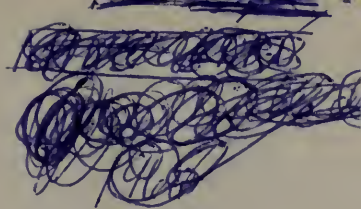




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THE LITURGY: WORSHIP: THE REALIZATION OF THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST

The Mystery of Christ

The word "mystery" comes from a Greek verb which means to keep one's eyes or ears closed. Ancients used the word to describe the secret symbols of their "mystery religions," secrets which were explained to new members only at the time of initiation. Early Christian writers found the term useful to express truths to be believed though they cannot be fully understood. These become acceptable by the explanation, by the illumination of faith. All of us are familiar with the expressions "the Mystery of the Incarnation," "the Mystery of the Trinity." The same word is used to describe the presence of Christ in Salvation History. It describes the constant saving presence of the Lord among us after the Ascension and Pentecost events. He is found in the sacraments: under their signs (mysteries). Christ continues his Incarnation, Death, Resurrection and Ascension. He extends redemption through space and time. He meets anyone who wants to encounter him under the "significant signs" (mysteries) of the sacraments. The meaningful matter, words and gesture of each sacrament signify not only the Lord's presence, but his specific purpose in coming. As in all "mystical" experiences, the gift of faith is essential to the realization of the sacrament. Only through his faith can the Christian understand and accept the Lord's presence and purpose in the signs, the sacramental mysteries: words, water, washing, bread and wine, eating and nourishing. Through understanding and faith, the Christian finds Christ in the sacramental mysteries.

About the time that the aged empire of Constantine yielded to the youthful thrust of Charlemagne, Christian theology and

worship underwent a change too. The mystical Christ seemed to become the mysterious Christ. The signs of the sacraments began to be seen as veils rather than as meaningful symbols. Even the language of worship (in our case, Latin) came to be understood as a means of concealment rather than of communication. As late as 1661, Pope Alexander VII wrote to the bishops of France about a recently published translation of the Latin missal into French:

"We have learned with great sorrow that in the kingdom of France certain sons of perdition, itching with novelties detrimental to souls, and despising the laws and practice of the church, have lately come to such madness as to dare to translate the Roman Missal into French and to hand it over to persons of every rank and sex. Thus they have attempted by their rash action to degrade the most sacred rites, to lower the majesty which the Latin language gives to them, and to expose the divine mysteries to the common gaze . . ."

And only with difficulty did the second Vatican Council restore the possibility of a vernacular worship in our own days.

"Liturgy" derives from the Greek noun which means "act of the people." The term, "laity" comes from the same root. Even in this common derivation is the importance of the laity in the liturgy stressed. "Worship" is the (old) English equivalent to the word liturgy. Both mean the service to God given by his people. By it are expressed adoration, thanksgiving, petition and sorrow, through the Lord Redeemer. At the same time liturgy proclaims God's coming to us in response to our service to endow us with grace, through the same Lord Redeemer. Liturgy has an upward and downward movement; "Glory to God, Peace (Grace) to men . . ." (Luke 1). Since the mystery of Christ as it is realized in the sacraments is the Lord's "usual" way of bringing, extending and restoring the gift of salvation, the close relationship between liturgy and sacrament stands out. For example, this is true even in Baptism. It would seem that the newly baptized receives everything from the Lord, that there is only a downward movement, yet God is also worshipped. He gains a new worshipper.

The present liturgical updating is a response to the worshipping Christian's reasonable and urgent demand that he know what is happening. He wants to understand by hearing what he is saying to God and what God is saying to him. We have come a long way since the time of Alexander VII. In all of the current reform, the Church does not intend to restore the ancient simply because it is ancient. Wisely, she is building the new liturgy through a thorough understanding of the history of the old. The Church is not a museum; she is a living organism ever being renewed to keep young.

The Use of the Hymnal-Missa!

This book has been developed and written to give to the worshipper a good understanding of and a way to share in the liturgy, in word and song. We print nothing that the worshipper can and should listen to, in the service. We omit whatever the commentator, reader, or celebrant says aloud in English. An assembly shows its oneness by "wrapping" its ears around the voice of one minister. We can easily miss the essentially community nature of the church if each pays attention only to his own book. Here is the one great weakness in the use of the missal. This type of book distracted the worshipper from the assembly. A companion volume will give the text of all readings, together with commentaries in depth. What follows, then, is a brief summary.

The Church Year

Long before God assembled and communicated himself to the nation of Israel, his primitive children were awed by the seasons of the year. Christian liturgy derives its yearly cycle from Israel, and Israel found some of its annual celebrations in worship practices of pagan ancestors. Whether primitive or sophisticated, man is still impressed by weather, the movement of the sun and moon, by seasons hot and cold. These cosmic forces he cannot control. Therefore he respects and either worships them or makes them the basis of his worship. Christianity converts the cycle of the year into the renewal of the cycle of redemption, the review of the History of Sal-

vation. The beginning of the liturgical year, Advent, suggests a four-fold "coming" of Christ. He came first in Prophecy, in the Old Testament, to make ready for his coming into our nature and time. Prophecy was fulfilled when the Word, the Second Person of God, became man and lived in our time. This is his Coming in History.

He was born, lived, taught, died and arose. In the Ascension-event, he simply and gloriously returned to his proper dimension and position as the Son of God, the Redeemer. He brought into the glorious kingdom not only his divine nature but our human nature too. Thereby he promised us our own share in his glory. This sharing begins at Baptism, is expanded in Christian living, and realizes its fulfillment after death. Christ died and arose again simply to prove to us that we shall do the same. Therefore the Lord continues to come to us individually in our space and time under the signs of the sacraments. This is his Coming in Mystery; the Mystery of Christ. In Baptism we die with Christ to sin, and arise in a new life as St. Paul has assured us. Therefore, the baptismal pool is the tomb in which we are buried with Christ; it is the womb from which we arise as new creatures. The other sacraments were fashioned by the Lord to help us to meet the crises of Christian life. In them we encounter Christ personally so that he can strengthen, ordain, heal, and nourish us unto our duties as Christians, other Christs here below.

The Word of God came in prophecy to prepare for his becoming man in history. He continues to come to us in mystery, under the signs of the sacraments, so that we can make ourselves and the whole world ready for his second visible coming, which is called the Parousia. This word was used by the ancient Greeks to describe the appearance, the coming, of the glorious emperor. Christians chose the word to describe the final coming of the King to claim us and the whole universe as the kingdom which he redeemed and consecrated unto the glory and honor of his Father; his Coming in Majesty.

We have then, four comings of the Lord: in prophecy, in history, in mystery, and in majesty. The liturgy of the church year

recalls this four-fold advent of Christ. In the season of Advent, we study the prophets of the old testament. We read again how they, in wonderful and various ways, foretold the birth of the Saviour.

In the Christmas-Epiphany season, we recall the historical event of the birth of the Saviour and of his being shown forth (Epiphany) as the glorious Son of God. In Lent and Eastertide, and this includes Pentecost, we not only recall the very history of our salvation, we relive it. At Christmas we just remember that Christ was born a man. In the Easter "mystery" we actually relive Christ's dying and arising again and our being one with him in these saving events, through Baptism and the Eucharist. In Pentecost we relive the coming of the Holy Spirit into the church to ennoble and enliven us unto our apostolic work. Easter is the renewal of Baptism; Pentecost revives Confirmation.

In the time after Pentecost, on the ordinary Sundays of the year, we are taught how to live as children of God, as brothers and sisters of the Lord.

The Eucharist and the Other Sacraments

All sacraments are related to the eucharistic celebration; all of them are public celebrations of the assembly of the church, of God's holy people. In chapter 19 of the book of Exodus, the Lord told Moses that the children of Israel were his holy people, a royal priesthood. St. Peter tells all of us Christians that we are also a priestly and royal family (1 PT. 2:9-10).

Baptism and Confirmation empower and charge us to take part in the Eucharist, the great act of thanksgiving and worship, as members of God's holy, priestly people. We are accepted and given status in the assembly of worship.

In Penance, the priest represents Christ and the assembly to reconcile the sinner, to admit him anew to the community, so that he can share at the table of the Lord. The sinner may be actually forgiven by an Act of Contrition, but he should await the Sacrament of Penance before he returns to Communion.

Holy Orders consecrate the men who are to preside in the assembly. The priest is needed to set up the altar of sacrifice, the banquet table of Holy Communion in the midst of his brethren and to form them into a eucharistic (thanksgiving) community.

Matrimony consecrates a man and a woman into the "two-in-oneness" of Christ and his Church. Their lives together and communion with each other are a constant and real image of the eucharistic assembly.

The anointing of the sick consecrates together into one, the suffering of the Christian and the suffering of Christ. It underscores a oneness in suffering which the Christian realizes mystically (under signs) with his brothers and with the Lord in every eucharistic assembly (Mass). The anointing joins the Christian's suffering to all of the Masses that he has celebrated. In the words of Paul, he makes up in his own body that which is lacking to the suffering of Christ (COL. 1:24). In the Mass, Christ no longer suffers. It is up to us to make up for his lack of suffering by our own. Anointing achieves this joining and consecration.

INTRODUCTION TO THE PROPER SECTION

This section of the book gives the user all the material which he needs to participate fully in the celebration of the Eucharistic Liturgy. The proper chants are printed in full so that they can be chanted or recited. The readings are not given because the community should listen to the official proclamation of the message by the celebrant or reader. However, a helpful but short commentary on the theme and reading of each celebration is given. The choice of a theme is often arbitrary since many celebrations just do not have a central idea. Whereas some of the readings were deliberately combined to develop a theme, other arrangements of Epistles and Gospels have been so shuffled through the centuries that there is little natural relationship between them. The commentary given here is a possible way of interpreting the readings around one point of meditation and instruction.

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ADVENT

Advent means coming. It recalls the coming of the Lord in *prophecy* and *history*. It relives his coming in the *mystery* of the sacraments. It makes ready for his final coming in glory, in *majesty*.



FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

The Lord assures us that when we see "great signs and wonders," we can "look for our redemption." We can look toward his glorious coming as the Redeemer. In the meantime, the Eucharist is a "sign of wonder" in which we see the Lord gloriously coming to us now. This insight is possible through faith.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 24, 1-3; PS. 24, 4

Antiphon: To you I lift up my soul;
in you, O my God, I trust;
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies exult over me.
No one who waits for you shall be put to shame.

Psalm: Your ways, O Lord, make known to me;
teach me your paths.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ROM. 13,11-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 24, 3-4; PS. 84, 8

No one who waits for you shall be put to shame.
Your ways, O Lord, make known to me;
teach me your paths.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Show us, O Lord, your kindness,
and grant us your salvation. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 21,25-33

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 24, 1-3

To you I lift up my soul; in you, O my God, I trust;
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies exult over me.
No one who waits for you shall be put to shame.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 84, 13

The Lord will give his benefits:
and our land shall yield its increase.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

We consider the life of St. John the Baptist. He reminds us that the Lord comes to save all, especially the poor and simple.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 30, 30; PS. 79, 2

Antiphon: People of Sion,
behold the Lord shall come to save the nations;
and the Lord shall make the glory of his voice to be heard,
in the joy of your heart.

Psalm: O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
O guide of the flock of Joseph!
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ROM. 15,4-13

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 49, 2-3, 5; PS. 121, 1

From Sion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth.
Gather his faithful ones before him,
those who have made a covenant with him by sacrifice.
Alleluia, alleluia.

I rejoiced because they said to me:
"We will go up to the house of the Lord." Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 11,2-10

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 84, 7-8

Will you not, O God, give us life;
and shall not your people rejoice in you?
Show us, O Lord, your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.

COMMUNION SONG

BAR. 5, 5; BAR. 4, 36

Up, Jerusalem! stand upon the heights;
and behold the joy that comes to you from your God.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Of old, the prophets told the Israelites again and again that they must change their way of life; that they must convert to the Lord's way. Today St. John the Baptist tells us the same thing. Our life must be a constant conversion from our own selfish way to the unselfish way of the Lord.

