

# Canon of the Akathist

## ODE ONE

Melody by C. Vrionides  
Lyrics by Fr. Seraphim Dedes

Organ {

1. My mouth shall I o - pen wide, and it will thus be with Spi - rit  
 2. O Mai - den and Vir - gin pure, the great Arch - an - gel be - hold - ing  
 3. Re - joice, Vir - gin Bride of God, the re - stor - a - tion of fall - en  
 4. Re - joice, you the on - ly one who bud - ded forth the un - fad - ing  
 5. O trea - sure of cha - sti - ty, re - joice; through you we have ri - sen

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filled. A word shall I then pour out un - to the Mo - ther and Queen.  
 you the a - ni - mate book of Christ which by the Spi - rit was sealed  
 man, the mor - ti - fi - ca - tion of Ha - des, O blame-less one,  
 rose. Re - joice, who have gi - ven birth un - to the sweet ap - ple tree  
 up from out of our fall. Re - joice, sweet smell-ing li - ly that sends

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I will joy - ous - ly at - tend the ce - le - bra - tion and sing to her  
 did ex - claim to you: Re - joice, O joy's con - tain - er, through whom shall the  
 and the pa - lace of the on - ly King and Sov - ereign, re - joice, fi - ery  
 of the King of all, the a - ro - ma - tic bal - sam, re - joice, O un -  
 forth its fra - grant scent, O La - dy, to the faith - ful; (X) a - ro - ma - tic

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mer - ri - ly, laud - ing her mi - ra - cles.  
 curse up - on the pri - mal mo - ther be loosed.  
 throne of the Ru - ler of all, re - joice.  
 wed - ded Maid, the world's de - li - ver - ance.  
 in - cense and cost - ly a - noin - ting oil.

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1. 2. Most ho - ly The - o - to - kos, save us.

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3. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and the Son and the Ho - ly Spi - rit.  
 4. Both now and ev - er and to the a - ges of a - ges. A - men.

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## ODE THREE

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Organ {

1. E - stab - lish your ser - vants who ex - tol you, O Mo - ther of  
 2. The land — that has till - ered the di - vine stalk while clear - ly con -  
 3. The hei - fer that moth - ered for the faith - ful the un - blem - ished  
 4. The lu - min - ous morn - ing that a - lone brings Christ the Sun of  
 5. Re - joice, on - ly ver - i - ta - ble east gate that on - ly the

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God, for they have formed a spi - ri - tu - al choir for you the li - ving and a -  
 tin - u - ing un - tilled, re - joice, O ta - ble a - ni - mate that held the ho - ly  
 Bul - lock, O re - joice. Re - joice, the ewe that yearned the Lamb of God who takes a -  
 Right - eous - ness, re - joice. O dwell - ing place of light, re - joice; dis - pel - ler of the  
 Lo - gos has gone through. Re - joice, for in your giv - ing birth you shat - tered Ha - des'

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bun - dant fount; and crowns of glo - ry gra - cious - ly in your di - vine glo - ry grant to them.  
 bread of life. Re - joice, O ne - ver emp - ty fount of li - ving wa - ter, O bles - sed one.  
 way the sins of all the world. O mer - cy seat, re - joice, who fer - vent - ly ex - pi - ate.  
 dark, re - joice. For you di - min - ished ut - ter - ly the dark - ened de - mons of Lu - ci - fer.  
 bars and gates. All - laud - ed one, re - joice, di - vine en - trance of those who are be - ing saved.

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1. 2. Most ho - ly The - o - - to - kos, save us.

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3. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and the Son and the Ho - ly Spi - rit.  
 4. Both now and ev - er and to the a - ges of a - ges. A - men.

# Canon of the Akathist

## ODE FOUR

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Organ

1. He who sits in ho - ly glo - ry on the throne of Di - vi - ni - ty,  
2. Un - to you in song - ful voi - ces do we loy - al - ly say, re - joice,  
3. O re - joice, un - tain - ted La - dy. Mer - cy seat for the world, re - joice,  
4. More ex - alt - ed than the hea - vens, O im - ma - cu - late Maid, re - joice,  
5. La - dy, tru - ly you gave birth to the di - vine Gi - ver of the law  
6. We ex - tol you who have wo - ven the un - wo - ven by hu - man hands

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on a swift and light cloud, Je - sus has ar - rived, the sur - pass - ing God,  
moun - tain rich and cur - dled in the Ho - ly Spi - rit, all - laud - ed one.  
lad - der e - le - va - ting ev - ery - one from earth by an act of grace.  
as the one who car - ried earth's Foun - da - tion pain - less - ly in your womb.  
Who e - ra - ses free - ly ev - ery - bo - dy's re - cord of law - less - ness.  
crown of hope and glo - ry for the world, O Vir - gin and say, re - joice,

