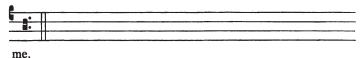
### December 8

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY

Solemnity



## 674 December 8, Immaculate Conception



I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, and my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; and with the robe of righteousness he has covered me, as a bridegroom decked with a crown, and as a bride adorned with her jewels. \*I will extol you, O Lord, for you have lifted me up, and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

#### **Opening Prayer**

DEUS, qui per immaculátam Vírginis Conceptiónem dignum Fílio tuo habitáculum præparásti, quæsumus, ut, qui ex morte eiúsdem Fílii tui prævísa, eam ab omni labe præservásti, nos quoque mundos, eius intercessióne, ad te perveníre concédas.

RATHER, you prepared the Virgin Mary to be the worthy mother of your Son. You let her share beforehand in the salvation Christ would bring by his death, and kept her sinless from the first moment of her conception. Help us by her prayers to live in your presence without sin.

#### First reading

Gen 3: 9-15, 20: The fall and the promise of victory over Satan.



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