

A typical hymn from the *Saint Basil Hymnal*, a book which Jeff Ostrowski considers to be “kitschy, sentimental, and horrifying”—although it was quite popular in its day. It is said that Abbat Joseph Pothier (d. 1923) was scandalized when he was shown music contained in Catholic hymnals popular in his day.

**Play through it, and see if you agree:**

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. 149

**70—0 Mater Admirabilis.**

*Andante.*

O Ma - ter Ad - mi - ra - bi - lis, fair li - ly of the  
field, O - ra, o - ra pro no - bis, Thy lov - ing child - ren

**CHORUS.**

shield. O Ma - ter ad - mi - ra - bi - lis, our  
life, our hope most sweet, O ev - er guide, our  
wan - der - ing steps Un - til in heav'n we meet, O