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and by the might of His un - de - fi - led hand has saved those who  
Re - joice, O se - ven branched lamp - stand and the gold - en jar with the  
Re - joice, O heav - en - ly bridge that is con - vey - ing from death un - to  
Re - joice, O mur - ex who dyed in your own vir - gin blood the di -  
In - com - pre - hen - si - ble depth and height un - speak - a - ble, O un -  
to you the for - ti - fi - ca - tion and the ci - ta - del and pro -

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cry a - loud: Glo - ry, O Christ, to Your pow - ers be.  
man na - that sweet - ens the sen - ses of pi - ous folk.  
life, in truth, all those who chant - hymns of praise to you.  
vine pur - ple robe worn by the King - of an - gel - ic hosts.  
wed ded Maid, re - joice through whom - we are de - i - fied.  
tec - tive wall and sac - red re - fuge for ev - ery - one.

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1. 2. 3.

Most ho - ly The - o - to - kos, save us.

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4. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and the Son - and the Ho - ly Spi - rit.  
5. Both now and ev - er and to the a - ges of the a - ges. A - men.

# Canon of the Akathist

## ODE FIVE

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Lyrics by Fr. Seraphim Dedes

Organ

1. A - mazed was the u - ni - verse by your di - vine mag - ni - fi - cence.  
 2. Re - joice, for you car - ried in your womb the Way that leads to life.  
 3. The might and the for - tress of the hu - man race, O spot - less one,  
 4. The fi - e - ry cha - ri - ot of God the Lo - gos, O re - joice;  
 5. Your pow - er en - heart - ens us. We loy - al - ly cry out, re - joice,  
 6. Re - joice, O Im - ma - cu - late, the spa - cious dwell - ing of the Word;

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 For while ne - ver con - sum-ma - ting wed - lock, you held, O  
 Bride of God, re - joice, all - blamless Maid - en who saved the  
 O re - joice, the ho - ly place of glo - ry, slay - er of  
 La - dy, liv - ing pa - ra - di - sal gar - den which in its  
 un - to you the ci - ty of - the great King,  
 oy - ster that pro - du - ces the di - vine Pearl. a - bout which  
 Re - joice, O

9  
 Vir - gin, the God of all in your womb, and gave birth un - to a time-less  
 world from the flood of sin. Re - joice, (X) awe in - spir - ing mes-sage and re -  
 Ha - des, the bri - dal cham - ber of light. De - light of the An - gels, O re -  
 cen - ter con-tains the tree of life, the Lord Whose de - li - cious-ness gives  
 glo - ri - ous and re - mark - a - ble things per - spic - u - ous - ly have been de -  
 La - dy, ex - ceed - ing won - der - ful; (X) re - con - ci - li - a - tion with the

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 Son Who a - wards sal - va - tion to all who chant hymns of praise to you.  
 port, ha - bi - ta - tion of - the One who is Lord of cre - a - tion all.  
 joice. Help - er of the ones who pray to you faith - ful - ly, O re - joice.  
 life un - to those who eat - with faith, who were sub - ject un - to de - cay.  
 clared. O un - quar - ried moun - tain and depth un - fa - thom - a - ble, re - joice.  
 Lord for all who be - a - ti - fy you the Mo - ther of God each day.

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 1. 2. 3.  
 Most ho - ly The - o - to - kos, save us.

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 4. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and the Son - and the Ho - ly Spi - rit.  
 5. Both now and ev - er and to the a - ges of a - ges. A - men.

# Canon of the Akathist

## ODE SIX

Melody by C. Vrionides

Lyrics by Fr. Seraphim Dedes

Organ

1. Let us pos - sessed of a god - ly mind, ob - ser - ving this di - vine and all -  
2. The un - de - fi - led cham - ber of the Word, for all the cause of de - i - fi -  
3. From you has dripped the re - fresh-ing Dew, un - do - ing po - ly - the - i - sms'  
4. Be - hold, we cry — un - to you, re - joice. Be - come for us a har - bor and  
5. O cause and rea - son for ho - ly joy, cause ho - ly grace to shine on our

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ve - ne - ra - ble feast in hon - or of the The - o - to - kos, come  
ca - tion, O Im - ma - cu - late, re - joice. The Pro - phets' e - cho - ing  
fe - ver, and we there - fore say to you: Re - joice, the fleece that was  
an - chor - age, for we are tossed a - bout up - on the sea of ad -  
rea - son - ing that we may cry, re - joice, O un - con - sumed bush and

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clap our hands, while glo - ri - fy - ing God who was tru - ly born of her.  
pro - phe - sy, re - joice, and the a - don - ment of the A - pos - tles all.  
won-drous - ly be - dewed, O ho - ly Vir - gin, which Gi - de - on fore - saw.  
ver - si - ties and of the ma - ny scan - dals of him who wars with us.  
shin - ing cloud that o - ver - sha - dows cease-less - ly the be - liev - ers all.

