

Doxastikon on the Praises for St Raphael - Tone 5

To the melody Al-yowma yowmu 'l-qiyaama Today is the Day of Resurrection

Glo- ry to
the Fa- ther and to the Son and
to the Ho- ly Spi- rit. To-
day is the day we ho- nor the
ho- ly hier- arch Ra- pha- el! Who can
de- scribe his ma- ny sor- rows and
his ma- ny la- bors? Who can
de- scribe his ma- ny pains?
He jour- neyed on land and on the sea,
sear- ching for his lost sheep in
wea- ri- ness and in po- ver- ty, in

sleep- less- ness, thirst and hun- ger.

He be- came the good shep- herd of the lost sheep in A- me- ri- ca,

so let us cry out un- to him: O our Fa- ther,

in- ter- cede for the sal- va- tion of our souls.

Both now and e- ver, and un- to a- ges of a- ges. of men. Be- neath thy com- pas- sion we take re- fuge, O The- o to- kos. De- spise not our prayers in our ne- ces- si- ty, but de- li- ver us from harm, on- ly pure, on- ly bles- sed one.

The Doxastikon and Theotokion for the Feast of St. Raphael

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Today is the day we honor the holy hierarch Raphael! Who can describe his many sorrows and his many labors? Who can describe his many pains? He journeyed on land and on the sea, searching for his lost sheep, in weariness and in poverty, in sleeplessness, thirst and hunger. He became the good shepherd of the lost sheep in America, so let us cry out unto him: O our Father, intercede for the salvation of our souls!



Beneath thy compassion we take refuge, O Theotokos. Despise not our prayers in our necessity, but deliver us from harm, only pure, only blessed one.