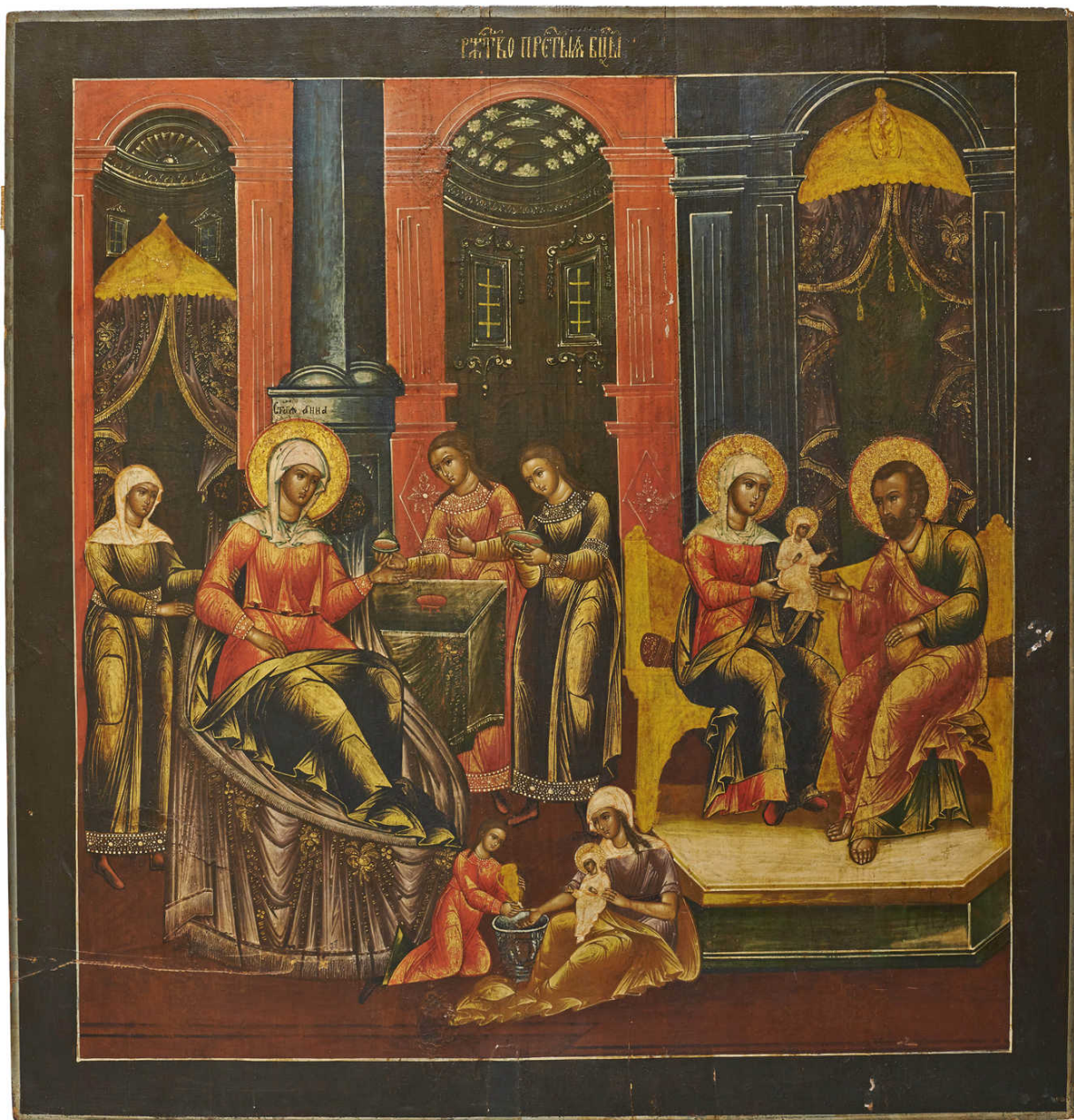


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RUSSIAN ICON THE BIRTH OF THE VIRGIN

c. 1800

H : 85 cm x 82 cm / 33.46 x 32.28 in
tempera on panel

St. Anna is represented half lying on a bed with hand-maidens in attendance. In the foreground the midwife prepares to bathe the infant Virgin. At the right side, 'the Praising of the Virgin' in which Mary, seated between her parents Joachim and Anna, receives their tender caresses.