

October 6th

# The Holy Apostle Thomas

## Stichera at the Aposticha

Byzantine Chant Tone/Mode 4  
Special Melody: *Unto them that fear thee*

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1) Christ the Friend of man drew thee up like a pearl from the  
deep a - byss of the tur - bu - lence of the world, and  
through thee hath He made rich those in want and hard - ship,  
held fast in the pen - u - ry of ad - ver - si - ties and straits,  
O god - ly Thom - as, A - pos - tle of the Lord. Hence  
we now call thee blest and glo - ri - fy thine all - fes - tive  
mem - o - ry as we of - fer thee songs of praise  
and ac - claim thee with rev - er - ence.

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2) Thou didst make the whole land of the Hin - dus shine with a  
splen - did light, O A - pos - tle and seer of God; for  
thou didst en - light - en them in the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
mak - ing all to be chil - dren of the light and of the day,  
dash - ing the shrines of their i - dols to the ground, and  
rais - ing church - es up by grace un - to the glo - ry and  
praise of God, sa - cred Thom - as di - vine - ly wise,  
blest am - bas - sa - dor for our souls.

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3) With thy prob - ing hand didst thou search out the God - man's all -  
 - spot - less side and the wounds of the nails there - in, the  
 which thē Im - mor - tal One suf - fered for us sin - ners;  
 sud - den - ly then chang - ing thine un - be - lief to fer - vent faith,  
 O Thom - as, thou didst cry out to Him in joy: Thou  
 art my Lord and God; to Thee do I give glo - ry, O  
 Friend of man, by Whose Pas - sion dis - pas - sion's floods  
 have gushed forth \_\_\_\_\_ for all faith - ful folk.