

(The priest proceeds to the Prothesis and prays in a low voice:) Christ our God, You are the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets. You have fulfilled all the dispensation of the Father. Fill our hearts with joy and gladness always, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Priest: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy: Father, give the blessing.

Priest: May the blessing of the Lord and His mercy come upon you through His divine grace and love always, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

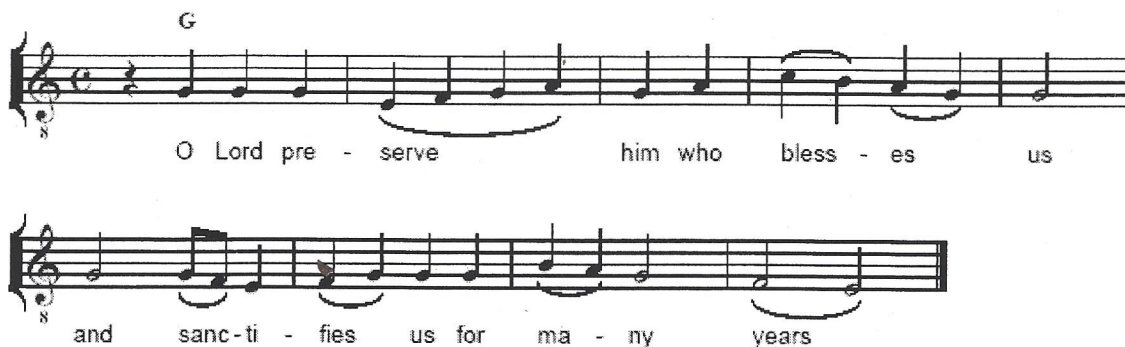
People: Amen.

Priest: Glory to You, O God, our hope, glory to you.

Priest: May Christ our true God (who rose from the dead), [3] as a good, loving, and merciful God, have mercy upon us and save us, through the intercessions of His most pure and holy Mother; the power of the precious and life giving Cross; the protection of the honorable, bodiless powers of heaven, the supplications of the honorable, glorious prophet and forerunner **John the Baptist** (begin singing **Many Years for the Priest**); the holy, glorious and praiseworthy apostles; the holy, glorious and triumphant martyrs; our holy and God-bearing Fathers (*name of the church*); the holy and righteous ancestors Joachim and Anna; Saint (*of the day*) whose memory we commemorate today, and all the saints.

Many Years for the Priest

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Priest: Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ, our God, have mercy on us and save us.

People: Amen. (Long Version)

Priest (blessing the people): May the holy Trinity protect all of you.