

'Lord I Call' - St Anthony the Great

January 17

Reader: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Tone 6

Obikhod

Thou didst set thy mind as master over the disturbing pas - sions,

keeping the image intact through the as - ce - tic life. Thus thou

didst rise into the perfect like - ness; for, bravely curbing na - ture,

thou didst hasten to subject what is lower to that which is a - bove,

making the body servant to the spir - it. Therefore thou wast

revealed as the chief of those living the mo - nas - tic life,

a citizen of the desert, a master teaching those who has - ten to thee,

a perfect example of vir - tue. Now the image has been broken, O An - tho - ny,

and in heaven thou dost behold in purity the Holy Trin - i - ty, as thou dost

pray with boldness for those who honor thee with faith and love.