

December 24: Sunday before Nativity
Aposticha
Tone 2, Automelon "O House of Ephratha"
Kiev Caves Lavra Chant

Reader: In the 2nd Tone, Automelon "O house of Ephratha..."

II-chant melody

O _____ house of Eph - - - - - ra - tha,

I-descant

thou ho - ly ____ cit - - - - - y,

glo - ry of the pro - - - - - phets:

a - adorn thou the house where - in the Di - vine ____ One is born.

English translation by Isaac E. Lambertsen, "The Menaion of the Orthodox Church", Vol IV,
 St. John of Kronstadt Press, ©1996. The entire service text may be purchased through: sjkp.org