

# THE LITTLE OFFICE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

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## AD MATUTINUM.

Ave, María, etc., secreto.

EIA, mea lábia, nunc annun-  
tiáte

Laudes et præcónia Vírginis be-  
átæ.

V. Dómina, ✕ in adjutórium  
meum inténde.

R. Me de manu hóstium poté-  
ter defénde.

V. Glória Patri, et Fílio, \* et  
Spirítui Sancto:

R. Sicut erat in princíprio, et  
nunc, et semper, \* et in sæcula  
sæculórum. Amen. Allelúia.

*A Dominica in Septuagesima usque  
ad Fer. V. in Cœna Domini, loco Alle-  
luia dicitur :*

Laus tibi, Dómine, \* Rex ætér-  
næ glóriæ.

## AT MATINS.

Hail, Mary, etc., secretly.

COME, my lips, and wide pro-  
claim

The Blessed Virgin's spotless  
fame.

V. O Lady, ✕ make speed to  
befriend me.

R. From the hands of the  
enemy mightily defend me.

V. Glory be to the Father, and  
to the Son,\* and to the Holy Ghost:

R. As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, \* world  
without end. Amen. Alleluia.

*From Septuagesima to Holy Thursday,  
instead of Alleluia is said :*

Ceaseless praise to Thee be  
given, \* O Eternal King of  
Heaven.

## HYMNUS.

**S**ALVE, mundi Dómina,  
Cœlorum Regína:  
Salve, Virgo vírginum,  
Stella matutína.

Salve, plena grátia,  
Clara lux divína:  
Mundi in auxílium,  
Dómina, festína.

Ab æterno Dóminus  
Te præordinávit  
Matrem unigéniti  
Verbi, quo creávit

Terram, pontum, æthera:  
Te pulchram ornávit  
Sibi Sponsam, quæ in  
Adam non peccávit.

Amen.

**V.** Elégit eam Deus, et præ-elégit eam.

**R.** In tabernáculo suo habitáre fecit eam.

**V.** Dómina, exaúdi oratióнем meam.

**R.** Et clamor meus ad te véniat.

## ORÉMUS.

Sancta María, Regína cœlórum, Mater Dómini nostri Jesu Christi, et mundi Dómina, quæ nullum derelíquis, et nullum despicias; respice me, Dómina, cleménter oculo pietatis, et impetra mihi apud tuum dilectum Fílium cunctórum veniam

## HYMN.

**H**AIL, Queen of the Heavens!  
Hail, Mistress of earth!  
Hail, Virgin most pure,  
Of immaculate birth!

Clear Star of the Morning,  
In beauty enshrined,  
O Lady, make speed  
To the help of mankind!

Thee God in the depth  
Of eternity chose;  
And formed thee all fair,  
As His glorious Spouse;

And called thee His Word's  
Own Mother to be,  
By Whom He created  
The earth, sky, and sea.

Amen.

**V.** God elected her, and pre-elected her.

**R.** He made her to dwell in His tabernacle.

**V.** O Lady, hear my prayer.

**R.** And let my cry come unto thee.

## LET US PRAY.

Holy Mary, Queen of Heaven, Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, and Mistress of the world, who forsakest no one, and despisest no one; look upon me, O Lady, with an eye of pity, and entreat for me of thy beloved Son the forgiveness of all my sins; that,

peccatórum: ut qui nunc tuam sanctam et Immaculátam Concepiónem devóto afféctu récolo, ætérnæ in futúrum beatitúdinis bravíum cápiam, ipso, quem virgo peperísti, donánte Dómino nostro Jesu Christo; qui cum Patre et Sancto Spíritu vivit et regnat, in Trinitáte perfécta, Deus, in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

V. Dómina, exaudi oratióne meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te véniat.

V. Benedicámus Dómino.

R. Deo grátias.

V. Fidélium ánimæ, per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

R. Amen.

#### AD PRIMAM.

V. Dómina,  in adjutórium meum inténde.

R. Me de manu hóstium poténter defénde.

V. Glória Patri, et Filio, \* et Spirítui Sancto:

R. Sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et sempér,\*et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Allelúia.

