

Ave Maria

William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

Superius [Soprano]

Medius [Alto]

Contratenor [Tenor]

Tenor [Tenor]

Bassus [Bass]

Gra - ti - a ple - na, gra - ti - a

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A - ve Ma - ri - a gra - ti - a ple - na, gra - ti - a

A - ve Ma - ri - a gra - ti - a ple - na,

A - ve Ma - ri - a gra - ti - a

ple - na, Do - mi - nus te - - - cum,

ple - na, Do - mi - nus te - - - cum, Be -

ple - na, Do - mi - nus te - - - cum, Be - ne - di -

ple - na, Do - mi - nus te - - - cum, Be - ne - di -

ple - na, Do - mi - nus te - - - cum, Be - ne - di -

[10]

Be - ne - di - cta tu in mu - li - e - ri - bus, in mu -

- ne - di - cta tu in mu - li - e - ri - bus, in

- cta tu in mu - li - e - ri - bus, et be - ne - di - ctus

- cta tu in mu - li - e - ri - bus, in mu - li - e - ri - bus, et be - ne -

Be - ne - di - cta tu in mu - li - e - ri - bus, et be - ne -

- li - e - ri - bus, et be - ne - di - c[#]ctus fru - c[#]ctus, ven - tris
 mu - li - e - ri - bus, et be - ne - di - c[#]ctus
 8 fru - c[#]ctus ven - tris tu - i,
 et be - ne - di - c[#]ctus fru - c[#]ctus, ven -
 8 - di - c[#]ctus fru - c[#]ctus ven - tris tu -

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tu - i, ven - tris tu - - - - i.
 fru - c[#]ctus, ven - tris tu - i, ven - tris tu - i.
 8 ven - tris tu - i, ven - tris tu - - - - i.
 - tris tu - i, ven - tris tu - i, ven - tris tu - - - - i.
 - i, ven - tris tu - i, ven - tris tu - i.

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al -
 Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le -
 8 Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu -
 Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Hail Mary, full of grace: the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, alleluia.

Source: William Byrd: *Gradualia, ac cantiones sacrae... Liber primus* (2nd edition, 1610), vol.1 no.14.

Liturgical function: Votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin from Pentecost to Advent:

Introit:	Salve sancta parens
Gradual:	Benedicta et venerabilis
Alleluia:	Post partum virgo
Offertory:	Ave Maria
Communion:	Beata viscera

During Advent:

Introit:	Rorate cæli
Gradual:	Tollite portas
Alleluia:	Ave Maria
Offertory:	Ave Maria (without alleluia)
Communion:	Beata viscera

Mass, The Annunciation:

Introit:	Vultum tuum
Gradual/Tract:	Diffusa est gratia
Alleluia:	Alleluia - Ave Maria - Virga Jesse (in Paschal Time)
Offertory:	Ave Maria (alleluia in Paschal Time)
Communion:	Ecce virgo concipiet

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