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tar of Heaven, who did triumph when you gave suck to the Lord-

ov-er that first plague which Adam planted in the human horde:

May this Star now deign to shield us from the heavenly planets' wars

whose fell battles slay your people with dread pesti-lential sores.

O most kind and loving Star of the sea rescue us from pestilence;

Hear our prayer, Our Lady, for Thy Son nothing will deny Thee.

Save us, O Je-su, through whose honoured Mother we now pray.