#### HYMNUS.

Salve, Virgo sápiens,  
Domus Deo dicáta,  
Colúmna septémplici  
Mensa que exornáta.

as I now celebrate with devout affection thy holy and Immaculate Conception, so hereafter I may receive the prize of eternal blessedness, by the grace of Him Whom thou, a virgin, didst bring forth, Jesus Christ our Lord; Who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, in perfect Trinity, God, world without end. Amen.

V. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace

R. Amen.

#### AT PRIME.

V. O Lady,  make speed to befriend me.

R. From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Ghost:

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen. Alleluia.

#### HYMN.

Hail, Virgin most wise!  
Hail, Deity's shrine,  
With seven fair pillars,  
And table divine!

Ab omni contágio  
Mundi præserváta:  
Ante sancta in útero  
Paréntis, quam nata.

Tu, Mater vivéntium,  
Et porta es Sanctórum :  
Nova stella Jacob,  
Dómina Angelórum.

Zábulo terríbilis  
Acies castrórum:  
Portus et refúgium  
Sis Christianórum. Amen.

℣. Ipse creávit illam in Spíritu  
Sancto.

R. Et effúdit illam inter ómnia  
ópera sua.

℣. Dómina, exaúdi oratióinem  
meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te vé-  
viat.

### ORÉMUS.

Sancta María, Reginá cœlórum,  
etc. (*uti ad pag. 360 et 361.*)

℣. Dómina, exaúdi oratióinem  
meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te vé-  
niat.

℣. Benedicámus Dómino.

R. Deo grátias.

℣. Fidélium ánimæ, per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in  
pace.

R. Amen.

Preserved from the guilt,  
Which has come on us all!  
Exempt, in the womb,  
From the taint of the Fall!

O new Star of Jacob!  
Of Angels the Queen!  
O Gate of the Saints!  
O Mother of men!

To Zabulon fearful  
As th' embattled array!  
Be thou of the faithful  
The refuge and stay. Amen.

℣. The Lord Himself created  
her in the Holy Ghost.

R. And poured her out among  
all His works.

℣. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

### LET US PRAY.

Holy Mary, Queen of Heaven,  
etc. (*as on pages 360 and 361.*)

℣. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

℣. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

℣. May the souls of the faith-  
ful departed, through the mercy  
of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

## AD TERTIAM.

V. Dómina, † in adjutórium  
meum inténde.

R. Me de manu hóstium po-  
ténter defénde.

V. Glória Patri, et Fílio, \* et  
Spiritui Sancto:

R. Sicut erat in principio, et  
nunc, et semper, \* et in sæcula  
sæculórum. Amen. Allelúia.

## HYMNUS.

Salve, arca foederis,  
Thronus Salomónis,  
Arcus pulcher ætheris  
Rubus visiōnis:

Virga frondens géminis:  
Vellus Gedeónis,  
Porta clausa núminis,  
Favúsque Samsónis.

Decébat tam nóbilem  
Natum, præcavére  
Ab origináli  
Labe matris Evæ

Almam, quam élégerat,  
Genitrícem vere,  
Nulli prorsus sinens  
Culpæ subjacére. Amen.

V. Ego in altíssimis hábito.

R. Et thronus meus in colúmna  
nubis.

V. Dómina, exaúdi oratióñem  
meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te vé-  
niat.

## AT TERCE.

V. O Lady, † make speed to  
befriend me.

R. From the hands of the  
enemy mightily defend me.

V. Glory be to the Father, and  
to the Son, \* and to the Holy  
Ghost:

R. As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, \* world  
without end. Amen. Alleluia.

## HYMN.

Hail, Solomon's throne!  
Pure ark of the law!  
Fair rainbow! and bush  
Which the Patriarch saw!