ENTRANCE SONG

PHIL. 4, 4-6; PS. 84, 2

Antiphon: Rejoice in the Lord always:

again I say, rejoice.

Let your moderation be known to all men:
for the Lord is near.

Have no anxiety, but in everything,
by prayer let your petitions be made known to God.

Psalm: You have favored, O Lord, your land;

you have restored the well-being of Jacob.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

PHIL. 4,4-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 79, 2, 3, 2

From your throne, O Lord, upon the cherubim,
rouse your power, and come.

O shepherd of Israel, hearken, O guide of the flock of Joseph!

Alleluia, alleluia.

Rouse, O Lord, your power, and come to save us. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 1,19-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 84, 2

You have favored, O Lord, your land;

you have restored the well-being of Jacob.

You have forgiven the guilt of your people.

COMMUNION SONG

IS. 35, 4

Say to those who are frightened: Be strong, fear not!

Here is our God, he comes to save us.

EMBER WEDNESDAY IN ADVENT

All peoples are impressed by the phenomena of nature. The ancient pagans marked the change of the seasons by sacrifice and celebration. Early Christianity took this sort of observance into her own liturgy. We have four sets of Ember days to mark the change of seasons. Because some of these days are of a penitential character, they are called "Ember" to remind us of the sackcloth and ashes which ancient penitents used to wear. The theme of the Ember Wednesday in Advent is stated as the coming of the Prince of Peace.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 45, 8; PS. 18, 2

Antiphon: Drop down dew, you heavens, from above,
and let the clouds rain the Just:
let the earth be opened and bud forth a savior.

Psalm: The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 2,2-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 23, 7, 3-4

After the first reading:

Lift up, O gates, your lintels;
reach up, you ancient portals,
that the king of glory may come in!
Who can ascend the mountain of the Lord?
or who may stand in his holy place?
He whose hands are sinless,
whose heart is clean.

SECOND READING

IS. 7,10-15

MEDITATION SONG

After the second reading:

PS. 144, 18, 21

The Lord is near to all who call upon him,
to all who call upon him in truth.
May my mouth speak the praise of the Lord,
and may all flesh bless his holy name.

THIRD READING

LK. 1, 26-36

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

IS. 35, 4

Be strong, fear no longer!
For, behold, our God will bring judgment.
He himself will come to save us.

COMMUNION SONG

IS. 7, 14

Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son,
and shall name him Emmanuel.

EMBER FRIDAY IN ADVENT

*This celebration of God's Word gives further assurance about
the coming of the Lord Redeemer.*

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 151-152, 1

Antiphon: You, O Lord, are near, and all your ways are truth.
Of old I know from your decrees that you are forever.

Psalms: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 11, 1-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 84, 8, 2

Show us, O Lord, your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.
You have favored, O Lord, your land;
you have restored the well-being of Jacob.

SECOND READING

LK. 1,39-46

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 84, 7-8

Will you not, O God, give us life;
and shall not your people rejoice in you?
Show us, O Lord, your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.

COMMUNION SONG

ZA. 14, 5-6

Behold, the Lord shall come,
and all his holy ones with him:
and there shall be in that day a great light.

EMBER SATURDAY IN ADVENT

The King is coming to establish his kingdom to save all men.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 79, 4, 2

Antiphon: Come, O Lord, from your throne upon the cherubim;
if your face shine upon us, then we shall be safe.

Psalm: O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
O guide of the flock of Joseph!
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 19,20-22

MEDITATION SONG

After the first reading:

PS. 18, 7, 2

At one end of the heavens he comes forth,
and his course is to their other end.
The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

SECOND READING

11 THES. 2,1-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 79, 2-3

After the second reading:

O shepherd of Israel, hearken, O guide of the flock of Joseph!
From your throne upon the cherubim,
shine forth before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasse.
Rouse your power, O Lord, and come to save us.

THIRD READING

LK. 3,1-6

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

ZA. 9, 9

Rejoice heartily, O daughter of Sion,
shout for joy, O daughter of Jerusalem!
See, your king shall come to you,
a just savior is he.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 18, 6-7

He has rejoiced as a giant to run the way:
at one end of the heavens he comes forth,
and his course is to their other end.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Today we are greatly comforted by the assurance that the Lord indeed came to save all mankind.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 45, 8; PS. 18, 2

Antiphon: Drop down dew, you heavens, from above,
and let the clouds rain the Just:
let the earth be opened and bud forth a savior.

Psalm: The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 COR. 4,1-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 144, 18, 21

The Lord is near to all who call upon him,
to all who call upon him in truth.
May my mouth speak the praise of the Lord,
and may all flesh bless his holy name.

On Sunday only:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, O Lord, and delay not;
forgive the sins of your people Israel. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 3,1-6

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 1, 28

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you,
blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

COMMUNION SONG

IS. 7, 14

Behold, a virgin shall be with child and bear a son,
and shall name him Emmanuel.

VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS

The theme of Christ the King is heralded as the motif for the twelve days to come.

ENTRANCE SONG

EX. 16, 6-7; PS. 23, 1

Antiphon: This day you shall know
that the Lord will come, and save us:
and in the morning you shall see his glory.

Psalm: The Lord's are the earth and its fullness;
the world and those who dwell in it.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ROM. 1,1-6

MEDITATION SONG

EX. 16, 6-7; PS. 79, 2-3

This day you shall know
that the Lord will come and save us:
and in the morning you shall see his glory.
O shepherd of Israel, hearken, O guide of the flock of Joseph!
From your throne upon the cherubim,
shine forth before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasse.

On Sunday only:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Tomorrow shall the wickedness of the earth be abolished:
and the savior of the world shall reign over us. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 1,18-21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 23, 7

Lift up, O gates, your lintels;
reach up, you ancient portals,
that the king of glory may come in.

COMMUNION SONG

IS. 40, 5

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all mankind shall see the salvation of our God.

The Twelve Days of Christmas

This holy time of total celebration recalls the birth of Christ, in flesh and time, and his being shown forth as the Lord Redeemer (Epiphany).

THE FEAST OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

Mass at Midnight

The Lord came to set up His Kingdom among the honest and simple children of his Father.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 2, 7, 1

Antiphon: The Lord said to me, "You are my son; this day I have begotten you."

Psalm: Why do the nations rage and the people utter folly?
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

TI. 2,11-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 109, 3, 1; PS. 2, 7

Yours is princely power
in the day of your birth, in holy splendor;
before the daystar, I have begotten you.
The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand, till I make your enemies your footstool."
Alleluia, alleluia.
The Lord said to me, "You are my son;
this day I have begotten you." Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 2,1-14

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 95, 11, 13

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice before the Lord,
for he comes.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 109, 3

In holy splendor, before the daystar I have begotten you.

Mass at Dawn

The readings of this celebration describe the mystery of Christ in terms of his messianic kingdom. He is at the very center of creation, and gives it meaning. His Kingdom embraces everything that was, that is, or will be.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 9, 2, 6; PS. 92, 1

Antiphon: A light shall shine upon us this day:

for the Lord is born to us:

and he shall be called wonderful, God, prince of peace,

Father of the world to come:

of whose reign there shall be no end.

Psalm: The Lord is king, in splendor robed;
robed is the Lord and girt about with strength.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

TL. 3,4-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 26, 27, 23; PS. 92, 1

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;

the Lord is God, and he has given us light.

By the Lord has this been done;

it is wonderful in our eyes.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord is king, in splendor robed;

robed is the Lord and girt about with strength. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 2,15-20

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 92, 1-2

God has made the world firm, not to be moved.

Your throne, O God, stands firm from of old;

from everlasting you are.

COMMUNION SONG

ZA. 9, 9

Rejoice heartily, O daughter Sion,

shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem!

See, your king shall come,

a just savior of the world is he.

Mass in the Day

The readings of this celebration describe the mystery of Christ in terms of his messianic kingdom. He is at the very center of creation, and gives it meaning. His kingdom embraces everything that was, that is, or will be.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 9, 6; PS. 97, 1

Antiphon: A child is born to us, a son is given to us;
upon his shoulder dominion rests;
and his name shall be called the angel of great counsel.

Psalm: Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

HEB. 1, 1-12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 97, 3-4, 2

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God.
Sing joyfully to God, all you lands.
The Lord has made his salvation known:
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.
Alleluia, alleluia.

A sanctified day has shone upon us;
come, you nations, and adore the Lord:
for this day a great light has descended upon the earth.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 1, 1-14

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 12, 15

Yours are the heavens, and yours is the earth;
the world and its fullness you have founded.
Justice and judgment are the foundation of your throne.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 97, 3

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God.

SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

As Christians, it is our joy and privilege to be free. Today we celebrate our freedom as sons of God.

ENTRANCE SONG

WIS. 18, 14-15; PS. 92, 1

Antiphon: When a profound stillness compassed everything
and the night in its swift course was half spent,
your all-powerful word, O Lord,
bounded from heaven's royal throne.

Psalm: The Lord is king, in splendor robed;
robed is the Lord and girt about with strength.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

GAL. 4,1-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 3, 2; PS. 92, 1

Fairer in beauty are you than the sons of men;
grace is poured out upon your lips.
My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king,
my tongue is nimble as the pen of a skillful scribe.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The Lord is king, in splendor robed;
robed is the Lord and girt about with strength. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 2,33-40

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 92, 1-2

God has made the world firm, not to be moved.
Your throne, O God, stands firm from of old;
from everlasting you are.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 2, 20

Take the child and his mother,
and go into the land of Israel,
for those who sought the child's life are dead.

DAYS WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 9, 6; PS. 97, 1

Antiphon: A child is born to us,
a son is given to us;
upon his shoulder dominion rests;
and his name shall be called the angel of great counsel.

Psalm: Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

TL. 3, 4-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 97, 3-4, 2

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God.
Sing joyfully to God, all you lands.
The Lord has made his salvation known:
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.
Alleluia, alleluia.
A sanctified day has shone upon us;
come, you nations, and adore the Lord:
for this day a great light has descended upon the earth.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 2, 15-20

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 12, 15

Yours are the heavens, and yours is the earth;
the world and its fullness you have founded.
Justice and judgment are the foundation of your throne.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 97, 3

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God.

January 1

IN THE OCTAVE OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

The Lord was circumcised to show his obedience to the Father through the ancient law of Moses. This obedience will find its fulfillment on the cross.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 9, 6; PS. 97, 1

Antiphon: A child is born to us,
a son is given to us;
upon his shoulder dominion rests;
and his name shall be called the angel of great counsel.

Psalm: Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

TI. 2,11-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 97, 3-4, 2; HEB. 1, 1-2

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God.
Sing joyfully to God, all you lands.
The Lord has made his salvation known:
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.
Alleluia, alleluia.
God, who in diverse ways
spoke in times past to the fathers by the prophets;
last of all, in these days, has spoken to us by his son. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 2,21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 12, 15

Yours are the heavens, and yours is the earth;
the world and its fullness you have founded.
Justice and judgment are the foundation of your throne.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 97, 3

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God.

FEAST OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

We are asked to consider today how there is very real power in the very name of the Lord. Of this, he himself has assured us: "Ask anything in my name . . ."

ENTRANCE SONG

PHIL. 2, 10-11; PS. 8, 2

Antiphon: At the name of Jesus every knee should bend of those in heaven, on earth, and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father.

Psalm: O Lord, our Lord,
how glorious is your name over all the earth!

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ACTS 4,8-12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 105, 47; IS. 63, 16; PS. 144, 21

Save us, O Lord, our God,
and gather us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name
and glory in praising you.

You, O Lord, are our Father and our redeemer,
from everlasting is your name.

Alleluia, alleluia.

May my mouth speak the praise of the Lord,
and may all flesh bless his holy name. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 2:21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 85, 12,15

I will give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with all my heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in kindness to all who call upon you. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 85, 9-10

All the nations you have made
shall come and worship you, O Lord, and glorify your name.
For you are great and do wondrous deeds;
you alone are God. Alleluia.

