OCTOBER 26, ST. DEMETRIUS

AT “LORD I HAVE CRIED…”

TONE SIX

Verse: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Today the universal festival of the passion-bearer
doth call us together.
Come, then, O ye who love the feasts of the Church,
and let us radiantly celebrate his commemoration, saying:
Rejoice, thou who didst rend the robe of ungodliness with faith
and didst clothe thyself in manliness of spirit.
Rejoice, thou who didst wreck the schemes of the alien one
with the might given thee by the One God.
Rejoice, thou who in thy pierced limbs
didst spiritually portray the suffering of Christ for us.
Him do thou entreat, O Demetrius,
adornment of athletes,
that we be delivered from enemies, visible and invisible, //
and that our souls be saved.

[and the following, unless it be Friday or Saturday evening, in which case we
sing the Dogmatikon of the Week]

Verse: Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. (same tone)
Who doth not call thee blessed, O all-holy Virgin?
Who will not hymn thine all-pure birthgiving?
For the only-begotten Son Who shone forth timelessly from the Father,
came forth, ineffable incarnate, from thee, the pure one;
and being God by nature, He became man for our sake,
not divided into two Persons,
but known in two natures without confusion.
Him do thou beseech, O pure and most blessed one, //
that our souls find mercy.