November 21st

Entrance of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple
Stichera on "O Lord, I have cried" - 2nd Set

Byzantine Mode 4
Special Melody: As one valiant
Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

1) In that holiest place of all, the most holy and blameless Maid, in the Holy Spirit, doth come to dwell therein;

and by an Angel is fed she who is truly the holiest temple of our holy God, who by dwelling Himself in her cleansed and sanctified all creation, and He hath deified the very nature of us mortals,

though it had fallen away from Him.

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2) The young maidens rejoice today, and while bearing their shining lamps, they go on before the noetic lamp of light;

into the Holy of Holies, they escort her most sacredly and thus clearly signify that ineffable radiance soon about to shine forth from her to enlighten by the Spirit all those sitting in the darkness of gloomy error and ignorance.
3) All famed Anna cried out in joy: Zacharias, do
thou receive her whom in the Spirit God's Prophets have proclaimed;
and lead her into the Lord's most holy temple to
dwell there-in, that she might most sacredly be brought up to be-
come the couch, palace and abode, and divine throne and resting-
place and brightly shining house and habitation
of God, the Master and King of all.