January 6

EPIPHANY

The word means a "showing forth." The feast comes from the Greek liturgy. It means the showing forth of Jesus as the Lord Redeemer in fulfillment of the prophecies.

ENTRANCE SONG

MAL. 3, 1; 1 PAR. 29, 12; PS. 71, 1

Antiphon: Behold, the Lord the ruler is come;
and the kingdom is in his hand, and power, and dominion.

Psalm: O God, with your judgment endow the king,
and with your justice, the king's son.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 60,1-6

MEDITATION SONG

IS. 60, 6, 1; MT. 2, 2

All from Saba shall come,
bringing gold and frankincense,
and proclaiming the praises of the Lord.
Rise up in splendor, O Jerusalem,
for the glory of the Lord shines upon you.
Alleluia, alleluia.
We have seen his star in the East:
and have come with gifts to worship the Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 2,1-12

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 71, 10-11

The kings of Tharsis and the isles shall offer gifts;
the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring tribute.
All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 2, 2

We have seen his star in the east
and have come with gifts to worship the Lord.

THE HOLY FAMILY

This rather recent feast was originated in Canada in the 18th century. It urges us to pattern our family life after the example of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

ENTRANCE SONG

PRV. 23, 24, 25; PS. 83, 2-3

Antiphon: The father of the just will exult with glee;
let your father and mother have joy;
let her who bore you exult.

Psalm: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

COL. 3,12-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 26, 4; PS. 83, 5; IS. 45, 15

One thing I ask of the Lord; this I seek:
to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.
Happy they who dwell in your house, O Lord!
continually they praise you.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Truly you are a hidden God,
the God of Israel, the savior. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 2,42-52

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 2, 22

The parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem,
to present him to the Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 2, 51

Jesus went down with them, and came to Nazareth
and was subject to them.

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

This celebration speaks of Christian witnessing. We Christians are joined to Christ in his responsibility to witness to the good news of Salvation in the whole world.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 99, 1

Antiphon: Upon a high throne I saw a man sitting,
whom a multitude of angels adore, singing in unison:
"Behold him, the name of whose empire is forever."

Psalm: Sing joyfully to God, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ROM. 12,1-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 71, 18, 3; PS. 99, 1

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,
who alone does wondrous deeds.
The mountains shall yield peace for the people,
and the hills justice.
Alleluia, alleluia. Sing joyfully to God, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 2,42-52

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 99, 1-2

Sing joyfully to God, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness
come before him with joyful song.
Know that the Lord is God.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 2, 48, 49

"Son, why have you done so to us?
In sorrow your father and I have been seeking you."
"How is it that you sought me?
Did you not know that I must be about my father's business?"

**This celebration is always replaced by the feast of the Holy Family. It is used however, in the weekday masses following Holy Family Sunday.*

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

The theme of this celebration is realized in the gospel, the miracle at Cana. What Jesus did was certainly the first great sign of his glory, the glory which will be fulfilled on the cross.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 65, 4, 1-2

Antiphon: Let all on earth worship you, O God,
and sing praise to you,
sing praise to your name, Most High.

Psalm: Shout joyfully to God, all you on earth,
sing praise to the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ROM. 12,6-16

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 106, 20-21; PS. 148, 2

The Lord sent forth his word to heal them
and to snatch them from destruction.
Let them give thanks to the Lord for his kindness
and his wondrous deeds to the children of men.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Praise the Lord, all you his angels,
praise him, all you his hosts. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 2,1-11

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 65, 1-2, 16

Shout joyfully to God, all you on earth,
sing praise to the glory of his name.
Hear now, all you who fear God,
while I declare what the Lord has done for me.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 2, 7, 8, 9, 10-11

The Lord said,
"Fill the jars with water and take to the chief steward."
When the chief steward had tasted the water
after it had become wine, he said to the bridegroom,
"You have kept the good wine until now."
This first miracle Jesus worked in the presence of his disciples.

When Septuagesima comes early, any or all of the Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth Sundays after Epiphany are transferred to the end of the Pentecost season.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Today the Church continues to teach us about charity and faith, faith in the healing power of the Lord.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 96, 7-8, 1

Antiphon: Adore God, all you his angels:
Sion hears and is glad, and the cities of Juda rejoice.

Psalm: The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice;
let the many isles be glad.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ROM. 12,16-21

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 101, 16-17; PS. 96, 1

The nations shall revere your name, O Lord,
and all the kings of the earth your glory.
For the Lord has rebuilt Sion,
and he shall appear in his glory.
Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice;
let the many isles be glad. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 8,1-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 117, 16, 17

The right hand of the Lord has struck with power:
the right hand of the Lord has exalted me;
I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 4, 22

All marvelled at the words that came from the mouth of God.

**FOURTH, FIFTH AND SIXTH SUNDAYS
AFTER EPIPHANY**

**Same as THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
except the following**

FOURTH SUNDAY

Today's theme is set by the gospel message. It urges us to trust in the Lord, to put full confidence in him. He will take care of us.

FIRST READING

ROM. 13,8-10

SECOND READING

MT. 8,23-27

FIFTH SUNDAY

Today God's Word tells us again that the only way to overwhelm wickedness is with love.

FIRST READING

COL. 3,12-17

SECOND READING

MT. 13,24-30

SIXTH SUNDAY

The growth of the church is thematic note which is sounded in today's celebration.

FIRST READING

I THES. 1,2-10

SECOND READING

MT. 13,31-35

PRE-LENT

The three Sundays preceding Lent are called Septuagesima, Sexagesima, Quinquagesima. This means that they are roughly seventy, sixty, and fifty days from Easter. Originally these three pre-Lenten Sundays were celebrated to ask God's protection against enemy armies invading Rome. It is easy and reasonable to transpose such a petition into the context of God's protection against all manner of evil.

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY

This very serious celebration asks us to realize both the grace which the sacraments give to us, and our duty to respond to this grace by the good that we do.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 17, 5, 6, 7, 2-3

Antiphon: The terrors of death surged round about me,
the cords of the nether world enmeshed me.
In my distress I called upon the Lord;
from his holy temple he heard my voice.

Psalms: I love you, O Lord, my strength,
O Lord, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

I COR. 9,24-27; I COR. 10,1-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 9, 10-11, 19-20; PS. 129, 1-4

A stronghold in times of distress;
they trust in you who cherish you;
for you forsake not those who seek you, O Lord.
For the needy shall not always be forgotten;
nor shall the hope of the afflicted forever perish;
rise, O Lord, let not man prevail.
Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive to the prayer of your servant.
If you, O Lord, mark iniquities,
Lord, who can stand it?
But with you is forgiveness,
and by reason of your law
I have waited for you, O Lord.

SECOND READING

MT. 20,1-16

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 2

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
and to sing praise to your name, Most High.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 30, 17-18

Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your kindness.
O Lord, let me not be put to shame, for I call upon you.

SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY

The Word of God assures us that we should not be discouraged if our preaching, our example of Christian living, meets often with little success.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 43, 23-26, 2

Antiphon: Awake! Why are you asleep, O Lord?
Arise! Cast us not off forever!
Why do you hide your face, forgetting our oppression?
Our bodies are pressed to the earth.
Arise, O Lord, help us, and deliver us.

Psalm: O God, our ears have heard,
our fathers have declared to us.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 COR. 11,19-33 ; 2 COR. 12,1-9

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 82, 19, 14; PS. 59, 4, 6

Let the nations know that God is your name;
you alone are the Most High over all the earth.
O my God, make them like leaves in a whirlwind,
like chaff before the wind.
You have rocked the country, O Lord, and split it open.
Repair the cracks in it, for it is tottering.
That they may flee out of bowshot;
that your loved ones may escape.

SECOND READING

LK. 8,4-15

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 16, 5, 6-7

Make my steps steadfast in your paths,
that my feet may not falter.
Incline your ear to me; hear my word.
Show your wondrous kindness, O Lord,
savior of those who trust in you.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 42. 4

I will go in to the altar of God, the God of my gladness and joy.

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY

Just before Lent the church warns us in God's holy Word that it is only in love that we proclaim our Christian way of life. If we are blind to this, may the Lord heal us!

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 30, 3-4, 2

Antiphon: Be my rock of refuge, O God,
a stronghold to give me safety.
You are my rock and my fortress;
for your name's sake you will lead and guide me.

Psalm: In you, O Lord, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
In your justice rescue me and deliver me.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 COR. 13, 1-13

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 76, 15, 16; PS. 99, 2-3

You are the God who alone works wonders;
among the peoples you have made known your power.
With your strong arm you delivered your people,
the sons of Israel and Joseph.

On Sunday only:

Sing joyfully to God, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him with joyful song;
know that the Lord is God.
He made us, his we are;
his people, the flock he tends.

SECOND READING

LK. 18, 31-43

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 12-13

Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes.
With my lips I declare all the ordinances of your mouth.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 77, 29-30

They ate and were wholly surfeited;
the Lord had brought them what they craved:
they were not defrauded of that which they craved.

LENT

In early Christian times, Lent was the time for final preparation of converts to be baptized at Easter. Later it became time for public penance for serious sinners. They were reconciled to the Church during the Lenten disciplines. Finally Lent became a review of learning and a repentance from sinning for all Christian people. If we understand these three elements we understand the meaning of this time.

ASH WEDNESDAY

This celebration considers the "second baptism" of Christian sinners; the ashes of penance renew baptismal holiness.

Blessing of the Ashes

PS. 68, 17, 2

Antiphon: Hear us, O Lord, for bounteous is your kindness;
in your great mercy turn toward us, O Lord.

Psalm: Save me, O God, for the waters threaten my life.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

Imposition of the Ashes

ANTIPHON I

JL. 2, 13

Let us change our garments for ashes and sackcloth;
let us fast and lament before the Lord:
for plenteous in mercy is our God to forgive our sins.

ANTIPHON II

JL. 2, 17; EST. 13, 17

Between the porch and the altar,
let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep, and say,
"Spare, O Lord, your people;
and close not the mouths of those who sing to you, O Lord."

ANTIPHON III

EST. 13; JL. 2; PS. 78, 9

Let us amend for the better
in those things in which we have sinned through ignorance,
lest suddenly overtaken by the day of death,
we seek time for repentance and are not able to find it.
Attend, O Lord, and have mercy;
for we have sinned against you.
Help us, O God, our savior;
and because of the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.
Attend, O Lord, and have mercy;
for we have sinned against you.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
Attend, O Lord, and have mercy;
for we have sinned against you.

At Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

WIS. 11, 24, 25, 27; PS. 56, 2

Antiphon: You have mercy on all, O Lord,
and hate none of the things which you have made,
overlooking the sins of men for the sake of repentance
and sparing them:
because you are the Lord our God.

Psalm: Have pity on me, O God;
have pity on me, for in you I take refuge.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JL. 2,12-19

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 56, 2, 4; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

Have pity on me, O God,
have pity on me, for in you I take refuge.
He has sent from heaven and saved me;
he has made those a reproach who trample upon me.
O Lord, deal with us not according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

MT. 6,16-21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 29, 2-3

I will extol you, O Lord, for you drew me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O Lord, I cried out to you and you healed me.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 1, 2, 3

He who shall meditate day and night on the law of the Lord
shall yield his fruit in due season.

THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

Today the word of God reminds us that we must combine our penance with prayer.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 54, 17, 19, 20, 23; PS. 54, 2-3

Antiphon: When I called upon the Lord,
he heard my voice
and freed me from those who war against me;
and he humbled them,
who is before all ages and remains forever.
Cast your care upon the Lord, and he will support you.

Psalm: Hearken, O God, to my prayer;
turn not away from my pleading;
give heed to me, and answer me.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 38, 1-6

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 54, 23, 17, 18, 19

Cast your care upon the Lord, and he will support you.
When I called upon the Lord,
he heard my voice and freed me from those who war against me.

SECOND READING

MT. 8:5-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 24, 1-3

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul:
in you, O my God, I trust;
let me not be put to shame, let not my enemies exult over me.
No one who waits on you shall be put to shame.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 50, 21

You shall be pleased with due sacrifices,
burnt offerings and holocausts on your altar, O Lord.

FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

We have already seen the need of prayer and penance (fasting). Today the third ingredient of our Lenten effort is added — brotherly love.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 29, 11, 2

Antiphon: The Lord has heard, and has had pity on me;
the Lord became my helper.

Psalms: I will extol you, O Lord, for you drew me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice over me.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

IS. 58, 1-9

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 26, 4; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

One thing I ask the Lord; this I seek:
to dwell in the house of the Lord.
That I may gaze on the loveliness of the Lord
and be protected by his holy temple.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 43-48; 6, 1-4

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 154, 125

O Lord, for the sake of your promise give me life,
that I may know your decrees.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 2, 11-12

Serve the Lord with fear,
and rejoice before him with trembling;
embrace discipline, lest you perish from the just way.

SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

Our trust in God deserves consideration today — the virtue of hope.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 29, 11, 2

Antiphon: The Lord has heard, and has had pity on me;
the Lord became my helper.

Psalm: I will extol you, O Lord, for you drew me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice over me.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 58,9-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 26, 4

One thing I ask the Lord; this I seek:
to dwell in the house of the Lord.
That I may gaze on the loveliness of the Lord
and be protected by his holy temple.

SECOND READING

MK. 6,47-56

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 154, 125

O Lord, for the sake of your promise give me life,
that I may know your decrees.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 2, 11, 12

Serve the Lord with fear,
and rejoice before him with trembling;
embrace discipline, lest you perish from the just way.

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Temptation is the theme on this day. By allowing the devil to test him, Jesus shows that he is taking on the responsibility for the sins of all those who yielded to temptation; the people of ancient Israel, the people of the new covenant; ourselves.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 90, 15, 16, 1

Antiphon: He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;
I will deliver him and glorify him;
with length of days I will gratify him.

Psalm: You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High,
shall abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 COR. 6, 1-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 90, 11-12, 1-7, 11-16

To his angels God has given command about you,
that they guard you in all your ways.
Upon their hands they shall bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High,
shall abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
Say to the Lord,
"My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
For he will rescue you from the snare of the fowler,
from the destroying pestilence.
With his pinions he will cover you,
and under his wings you shall take refuge.
His faithfulness is a buckler and a shield;
you shall not fear the terror of the night.
Nor the arrow that flies by day;
nor the pestilence that roams in darkness;
nor the devastating plague at noon.
Though a thousand fall at your side,
ten thousand at your right side,
near you it shall not come.

For to his angels he has given command about you,
that they may guard you in all your ways.
Upon their hands they shall bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
You shall tread upon the asp and the viper;
you shall trample down the lion and the dragon.
Because he clings to me, I will deliver him;
I will set him on high because he acknowledges my name.
He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;
I will be with him in distress.
I will deliver him and glorify him;
with length of days I will gratify him
and will show him my salvation.

SECOND READING

MT. 4,1-11

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 90, 4-5

With his pinions the Lord will cover you,
and under his wings you shall take refuge;
his faithfulness is a buckler and a shield.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 90, 4-5

With his pinions the Lord will cover you,
and under his wings you shall take refuge;
his faithfulness is a buckler and a shield.

MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK IN LENT

We hear about our sharing in Christ's work as the shepherd.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 122, 2, 1

Antiphon: As the eyes of servants
are on the hands of their masters,
so are our eyes on the Lord, our God, till he have pity on us.
Have pity on us, O Lord, have pity on us.

Psalm: To you I lift up my eyes, who are enthroned in heaven.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

EZ. 34, 11-16

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 83, 10, 9; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

Behold, O God, our protector, and look upon your servants.
O Lord God of hosts, hear the prayers of your servants.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

MT. 25, 31-46

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 18, 26, 73

I will lift up my eyes, that I may consider your wonders, O Lord;
teach me your statutes;
give me discernment that I may learn your commands.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 25, 40, 34

Amen I say to you:
What you did for one of these, the least of my brethren,
you did for me:
come, blessed of my Father,
take possession of the kingdom prepared for you
from the foundation of the world.

TUESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK IN LENT

We are reminded again here that God demands a total conversion, a repentance from the heart.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 89, 1, 2

Antiphon: Lord, you have been our refuge
through all generations;
from everlasting to everlasting you are.

Psalm: Before the mountains were begotten
and the earth and the world were brought forth,
from everlasting to everlasting, you are God.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 55,6-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 140, 2

Let my prayer come like incense before you, O Lord.
The lifting up of my hands, like the evening sacrifice.

SECOND READING

MT. 21,10-17

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 30, 15-16

My trust is in you, O Lord;
I say, "You are my God."
In your hands is my destiny.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 4, 2

When I call, answer me, O my just God,
you who relieve me when I am in distress;
have pity on me, O Lord, and hear my prayer!

EMBER WEDNESDAY IN LENT

Before we arrive at the joy and glory of Easter we have first to go through forty days of Lenten journey. God intends that we should accustom ourselves to live the Paschal rhythm of "death and life," to reclaim our real selves, and to become ready to share in Christ's glory.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 24, 6, 3, 22, 1-2

Antiphon: Remember that your compassion, O Lord,
and your kindness are from of old;
let not our enemies exult over us;
deliver us, O God of Israel, from all our tribulations.

Psalms: To you I lift up my soul, O Lord;
in you, O my God, I trust; let me not be put to shame.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

EX. 24, 12-18

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 24, 17-18

After the first reading:

Relieve the troubles of my heart,
and bring me out of distress, O Lord.
Put an end to my affliction and my suffering,
and take away all my sins.

SECOND READING

3 KGS. 19, 3-8

After the second reading:

PS. 24, 17, 18, 1-4

Bring me out of distress, O Lord;
put an end to my affliction and my suffering,
and take away all my sins.
To you, I lift up my soul, O Lord.
In you, O my God, I trust;
let me not be put to shame,
let not my enemies exult over me.
No one who waits for you shall be put to shame;
those shall be put to shame who heedlessly break faith.

THIRD READING

MT. 12, 38-50

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 47, 48

I will delight in your commands, which I love exceedingly.
And I will lift up my hands to your commands which I love.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 5, 2-4

Attend to my sighing,
heed my call for help, my king and my God!
To you, I pray, O Lord.

THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK IN LENT

We just must be humbly aware of our sins.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 95, 6, 1

Antiphon: Splendor and majesty go before him;
praise and grandeur are in his sanctuary.

Psalm: Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all you lands.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EZ. 18,1-9

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 16, 8, 2

Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;
hide me in the shadow of your wings.
From you let my judgment come;
your eyes behold what is right.

SECOND READING

MT. 15,21-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 33, 8-9

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him,
and delivers them.
Taste and see how good the Lord is.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 6, 52

The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.

EMBER FRIDAY IN LENT

On this day we are greatly comforted to hear of the relentlessness of God's mercy.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 24, 17, 18, 1-2

Antiphon: Bring me out of distress, O Lord;
put an end to my affliction and my suffering,
and take away all my sins.

Psalm: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
In you, O my God, I trust;
let me not be put to shame.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EZ. 18, 20-28

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 85, 2, 6; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

Save your servant, O my God, who trusts in you.
Hearken, O Lord, to my prayer.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

JN. 5, 1-15

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 102, 2, 5

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits;
and your youth shall be renewed like the eagle's.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 6, 11

All my enemies shall be put to shame in utter terror;
they shall fall back in sudden shame.

EMBER SATURDAY IN LENT

We are not allowed to forget that self-discipline now leads to glory later on. Effort and unselfishness now, increase our capacity to love.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 87, 3, 2

Antiphon: Let my prayer come before you;
incline your ear to my call for help, O Lord.

Psalm: O Lord, the God of my salvation, by day I cry out,
at night I clamor in your presence.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

DT. 26,12-19

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 78, 9, 10

After the first reading:

Pardon our sins, O Lord;
why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"
Help us, O God, our savior;
because of the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.

SECOND READING

I THES. 5,14-23

MEDITATION SONG

After the second reading:

PS. 116, 1-2

Praise the Lord, all you nations;
glorify him, all you peoples!
For steadfast is his kindness toward us,
and the fidelity of the Lord endures forever.

THIRD READING

MT. 17,1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 87, 2-3

O Lord, the God of my salvation, by day I cry out,
at night I clamor in your presence.
Let my prayer come before you, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 7, 2

O Lord my God, in you I take refuge;
save me from all my pursuers and rescue me.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Originally there was no Mass formula for this day. Ember Saturday was a vigil which lasted into Sunday morning. What we celebrate now summarizes the repentance message of the previous week and renews the glory of those who serve well.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 24, 6, 3, 22, 1-2

Antiphon: Remember that your compassion, O Lord,
and your kindness are from of old;
let not our enemies exult over us;
deliver us, O God of Israel, from all our tribulations.

Psalm: To you I lift up my soul, O Lord;
in you, O my God, I trust; let me not be put to shame.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

I THES. 4,1-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 24, 17-18; PS. 105, 1-4

Relieve the troubles of my heart
and bring me out of my distress, O Lord.
Put an end to my affliction and my suffering,
and take away all my sins.
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his kindness endures forever.
Who can tell the mighty deeds of the Lord,
or proclaim all his praises?
Happy are they who observe what is right,
who do always what is just.
Remember us, O Lord, as you favor your people;
visit us with your saving help.

SECOND READING

MT. 17,1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 47, 48

I will delight in your commands, which I love exceedingly;
and I will lift up my hands to your commands, which I love.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 5, 2-4

Attend to my sighing;
heed my call for help, my king and my God!
To you I pray, O Lord.

MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK IN LENT

In words filled with powerful mystery, Jesus declares that he will be lifted up on the cross to redeem mankind according to his Father's will.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 25, 11-12, 1

Antiphon: Redeem me, O Lord, and have pity on me;
my foot stands on level ground;
in the assemblies I will bless the Lord.

Psalm: Do me justice, O Lord! for I have walked in integrity,
and in the Lord I trust without wavering.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

DN. 9,15-19

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 69, 6, 3; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

You are my help and my deliverer;
O Lord, hold not back!
Let my enemies be put to shame and confounded,
who seek my life.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

JN. 8, 21-29

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 15, 7, 8

I bless the Lord, who counsels me;
I set the Lord ever before me;
with him at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 8, 2

O Lord, our Lord,
how glorious is your name over all the earth!

TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK IN LENT

God looks into the heart. He despises formulism and externalism in religion. He loves the humble and takes care of those who trust in him.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 26, 8, 9, 1

Antiphon: To you my heart speaks;
you my glance seeks;
your presence, O Lord, I seek.
Hide not your face from me.

Psalms: The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

3 KGS. 17,8-16

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 54, 23, 17, 18, 19

Cast your care upon the Lord,
and he will support you.
When I called upon the Lord, he heard my voice
and freed me from those who war against me.

SECOND READING

MT. 23,1-12

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 50, 3

Have mercy on me, O Lord,
in the greatness of your compassion;
O Lord, wipe out my offense.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 9, 2-3

I will declare all your wondrous deeds;
I will be glad and exult in you;
I will sing praise to your name, Most High.

WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK IN LENT

The Lenten Christian is like the Jew in exile. Like the exile, Lent is a time of atonement and cleansing. It makes us long for the good things to come on the day of glory; Easter and the final Resurrection.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 37, 22-23, 2

Antiphon: Forsake me not, O Lord; my God, be not far from me!
Hasten to help me, O Lord, my salvation!

Psalms: O Lord, in your anger punish me not,
in your wrath chastise me not.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

EST. 13, 8-11, 15-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 27, 9, 1; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance.

To you, O Lord, I call; O my God, be not deaf to me,
lest I become one of those going down into the pit.

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.

O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.

Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

MT. 20, 17-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 24, 1-3

To you I lift up my soul, O Lord.

In you, O my God, I trust; let me not be put to shame,
let not my enemies exult over me.

No one who waits for you shall be put to shame.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 10, 8

The Lord is just, he loves just deeds;
the upright shall see his face.

THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK IN LENT

We are invited to consider the different fates of those who trust in God, and of those who trust in themselves.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 69, 2, 3, 4

Antiphon: Deign, O God, to rescue me;
O Lord, make haste to help me;
let my enemies be put to shame and confounded
who seek my life.

Psalm: Let them be turned back in disgrace
who desire my ruin.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JER. 17, 5-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 78, 9, 10

Pardon our sins, O Lord;
why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"
Help us, O God, our savior;
because of the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.

SECOND READING

LK. 16, 19-31

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

EX. 32, 11, 13, 14

Moses prayed in the sight of the Lord his God, and said,
"Why, O Lord, are you angry with your people?
Let the anger of your soul be appeased;
remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to whom you swore
that you would give the land flowing with milk and honey."
So the Lord relented in the punishment
he had threatened to inflict on his people.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 6, 57

"He who eats my flesh, and drinks my blood,
abides in me, and I in him," says the Lord.

FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK IN LENT

In figure and in parable we are shown today how the Redeemer had to be rejected and put to death before he could be accepted and exalted. In the end the anointed one of the Lord will be totally victorious. God's plan will not be thwarted by the wickedness of men.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 16, 15, 1

Antiphon: But I in justice shall behold your face;
I shall be content when your glory shall appear.

Psalm: Hear, O Lord, a just suit; attend to my outcry.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

GN. 37, 6-22

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 119, 1-2; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

In my distress I called to the Lord, and he answered me.
O Lord, deliver me from lying lip, from treacherous tongue.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

MT. 21, 33-46

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 39, 14, 15

Deign, O Lord, to rescue me;
let all be put to shame and confusion
who seek to snatch away my life.
Deign, O Lord, to rescue me.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 11, 8

You, O Lord, will keep us and preserve us always
from this generation.

SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK IN LENT

It is a good thing for us to learn again that God's ways are not subject to human scrutiny or judgment. He calls and chooses whom he wishes to become his children and citizens of his Son's kingdom.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 18, 8, 2

Antiphon: The law of the Lord is perfect,
refreshing the soul;
the decree of the Lord is trustworthy,
giving wisdom to the simple.

Psalms: The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

GN. 27,6-39

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 2-3

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.

SECOND READING

LK. 15,11-32

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 12, 4-5

Give light to my eyes that I may not sleep in death
lest my enemy say, "I have overcome him."

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 15, 32

You ought to rejoice, my son,
for your brother was dead, and has come to life;
he was lost, and is found.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

We study the light of Christ in contrast to the darkness of Satan.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 24, 15-16, 1-2

Antiphon: My eyes are ever toward the Lord,
for he will free my feet from the snare.
Look toward me, and have pity on me,
for I am alone and afflicted.

Psalm: To you I lift up my soul, O Lord.
In you, O my God, I trust; let me not be put to shame.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

EPH. 5,1-9

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 9, 20, 4; PS. 122, 1-3

Rise O Lord, let not man prevail;
let the nations be judged in your presence.
Because my enemies are turned back,
overthrown and destroyed before you.
To you I lift up my eyes, who are enthroned in heaven.
Behold, as the eyes of servants
are on the hands of their masters.
As the eyes of a maid are on the hands of her mistress,
so are our eyes on the Lord our God, till he have pity on us.
Have pity on us, O Lord, have pity on us.

SECOND READING

LK. 11,14-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 18, 9, 10, 11, 12

The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart,
and his ordinances are sweeter
than syrup or honey from the comb;
therefore your servant is careful of them.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 83, 4-5

The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest in which she puts her young:
your altars, O Lord of hosts, my king and my God!
Happy they who dwell in your house!
continually they praise you.

MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK IN LENT

We are told of the cleansing power of Baptism; of the extension of Baptism to all men who would believe.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 55, 5, 2

Antiphon: In God, in whose promise I glory,
in the Lord whose word I praise, in God I trust without fear;
what can flesh do against me?

Psalm: Have pity on me, O God, for men trample upon me;
all the day they press their attack against me.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

4 KGS. 5, 1-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 55, 9, 2; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

O God, my wanderings you have counted;
my tears are recorded in your sight.
Have pity on me, O Lord, for men trample upon me;
all the day they press their attack against me.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

LK. 4, 23-30

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 54, 2-3

Hearken, O God, to my prayer;
turn not away from my pleading;
give heed to me, and answer me.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 13, 7

Oh, that out of Sion would come the salvation of Israel!
When the Lord restores the well-being of his people,
then shall Jacob exult and Israel be glad.

TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK IN LENT

We are wonderfully assured again of God's unlimited mercy, especially toward the poor and needy.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 16, 6, 8, 1

Antiphon: I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;
incline your ear to me; hear my word.
Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;
hide me in the shadow of your wings.

Psalm: Hear, O Lord, a just suit;
attend to my outcry.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

4 KGS. 4,1-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 18, 13-14

Cleanse me from my unknown faults, O Lord!
From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant.
Let it not rule over me.
Then shall I be blameless and innocent of serious sin.

SECOND READING

MT. 18,15-22

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 117, 16, 17

The right hand of the Lord has struck with power;
the right hand of the Lord has exalted me;
I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 14, 1-2

Lord, who shall sojourn in your tent?
Who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks blamelessly and does justice.

WEDNESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK IN LENT

In ancient times the catechumens reviewed the law of God on this day. The theme then, is the law.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 30, 7-8, 2

Antiphon: My trust is in the Lord.
I will rejoice and be glad of your kindness,
when you have seen my affliction.

Psalm: In you, O Lord, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
In your justice rescue me and deliver me.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

EX. 20, 12-24

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 6, 3-4; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

Have pity on me, O Lord, for I am languishing;
heal me, O Lord. For my body is in terror;
my soul, too, is utterly terrified.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

MT. 15, 1-20

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 108, 21

O Lord, deal kindly with me for your name's sake;
because your kindness is generous.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 15, 11

You will show me the path to life,
you will fill me with fullness of joys
in your presence, O Lord.

THURSDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK IN LENT

Through his constant presence in the Church, in our midst, the Lord continues his work of mercy and healing. He cures us of our diseases: hypocrisy, formalism, injustice.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 77, 1

Antiphon: "I am the salvation of the people," says the Lord.
"From whatever tribulation they shall cry to me,
I will hear them;
and I will be their Lord forever."

Psalm: Hearken, my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JER. 7,1-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 144, 15-16

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, O Lord,
and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

SECOND READING

LK. 4,38-44

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 137, 7

Though I walk amid distress, you preserve me, O Lord;
against the anger of my enemies you raise your hand;
your right hand saves me.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 4-5

You have commanded that your precepts be diligently kept.
Oh, that I might be firm in the ways of keeping your statutes!

FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK IN LENT

Here the image is Baptism. In the word of God we encounter the water that fuses with the spirit to give life everlasting.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 85, 17, 1

Antiphon: Grant me, O Lord, a proof of your favor,
that my enemies may see, to their confusion,
that you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

Psalm: Incline your ear, O Lord;
answer me, for I am afflicted and poor.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

NM. 20, 2, 3, 6-13

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 27, 7, 1; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

In God my heart trusts, and I find help;
then my heart exults, and with my song I give him thanks.
To you, O Lord, I call;
O my God, be not deaf to me, do not abandon me.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

JN. 4,5-42

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 5, 3-4

Heed my call for help, my king, and my God!
To you I pray, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 4, 13, 14

"He who drinks of the water that I will give him,"
says the Lord,
"shall find in himself a fountain of water,
springing up unto life everlasting."

SATURDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK IN LENT

We are confronted with the warning: "Judge not and you shall not be judged." God judges us with mercy and justice.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 5, 2-3, 4

Antiphon: Hearken to my words, O Lord, attend to my sighing.
Heed my call for help, my king and my God!

Psalm: To you I pray, O Lord;
at dawn you hear my voice.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

DN. 13,1-62

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 22, 4

Even though I walk in the dark valley, I fear no evil;
for you are at my side, O Lord.
With your rod and your staff that give me courage.

SECOND READING

JN. 8,1-11

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 133

Steady my footsteps according to your promise,
and let no iniquity rule over me, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 8, 10, 11

Has not one condemned you, woman?
No one, Lord.
Neither will I condemn you; now sin no more.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

We realize a foretaste of Easter joy while we listen to the Church teaching us about the abundance of the Lord.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 66, 10, 11; PS. 121, 1

Antiphon: Rejoice, O Jerusalem,
and come together, all you who love her:
rejoice with joy, you who have been in sorrow:
that you may exult,
and be filled from the breasts of your consolation.

Psalms: I rejoiced because they said to me,
"We will go up to the house of the Lord."
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

GAL. 4,22-31

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 121, 1, 7; PS. 124, 1-2

I rejoiced because they said to me,
"We will go up to the house of the Lord."
May peace be within your walls,
prosperity in your buildings.
They who trust in the Lord are like Mount Sion,
which is immovable; which forever stands.
Mountains are round about Jerusalem;
so the Lord is round about his people, both now and forever.

SECOND READING

JN. 6,1-15

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 134, 3, 6

Praise the Lord, for he is good;
sing praise to his name, for he is sweet;
all that he wills he does in heaven and on earth.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 121, 3-4

Jerusalem, built as a city, with compact unity:
to it the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,
to give thanks to your name, O Lord.

MONDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK IN LENT

Here we have images of Christ and his Church.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 53, 3-4, 5

Antiphon: O God, by your name save me,
and by your might deliver me.

O God, hear my prayer;
hearken to the words of my mouth.

Psalm: For haughty men have risen up against me,
and fierce men seek my life.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

3 KGS. 3,16-28

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 30, 3; PS. 70, 1; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

Be my rock of refuge, O God,
a stronghold to give me safety.

In you, O God, I take refuge;

O Lord, let me never be put to shame.

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.

O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.

Help us, O God, our savior,

because of the glory of your name, O Lord;

deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

JN. 2,13-25

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 99, 1-2

Sing joyfully to God, all you lands;

serve the Lord with gladness;

come before him with joyful song:

know that the Lord is God.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 18, 13, 14

Cleanse me from my unknown faults, O Lord!

From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant.

TUESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK IN LENT

This time it is Moses who, by his prayer, valiantly fights for the Israelites.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 54, 2-3, 3-4

Antiphon: Hearken, O God, to my prayer;
turn not away from my pleading;
give heed to me, and answer me.

Psalm: I rock with grief, and am troubled
at the voice of the enemy and the clamor of the wicked.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

EX. 32,7-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 43, 26, 2

Arise, O Lord, help us!
Redeem us for your name's sake.
O God, our ears have heard,
our fathers have declared to us
the deeds you did in their days, in days of old.

SECOND READING

JN. 7,14-31

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 39, 2, 3, 4

I have waited, waited for the Lord,
and he stooped toward me and heard my cry.
And he put a new song into my mouth, a hymn to our God.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 19, 6

May we shout for joy at your victory
and raise the standards in the name of the Lord our God.

WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK IN LENT

This is the day of the great examination. In early times catechumens were tested on this day to qualify for Baptism at Easter. The three readings which follow develop the theme of holy Baptism.

ENTRANCE SONG

EZ. 36, 23, 24, 25-26; PS. 33, 2

Antiphon: When I prove my holiness through you,
I will gather you from all the foreign lands;
and I will sprinkle clean water upon you
to cleanse you from all your impurities;
and I will give you a new spirit.

Psalm: I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall be ever in my mouth.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

EZ. 36,23-28

MEDITATION SONG *After the first reading:* PS. 33, 12, 6

Come, children, hear me, I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
Look to him that you may be radiant with joy,
and your faces may not blush with shame.

SECOND READING

IS. 1,16-19

MEDITATION SONG

After the second reading: PS. 32, 12, 6; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

Happy the nation whose God is the Lord,
the people whom he has chosen for his own inheritance.
By the word of the Lord the heavens were made;
by the breath of his mouth all their host.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

THIRD READING

JN. 9,1-38

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 65, 8-9, 20

Bless the Lord our God, you peoples, loudly sound his praise;
he has given life to my soul, and has not let my feet slip
Blessed be God, who refused me not my prayer or his kindness.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 9, 11

"The Lord made clay of spittle, and anointed my eyes:
and I went, and I washed, and I saw, and I have believed in God."

THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK IN LENT

Yesterday we saw the Light; today we hear of the mystery of life. Both light and life come to us in our Baptismal rebirth. We are about to hear two lessons which help us to grasp the meaning of our having to die with Christ to sin before we can arise with him in a new life.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 104, 3-4, 1

Antiphon: Rejoice, O hearts that seek the Lord!
Look to the Lord, and be strengthened;
seek his face evermore.

Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord, invoke his name;
make known among the nations his deeds.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

4 KGS. 4:25-38

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 73, 20, 19, 22

Look, O Lord, to your covenant;
be not forever unmindful of the lives of your afflicted ones.
Arise, O Lord; defend your cause;
remember the reproaches of your servants.

SECOND READING

LK. 7,11-16

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 69, 2, 3, 4

O Lord, make haste to help me.
Let all those be put to shame
who desire the ruin of your servants.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 70, 16-17, 18

O Lord, I will tell of your singular justice.
O God, you have taught me from my youth;
and now that I am old and gray, O God, forsake me not.

FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK IN LENT

Here the Church continues to develop a theme of death and Resurrection.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 18, 15, 2

Antiphon: Let the thought of my heart find favor before you,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Psalm: The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

3 KGS. 17,17-24

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 8-9; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

It is better to take refuge in the Lord
rather than to trust in man.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord
rather than to trust in princes.

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.

O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.

Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

JN. 11, 1-45

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 17, 28, 32

Lowly people you save, O Lord,
but haughty eyes you bring low;
for who is God except you, O Lord?

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 11, 33, 35, 43, 44, 39

The Lord, seeing the sisters of Lazarus weeping at the tomb,
wept before the Jews, and cried out:

"Lazarus, come forth";

and he who had been dead four days came forth,
bound hands and feet.

SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK IN LENT

As a prelude to Passiontide's lesson and mystery of passion and death, the Church repeats today: Christ is the light of the world. He has power to open men's eyes to behold his radiance. Happily we look forward to the Easter light of the risen Christ.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 55, 1; PS. 77, 1

Antiphon: "All you who thirst,
come to the waters," says the Lord;
"and you who have no money, come and drink with joy."

Psalm: Hearken, my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 49,8-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 9, 14, 1-2

On you, O Lord, the unfortunate man depends;
of the fatherless you are the helper.
Why, O Lord, do you stand aloof?
Why hide in times of distress?
While the wicked man is proud,
the afflicted is set on fire.

SECOND READING

JN. 8,12-20

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 17, 3

The Lord is become my rock,
my fortress, my deliverer;
and in him will I put my trust.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 22, 1-2

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me.

FIRST SUNDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

As the tension mounts, our attention is drawn to realize in the Eucharistic Sacrifice and Sacrament the pledge of the new and eternal covenant declared in the consecration of the Cup.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 42, 1-2, 3

Antiphon: Do me justice, O God,
and fight my fight against a faithless people;
from the deceitful and impious man rescue me.
For you are my God and my strength.

Psalm: Send forth your light and your fidelity;
they shall lead me on and bring me to your holy mountain,
to your dwelling-place. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

HEB. 9,11-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 142, 9, 10; PS. 17, 48-49; PS. 128, 1-4

Rescue me from my enemies, O Lord; teach me to do your will.
O Lord, my deliverer from the angry nations,
truly above my adversaries you exalt me
and from the violent man you have rescued me.
Much have they oppressed me from my youth.
Let Israel say: Much have they oppressed me from my youth.
Yet they have not prevailed against me;
upon my back the plowers plowed.
Long did they make their furrows.
But the just Lord has severed the cords of the wicked.

SECOND READING

JN. 8,46-59

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 110, 1;
PS. 118, 17, 107

I praise you, O Lord, with all my heart;
be good to your servant, that I may live and keep your words.
O Lord, give me life according to your word.

COMMUNION SONG

1 COR. 11, 24, 25

"This is my body, which shall be given up for you:
this is the cup of the new covenant in my blood," says the Lord,
"do this as often as you receive it, in remembrance of me."

FIRST MONDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

On this day the Church has words of encouragement for those who are her concern: for sinners who repent, for the catechumens who are to be baptized.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 55, 2, 3

Antiphon: Have pity on me, O Lord, for men trample upon me; all the day they press their attack against me.

Psalm: My adversaries trample upon me all the day; yes, many fight against me.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JON. 3,1-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 53, 4, 3; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

O God, hear my prayer;
hearken to the words of my mouth.

O God, by your name save me,
and by your might deliver me.

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.

O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.

Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

JN. 7,32-39

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 6, 5

Return, O Lord, save my life;
rescue me because of your kindness.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 23, 10

The Lord of hosts,
he is the king of glory.

FIRST TUESDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

We move on to consider the seeming defeat which really heralds the shattering victory of the Son of God.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 26, 14, 1

Antiphon: Wait for the Lord with courage;
be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord.

Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

DN. 14,29-42

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 42, 1, 3

Fight my fight, O Lord;
from the deceitful and impious man rescue me.
Send forth your light and your fidelity;
they shall lead me on and bring me to your holy mountain.

SECOND READING

JN. 7,1-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 9, 11-12, 13

They trust in you who cherish your name, O Lord,
for you forsake not those who seek you.
Sing praise to the Lord enthroned in Sion,
for he has not forgotten the cry of the afflicted.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 24, 22

Redeem me, O God of Israel, from all my distress.

FIRST WEDNESDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

Baptism makes us children of the Covenant. Children of the Covenant keep God's law. The law is repeated today.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 17, 48-49, 2-3

Antiphon: My deliverer from the angry nations;
truly above my adversaries you exalt me
and from the violent man you have rescued me, O Lord.

Psalm: I love you, O Lord, my strength,
O Lord, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

LV. 19, 1-25

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 29, 2-4; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

I will extol you, O Lord, for you drew me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O Lord, my God, I cried out to you and you healed me.
O Lord, you brought me up from the nether world;
you preserved me from among those going down into the pit.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

JN. 10, 22-38

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 58, 2

Rescue me from my enemies, O my God;
from my adversaries defend me, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 25, 6-7

I wash my hands in innocence,
and I go around your altar, O Lord,
giving voice to my thanks,
and recounting all your wondrous deeds.

FIRST THURSDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

Christians have been redeemed by Baptism. Yet they remain sinful men, standing in need of God's mercy. All of us often need to be reconciled to the love of God and neighbor.

ENTRANCE SONG

DN. 3, 31; PS. 118, 1

Antiphon: All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done in true judgment:
because we have sinned against you,
and have not obeyed your commandments:
but give glory to your name,
and deal with us according to the multitude of your mercy.

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

DN. 3, 25-45

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 95, 8-9; PS. 28, 9

Bring gifts and enter his courts;
worship the Lord in his holy court.
The Lord strips the forests,
and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

SECOND READING

LK. 7, 36-50

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 136, 1

By the streams of Babylon we sat and wept
when we remembered Sion.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
since you have given me hope.
This is my comfort in my affliction.

FIRST FRIDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

Here we have the necessary blasphemy of God's being condemned to death by a creature, according to his plan of love.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 30, 10, 16, 18, 2

Antiphon: Have pity on me, O Lord, for I am in distress;
rescue me from the clutches of my enemies and my persecutors.
O Lord, let me not be put to shame, for I call upon you.

Psalm: In you, O Lord, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.

In your justice rescue me.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JER. 17,13-18

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 34, 20, 22; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

My enemies spoke peaceably to me:
and in anger they afflicted me.

You, O Lord, have seen;

be not silent; be not far from me!

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,

nor requite us according to our crimes.

O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;

may your compassion quickly come to us,

for we are brought very low.

Help us, O God, our savior,

because of the glory of your name, O Lord;

deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

JN. 11,47-54

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 12, 121, 42

Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes.

Let not the proud oppress me;

so shall I have an answer for those who reproach me.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 26, 12

Give me not up, O Lord, to the wishes of my foes;

for false witnesses have risen up against me,

and such as breathe out violence.

30 FIRST SATURDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

Again the cross emerges as the sign of Christ's victory and of our Redemption, our sharing his victory with him.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 30, 10, 16, 18, 2

Antiphon: Have pity on me, O Lord, for I am in distress;
rescue me from the clutches of my enemies
and my persecutors.

O Lord, let me not be put to shame,
for I call upon you.

Psalm: In you, O Lord, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
In your justice rescue me.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JER. 18,18-23

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 34, 20, 22

My enemies spoke peaceably to me:
and in anger they afflicted me.
You, O Lord, have seen;
be not silent; be not far from me!

SECOND READING

JN. 12,10-36

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 12, 121, 42

Blessed are you, O Lord;
teach me your statutes.
Let not the proud oppress me;
so shall I have an answer for those who reproach me.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 26, 12

Give me not up, O Lord, to the wishes of my foes;
for false witnesses have risen up against me,
and such as breathe out violence.

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

(PALM SUNDAY)

The full observance of this Lord's day gives depth to the Mystery of Redemption. This depth is realized when we consider Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem much less a victory than was his death on the cross. The first part of the rite, the palm procession, underscores the true meaning of Matthew's Passion which is read in the Mass itself.

The Solemn Procession of Palms

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

As the procession of ministers and servers enters the church, this antiphon is said or sung.

Antiphon: Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

O king of Israel:

hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant with hands joined blesses the palms:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Prayer

Priest: Through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The celebrant sprinkles the palms and then incenses them. The palm is then distributed, while the following antiphons and psalms are said or sung.

Antiphon I: The children of the Hebrews,

PS. 23, 1-2, 7-10

bearing olive branches,

went to meet the Lord, crying aloud and saying,

"Hosanna in the highest."

Psalm: The Lord's are the earth and its fullness;
the world and those who dwell in it.

For He founded it upon the seas

and established it upon the rivers.

Repeat Antiphon.

Lift up, O gates, your lintels;
reach up, you ancient portals,
that the king of glory may come in.

"Who is this king of glory?"

"The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle." *Repeat Antiphon.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. *Repeat Antiphon.*

Antiphon II: The Hebrew children
spread their garments in the way,
and shouted saying,
"Hosanna to the Son of David:
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

PS. 46

Psalms: All you peoples, clap your hands,
shout to God with cries of gladness
For the Lord, the Most High, the awesome,
is the great king over all the earth. *Repeat Antiphon.*

He brings peoples under us;
nations under our feet.

He chooses for us our inheritance,
the glory of Jacob whom he loves. *Repeat Antiphon.*

God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy;
the Lord, amid trumpet blasts.

Sing praise to God, sing praise;
sing praise to our king, sing praise. *Repeat Antiphon.*

For king of all the earth is God;
sing hymns of praise.

God reigns over the nations,
God sits upon his holy throne. *Repeat Antiphon.*

The princes of the people are gathered together
with the people of the God of Abraham.

For God's are the guardians of the earth;
he is supreme.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

Repeat Antiphon.

The deacon or the celebrant then reads from the holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

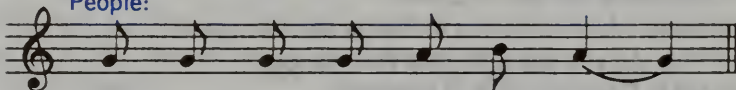
After the celebrant has put incense into the thurible, the procession is formed. Then the deacon sings:

Priest:



Let us go forth in peace.

People:



In the name of Christ. A - men.

THE PROCESSION WITH BLESSED PALMS

During the beginning of the procession, any or all of the following antiphons can be said or sung:

Antiphon I: With flowers and palms
the multitudes run to meet the redeemer,
and they give becoming honors to the triumphant victor;
the nations utter the praises of the Son of God,
and their voices thunder through the clouds
in praise of Christ: "Hosanna."

Antiphon II: With the angels and the children,
let us be found faithful,
acclaiming him who triumphs over death,
"Hosanna in the highest."

Antiphon III: The great crowd gathered for the feast day
acclaimed the Lord:

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord:
Hosanna in the highest."

