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The Monk who Recited Five Psalms Daily

Right it is that the finest miracles are performed by the Virgin of whom our glorious Saviour was pleased to be born.

And so I will recount a miracle I heard, which you will also enjoy hearing, by which you can learn the great blessing that the Virgin, as I heard tell, bestowed on a good monk.

He could read a little, as it is told, but he was able to show his love for the matchless Virgin, and so he collected five psalms and put them together to advance in her praise, as he wished to do.

To this end he chose five psalms and put them together according to the five letters in the name Maria, so that he could secure a reward from her and see the face of her merciful son.

Whoever reads and examines these psalms will find **Magnificat** there and **Ad Dominum** also, and alongside them **In convertendo** and **Ad te**, and then the supplication **Retribue servo tuo**

asking for God's favour. And so without fail he would say these psalms every day, in truth, before her altar, and would prostrate himself and repent of all the wrongs he had done when he was a foolish sinner.

He observed this practise while he was alive, and when he died there appeared out of his mouth a rose bush where you could see five roses, which grew up because he had sung the praise of the mother of the Almighty