Hail, Gedeon's fleece!  
Hail, blossoming rod!  
Samson's sweet honey-comb!  
Portal of God!

Well fitting it was  
That a Son so divine  
Should preserve from all touch  
Of original sin,

Nor suffer by smallest  
Defect to be stained  
That Mother, whom He  
For Himself had ordained.  
Amen.

V. I dwell in the highest.

R. And my throne is on the  
pillar of the clouds.

V. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

## ORÉMUS.

Santa María, Regína cœlorum,  
etc. (*uti ad pag. 360 et 361.*)

℣. Dómina, exaúdi oratiōnem  
meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te vé-  
niat.

℣. Benedicámus Dómino.

R. Deo grátias.

℣. Fidélium ánimæ, per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in  
pace.

R. Amen.

## AD SEXTAM.

℣. Dómina, ✕ in adjutórium  
meum inténde.

R. Me de manu hóstium po-  
ténter defénde.

℣. Glória Patri, et Fílio, \* et  
Spirítui Sancto:

R. Sicut erat in principio, et  
nunc, et semper, \* et in sæcula  
sæculórum. Amen. Allelúia.

## HYMNUS.

Salve, Virgo puérpera,  
Templum Trinitatis,  
Angelórum gaúdium,  
Cella puritatis:

Solámen mœréntium,  
Hortus voluptatis:  
Palma patiéntiæ,  
Cedrus castitatis.

## LET US PRAY.

Holy Mary, Queen of Heaven,  
etc. (*as on pages 360 and 361.*)

℣. O Lady hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

℣. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

℣. May the souls of the faith-  
ful departed, through the mercy  
of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

## AT SEXT.

℣. O Lady, ✕ make speed to  
befriend me.

R. From the hands of the  
enemy mightily defend me.

℣. Glory be to the Father, and  
to the Son, \* and to the Holy  
Ghost:

R. As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, \* world  
without end. Amen. Alleluia.

## HYMN.

Hail, virginal Mother!

Hail, purity's cell !

Fair shrine, where the Trinity  
Loveth to dwell !

Hail, garden of pleasure:

Celestial balm !

Cedar of chastity !

Martyrdom's palm :

Terra es benedicta  
Et sacerdotalis,  
Sancta et immunita  
Culpæ originalis.

Civitas Altissimi,  
Porta orientalis:  
In te est omnis gratia,  
Virgo singularis. Amen.

Thou land set apart  
From uses profane,  
And free from the curse  
Which in Adam began!

Thou City of God !  
Thou Gate of the East !  
In thee is all grace,  
O joy of the blest ! Amen.

V. Sicut lilyum inter spinas.

R. Sic amica mea inter filias  
Adæ.

V. Domina, exaudi orationem  
meam.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

#### LET US PRAY.

Holy Mary, Queen of Heaven,  
etc. (as on pages 360 and 361.)

V. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the souls of the faithful  
departed, through the mercy  
of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

#### AD NONAM.

#### AT NONE.

V. O Lady, + make speed to  
befriend me.

R. From the hands of the  
enemy mightily defend me.

V. As the lily among thorns.

R. So is my beloved among the  
daughters of Adam.

V. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

#### ORÉMUS.

Sancta Maria, Regina cœlorum,  
etc. (uti ad pag. 360 et 361.)

V. Domina, exaudi orationem  
meam.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the souls of the faithful  
departed, through the mercy  
of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

#### AD NONAM.

V. O Lady, + make speed to  
befriend me.

R. From the hands of the  
enemy mightily defend me.

V. Sicut lilyum inter spinas.

R. Sic amica mea inter filias  
Adæ.

V. Domina, exaudi orationem  
meam.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

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etc. (uti ad pag. 360 et 361.)

