Hail, holy Queen enthroned above

1. Hail! holy Queen enthroned above, O Maria!
2. Our life, our sweetness here below, O Maria!
3. To thee we cry, poor sons of Eve, O Maria!
4. This earth is but a vale of tears, O Maria!

Hail! Mother of mercy and of love, O Maria!
Our hope in sorrow and in woe, O Maria!
To thee we sigh, we mourn, we grieve, O Maria!
A place of banishment, of fears, O Maria!

Refrain

Triumph, all ye cherubim, Sing with us, ye seraphim. Heav'n and earth resound the hymn.

Salve, salve, salve Regina!

5. Turn then, most gracious advocate, O Maria!
Toward us thine eyes compassionate, O Maria! Refrain

6. When this our exile is complete, O Maria!
Show us thy Son, our Jesus sweet, O Maria! Refrain

7. O clement, gracious, Mother sweet, O Maria!
O Virgin Mary, we entreat, O Maria! Refrain

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