

Salve, Latus Salvatoris:

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Salve, latus Salvatoris,
In quo latet mel dulcoris,
In quo patet vis amoris,
In quo scatet fons cruoris
 Qui corda luit sordibus.
 O Cor Jesu, miserere!

O Cor Jesu perforatum,
Refugium dulce datum,
Ut possit quisque salutem
Hinc haurire et virtutem
 Tam pio medicamine.
 O Cor Jesu, miserere!

Corde passus tam amare,
Fac me, Jesu, te amare;
In te meum cor intingam,
Te ardenter ad me stringam,
 Me totum in te trahice.
 O Cor Jesu, miserere!

Hora mortis, meus flatus
Intret, Jesu, tuum latus;
Hic expirans, in te vadat,
Nec hunc leo trux invadat,
 Sed apud te permaneat.
 O Cor Jesu, miserere!

Hail, dear side of dearest Savior,
In which hides a honeyed flavor,
In which force of Love is rushing,
In which font of Blood is gushing
 That cleanses hearts of filth for Thee.
 Heart of Jesus, have Thou Mercy!

Heart of Jesus pierced and riven,
Refuge sweet to sinners given,
Through this pious medication
Let each soul its own salvation
 And strength of Spirit draw from Thee.
 Heart of Jesus, have Thou Mercy!

How in love Thy Heart was broken!
Make me love Thee as a token.
Jesus, mine in Thy Heart steeping,
Bind me fast in Thy safe-keeping
 And hurl me wholly into Thee.
 Heart of Jesus, have Thou Mercy!

Jesus, at my hour of dying,
Breath of mine to Thy breast flying,
Here expiring, let it hurry.
Guard it from the lion's fury
 And let it ever dwell with Thee.
 Heart of Jesus, have Thou Mercy!