Phanouropitta: Saint Phanourios Cake

Ingredients: 1 cup of applesauce 1 cup of sugar 4 inches of vanilla bean (cut into small pieces) 3/4 cup of chopped walnuts 1 cup of plump raisins 1 tablespoon of baking powder 4 cups (approximately) of white wheat flour 1 tablespoon of baking soda 2 cups of orange juice



Ask for help and guidance from the Holy glorious Greatmartyr Phanourios the newly-appeared, the Wonderworker. Beat applesauce and sugar together until they are thoroughly mixed. Add vanilla bean, walnuts, raisins, and baking powder; mix. Dissolve baking soda in orange juice and add to mixture. Add flour; mix. Wisk the mixture until the batter has a good and proper consistency; add more white wheat flour or orange juice as needed. Pour batter into two 9" cake pans lined with baking paper on the bottom. Bake in a preheated oven at 350°F for about 33 minutes or until an inserted toothpick pulls out cleanly. Cut into slices for serving after the Phanouropitta has been blessed by the priest. [Traditionally, a Phanouropitta has 9 ingredients for the 9 Choirs of the Honorable Heavenly Bodiless Powers.]

^{*}Ηχος δ΄. Ταχὺ προκατάλαβε. 4th Tone. Quickly prevent.

Ως ἄστρον ἀνέτειλας □ τῆ Ἐκκλησία Χριστοῦ □ καὶ πάντας κατηύγασας, □ φανερωθεὶς θαυμαστῶς, □ Φανούριε ἔνδοξε· □ ὅθεν τοῖς εὐφημοῦσι □ τὴν σὴν ἄθλησιν, Μάρτυς, □ νέμεις τῶν σῶν θαυμάτων, □ τὴν σωτήριον χάριν, □ πρεσβεύων τῷ Κυρίῳ □ ὑπὲρ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

As a star rising \square for the Church of Christ \square and illuminating all, \square you appeared wondrously, \square O glorious Phanourios; \square whence to those who praise \square your contest, O Martyr, \square you distribute of your wonders, \square the saving grace, \square interceding to the Lord \square for our souls.

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