

THE BLESSED VIRGIN Hail, thou Star of ocean!

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Andante religioso

1. Hail, thou Star of o - cean! Por - tal of the sky, —
2. Oh! by Ga-briel's A - ve, Ut - tered long a - go, —

Ev - er Vir - gin Moth - er Of the Lord most High! —
E - va's name re - vers - ing, 'Stab - lish peace be - low. —

3. Break the captive's fetters;
Light on blindness pour;
All our ills expelling,
Every bliss implore.

4. Show thyself a Mother;
Offer Him our sighs,
Who for us Incarnate
Did not thee despise.

5. Virgin of all Virgins!
To thy shelter take us;
Gentlest of the gentle!
Chaste and gentle make us.

6. Still as on we journey,
Help our weak endeavor;
Till with thee and Jesus
We rejoice for ever.

7. Through the highest Heaven,
To the Almighty Three,
Father, Son, and Spirit,
One same glory be.