



Oct 01: Protection of the Most Holy Mother of God

Holy Apostle Ananias One of the Seventy Disciples; Our Venerable Father Roman Who Sang Sweetly (560); Passing into eternal life of Blessed Nykyta Budka (1949) First Bishop of Canada and Confessor of Karaganda

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Troparion (Tone 4): Today we believers radiantly celebrate,* flooded in light by your coming to us, O Mother of God;* beholding your pure image,* we say with contrition:* shelter us with your precious protection* and deliver us from every evil,* entreating Your Son, Christ our God, to save our souls.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion (Tone 3): Today the Virgin stands before us in the church* and together with the choir of saints invisibly prays to God for us.* Angels are worshiping with hierarchs,* Apostles exult with prophets,* for the Mother of God prays on our behalf to the eternal God.

Prokimenon (Tone 3): My soul magnifies the Lord,* and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Saviour (Lk 1:46-47).

verse: Because He has regarded the humility of His handmaid; from this day forward all generations shall call me blessed (Lk 1:48).

Epistle: (Heb 9:1-7): *Brethren*, now even the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was constructed, the first one, in which were the lampstand, the table, and the bread of the Presence; this is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain was a tent called the Holy of Holies. In it stood the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which there were a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy-seat. Of these things we cannot speak now in detail.

Such preparations having been made, the priests go continually into the first tent to carry out their ritual duties; but only the high priest goes into the second, and he but once a year, and not without taking the blood that he offers for himself and for the sins committed unintentionally by the people.

Alleluia (Tone 8):

verse: Hear, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear (Ps 44:11).

verse: The rich among the people shall entreat your countenance (Ps 44:13).

Gospel: (Lk 4:16-22): *At that time Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.'* But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

While he was saying this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, 'Blessed is the womb that bore you and the breasts that nursed you!' But he said, 'Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it!'

Communion Verse: I will take the chalice of salvation;* and I will call upon the name of the Lord (Ps 115:13). Alleluia! (3x)