

Katabasiae - Nativity of Christ

2nd Canon - Tone 1, December 26-31

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December 25
Nativity of our Lord
Basil Kazan

* When "Verily it is easier" is sung as the Heirmos of the 9th Ode, use this magnificat:

To - day the Vir - gin giv - eth birth to the Lord in - side the cave.

* When it is sung as the Katabasia at the end of the 9th Ode, use this magnificat:

Mag - ni - fy, O my soul, her who hath de - liv - ered us from the curse.

Ode 9

Ver - i - ly, it is eas - i - er for
us to en - dure si - lence since there is no
dread dan - ger there - from for us. But be - cause of our
strong de - sire, O Vir - gin, and Moth - er at the
same time, to in - dite well - bal - anced songs of praise, this be -
- com - eth in - deed on - er - dus to us. Where - fore, grant us
pow'r to - - - qual our nat - - - u - ral
in - cli - na - - - tion.