

12/09 – Conception of the Theotokos

*On “Lord, I have cried”
“Glory...” in the 2nd tone*

The all-**glo**_ri-ous great mystery hidden from the
*begin*_ning of time_, / which was unknown to **angels**
and men, / *is* **manifest** today: / Mary, the divine
maid_en, / *becometh* a child in the womb of the
chaste Anna, / and is prepared as a dwelling-place for
the King of all **a**_ges, / **unto** the *restoration* of our
race. / Her do we entreat with pure **con**_science, /
crying out to her: / Beseech thy **Son** and God, / in
that thou art the intercessor of *us* **Christians**, // *that*
He save our souls!_._._

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*On the Aposticha,
“Glory”...”Both” now in the 2nd tone*

Today_ the mystic **flo**_wer_ / beginneth to
grow out of **Jes**_se, / *the robe of royal purple* /
sprouteth forth from the root of **Da**_vid, // wherein
Christ our God shall spring *forth*, **saving** our
souls_._._.

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Troparion in the 4th tone

Today the bonds of **barrenness** are loosed, / for
God, hearkening unto Joachim and **Anna**, / doth
manifestly **promise** them / that they will, beyond all
expectation, give birth to the divine **Maiden**, / from
whom the Infinite **One** Himself, / becoming **man**,
shall be born. / And He commandeth the angels to
cry unto her: / Rejoice, thou who art **full** of grace, //
the **Lord** is with thee.

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Kontakion in the 4th tone

Today the **whole**_ world / doth celebrate Anna's
con**ceiving**, / which **God** *brought* to pass; / for she
gave **birth** unto her // who ineffably gave **birth** unto
the Word.