

## **Message of the day**

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**On this day the Virgin beareth the Transcendent  
in Essence;**

**to the Unapproachable, the earth doth offer a  
small cave;**

**Angels join in choir with shepherds in giving  
glory;**

**with a star the Magi travel upon their journey;**

**for our sakes is born**

**a young Child, He that existed before ages as  
God.**

***Kontakion of Christmas***

***(The excellent translation is by Holy Transfiguration Monastery  
in Boston)***