

From the anointing of King David, 1,011 years,  
From the time of the prophets Amos, Hosea and Isaiah, 750 years,  
In the 194th Olympiad,  
In the year 752 since the founding of the city of Rome,  
From the time of the poet Homer, 700 years,  
From the time of Socrates, Plato and Aristotle, 450 years,  
In the 42nd year of the empire of Octavian Augustus, when the Roman world was at peace,  
Jesus Christ, Eternal God and Son of the eternal Father  
Desirous to sanctify the world by his most merciful coming,  
Having been conceived of the Holy Spirit,  
And nine months having elapsed since his conception,  
Is born in Bethlehem of Judah,  
Having become human of the Virgin Mary.

*The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ  
According to the Flesh.*



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