

Sanctification of the Water

Slow

The voice — of the Lord up - on the
wa - ters cri - eth, say - ing, Come ye all and
take the spir - it of wis - dom, the spir - it of un - der -
- stand - - - ing, the spir - it of the fear of
God, by thē ap - pear - - - ance — of — Christ.

Slow

To - day the na - ture of wa - ter is sanc - ti - fied, and the
Jor - dan is clo - - - - - ven,
and its wa - ters shall be held from flow - ing, the
Mas - ter be - ing shown — washed — there - - - - in.

Thou didst come to the riv - er like a man, O
Christ King. Thou dost has - ten, O good
One, to re - ceive bap - tis - m as a ser - vant at the hands of the
Fore - run - ner, for our sins, O
Lov - er of man - kind.

Glory/Both now - Tone 8

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to the Son, and
to the Ho - ly Spir - it.
Both now and ev - er, and un - to a ges of
a ges. A - men.

Slow



T'ward the voice in the wil - der - ness, Pre - pare ye the
way of the Lord, thou didst come tak - ing the
like - ness of a ser - vant, seek - ing bap - tis - m,
O thou who know - est no sin. The wa - ters saw
thee and were a - fraid, and the Fore - run - ner trem - bled and
cried, say - ing, How shall the Light seek to be
light - ed for the lamp? How shall the ser - vant
place his hand up - on the Mas - - - - - ter?
Where - fore, sanc - ti - fy me and the
wa - ters, O Sav - iour, car - ry - ing the



Then immediately recite the Readings from the Old and New Testament, as on pages 461-463 of Nassar. After the Gospel, the Deacon says the Great Litany with the additional petitions. During the prayers, after the priest says: "Great art thou, O Lord, ...", the choir responds with "Glory to thee, O Lord, glory to thee." Then, after the next two blessings, the choir responds with "Amen."

After the final exclamation and blessing of the water, sing the following Troparion of the Feast.

Troparion Tone 1

By thy bap - tis - m, O Lord, in the Riv - er Jor - dan,
wor-ship to the Trin - i - ty hath made_ its ap - pear - ance; for the
voice_ of the Lord did come forth to thee with the
tes - ti - mo - ny nam-ing thee_ be - lov - ed Son; and the
Spir - it in the like-ness of a dove, con - firm - ing the
truth_ of the word. Where - fore, O thou who_ didst appear and
light - ed the world, O Christ,_ glo - ry_ to_ thee.

Tone 6

Let us praise, O be - liev - - - ers, the great dis - pen -
- sa - tion of ___ God, that work - eth for us; ___ for
he who a - lone is pure and spot - less, hav - ing be - come ___
Man be - cause of our fall, pur - i - fi - eth us in the
Jor - dan, sanc - ti - fy - ing me ___ and the
wa - ters and crush - ing the heads ___ of the
drag - ons in the wa - - - ter. Let us, there - fore, O
breth - ren, draw wa - - - ter with glad - ness,

for those who draw___ it in faith shall be
grant - ed in an in - vis - i - ble man - ner the grace___ of the
Spir - it, by the pres - ence of _____ Christ _____
God, the Sav - iour of our _____ souls. _____