

## 2. O Theotokos

Verse 2, line 1: Revelations 12:1

Verse 3, line 1-2: Luke I:38; line 3: John I:14

Verses 4, 5, 6: *Akathistos Hymn to the Most Holy Theotokos* (exc.)

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See of Acca, Haifa, Nazareth, and all Galilee

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- 1 O Theotokos, O Mother of God!  
Mary Immaculate, Mother of us all:  
All Christendom calls on you, singing your praise!  
Defend your people through the end of days.
  
- 2 O Theotokos, of creatures alone:  
Clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath your feet!  
Be Light on our journey to Heaven, true home.  
As with a child, lead our weak and stumbling feet.
  
- 3 “Behold the servant of the Lord.  
Be it done to me according to Thy Word.”  
The Word was made flesh and with us dwelt.  
O Theotokos, alleluia!
  
- 4 You, Tabernacle of God the Word;  
Ark of the Covenant, Tower of the Church:  
We honor you, Space of the Spaceless Lord:  
O Theotokos, alleluia!

5 Mary, O Beam of the Mystical Sun,  
Radiance and Light of the everlasting Day;  
O Pillar of Fire who lights our way:  
O Theotokos, lead us we pray!

6 Great holy Icon, Mother of God;  
Image of Christ and Image of His Church;  
O Mirror of Justice, Mirror of Truth:  
Mary, Godbearer, alleluia!