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# Virgin and Child Folio 7 verso

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# *Hodegetria*

She who shows the way



# *Theotokos*, “God-Bearer”

- Humanity begotten of Mary

## COUNCIL OF EPHESUS (431)

- Condemned all who denied that Christ was truly divine
- Asserted that Mary was truly the mother of God.

# Symbols

- Three white dots
- Angels
- Flabellum
- Thurible
- Cross

▶ Lozenge

▶ Lion's head

▶ Colour Purple



# Three White Dots

- The triple dots in white allude to the Trinity



# Colour

- Her mantle is purple mantle, the colour of majesty from classical times
- In the Far East tradition triple dots were also used to decorate the finest garments



# *Nativitas Jesu Christi*



- Six men looking to the next page where the words *Nativitas Jesu Christi* are written





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