

# SEQUENCE : VIRGINI MARIE LAUDES

*Marian Christmas Sequence*

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I.

**V** Ir-gi-ni Ma-ri-æ láudes \* intonent Christi-áni.

Eva tristis abstu-lit; sed Ma-ri-a pro-tu-lit Natum qui  
re-demit pecca-tó-res. Mors et vi-ta modu-lo convene-re  
mi-rándo: Ma-ri-æ Fi-li-us regnat De-us. Dic nobis Marí-  
a, Virgo clemens et pi-a; Quomodo facta es Genitrix,  
cum tu sis plasma de te nascentis? Anglelus est testis  
Ad me missus cæ-lestis. Natus est ex me spes me-a,

Sed incredu-la manet Judæ- a. Credendum est ma-gis so-  
li Gabri-e-li forti Quam Judæ-o-rum pravæ cohor-ti.  
Scimus Christum pro-ces-sisse Ex Mari-a ve-re Tu  
no-bis na-te Rex! mi-se-re-re. Amen.

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*"A Sequence in honour of the most Holy Mother of God. It belongs to the fifteenth  
century. It is one of the many imitations of the Easter Sequence, Victimæ Paschali,  
which are to be found in many of the Missals of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries.  
This is similar to Analecta Hymnica Vol. 54 no. 18.*

Let the Christian people hymn their praises to the Virgin Mary.

Unhappy Eve was the cause of our ruin; but Mary brought forth a Son, who  
redeemed us sinners.

Death and life were thus strangely reconciled: there reigns now God, the Son of Mary.

Tell us, O Mary, Virgin most merciful and kind!

How thou, the creature of him that was born of thee, didst become his Mother?

The Angel is witness, that was sent to me from heaven.

He that is my hope was born of me his Mother: but the Jews will not believe.

Faith must be had in Gabriel the power of God, rather than the perverse Jewish  
tribe.

We know that Christ was in very truth born of Mary: do thou, her Son! our King!  
have mercy upon us. Amen.