

“O Fortuna” Translation

Translation (Latin to English)

O Fortuna

O Fortuna
velut luna
statu variabilis,

semper crescis
aut decrescis;
vita detestabilis,
nunc obdurat
et tunc curat
ludo mentis aciem,
egestatem,
potestatem
dissolvit ut glaciem.

O Fortune

*O Fortune,
like the moon
you are changeable,

ever waxing
and waning;
hateful life
first oppresses
and then soothes
as fancy takes it;
poverty
and power
it melts them like ice.*

