

## GABRIEL'S MESSAGE

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Basque carol  
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1. The an-gel Ga-bri-el from hea-ven came, His wings as drifted snow, his

eyes as flame; "All hail," said he, "thou low-ly maid-en Ma-ry, Most

high-ly fa-vour'd la-dy," Glo-ti-a!

- 2 "For known a blessed Mother thou shalt be,  
All generations laud and honour thee,  
Thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seats foretold,  
Most highly favour'd lady,"  
Gloria!
- 3 Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,  
"To me be as it pleaseth God," she said,  
"My soul shall laud and magnify His Holy Name."  
Most highly favour'd lady,  
Gloria!

- 4 Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born  
In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,  
And Christian folk throughout the world will ever  
say—  
Most highly favour'd lady,  
Gloria!

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