

1. Joy of the whole world, bright new star of heav - en,  
 2. You are the lad - der made by God the Fa - ther  
 3. To you the cho - rus of the bless - ed an - gels,  
 4. Praise to the high - est Trin - i - ty for - ev - er

1. sun - bear - ing moth - er, par - ent of the  
 2. ground - ed in this world, reach - ing to the  
 3. to you the proph - ets and a - post - les'  
 4. who be - stows on you a crown, O blest

1. par - ent, up - hold the stumb - ling, bring help  
 2. high - est that we may climb up to the  
 3. or - der low - er their heads to one most  
 4. vir - gin, and who in - stalls you as our

1. to the fal - len, O vir - gin Ma - ry.  
 2. high - est heav - ens, gift be - yond oth - ers.  
 3. fa - vored wom - an af - ter the God - head.  
 4. queen, O Ma - ry, pre - or - dained moth - er.

4. A-men.

*Gaudium mundi, nova stella caeli*

Peter Damian, 11th cent.

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