Antiphon IV: The whole company of those descending LK.19, 37, 38
began to rejoice and to praise God with a loud voice
for all the miracles that they had seen, saying,
“Blessed is he who comes as king,
in the name of the Lord!
Peace on earth, and glory in the highest!”

*During the procession the following hymn is sung by the choir
and people alternately, the people singing the refrain.*

Choir: All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer King!
To whom the lips of children Made sweet Hosannas ring.

People: All Glory, etc.

Choir: 1. Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's Name comest,
the King and Blessed One. *People:* All Glory, etc.

Choir: 2. The company of angels
are praising thee on high;
and mortal men, and all things
created, make reply. *People:* All Glory, etc.

Choir: 3. The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went:
our praise and prayers and anthems
before thee we present. *People:* All Glory, etc.

Choir: 4. To thee before thy passion
they sang their hymns of praise:
to thee, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. *People:* All Glory, etc.

Choir: 5. Thou didst accept their praises;
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King. *People:* All Glory, etc.

*With permission, All Glory, Praise, and Honor, p.79 , may be
substituted for the above hymn.*

*As the procession returns to the church, the following is said
or sung.*

RE-ENTRY INTO THE CHURCH

Antiphon: When the Lord entered the holy city,
the children of the Hebrews,
foretelling the resurrection of life,
Carrying palm branches, cried out,
“Hosanna in the highest.”

When the populace had heard
that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,
they went out to meet him.
Carrying palm branches;
“Hosanna in the highest,” they cried.

The celebrant then reads a concluding prayer, which is immediately followed by:

AT MASS

ENTRANCE HYMN

PS. 21, 20, 22, 2

Antiphon: O Lord, be not far from me;
O my help, hasten to aid me.
Save me from the lion's mouth;
from the horns of the wild bulls, my wretched life.

Psalms: My God, my God, look upon me,
why have you forsaken me?
Far from my salvation are the words of my sins.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

PHIL. 2,5-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 72, 24, 1-3; PS. 21, 2-9, 18, 19, 22, 24, 32

You have hold of my right hand;
with your counsel you guide me;
in the end you will receive me in glory.
How good God is to Israel,
to those who are clean of heart!
But, as for me, I almost lost my balance;
my feet all but slipped, because I was envious of sinners
when I saw them prosper though they were wicked.

My God, my God, look upon me:
 why have you forsaken me?
 Far from my salvation, are the words of my sins.
 O my God, I cry out by day and you answer not;
 by night, and there is no relief.
 But you are enthroned in the holy place, O glory of Israel!
 In you our fathers trusted;
 they trusted and you delivered them.
 To you they cried, and they escaped;
 in you they trusted, and they were not put to shame.
 But I am a worm, not a man;
 the scorn of men, despised by the people.
 All who see me, scoff at me;
 they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads.
 "He relied on the Lord; let him deliver him,
 let him rescue him, if he loves him."
 But they look on and gloat over me;
 they divide my garments among them,
 and for my vesture they cast lots.
 Save me from the lion's mouth;
 from the horns of the wild bulls, my wretched life.
 You who fear the Lord, praise him:
 all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him.
 There shall be declared to the Lord a generation to come:
 and the heavens shall show forth his justice.
 To a people that shall be born, which the Lord has made.

SECOND READING

MT. 26, 36-75 ; MT. 27, 1-56

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 68, 21-22

Insult has broken my heart, and I am weak;
 I looked for sympathy, but there was none;
 for comforters, and I found none.
 Rather they put gall in my food
 and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 26, 42

Father, if this cup cannot pass away, unless I drink it,
 your will be done.

SECOND MONDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week present the image of Christ, the suffering servant of Yahweh.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 34, 1-2, 3

Antiphon: Judge, O Lord, those who wrong me;
war against those who make war upon me.
Take up the shield and buckler,
and rise up in my defense, O Lord,
the strength of my salvation.

Psalm: Brandish the lance,
and block the way in the face of my pursuers;
say to my soul, "I am your salvation."

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 50, 5-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 34, 23, 3; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

Awake, O Lord, and be vigilant in my defense,
my God and my Lord. Brandish the lance,
and block the way in the face of my pursuers.
O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our iniquities.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

SECOND READING

JN. 12, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 142, 9-10

Rescue me from my enemies, O Lord, for in you I hope.
Teach me to do your will, for you are my God.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 34, 26

Let all be put to shame and confounded
who are glad at my misfortune.
Let those be clothed with shame and disgrace
who glory over me.

SECOND TUESDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

The Suffering Servant emerges as the Lamb of God.

ENTRANCE SONG

GA. 6, 14; PS. 66, 2

Antiphon: But it behooves us to glory
in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ:
in whom is our salvation, life, and resurrection;
by whom we are saved and delivered.

Psalm: May God have pity on us and bless us;
may he let his face shine upon us;
and may he have pity on us.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JER. 11, 18-20

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 34, 13, 1-2

But I, when they were ill, put on sackcloth.
I afflicted myself with fasting,
and poured forth my prayers within my bosom.
Judge, O Lord, those who wrong me;
war against those who make war upon me.
Take up the shield and buckler, and rise up in my defense.

SECOND READING

MK. 14, 32-72; MK. 15, 1-46

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 139, 5

Save me, O Lord, from the hands of the wicked;
preserve me from violent men.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 68, 13-14

They who sit at the gate gossip about me;
and the drunkards make me the butt of their songs.
But I pray to you, O Lord;
for the time of your favor, O God,
in your great kindness answer me

SECOND WEDNESDAY IN PASSIONTIDE

This liturgy sings and announces the mystery of the Lord's passing over from humiliation to glory.

ENTRANCE SONG

PHIL. 2, 10, 8, 11; PS. 101, 2

Antiphon: At the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
of those in heaven, on earth and under the earth,
for the Lord became obedient unto death,
even to death on a cross.
Therefore our Lord Jesus Christ
is in the glory of God the Father.

Psalm: O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come to you.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 62, 11; IS. 63, 1-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 68, 18, 2-3

After the First Reading:

Hide not your face from your servant;
in my distress, make haste to answer me.
Save me, O God, for the waters threaten my life;
I am sunk in the abysmal swamp
where there is no foothold.

SECOND READING

IS. 53, 1-12

MEDITATION SONG

After the Second Reading:

PS. 101, 2-5, 14

O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come to you.
Hide not your face from me;
in the day of my distress, incline your ear to me.

In the day when I call, answer me speedily.
For my days vanish like smoke, and my bones burn like fire.
Withered and dried up like grass is my heart;
I forget to eat my bread.
You will arise, O Lord, and have mercy on Sion,
for it is time to pity her.

THIRD READING

LK. 22,39-71; LK. 23,1-53

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 101, 2-3

O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come to you.
Hide not your face from me.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 101, 10, 13, 14

I mingle my drink with tears, for you lifted me up
only to throw me down, and I wither like grass;
but you, O Lord, endure forever.
You will arise and have mercy on Sion,
for it is time to pity her.

THE PASSOVER

In the beginning, the Passover of the Lord was celebrated in a simple vigil between Saturday night and Easter Sunday morning. The faithful did not merely commemorate the events of Salvation. They relived them in the Sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist. As time went on and the number of catechumens grew, the celebration was extended over three days, as it is now. Gradually, Thursday assumed the character of a renewal of the priesthood: the Last Supper, the washing of the feet. The re-enactment serves to remind priests that they are the servants of the servants of God; that all Christians are members of his priesthood. Friday becomes a day of mystic meditation on the Death of Christ. The spiritual fourth gospel Passion is proclaimed, and the assembly receives Holy Communion. The Easter liturgy relives at once the revival of Baptism and the nourishment of the Eucharist. These sacraments help Christians to grasp fully and interiorly the whole meaning of the Death and Resurrection of the Lord.

THE LORD'S SUPPER*

(HOLY THURSDAY)

In this celebration we recall by reliving it; the ordering of the Eucharist and Priesthood.

The Solemn Evening Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

GAL. 6, 14; PS. 66, 2

Antiphon: But it behooves us to glory
in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ:
in whom is our salvation, life, and resurrection:
by whom we are saved and delivered.

Psalm: May God have pity on us and bless us;
may he let his face shine upon us;
and may he have pity on us. *Repeat Antiphon.*

After the Glory to God in the Highest is intoned, bells are rung and the organ is played. The organ may be played during the Glory to God in the Highest, but should then be silent until the Glory to God in the Highest of the Easter Vigil.

FIRST READING

I COR. 11,20-32

MEDITATION SONG

PHIL. 2, 8-9

Christ became obedient for us unto death,
even to death on a cross.
Therefore, God also has exalted him
and has given him the name that is above every name.

SECOND READING

JN. 13,1

If the ceremony of the Washing of the Feet is to be performed, it takes place after the homily. See p. 51

**In cathedral churches, the bishop celebrates a special Mass to consecrate the Holy Oils for all parishes. Booklets to explain and present this formula are usually provided for those who join their bishop in this "Chrism Mass."*

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 117, 16-17

The right hand of the Lord has struck with power:
the right hand of the Lord has exalted me;
I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.

During the distribution of communion, any of Psalms 22, 71, 103 or 150 may be said or sung alternately with the Communion Song.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 13, 12-13, 15

The Lord Jesus, after he had supped with his disciples, washed their feet, and said to them,
“Do you know what I, your Lord and Master, have done to you? I have given you an example, that so you also should do.”

At the end of the Eucharistic banquet the consecrated particles are taken to another part of the church, to the place of repose, to provide for communions on Good Friday. The altar cloths are removed because in earlier times this was always done at the end of the Eucharist. The table was set before the meal, cleared right afterwards.

The Solemn Procession of Reposition

During the procession the first four verses of Praise We Christs Immortal Body, p.201, are sung. If necessary, they are repeated until the celebrant arrives at the altar of reposition at which time the last two verses are sung.

After the Sacrament is placed in the altar, the ministers genuflect and change vestments. The main altar is then stripped, during which the celebrant reads an antiphon and psalm.

The Washing of the Feet

In an appropriate place the twelve men whose feet are to be washed, are seated. As the celebrant starts the washing, the following antiphons are said or sung. In each instance, only one verse of the psalm is used.

Antiphon I: "A new commandment I give you,
that you love one another, as I have loved you,"
says the Lord. JN. 13, 34

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord. PS. 118, 1
Repeat Antiphon.

Antiphon II: After the Lord had risen from supper,
he poured water into a basin,
and began to wash the feet of his disciples:
to whom he gave this example. JN. 13, 4, 5, 15

Psalm: Great is the Lord and wholly to be praised
in the city of our God, his holy mountain. PS. 47, 2
Repeat Antiphon.

Antiphon III: See *Communion Song of the mass.*

Psalm: You have favored, O Lord, your land;
you have restored the well-being of Jacob. PS. 84, 2
Repeat Antiphon.

Antiphon IV: "Lord, do you wash my feet?"
Jesus answered and said to him, JN. 13, 6-8
"If I do not wash your feet,
you shall have no part with me."

Versicle: He came to Simon Peter,
and Peter said to him. *Repeat Antiphon.*

Versicle: "What I do, you know not now;
but you shall know hereafter." *Repeat Antiphon.*

Antiphon V: "If I, your Lord and master,
have washed your feet, JN. 13, 14
how much more ought you to wash one another's feet?"

Psalm: Hear this, all you peoples;
hearken, all you, who dwell in the world. PS. 48, 2
Repeat Antiphon.

Antiphon VI: "By this shall all men know
that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." JN. 13, 35

Versicle: Jesus said to his disciples. *Repeat Antiphon.*

Antiphon VII: Let these three,
faith, hope and charity abide in you; 1 COR. 13, 13
but the greatest of these is charity.

Versicle: And now there remain faith, hope, and charity,
these three;

but the greatest of these is charity.

*Where Charity and Love Prevail, p.179, may be sung in place
of the following hymn with, permission.*

Antiphon VIII: Where charity and love are, there is God.

The love of Christ has gathered us together.

Let us rejoice in him and be glad.

Let us fear and love the living God.

