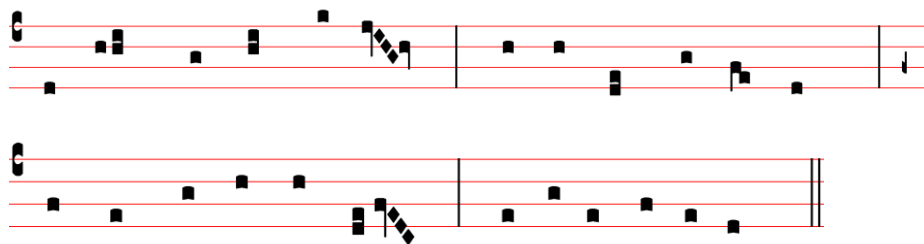


Hymns for the Nativity of the BVM (8th September) 2026



1. Hail, O star that pointest
Towards the port of Heaven,
Thou to whom as maiden
God for Son was given.

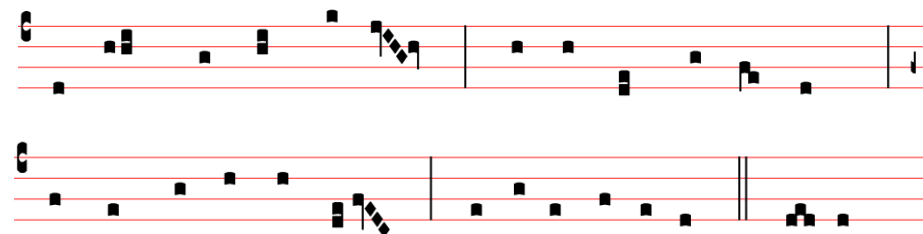
2. When the salutation
Gabriel had spoken,
Peace was shed upon us,
Eva's bonds were broken.

3. Bound by Satan's fetters,
Health and vision needing,
God will aid and light us
At thy gentle pleading.

4. Jesu's tender Mother,
Make thy supplication
Unto Him Who chose thee
At His Incarnation.

5. That, O matchless Maiden,
Passing meek and lowly,
Thy dear Son may make us
Blameless, chaste and holy.

Introit Hymn – sung when the bell rings



A-men.

6. So, as now we journey,
Aid our weak endeavour.
Till we gaze on Jesus,
And rejoice for ever.

7. Father, Son and Spirit,
Three in One confessing,
Give we equal glory,
Equal praise and blessing.

Words: C9 Latin
Tr Athelstan Riley 1858 - 1945
Music: Ave Maris Stella
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Offertory Hymn – sung after the Cherbuikon



1. Ye who own the Faith of Jesus
Sing the wonders that were done,
When the love of God the Father
O'er our sin the vict'ry won,
When He made the Virgin Mary
Mother of His only Son.

2. Blessed were the chosen people
Our of whom the Lord did come,
Blessed was the land of promise
Fashioned for His earthly home;
But more blessed far the Mother
She who bare Him in the womb.

3. Wherefore let all faithful people
Tell the honour of her name,
Let the Church in her foreshadowed
Part in her thanksgiving claim;
What Christ's Mother sang in gladness
Let Christ's people sing the same.

4. Let us weave our supplications,
She with us and we with her,
For the advancement of the faithful
For each faithful worshipper,
For the doubting, for the sinful
For each heedless wanderer.

5. For the sick and for the aged,
For our dear ones far away,
For the hearts that mourn in secret,
All who need our prayers today,
For the faithful gone before us,
In this Eucharist we pray.

6. With her let us praise the Father,
Praise her Saviour and her Son,
Praise the everlasting Spirit,
Who hath made her ark and throne
With the greatest of God's people
Let us praise the Three in One.

Words: VS Stuckley Coles 1845 – 1929
Adapted RGSD
Music: Grafton
French Tantum Ergo
in Chants Ordinaires d'office Divin Paris 1881

Communion Hymn – sung once you are back from receiving Holy Communion

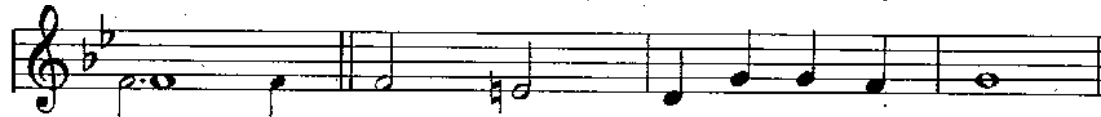
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1. Vir - gin born, we bow be - fore thee: Bless - èd
2. Bless - èd she by all cre - a - tion, Who brought



1. was the womb that bore thee; Ma - ry, Mother meek and
2. forth the world's sal - va - tion, And bless - èd they for ev - er



1. mild, Bless - èd was she in her Child.
2. blest, Who love thee most and serve thee best.



1. Bless - èd was the breast that fed thee; Bless - èd
2. Vir - gin born we bow be - fore thee; Bless - èd



1. was the hand that led thee; Bless - èd was the par - ent's
2. was the womb that bore thee; Ma - ry, Mo - ther meek and



1. eye That watched thy slum - bering in - fan - cy.
2. mild, Bless - èd was she in her Child.

Words: Bishop R Heber 1783 - 1826

Music: Mon Dieu Prete moi l'oreille

Melody contributed by

L Bourgeois c 1510 -61

Harmony by R Vaughan Williams

Final Hymn – sung after the devotion at the shrine of the BVM

The musical score is written for two voices or instruments, using a treble and bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The first system contains the first line of the hymn. The second system contains the second line. The third system contains the third line and ends with the word 'A - men.' written below the staff. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a steady rhythm.

1. O glorious Maid, exalted far
Beyond the light of burning star,
From Him Who made thee thou hast won
Grace to be Mother of His Son.

2. That which was lost in hapless Eve
Thy holy offspring did retrieve:
The tear-worn sons of Adam's race
Through thee have seen the heavenly place.

3. Thou wast the gate of Heaven's high Lord,
The door through which the light hath poured.
Christians rejoice, for through a Maid
To all mankind is life conveyed.

4. O Jesu, Virgin-born to Thee
Eternal praise and glory be,
Whom with the Father we adore
And Holy Spirit, evermore. Amen.

Words: Thomas Ken 1637 - 1711

Music: Morning Hymn

Fracois Barthelemon 1741 - 1808