



# SATURDAY MORNING HYMNS & PRAYER

6<sup>th</sup> January 2024

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Unto us a child is born! King of all creation,  
came he to a world forlorn, the Lord of ev'ry nation,  
the Lord of ev'ry nation.

Now with Mary's Son, who came so long ago to love us,  
lead us all with hearts aflame unto the joys above us,  
unto the joys above us.

Omega and Alpha he! Let the organ thunder,  
while the choir with peals of glee shall rend the air asunder,  
shall rend the air asunder.

**Responsorial Psalm**  
*Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.*

## COMMUNION RELECTION

O Purest of creatures! sweet Mother, sweet Maid;  
The one spotless womb wherein Jesus was laid.  
Dark night hath come down on us, Mother, and we  
Look out for thy shining, sweet star of the sea.

Deep night hath come down on this rough-spoken world,  
And the banners of darkness are boldly unfurled;  
And the tempest tossed Church - all her eyes are on thee  
They look to thy shining, sweet star of the sea.

He gazed on thy soul; it was spotless and fair;  
For the empire of sin - it had never been there;  
None ever had owned thee, dear, Mother, but he,  
And he blessed thy clear shining, sweet star of the sea.

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

Holy Virgin, by God's decree, you were called eternally;  
that he could give his Son to our race.  
Mary, we praise you, hail, full of grace.

### **Refrain**

*Ave, ave, ave, Maria.*

Joy to God you gave and expressed, of all women none so blessed,  
when here on earth your Son took his place.  
Mary, we love you, hail, full of grace.

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To our needy world of today love and beauty you portray,  
showing the path to Christ we must trace,  
Mary, our mother, hail, full of grace.

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## SATURDAY MORNING MARIAN PRAYER

God our Father,  
we praise you and give you thanks  
for choosing the Virgin Mary  
to be the Mother of your Son.  
In her, the Word found a servant:  
your love makes her a queen.

We pray to you:  
Make us follow her as an example  
that we might listen to your Word  
and put it into practice.

May we then be able to share  
the inheritance of eternal joy  
that you give us  
through your only Son Jesus Christ,  
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