Today the good tidings of joy are proclaimed, today is the festival of the Virgin; things below are joined together with things on high.

Adam is made new; Eve is freed from the primal grief; and by the deification of the human nature that the Lord assumed,

vs. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.
the tabernacle of our substance has become a temple of God. Oh, what a mystery!

The manner of His emptying cannot be known; the manner of His conception is beyond speech. An Angel ministers at the miracle; a virginal womb receives the Son; the Holy Spirit is sent down; the Father on high is well pleased, and according to
their common counsel, a reconciliation is brought to pass in which and

through which we are saved. For this reason let us unite our

song with Gabriel's, crying aloud to the Virgin: "Rejoice,

O Lady full of grace, the Lord is with you! From you is

our salvation, Christ our God, Who, by assuming our nature, has led
us back to Him-self.// Humbly pray to Him for the salvation of our souls!"