

OCT 17

Holy prophet Hosea; Ven. Martyr Andrew of Crete

TROPAR - Tone 2 (*General for a Prophet - none given in the Menaion*)

We celebrate the memory /  
Of Thy prophet Hosea /  
Through him, we implore Thee, O Lord, ///  
To save our souls.

TROPAR - Tone 4 (Ven. Martyr)

Trained in the ascetic life upon the mountain /  
Thou didst defeat the devil's assaults by the power of the Cross. /  
With great courage thou didst face the battle /  
And crushed the evil emperor with the sword of faith. /  
O glorious monk and martyr Andrew, /  
God crowned thee for both thy holy and ascetic life ///  
And thy victory in fighting the good fight.

KONDAK - Tone 3 (Ven. Martyr) *To the melody: Today the Virgin...*

Today the Great City keeps festival /  
Celebrating thy bright and light-bearing memory, /  
Summoning all cities and lands to join the feast; /  
For it rejoices in possessing the great treasure of thy  
precious relics, ///  
O martyr Andrew, thou beacon of the Orthodox Faith.

KONDAK (another)- Tone 8 (Ven. Martyr) *To the melody: O victorious leader...*

We lift up our praises out of love for thee, O divinely-blessed one, /  
For thou art the namesake of manly courage and a teacher of the mysteries  
of piety. /  
As thou dost possess great boldness before the Lord, save us from all  
evil so that we may cry out to thee: ///  
Rejoice, O ever-memorable father Andrew!