

First Sunday of the Fast: Sunday of Orthodoxy

Troparion of the Holy Images Tone 2:

We bow before Your sacred image, O gracious Lord,
* and beg forgiveness for our offenses, O Christ our
God; * for You, of Your own will, deigned to ascend the
cross in Your human nature * to deliver from bondage
under the enemy, those whom You created. *
Therefore, we gratefully cry out to You: * “Through Your
coming to save the world, O Savior, * You have filled all
with joy.”

Kontakion of the Holy Images Tone 8:

Glory be: Now and ever:
O Mother of God, through you, in the incarnation, * the
indescribable Word of God became describable; * for
through the divine goodness, * the Word spoken from
eternity became an Image. * May we, who believe in
salvation, * clothe ourselves in the same Image both in
word and deed.

Prokimenon Tone 4:

Blessed are You, O Lord the God of our fathers. Your
Name is praised and glorified forever.
V. In all that You have done Your justice is apparent.

Alleluia Tone 4:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
*V. Among His priests were Aaron and Moses; among
those who invoked His name was Samuel.*
V. They invoked the Lord and He answered.

Instead of “It is truly proper...” we sing:

In you, O Woman Full of Grace, the angelic choirs and the human race – all creation – rejoices. O Sanctified Temple, Mystical Paradise, and Glory of Virgins, He, Who is our God from before all ages, took flesh from you and became a child. He made your womb a throne, and greater than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. All praise be to you!

Communion Hymn:

Praise you the Lord of heaven. Praise Him in the highest. Alleluia!

2nd Hymn:

Exult, you Just, in the Lord; praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia!