

Paramon of the Nativity of Christ

Troparion

December 24

Byzantine Chant, Tone 4
Special Melody, *Joseph was amazed*

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And it came to pass that Mar - y was en-rolled
with Jo - seph thē old man, in Beth-le-hem, since she was of
the seed of Da - vid, and was great with the Lamb, with - out
seed. And when the time for de - liv'ry drew near, and they had no place in the
vil - age, the cave did ap - pear to the
queen as a de - light-ful pal - ace. Ver-i-ly, Christ shall be
born, rais - ing the like - ness that fell of old.

Please note: In some places in the Antiochian Patriarchate, this hymn is sung using the hard chromatic version, or Palatine mode, of "Joseph was amazed," as above. Properly, it should be done in the soft chromatic, Dismissal Hymn, version.