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July 2

Apolytikion

Plagal Fourth Mode

Theotóke ēpitaθhæne

Ev - er - vir - gin The - o - to - kos, shel - ter of

man - kind, thou hast be - stowed up - on thy peo - ple a might - y

in - ves - ture, even thine im - mac - u - late bod - y's rai - ment and

sash, which by thy seed - less child - birth have re - mained in - cor -
rupt; for in thee na-ture and time are made new. Where-fore,
we im-plore thee to grant peace to the world, and great mer-cy
to our souls.
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Kontakion

Fourth Mode

"Thou Who wast raised up"

Γξοζ Δ:

Intonation: #10

Περιβολὴν πᾶσι

god-ly shelter that dost cover all man-kind,

the sacred robe that covered thy sacred body hast

thou bestowed on all the faithful graciously, O pure Virgin,

as a robe of divine incorruption. As we cel-e-
brate with love its august deposition, we cry to thee with faith, O graced of God: Rejoice, O Lady, thou boast of the Christian race.

At all times, but most of all while chanting, let us be still and undistracted. For through distractions, the demons aim to ruin our prayer.

- St. John of the Ladder