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Feast day of Xenophon & his Companions



The Church today venerates Xenophone and his Companions.
This saint, a wealthy nobleman of Constantinople, was filled with piety toward God. He had two sons, Arcadius and John, whom he sent to Beirut to study law. But they were shipwrecked during their voyage; barely saved, they forsook all things and departed for Palestine.
St. Xenophon and his wife Mary, ignorant of what had happened, went in search of their sons. Upon finding them in Jerusalem, dressed in the habit of monks, they also took up monastic life. And thus, having completed their lives in holiness, they departed for the Lord about the beginning of the 6th century.