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meam.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the souls of the faithful  
departed, through the mercy  
of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

#### AT NONE.

V. O Lady, + make speed to  
befriend me.

R. From the hands of the  
enemy mightily defend me.

V. Glória Patri, et Fílio, \* et  
Spirítui Sancto:

R. Sicut erat in princípio, et  
nunc, et semper, \* et in sæcula  
sæculórum. Amen. Allelúia.

## HYMNUS.

Salve, urbs refúgii,  
Turrisque muníta  
David, propugnáculis  
Armísque insigníta.

In Concepcióne  
Caritáte igníta,  
Dracónis potéstas  
Est a te contríta.

O múlier fortis,  
Et invícta Judith!  
Pulchra Abísag virgo  
Verum fovens David !

Rachel curatórem  
Ægypti gestávit :  
Salvatórem mundi  
María portávit. Amen.

V. Tota pulchra es, amica  
mea.

R. Et mácula originalis num-  
quam fuit in te.

V. Dómina, exaúdi oratiómem  
meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te vé-  
niat.

## ORÉMUS.

Sancta María, Regína cœlórum,  
etc. (*uti ad pag. 360 et 361.*)

V. Glory be to the Father, and  
to the Son, \* and to the Holy  
Ghost:

R. As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, \* world  
without end. Amen. Alleluia.

## HYMN.

Hail, City of refuge !  
Hail, David's high Tower !  
With battlement crowned  
And girded with power !  
  
Filled at thy Conception  
With love and with light !  
The dragon by thee  
Was shorn of his might.

O woman most valiant !  
O Judith thrice blest !  
As David was nursed  
In fair Abisag's breast ;

As the saviour of Egypt  
Upon Rachel's knee ;  
So the world's great Redeemer  
Was cherished by thee.

Amen.

V. Thou art all fair, my be-  
loved.

R. And the original stain was  
never in thee.

V. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

## LET US PRAY.

Holy Mary, Queen of Heaven,  
etc. (*as on pages 360 and 361.*)

**V.** Dómina, exaudi orationem meam.

**R.** Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

**V.** Benedicamus Dómino.

**R.** Deo grátiás.

**V.** Fidélium ánimæ, per misericordiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.

**R.** Amen.

#### AD VESPERAS.

**V.** Dómina, **†** in adjutórium meum inténde.

**R.** Me de manu hóstium potenter défende.

**V.** Glória Patri, et Fílio, \* et Spiritui Sancto:

**R.** Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, \* et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Allelúia.

#### HYMNUS.

Salve horológium,  
Quo retrogradiátur  
Sol in decem líneis;  
Verbum incarnátur.

Homo ut ab inferis  
Ad summa attolláatur,  
Immensus ab ángelis  
Paulo minorátur.

Solis hujus rádiis  
María corúscat;  
Consúrgens auróra  
In concéptu micat.

**V.** O Lady, hear my prayer.

**R.** And let my cry come unto thee.

**V.** Let us bless the Lord.

**R.** Thanks be to God.

**V.** May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

**R.** Amen.

#### AT VESPERS.

**V.** O Lady, **†** make speed to befriend me.

**R.** From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.

**V.** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Ghost:

**R.** As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen. Alleluia.

#### HYMN.

Hail, dial of Achaz !  
On thee the true Sun  
Told backward the course  
Which from old He had run !

And, that man might be raised,  
Submitting to shame,  
A little more low  
Than the angels became.

Thou, wrapt in the blaze  
Of His infinite light,  
Dost shine as the morn  
On the confines of night :

Lílum inter spinas,  
Quæ serpèntis cónterat  
Caput: pulchra ut luna  
Errántes collústrat. Amen.

V. Ego feci in cœlis, ut oriréetur  
lumen indefíciens.

R. Et quasi nébula texi omnem  
terrā.

V. Dómina, exaúdi oratióñem  
meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te vé-  
niat.

#### ORÉMUS.

Sancta María, Regína cœlórum,  
etc. (*uti ad pag. 360 et 361.*)

V. Dómina, exaúdi oratióñem  
meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te vé-  
niat.

V. Benedicámus Dómino.

R. Deo grátias.

V. Fidélium ánimæ, per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in  
pace.

R. Amen.

#### AD COMPLETORIUM.

V. Convértat nos, Dómina, tuis  
précibus placátus, Jesus Christus,  
Fílius tuus.

R. Et avértat iram suam a  
nobis.

V. Dómina, ✠ in adjutórium  
meum inténde.

R. Me de manu hóstium po-  
tenter defénde.

As the moon on the lost  
Through obscurity dawns;  
The serpent's destroyer!  
A lily 'mid thorns! Amen.

