

DEC 30      Afterfeast Nativity Christ; Virgin Martyr Anysia; Holy  
              Martyr Zoticus; Ven. Melania the Younger (*trf. From Dec 31*)

DEC 31      Leavtaking of the Nativity

TROPARION of the FEAST - Tone 4

Thy nativity, O Christ our God,    /  
Has risen upon the world as the light of understanding!    /  
For through it, those who worshipped the stars,    /  
Were taught by a star to worship Thee,    /  
The Sun of Righteousness,    /  
And to know Thee, the Orient from on high.    ///  
O Lord, glory to Thee!

KONDAKION of the Feast - Tone 3

Today the Virgin gives birth to the transcendent One,    /  
And the earth offers a cave to the unapproachable One!    /  
Angels with shepherds glorify Him!    /  
The wise men journey with the star;    ///  
Since for our sake the eternal God is born as a little child!

Note: *No Troparia or Kontakia for the saints given in  
the Menaion*