

## **Message of the day**

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**Having been vouchsafed God's own advent, the  
people  
that delighteth Christ, hath obtained what it  
longed for;  
now it maketh prayer for that regeneration  
that createth life; O immaculate Virgin,  
grant to us the grace to worship Christ in His  
glory.**

***Troparion of Christmas Matins (from the Ninth Ode of the  
Iambic Canon)***

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