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O magnum mysterium

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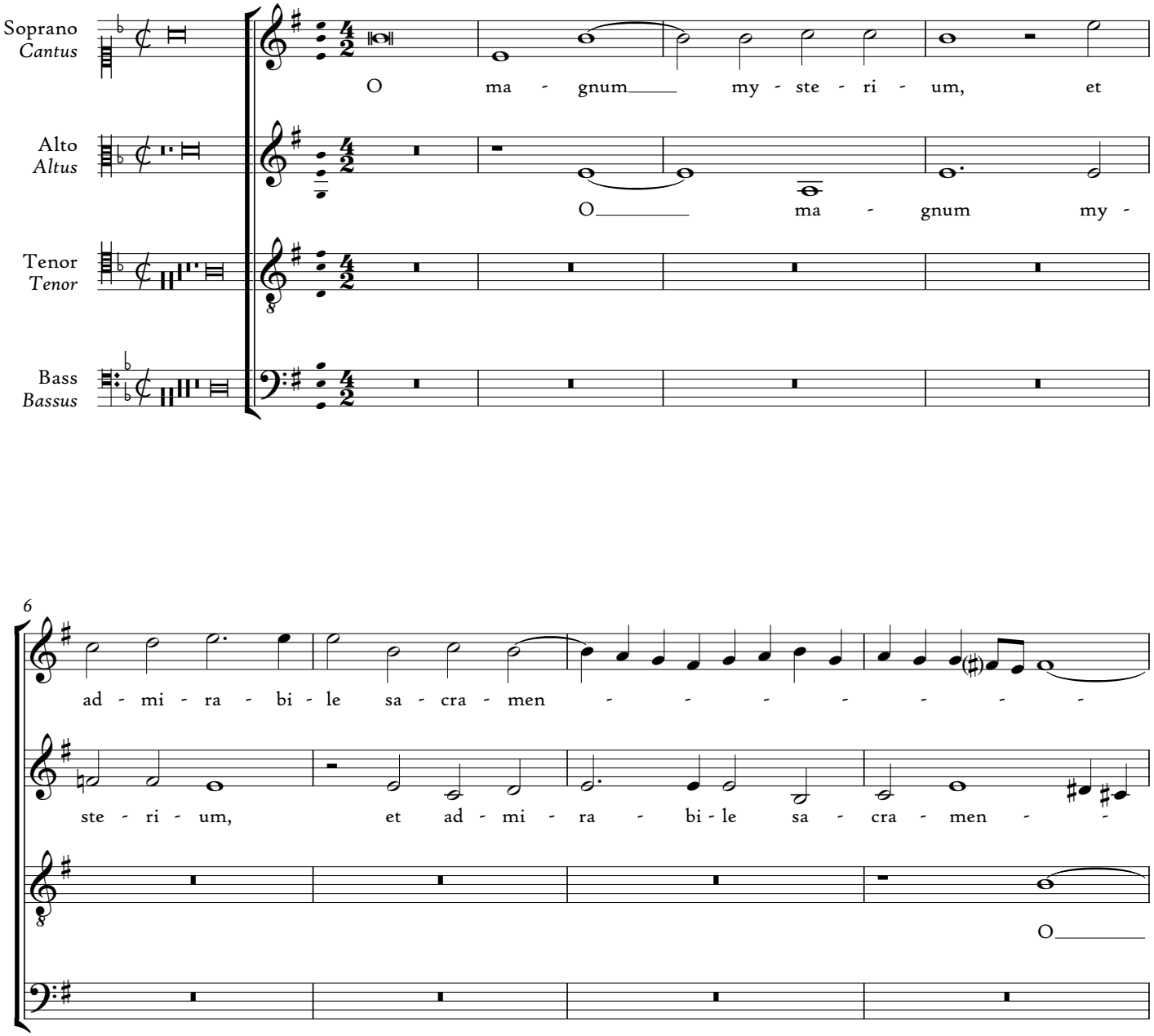
O beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Jesum Christum. Alleluia!

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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