

## The 16<sup>th</sup> Day of March

### Holy Martyrs Sabinas of Egypt and Papas of Lycaonia.

#### Evening Service

**At “Lord, I call...,” 3 Stikhera, in Tone 8:** *To the melody, “What shall we call thee?...”*

**What** shall we call thee, O glorious one? /  
Soldier of the Mighty King and God, /  
For putting down the daring impiety of demons? /  
Lamp, for shining brilliantly with spiritual light? /  
Most-powerful destroyer of idols? /  
Most-fervent champion and rightful martyr? ///  
Pray that our souls may be saved.

**What** shall we now call thee, O Sabinas? /  
River of living waters pouring forth torrents spiritual [gifts] /  
Truly–inexhaustible flood of healings /  
For those who are cruelly oppressed? /  
Cup, giving us a taste of holiness? /  
Most-true wonderworker, equal in honor with the angels? ///  
Pray that our souls may be saved.

**What** shall we proclaim of thee, O holy one? /  
Guide [for the return] of those gone astray? /  
Or intercessor for us sinners? /  
True physician of those beset by the violence of evil? /  
Precious and fragrant lily of paradise? /  
Foundation and confirmation of martyrs? /  
Ever-flowing fountain of miracles and champion most-true? ///  
Pray that our souls may be saved.

**Glory..., now and ever..., Theotokion, in the Same Tone:** *(and melody)*

**To whom** hast thou likened thyself, O my wretched soul? /  
Never truly starting toward repentance, /  
And not frightened of the fire awaiting those who do evil? /  
Arise and call out to her who alone is our quick helper, crying: /  
O Virgin Mother, beseech your Son and our God ///  
To deliver me from the snares of the deceiver.

**Or the Stavrotheotokion: (in the Same Tone)**

When she beheld the Lamb /  
Stretched out by His own will upon the Tree of the Cross, /  
With maternal [tears] the Ewe-lamb cried aloud: /  
“Oh, my Son, what is this strange sight that I see? /  
How is it He, Who giveth life to all as Lord, /  
Is put to death by longsuffering, /  
While granting the earthborn the resurrection? ///  
O my God, I glorify Thy great condescension!”

**The General Troparion of the Martyrs, in Tone 4: (none given in the Menaion)**

Thy holy martyrs, Sabinas and Papas, O Lord, /  
Through their sufferings received their incorruptible crowns from Thee, our God /  
For having Thy strength they laid low their enemies /  
And shattered the powerless boldness of demons ///  
Through their intercessions, O Christ God, save our souls.

**Morning Service**

**The Canon of the Martyrs, in Tone 8,**

Having the acrostic: “*I praise Sabinas the a martyr in song,*”  
the composition of Bishop Theophan. — *incomplete as of 1/3/2014*

**The Kontakion of the Saint Sabinas, in Tone 2: To the melody, “The steadfast...”**

**O** God-bearing Sabinas, /  
Thou offspring of godliness and unfading bloom, /  
Thou branch laden with many fruit, /  
Fill with thy gladness those who faithfully honor thy memory ///  
And do thou ceaselessly pray for us all.