The Circumcision of Christ

January 1

Apolytikion

First Mode
"While Gabriel was saying"

\[ \text{Morphēn ánalloiótos} \]

I. \text{While Gabriel was saying}

ur hu-man form hast Thou tak-en on Thy-self with-out___

change, O great-ly com-pas-sion-ate Mas-ter, though be-ing God by

na-ture; ful-fill-ing the Law,_Thou will-ing-ly re-ceiv-est

cir-cum-ci-sion in the flesh that Thou might--est end the shad-ow and
roll away the veil of our sinful passions. Glory be to Thy goodness unto us. Glory be to Thy compassion. Glory, O Word, to Thine expressible conception.

O chant unto our God, chant ye;
chant unto our King, chant ye. . .
O chant ye with understanding.

Psalm 46:6-7
Saint Basil the Great
Archbishop of Caesarea of Cappadocia

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*Ἡχος Ἄρτα

Intonation: #1

Εἰς πᾶσαν τὴν γῆν

hy sound hath gone forth in-to all the earth, which hath re-ceived thy word. There-by thou hast di-vine-ly taught the Faith; thou hast made man-i-fest the na-ture of all things that be; thou hast a-dorned the ways of man. O name-sake of the roy-al priest-hood, our right-eous
Fa - ther Bas - il, in - ter - cede with Christ God that our souls be saved.
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Kontakion

Third Mode

"On this day the Virgin"

NOW the Lord of all that is doth undergo circumcision, in His goodness cutting off the sins and failings of mortals. He this day doth give salvation unto the whole world; and the hier-arch
and bright day-star of the Creator now rejoiceth in the highest, Basil the wise and divine initiate of Christ.
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Fourth Mode (modified)
"On this day Thou hast appeared"

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ωθεὶς βάσις ἁσειστος

or the Church art thou in truth a firm foundation, granting an invisible lordship unto all mortal men and sealing it with what thou hast taught, O righteous Bas-

il, revealer of heavenly things.