

2. Meditation with Mary

The following hymn text is offered to all Marists as we approach our bi-centenary in 2017.
Although the original text was written as a meditation for the season of Advent*, the words below may be sung at any time, especially for feasts of Our Lady.

With a gentle, prayerful lilt

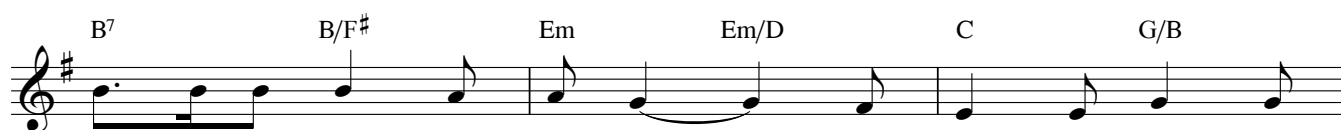
Music & Lyrics: Michael Herry fms



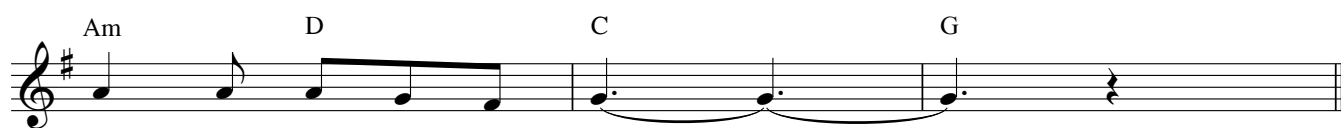
1. Hail Ma - ry full of grace, the Lord is with you*
2. Though moth - er true, you first con - ceived in your heart**
3. We off - er with the Church your Mar - i - an face***
4. And so we make a place for you in our hearts
5. Hail Ma - ry full of grace, the Lord is with you



_____	Em - man - u - el, God is with us_____	Em -
_____	You won - dered at his com - ing_____	You
_____	Through qui - et ser - vice giv - ing_____	Through
_____	in qui - et con - tem - pla - tion_____	in
_____	so blest_____ a - mong all wom - en_____	So



man - u - el, God is with us_____	With you we walk the
saw_____ God's way of lov - ing_____	And glad - ly you pro -
joy - ful Gos - pel liv - ing_____	Through word and deed, mere
prayer and med - i - ta - tion,_____	we trea - sure all these
fruit - ful in your lov - ing_____	Dis - ci - ple of the



path of faith in - to life_____
claimed the praise of your God_____
wat - er turned in - to wine._____
things to pon - der with love_____
Lord, so o - pen to life_____

* For the original Advent text and music, see Chant No 3 in the album Sing Spirit-Sing Life by Michael Herry fms

** It was St Augustine (354 - 430 AD) who in praise of Mary's faith, said that her greatness lay in first conceiving in her heart before she did so in her body. (St Augustine of Hippo Sermon 25, 7 - 8)

***Marists hope to give witness to a truly Marian face of the Church, one characterized by loving, simple service, , shared communion with all people, and openness to the Holy Spirit.