

Mary, Mother of God

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pa-ter tu- us do-lén- tes quaere-bá-mus te. Et quid
 est quod me quaere-bá- tis? nesci- e-bá- tis qui- a
 in his quae Patris me- i sunt, o-pórtet me es- se?

My son, why have you treated us so? Your father and I have been anxiously looking for you. How is it that you were seeking me? Did you not know that I must be about my Father's business?

Prayer after Communion

QUOS cælestibus réficis sacraméntis, fac, clementíssime Pater, sanctæ Famíliæ exéempla iúgiter imitári, ut, post ærúmnas sæculi, eius consórtium consequámur ætérnum.

ETERNAL FATHER, we want to live as Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, in peace with you and one another. May this communion strengthen us to face the troubles of life.

January 1. Octave of Christmas

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Solemnity

Introit

Sedulius; Ps 44: 2, 11, 12

S Alve * sancta Pa- rens, e-ní- xa pu-érpe-ra

Re- gem, qui caelum terrám- que re- git in saé-cu-
 la sae-cu- ló- rum. *T. P.* Al- le- lú- ia, al- le- lú-
 ia. *Ps.* E-ructávit cor me- um verbum bonum : di- co ego
 ópe- ra me- a re- gi.

Hail holy Mother, the Child-Bearer who has brought forth the King, the ruler of heaven and earth for ever. *ψ.* My heart overflows with a goodly theme; I address my works to the King.

Or:

Lux fulgébit, *p.* 193.

Opening Prayer

DEUS, qui salútis æternæ, beátæ Maríæ virginitáte fecúnda, humáno géneri præ- mia præstitísti, trí- bue, quæ- sumus, ut ipsam pro nobis intercédere sentiámus, per quam merúimus Filium tuum auctórem vitæ suscípere.

GOD OUR FATHER, may we always profit by the prayers of the Virgin Mother Mary, for you bring us life and salvation through Jesus Christ her Son.

First reading

Num 6: 22-27: *Words of blessing.*