

HYMN FOR ST MARY OF THE CROSS

Jesu corona Virginum

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HOU maiden-mother's proge-ny, O Jesu, ho-ly Virgins' King,
we raise our lowly hearts to thee, another fruitful Virgin sing.

2. The glory of her maidenhead devoted to her Spouse divine, in
wedlock mysti-cal, she bred the daughters of a noble line. 3. The ocean
vastness braving, fared her parents to a distant shore, by faith and
love their child prepared to seek the pearl of hidden store. 4. The
lambs of Christ she saw bereft of guidance and of nourishment:
his Cross to bear, all else she left, his Heart to please made
all her bent. 5. His Prov-i-dence was all her fund, his Foster-father
all her ward; all other maintenance she shunned: her spirit, all
un-laden, soared. 6. The stroke of gladness or of woe, when it befell,

could nev-er change her purpose, sway her to forgo her plighted
faith, true love estrange. 7. O blessed Mary, in the train of that
fair Bridegroom, that great Lord, the spotless Lamb for sinners slain,
pray him for us, grace to afford. 8. May he from eve-ry fell design
the purchase of his pain defend, where his device he bids to
shine amid the stars, his mercy send. 9. The land that owns thy
mortal birth be now the claimant of thy care, and every clan of
men on earth the heirs of thy deserts and prayer. 10. Then to the
bounteous One-and-Three whence all things are, where all things tend, true
Godhead, sovereign master-y, be praise and glo-ry without end. A- men.

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