In thee the image was preserved with exactness,

O Mother; for taking up thy cross, thou didst follow Christ, and by thy deeds thou didst teach us to other...

verlook the flesh, for it passeth away, but

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to attend to the soul since it is immortal. Wherefore, O righteous Hilda, thy spirit rejoiceth with the Angels.

O sleepless nights, with the singing of psalms,
and with standing which lasts from one day to the next!
O David, only for these faithful souls [the nuns], have you not sung too long!

- St. Gregory of Nazianzus