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# O magnum mysterium

*O magnum mysterium et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderunt Dominum natum jacentem in præsepio.*
*O beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Jesum Christum. Alleluia!*

*O great mystery and wonderful sacrament, that animals saw the new-born Lord lying in a manger.*
*O blessed Virgin, whose womb was worthy to bear Christ the Lord. Alleluia!*

(Fourth Responsory for Matins on Christmas Day)

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