



THE HOLY MARTYR SEBASTIAN AND THOSE WITH HIM

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Apolytikion

Fourth Mode

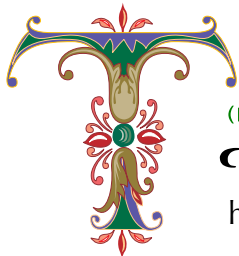
"Be quick to anticipate"

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Intonation: #10

Ἦχος Δε

Οἱ Μάρτυρες σου Κύριε




(M) (Δ) (B)
hy Mar - tyrs, O Lord, in their cou - ra - geous con - test for Thee

(Δ) (M) (Δ)
re - ceived as the prize the crowns of in - cor - rup - tion and life

(B) (Δ) (M) (Δ)
from Thee, our im - mor - tal God. For since they pos - sessed Thy strength, they cast

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down the ty - rants and whol - ly de - stroyed the de - mons' strength - less pre - sump -



 tion. O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art mer - ci -



 ful.

O the wise invention
 of the teacher who contrives
 that in our singing we learn what
 is profitable, and that thereby doctrine
 is somehow more deeply impressed upon
 our souls! What is learned under duress tends
 not to be retained, but what suavely ingratiates it-
 self somehow abides within our souls more steadfastly.

- St. Basil the Great