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1. 2.  
Most ho - ly The - o - to - kos, save \_\_\_\_\_ us.  
3. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and the Son - and the Ho - ly Spi - rit.  
4. Both now and ev - er and to the a - ges of a - ges. A - men.

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## ODE SEVEN

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Organ {

1. God - ly - mind - ed three did not a - dore cre - a - ted things in the Cre -  
 2. We sing hymns to you and shout: Re - joice, O cha - ri - ot of the in -  
 3. Bride of God, re - joice, who car - ried in your womb the heal - er of the  
 4. In - suf - fi - cient is the tongue of a - ny or - a - tor for hymns ex -  
 5. The ends of the earth ex - tol you and pro - nounce you blest, and they cry  
 6. We your ser - vants now be - seech you and we bend the knee of our

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a - tor's stead, but brave - ly tram - pling up - on the threat of the fur - nace  
 tel - lig - i - ble Sun. Re - joice, O ver - i - ta - ble vine that cul - tured the ri - pened  
 hu - man race. Re - joice, O my - sti - cal rod that blos - somed the flo - wer that  
 tol - ling - you who were ex - alt - ed a - bove the Ser - a - phim ha - ving  
 out - to - you: Re - joice, the tab - let on which, O pure one, the Word was  
 heart to - you. O pure one, lend us an ear, and save us, for we are

II

fire chan - ted joy - ful - ly: O su - preme - ly praised and  
 clu - ster drip - ping with wine, mak - ing glad the hearts and  
 will ne - ver wilt a - way. O La - dy, re - joice, through  
 gi - ven birth to Christ the King; Whom, O La - dy, be - seech to  
 by the Fa - ther's hand in - scribed. In - ter - cede with Him, O  
 drow - ning in ad - ver - si - ties. And your Ci - ty re - deem, O

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most ex - alt - ed Lord and God of the fa - thers, You are bles - sed.  
 souls of all who faith - ful - ly praise and glo - ri - fy you dai - ly.  
 whom we are ful - filled with joy and in - her - it life e - ter - nal.  
 res - cue now from ev - ery harm those who bow in - faith be - fore you.  
 The - o - to - kos, to en - roll in the book of life your ser - vants.  
 The - o - to - kos, from the hands of the in - fi - del in - vad - ers.

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1. 2. 3.

Most ho - ly The - o - to - kos, save us.

24

4. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and the Son - and the Ho - ly Spi - rit.  
 5. Both now and ev - er and to the a - ges of a - ges. A - men.

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## ODE EIGHT

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Organ

1. Pi - -ous chil - dren stood with - in the fur - nace. The Child of the The - o -  
 2. You wel - comed in - to your womb the Lo - gos; you held in your arms the  
 3. The glo - ri - ous myst - ry of your child - birth did Mo - ses per - ceive with -  
 4. We who were left na - ked through be - guile - ment have worn, - through your  
 5. De - ceased have been quickened through your pow - er, for preg - nant were you with  
 6. O Birth - gi - ver of the world's sal - va - tion, through you we are raised from

to - kos went and res - cued them. He who was pre - fi - gured then, man - i -  
 One who holds all things. With your milk you nou - rished Him, who by a  
 in the burn - ing bush. Child - ren once in Ba - by - lon vi - vid -  
 preg - nan - cy, the gar - ment of in - cor - rup - ti - bi - li - ty; and we  
 life hy - pos - ta - sized. They who once were speech - less now speak with  
 earth un - to the heights. Ev - er - bles - sed Maid, re - joice, fort - ress

fest - ly ac - tive now, is gath - er - ing to - get - her the en - tire u -  
 nod gives nou - rish - ment, O pu - rest Mai - den, un - to the en - tire u -  
 ly pre - fig - ured this; for stand - ing in the midst of fire they re - mained  
 who were sit - ting in the dark - ness of our er - rors now have con - tem - pla -  
 new - found el - o - quence. Di - seas - es are ex - ter - min - a - ted, lep - ers pur -  
 and pro - tec - tive veil, O pure one, the de - fence and the for - ti - fi - ca -

