

SEPT. 17 Afterfeast of the Exaltation of the Cross;
Holy martyr Sophia and her daughters: Faith,
Hope and Charity (Love)

TROPARION of the Feast: - Tone 1

O Lord, save Thy people....

TROPARION (Martyrs): - Tone 5

Thou didst blossom in the courts of the Lord /
As a fruitful olive tree, /
O holy martyr Sophia. /
In thy contest thou didst offer to Christ the sweet fruit of
thy womb: /
Thy daughters Faith, and Hope, and Charity. ///
Together with them intercede on behalf of us all.

KONTAKION (Martyrs): - Tone 1

The three sisters Faith, and Hope and Charity, /
Have blossomed as the sacred branches of blessed Sophia, their
mother. /
For by grace, they made foolish the wisdom of idolatry; /
And having suffered, they revealed themselves as bearers of
victory. ///
And were granted incorruptible crowns by Christ, the Master of all.

KONTAKION TO THE FEAST: - Tone 4

As Thou wast voluntarily crucified for our sake, /
Grant mercy to those who are called by Thy name. /
Make all Orthodox Christians glad by Thy power /
Granting them victories over their adversaries ///
By bestowing upon them the invincible trophy, Thy weapon of peace.