V. I made an unfailing light to  
arise in heaven.

R. And as a mist I overspread  
the whole earth.

V. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

#### LET US PRAY.

Holy Mary, Queen of Heaven,  
etc. (*as on pages 360 and 361.*)

V. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the souls of the faithful  
departed, through the mercy  
of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

#### AT COMPLINE.

V. May Jesus Christ, thy Son,  
appeased by thy prayers, O Lady,  
convert our hearts.

R. And turn away His anger  
from us.

V. O Lady, ✠ make speed to  
befriend me.

R. From the hands of the  
enemy mightily defend me.

**V.** Glória Patri, et Fílio, \* et  
Spirítui Sancto:

**R.** Sicut erat in princípio, et  
nunc, et semper, \* et in sæcula  
sæculórum. Amen. Allelúia.

## HYMNUS.

Salve, Virgo florens,  
Mater illibáta,  
Regína clemétiæ,  
Stellis coronata.

Super omnes Angelos,  
Pura, immaculáta,  
Atque ad Regis dexteram  
Stans veste deaurata.

Per te, Mater grátiæ,  
Dulcis spes reórum,  
Fulgens stella maris,  
Portus naufragórum,

Patens cœli jánua,  
Salus infirmórum,  
Videámus Regem  
In aula Sanctórum. Amen.

**V.** Oleum effúsum, María, no-  
men tuum.

**R.** Servi tui dilexérunt te  
nimis.

**V.** Dómina, exaudi oratióne-  
mam.

**R.** Et clamor meus ad te vé-  
niat.

## ORÉMUS.

Sancta María, Regína cœlórum,  
etc. (*uti ad pag. 360 et 361.*)

**V.** Glory be to the Father, and  
to the Son, \* and to the Holy  
Ghost :

**R.** As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be, \* world  
without end. Amen. Alleluia.

## HYMN.

Hail, Mother most pure !  
Hail, Virgin renowned !  
Hail, Queen with the stars,  
As a diadem, crowned !

Above all the Angels  
In glory untold,  
Standing next to the King  
In a vesture of gold.

O Mother of mercy !  
O Star of the wave !  
O Hope of the guilty !  
O Light of the grave !

Through thee may we come  
To the haven of rest ;  
And see heaven's King  
In the courts of the blest.  
Amen.

**V.** Thy name, O Mary, is as  
oil poured out.

**R.** Thy servants have loved  
thee exceedingly.

**V.** O Lady, hear my prayer.

**R.** And let my cry come unto  
thee.

## LET US PRAY.

Holy Mary, Queen of Heaven,  
etc. (*as on pages 360 and 361.*)

V. Dómina, exaudi orationem  
meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te vé-  
niat.

V. Benedicámus Dómino.

R. Deo grátias.

V. Fidélium ánimæ, per misericórdiam Dei, requiéscant in  
pace.

R. Amen.

#### COMMENDATIO.

Súpplices offérimus  
Tibi, Virgo pia,  
Hæc laudum præcónia :  
Fac nos ut in via

Ducas cursu próspero ;  
Et in agonía  
Tu nobis assíste,  
O dulcis María. Amen.

R. Deo grátias.

V. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto  
thee.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy  
of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

#### THE COMMENDATION.

These praises and prayers  
I lay at thy feet,  
O Virgin of virgins !  
O Mary most sweet !

Be thou my true guide  
Through this pilgrimage here,  
And stand by my side  
When my death draweth near.  
Amen.

R. Thanks be to God.

