

# Assumption of the Virgin Mary

## Key Themes:

- Vigil:** They brought in the ark of God to the sound of joyful tunes and put it in the tent which David had pitched. The Lord has chosen Zion as His resting place. Death is swallowed up in victory through our Lord. Happy the womb that bore you. Happier still those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- Day:** The woman brought forth a child who was taken straight up to God. On your right hand stands the queen, in gold of Ophir. All men will be brought to life in Christ. Of all women, you are the most blessed. Blessed are you who believes that the Lord's promise will be fulfilled.
- Notes:** Be careful when choosing hymns **TO** Mary. While this is a Feast of Mary, it is still a mass which is a celebration of Christ come among us - Mary was merely the first to receive him. So our hymns do better when they reflect the readings. One of the best ways to avoid this conflict is to sing a version of the Magnificat - Mary's song of a joyous "Yes" to God. We too can imitate her, saying yes. Hymns that reference Mary in the way of the gospel readings also work well. If in doubt, read the words carefully, and ask who we are praising. If the answer is God/Jesus, then the hymn is appropriate for a mass. If the focus is solely on Mary, then perhaps put it aside and use it in a Marian devotion, such as a rosary service, which would be ideal on this day. Watch out for differences between the vigil readings and those of the day mass.

**Mass:** Mass Shalom or Mass of Spirit & Grace

## Psalm:

**Vigil:** Lord, Go Up To The Place Of Your Rest (Hughes/Gelineau - CWB)

**Day:** The Queen Stands At Your Right Hand (Alstott - CWB)

**Suggested Alleluia:** Celtic Alleluia or from the mass setting

<b>Other Hymns:</b>	The Angel Gabriel		CWB	815
	Centre Of My Life		GAUS	444
	*Hail Mary, Gentle Woman ( <i>Day Mass only</i> )		GAUS	544
	Immaculate Mary (Esp. Vss 3 &4)		GAUS	549
	Lord Of Creation To You Be All Praise		GAUS	423
	Magnificat		GAUS	545
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	Mary's Song	Joncas	OEW	
	There Is Nothing Told		GAUS	548
	*The Visit ( <i>Day Mass only</i> )	Winter		
	*Sing A New Song ( <i>Vigil Mass only</i> )		GAUS	414

\*Note the need to use updated words see website for link to the use of "Yahweh"

\* Link: <https://stagatha.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Use-Of-Yahweh-In-Hymns.pdf>

<b>Hymns of Interest:</b>	Holy Is Your Name	Trad.		
	I Sing A Maid	Ridge	GTR	327