

1st Kathisma for St. Raphael - Tone 1

To the melody

Τὸν τάφον σου, Σωτήρ

The soldiers keeping watch

In word, in deed and thought, thou didst follow
Christ the Saviour, and heeded his call to
the life of apostolic labor. Then leaving
thy homeland thou didst gift thy flock with the grace
of holy baptism, teaching them
to profess the One God in Three Per-
sons. Hence we call thee a preacher of
the truth and faithful hierarch, O holy
Ra-pha-el.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

O pure unwedded Virgin The-
o-tokos, the only inter-cess-
sor and protection of the faithful: Deli-
ver those who trust in thee from afflic-
tion and calamity, and through thy holy inter-cess-
ions do thou save our souls.

2nd Kathisma for St. Raphael - Tone 3

To the melody

Τὴν ὠραιότητα

Awed by the beauty

Bear- ing thy cross from thy youth up, thou didst
de- ny thy- self. A- ban- don- ing the
things be- low, thou didst seek hea- ven- ly things.
Whol- ly con- sumed by thy love for Christ
thou didst find thy life in him. Thus when Christ our
Life doth come a- gain to judge the li- ving
and the dead, thou shalt al- so stand be-
fore him, shi- ning bright- ly with glo- ry.
Then on that fear- ful Day of Judg-
ment pray to Christ for us who ho- nor thee.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Awed by the beauty of thy
vir-gi-ni-ty and the ex-cee-ding
ra-diance of thy pu-ri-ty,
Ga-bri-el stood a-mazed and cried to thee,
O The-o-to-kos: What praise may I
of-fer thee that is wor-thy of
thy beau-ty? By what name shall I call thee? I
am lost and be-wild-ered; but I shall
greet thee as I was co-mand-ed, 'Hail, thou that
art full of grace!'

3rd Kathisma for St. Raphael - Tone 4

To the melody

Κατεπλάγη Ἰωσήφ

Joseph marveled

As a model of vigilance, over
the passions thou didst rule, cul- ti- va- ting in thy
soul the gifts of the Spi- rit. A soo- thing balm, a man of peace
who didst lead thy flock to u- ni- ty, thou didst keep them safe from the fierce wolf
of souls. As a good shep- herd thou didst ga-
ther those who were for- mer- ly dis- persed as lambs lost in the
hills, through the grace a- bi- ding in thine own soul.
And now, O Fa- ther Ra- pha- el, lead thou in- to
safe pas- tures all those who fer- vent- ly sup- pli- cate thee.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

O Vir- gin all- pure who gave birth to E- ter-
nal God, with the hier- arch Ra- pha- el be- seech
him to grant un- to us re- mis- sion of sins and a- mend-
ment of life be- fore the end; for we praise thee
with faith and with love, O all-
praised Vir- gin Ma- ry.