

Conception of St. John the Baptist (Sept 23)

Tropar Tone 4

Joy to you, O barren one unable to give birth! * Behold, you conceive today *

the one who is really a Torch of the Sun * Who will enlighten the whole world that suffered

from blindness. * Rejoice, O Zachary, and cry out in all confidence: *

“The one who will be born * is a Prophet of the Most High!”

Kontakion Tone 1

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

Zachary rejoices greatly with his wife, Elizabeth * for she has conceived John the Forerunner *

whom the angel announced in gladness. * As for us, we honor him in witness of this blessing.

Prokimen Tone 7

The just man will be glad in the Lord * and will put his trust in Him.

v. Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to You.

Alleluia Tone 4

v. The just man will flourish like the palm tree, and grow like a cedar of Lebanon.

v. Planted in the house of the Lord, he will flourish in the courts of our God.

Communion

The just man shall be, in everlasting remembrance; an evil report he shall not fear. Alleluia.