ni - - verse to sing the hymn: O praise and sup - reme - ly ex -  
 ni - - verse; to whom we sing: O praise and sup - reme - ly ex -  
 un - - burnt, O un - de - filed and all - ho - ly Vir - gin. And  
 ted the light, O dwell - ing place of light, ho - ly Dam - sel. And  
 i - - fied. The leg - ions of the aer - i - al spi - rit, O  
 tion of all who sing the hymn: O praise and sup - reme - ly ex -

alt the Lord, O all you His works, un - to the a - ges.  
 alt the Lord, O all you His works, un - to the a - ges.  
 there - fore we ex - tol you in hymns un - to the a - ges.  
 there - fore we ex - tol you in hymns un - to the a - ges.  
 Vir - gin, are de -feat - ed, for you are man's sal - va - tion.  
 alt the Lord, O all you His works, un - to the a - ges.

1. 2. 3. "Most Holy Theotokos, save us." 4. "Glory..." 5. "Both now..."

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## ODE NINE

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Organ {

1. All you born on earth, with fes - ti - val lamps in hand, in spi - rit leap for  
 2. So that we may cry, re - joice, un - to you through whom we faith - ful have be -  
 3. Since you have ap - peared, our light and our sur - e - ty, we there - fore shout to  
 4. Come and let us stand rev - 'rent - ly with in the temp - le of our God and  
 5. Pure and guile - less dove who brought forth the Lord of mer - cy as an ol - iive  
 6. Spare us, O our God, Your ve - ry in - her - i - tance, by o - ver - look - ing

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joy; hea - ven - ly in - tel - li - gen - ces of in - cor - por - e - al  
 come shar - ers of e - ter - nal joy, O Mai - den, res - cue us  
 you: O un - set - ting star, re - joice, from which the great Sun e - merged  
 say: Mis - tress of the world, re - joice. Re - joice, O Ma - ry, the La -  
 branch, E - ver - vir - gin, O re - joice. The boast of ev - 'ry de -  
 now all of our in - i - qui - ties, O Christ, ac - cept - ing for

12

An - gels, ce - le - brate and hon - or thus the sac - red feast of the Mo - ther of  
 from temp - ta - tions all, bar - bar - i - an in - vas - ions and from ev - ery o - ther  
 un - to the world. Re - joice, O pure one, for you o - pened E - den closed of  
 dy of us all. Re - joice, for a - mong wo - men you a - lone are blame - less and  
 vout mon - as - tic Saint, re - joice, the crown of lau - rel of the mar - tyr ath - letes. Re -  
 this the fer - vent prayers of her who with - out seed con - ceived on earth and car - ried

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God, cry - ing loud - ly: O re - joice, all - bles - sed one,  
 scourge, which are bound to fol - low on the mul - ti - tude  
 old. O re - joice, the fier - y pil - lar ush - er - ing  
 fair; ho - ly ves - sel which ac - cep - ted the di - vine  
 joice, the di - vine a - dorm - ment of the right - eous all  
 You Who in Your great mer - cy and Your love for man

21

ev - er - vir - gin and pure, who gave birth to God.  
 of trans - gress - ions com - mit - ted by sin - ful man.  
 hu - man - kind out of bond - age to life on high.  
 in - ex - haust - i - ble (X) oint - ment poured o - ver you.  
 and for us the be - liev - ers de - li - ver - ance.  
 willed to take on the form that was not Your own.

1. 2. 3. "Most Holy Theotokos, save us." 4. "Glory..." 5. "Both now..."

# Salutations of the Akathist Hymn

Melody by C. Vrionides  
Lyrics by Fr. Seraphim Dedes

Organ

Re - joice, \_\_\_\_\_ O\_\_ un - wed - ed \_\_\_\_ Bride.

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A - le - lu - ia, A - le - lu - - ia.

# Seeing the Beauty

C. Vrionides

Lyrics: Fr. Seraphim Dedes

Organ

A musical score for organ, featuring two staves (treble and bass) and lyrics in English. The score consists of eight systems of music, each starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. Measure numbers 1 through 28 are indicated at the beginning of each system. The lyrics describe scenes of divine beauty and the reaction of Gabriel, followed by a question from the organist and a call to rejoice.

See-ing the beau - ty \_\_\_\_\_ of your vir - gin - i - ty,  
and how re - splen - dent - ly shone forth your chas - ti - ty,

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a-mazed was Ga - bri - el who cried to you thus, O The - o - to - kos:

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"What shall I pre - sent to you \_\_\_\_\_ as a wor-thy en - com - i -  
um? What shall I ad - dress you as? At a loss and per - plexed am

17  
I. As or-dered, there-fore, thus do I shout to you: Re - joic - ce, O

23  
Mai - den, who \_\_\_\_\_ are full \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ grace!"