faith today /  
Let us behold the awesome and fearsome struggle of the martyr James /  
Who shone like the star of Persia /  
Which led us, like the Magi, to the knowledge of the Truth; /  
For when he fell, he destroyed his tormentors /  
And when his members were severed, he defeated those who slew him. /  
And being strengthened by providence from on-High, he cried aloud: /  
‘Though you sever my limbs I have Christ, who is all to me!’ /  
Thus foreseeing the life which is to come, which lies to all through death /  
He hastened to pass over to it. /  
And abiding there now, he prays to God, the Bestower of Crowns, /  
That He grant to us who celebrate his memory today ///  
Enlightenment, cleansing, and great mercy.

**Now and ever..., Theotokion, or the Stavrotheotokion in Tone 8: To the melody, “O most glorious wonder...”**

“What is this sight that I see, /  
What do mine eyes behold, O Master? /  
Thou, Who sustainest all creation, lifted up on the Tree, /  
Dost die granting life to all,” /  
Cried the Theotokos, weeping, when she beheld upon the Cross ///  
The God-man Who had ineffably shone forth from her.

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**The General Troparion of a Martyr, in Tone 4:**

Thy holy martyr James, O Lord, /  
Through his sufferings received his incorruptible crown from Thee, our God /  
For having Thy strength he laid low his enemies /  
And shattered the powerless boldness of demons ///  
Through his intercessions, O Christ God, save our souls.

**Or this Troparion to the Martyr, in the Same Tone:**

Thou didst astonish all by thy terrible suffering /  
And by the valor of thine endurance; /  
Thou didst wondrously offer a prayer of thanksgiving to God /  
As each of thy limbs was severed from thy body. /  
Therefore, thou didst receive a crown for thy sufferings, /  
And didst ascend to the throne of Christ God, the King of heaven. ///  
Entreat Him now, O James, that HE may save our souls.

Note: The Service to St. Palladius is sung at Compline. — *incomplete as of 10/31/2016*

**Morning Service**

Both canons from the Octoechos, and this canon of Saint James with 6 troparia, in Tone  
4, having the acrostic: “*I honor thy life, O most-blessèd father,*” *the composition of*  
*Joseph.* — *incomplete as of 10/31/2016*

**After the Sixth Ode, the Kontakion of the Saint James, in Tone 2: To the melody, “Seeking  
the highest....”**

Thou didst heed the advice of thy good wife /  
And didst meditate upon the judgment of God. /  
Thou didst despise the Persians’ threats and commands /  
And didst accept thy body to be cut in pieces as a vine. ///  
Thus becoming a martyr worthy of all praise.

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