

Feast of the Encounter of Our Lord

February 2nd

Entrance Hymn *(at the Great Entrance)*

The Lord has made His salvation known; / in the sight of the nations / He has revealed His justice.

Tropar Tone 1:

Hail, Mother of God, Virgin full of grace. * From you has shone forth the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, * shining upon those who are in darkness. * Rejoice, also, you just elder, Simeon; * for you received in your arms the Redeemer of our souls, * Who has given us resurrection.

Kontakion Tone 1: Glory be: Now and ever.

O Christ our God, through Your birth You sanctified the Virgin's womb; * and blessed, as it was proper, the hands of Simeon. * Today, You have come to bring us deliverance.* Give peace to nations at war, * and strengthen our civil authorities; * for You alone love mankind.

Prokimenon Tone 3:

My soul extols the Lord, / and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

*v. Because He has looked upon His lowly servant,
from this day forward, all generations shall call me
blessed.*

Alleluia Tone 8:

*v. Now, Master, You can dismiss Your servant in
peace; You have fulfilled Your word.
v. A revealing light to the Gentiles, the Glory of Your
people, Israel.*

Instead of "Dostojno jest...."

O Virgin Mother of God, hope of Christians, protect, watch and save those who have placed their hope in you.

We the faithful, see the figure of Christ in the shadow and the letter of the law which says: "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord." Therefore, we extol the firstborn of the Eternal Father and the Virgin Mother.

Communion Hymn:

I will take the Chalice, the Chalice of Salvation,
and call upon the name, the name of the Lord. Alleluia!