

AUG 30 Afterfeast Beheading of the Forerunner; Translation of the
Relics of Rt. Blv. Great Prince Alexander Nevsky.

TROPAR of the Forerunner - Tone 2

The memory of the just is celebrated with hymns of praise, /
But the Lord's testimony is enough for thee, O Forerunner; /
For thou wast shown to be more wonderful than the prophets, /
Since thou wast granted to baptize Him Whom thou didst proclaim. /
Then having endured great suffering for the Truth, /
Thou didst rejoice to bring even to those in Hades the good tidings: /
That God Who hath appeared in the flesh takes away the sin of
the world, ///
And grants us great mercy.

TROPAR of St. Alexander - Tone 4

O faithful prince Alexander, thou Russian Joseph, /
Reigning not in Egypt but in heaven, /
Behold thy spiritual brethren and hear their prayers: /
Increase the bounty of all lands for the people, /
And protect the faithful everywhere through thy prayers ///
And fight against the adversary for thine heirs who are faithful to God.

KONTAKION of St. Alexander - Tone 2

As thy kinsmen, Boris and Gleb, appeared to thee /
Giving thee help from heaven /
When thou wast fighting against the vain enemy and his warriors, /
Do thou, O blessed Alexander, come to the help of the faithful ///
And fight against those who fight against us.

KONTAKION of the Forerunner - Tone 5

The beheading of the glorious Forerunner /
Was by divine providence; /
That the coming of the Savior might be proclaimed to those in hell. /
Let Herodias, therefore, mourn - who sought unlawful murder, /
For she has not affected the Law of God, /
Nor has she sought eternal life, ///
Preferring instead the worldly one.