

Melody, Cleric of Korda

CR 8, 3900xp, Lawful Evil

AC: 20 (Plate, Shield)

HP: 120

Saves: Str, Wis +8; Else +3

O O Legendary Resistance (2/day): If Melody fails a saving throw, she can choose to succeed instead.

Actions

Multi Attack: Mel uses her Wraith Spear along with Korda's Mind Flare. If more than three enemies are bunched up, she uses Wrath of Korda instead.

Wraith Spear: +8 to hit, reach 60ft, 14 dmg cold damage. A frozen ghostly image of a spear shoots out from Melody's hand.

Korda's Mind Flare. Melody psychically lashes out at one creature she sees within 90ft. The target must make a DC 16 Intelligence saving throw. On a failed save, the target takes 8d6 (28) psychic damage and can't take a reaction until the end of its next turn. Moreover, on its next turn, it must choose whether it gets a move, an action, or a bonus action; it gets only one of the three. On a successful save, the target takes half as much damage and suffers none of the spell's other effects.

Wrath of Korda. (3-6, recharge). A 20ft radius sphere centered on a point Melody can see explodes with frozen light. A target takes 8d6 cold damage on a failed DC 16 save constitution save, or half as much on a successful one.

Utility. Melody can cast any 2nd level cleric spell as long as it is for sufficiently evil purposes.

Recurring Villain. (1/day) Melody can cast Dimension Door without components.

Other Information

Minions:

Melody always has 4 CR 1/2 creatures (orcs, shadows, warhorse skeletons, thugs, scouts, etc) accompany her. With her minions, Melody is a challenging (1/3 of party resources) encounter for a level 5 party of 5 PCs.

Lore:

While the Church of Kord hasn't outright banned the discussion of Korda, clerics of Kord go well out of their way to avoid mentioning her existence.

Scholars in the third age all agreed that there was a relationship between Korda and Kord, everything else was conjecture. Most point to the trove of sacred texts within the Jade Libraries of MadaniUn, as a place for answers.

Korda is the polar opposite of Kord. Substantially weaker in power than the prime deity, her operatives are forced to work through deception. However, that doesn't mean that clerics of Korda eschew martial training...

Melody was once a cleric of Kord, but after ex-communication, she turned on her oath and took up arms against her old god.