And let us love one another with a sincere heart.

Where charity and love are, there is God.

When, therefore, we are assembled together.

Let us take heed, that we be not divided in mind.

Let malicious quarrels and contentions cease.

And let Christ our God dwell among us.

Where charity and love are, there is God.

Let us also with the blessed see.

Your face in glory, O Christ our God.

There to possess immeasurable and happy joy.

For infinite ages of ages. Amen.

*After the Washing the celebrant washes his hands and then
says The Lord's Prayer, quietly.*

Priest: And lead us not into temptation.

People: But deliver us from evil.

Priest: You have commanded your precepts, O Lord.

People: To be observed exactly.

Priest: You have washed the feet of your disciples.

People: Despise not the work of your hands.

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

People: And let my cry come to you.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: . . . forever and ever.

People: Amen.

THE FEAST OF THE PASSION AND DEATH OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)

It took a long time to prove to those who would see and listen that the death of Christ really liberated many people from the slavery of sin. His obedience destroyed the disease of disobedience. His glorious Resurrection came to be understood as more and more people became Christians. These were identified with Christ in his death and victory, and in the sacraments, especially Baptism and the Eucharist. It is fitting that on the day on which we commemorate the death of the Lord, we should receive the pledge of eternal life in the Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.

The Solemn Afternoon Liturgy

PART ONE: THE READINGS

The celebrant and ministers enter, genuflect, and prostrate themselves. After a period of reverence, the celebrant, standing at the foot of the altar, says a prayer.

Prayer

People: Amen.

FIRST READING

OS. 6,1-6

At the end of the first reading:

HB. 3, 2-3

Responsory: O Lord, I have heard your hearing and was afraid;
I have considered your works and trembled.

In the midst of two animals you shall be made known;
when the years shall draw near. You shall be known;
When the time shall come, you shall be manifested.

When my soul shall be in trouble,
You will remember mercy, even in your wrath.

God will come from Lebanon,
and the Holy One
from the shady and thickly covered mountain.

His majesty covered the heavens;
and the earth is full of his praise.

Priest: Let us pray.

Priest: Prayer

People: Amen.

SECOND READING

EX. 12,1-11

At the end of the second reading:

Responsory: Deliver me, O Lord, from evil men; PS. 139, 2-10, 14
preserve me from violent men.

From those who devise evil in their hearts,
and stir up wars everyday.

They make their tongues sharp as those of serpents;
the venom of asps is under their lips.

Save me, O Lord, from the hands of the wicked;
preserve me from violent men.

Who plan to trip up my feet —
the proud who have hidden a trap for me.

They have spread cords for a net;
by the wayside they have laid snares for me.

I say to the Lord, you are my God;
hearken, O Lord, to my voice of supplication.

O Lord, my Lord, my strength and my salvation;
You are my helmet in the day of battle!

Give me not up from my desire to the wicked:
They have plotted against me.

Do not forsake me
lest at any time they should triumph.

Those who surround me lift up their heads;
may the mischief which they threaten overwhelm them.

Surely the just shall give thanks to your name;
the upright shall dwell in your presence.

THIRD READING

JN. 18,1-40; JN. 19,1-42

There follow a great and solemn prayer of the faithful, the exposition of the holy cross, and the brief communion service.

PART TWO: THE SOLEMN PRAYERS

Here the celebrant sings solemnly prayers which are divided into two parts and are answered:

People: Amen.

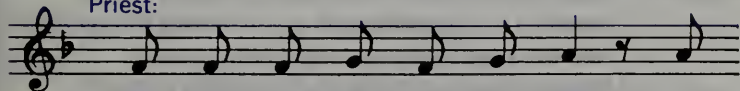
1. For the Holy Church.
2. For the Pope.
3. For all Clerics and Categories of the Faithful.
4. For Governments.
5. For Catechumens.
6. For the Needs of the Faithful.
7. For the Unity of the Church.
8. For the Conversion of the Jews.
9. For the Conversion of Unbelievers.

PART THREE: THE SOLEMN ADORATION OF THE CROSS

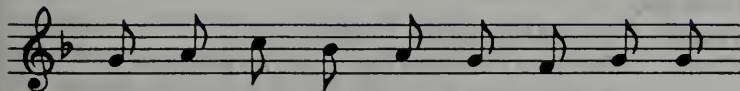
The celebrant and the ministers put aside their outmost vestments and prepare for the adoration. The deacon brings in the cross and the celebrant, singing Behold the Wood, unveils the cross, one section at a time; all take up the chant at Come, let us adore and then kneel. The Behold the Wood is sung three times, each at a higher pitch.

After each invitation, the assembly sings or says "Come, let us Adore."

Priest:

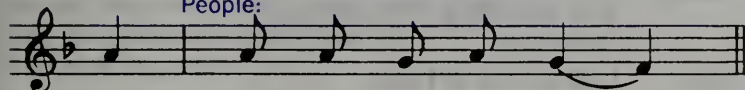


Be - hold the wood of the cross, on



which has hung the sal - va - tion of the

People:



world. Come, let us a - dore.

THE REPROACHES

During the adoration by the people the following chants are said or sung. They should be divided between two groups: choir and people or first choir and second choir. The singing must be concluded with the final verse of the hymn: Blessing, honor everlasting.

My people, what have I done unto you?
or in what have I offended you?

Answer me.

Because I led you out of the land of Egypt,
you have prepared a cross for your savior.

Choir and people sing or say alternate phrases; or first and second choir sing or say alternate phrases.

Holy God. *(twice)*

Holy, mighty One. *(twice)*

Holy, immortal One, have mercy on us. *(twice)*

Choir: Because I led you out through the desert forty years,
and fed you with manna,
and brought you into a very good land,
you have prepared a cross for your savior.

Choir and

People: *Repeat Holy God mercy on us.*

Choir: What more should I have done, and did it not?
Behold I have planted you as my fairest vine,
and you have become very bitter to me,
for you have quenched my thirst with vinegar,
and with a lance you have pierced your savior's side.

Choir and

People: *Repeat Holy God mercy on us.*

Choir: For you I scourged Egypt and its firstborn,
and you have given me over to be scourged.

People: My people, what have I done to you?
or in what have I offended you?
Answer me.

Choir: I led you out of Egypt,
overwhelming Pharaoh in the Red Sea,

and you have delivered me to the chief priests.

People: My people Answer me.

Choir: I opened the sea before you,
and you opened my side with a lance.

People: My people Answer me.

Choir: I went before you in a pillar of cloud,
and you have haled me to the judgment hall of Pilate.

People: My people Answer me.

Choir: I fed you with manna through the desert
and you have smitten me with buffets and with lashes.

People: My people Answer me.

Choir: I gave you the water of salvation
to drink from the rock,
and you have given me gall and vinegar to drink.

People: My people Answer me.

Choir: For you I smote the kings of the Chanaanites,
and you have smitten my head with a reed.

People: My people Answer me.

Choir: I gave you a royal sceptre,
and you have given my head a crown of thorns.

People: My people Answer me.

Choir: With great power I lifted you up,
and you have hung me upon the gibbet of the cross.

People: My people Answer me.

Antiphon: We adore your cross, O Lord;
we praise and glorify your holy resurrection.
For behold, by reason of that wood,
joy has come into all the world.

Psalm: May God have pity on us and bless us.
May he let his face shine upon us,
and have pity on us.

Repeat Antiphon.

Verses for the following hymn may be sung to the melodies for Humbly Let Us Voice Our Homage, p.203. Whether the whole hymn or only part of the hymn is sung, it is recommended that the entire antiphon, sections A and B, be sung first. Verse 10 must be sung.

- A. Faithful cross, O tree all beauteous!
Tree all peerless and divine.
Not a grove on earth can show us
such a flower and leaf as thine.
- B. Sweet the nails, and sweet the wood,
laden with so sweet a load!
1. Sing, my tongue, the Savior's glory;
tell his triumph far and wide;
Tell aloud the famous story
of his body crucified;
How upon the cross a victim,
vanquishing in death, he died. A
2. Eating of the tree forbidden,
man had sunk in Satan's snare,
When our pitying Creator
did this second tree prepare;
Destined, many ages later,
that first evil to repair. B
3. Such the order God appointed
when for sin he would atone;
To the serpent thus opposing
schemes yet deeper than his own;
Thence the remedy procuring,
whence the fatal wound had come. A
4. So when now at length the fullness
of the sacred time drew nigh,
Then the Son, the world's Creator,
left his Father's throne on high;
From a virgin's womb appearing,
clothed in our mortality. B

5. All within a lowly manger,
lo, a tender babe he lies!
See his gentle Virgin Mother
lull to sleep his infant cries!
While the limbs of God incarnate
round with swathing bands she ties. A
6. Thus did Christ to perfect manhood
in our mortal flesh attain:
Then of his free choice he goeth
to a death of bitter pain;
And as a lamb, upon the altar
of the cross, for us is slain. B
7. Lo, with gall his thirst he quenches!
See the thorns upon his brow!
Nails his tender flesh are rending!
See, his side is opened now!
Whence, to cleanse the whole creation,
streams of blood and water flow. A
8. Lofty tree, bend down thy branches,
to embrace thy sacred load;
Oh, relax the native tension
of that all too rigid wood;
Gently, gently bear the members
of thy dying King and God. B
9. Tree, which solely wast found worthy
the world's great victim to sustain
Harbor from the raging tempest!
Ark, that saved the world again!
Tree, with sacred blood anointed
of the Lamb for sinners slain. A
10. Blessing, honor everlasting,
to the immortal Deity;
To the Father, Son, and Spirit,
equal praises ever be;
Glory through the earth and heaven
to Trinity in Unity. Amen. B

PART FOUR: COMMUNION

The celebrant and the ministers put aside the black vestments and put on purple ones. They proceed in procession to the altar of reposition. During the return procession, the following antiphons are said or sung.

Antiphon I: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,
because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Antiphon II: By a tree we were made slaves,
and by the holy cross we are set free:
the fruit of the tree seduced us,
the Son of God has redeemed us.

Antiphon III: Savior of the world, save us:
you who by your cross and blood have redeemed us,
help us, we implore you, our God.

After the Blessed Sacrament is placed on the altar, the celebrant sings the introduction to The Lord's Prayer and all join in singing The Lord's Prayer, p. 20. The celebrant, after reciting some prayers, receives communion and then proceeds to distribution. During distribution, verses of Psalm 21, as in the Meditation Song for Palm Sunday, are sung.

1. My God, my God, look upon me: PS. 21, 2-9, 18, 19, 22, 24, 32
why have you forsaken me?
2. Far from my salvation,
are the words of my sins.
3. O my God, I cry out by day and you answer not;
by night, and there is no relief.
4. But you are enthroned in the holy place,
O glory of Israel!
5. In you our fathers trusted;
they trusted and you delivered them.
6. To you they cried, and they escaped;
in you they trusted, and they were not put to shame.
7. But I am a worm, not a man;
the scorn of men, despised by the people.

8. All who see me, scoff at me;
they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads.
9. "He relied on the Lord; let him deliver him,
let them rescue him, if he loves him."
10. But they look on and gloat over me;
they divide my garments among them,
and for my vesture they cast lots.
11. Save me from the lion's mouth;
from the horns of the wild bulls, my wretched life.
12. You who fear the Lord, praise him:
all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him.
13. There shall be declared to the Lord a generation to come:
and the heavens shall show forth his justice.
14. To a people that shall be born,
which the Lord has made.

After the distribution the celebrant reads three prayers, each of which is answered:

People: Amen.

The celebrant and ministers leave.

The Easter VígíL

THE BLESSING OF THE NEW FIRE

Priest: Light of Christ. People: Thanks be to God.

After the great candle which stands for the risen Christ, the light of the world, is brought into the Church to illuminate it, the Resurrection of the Lord is solemnly proclaimed. Then follow four readings from the Old Testament.

THE READINGS

Four readings are now sung, the first is followed by a prayer; the other three are followed by canticles, then prayers.

FIRST READING

GN. 1,1-31; GN.2,1-2

SECOND READING

EX. 14,24-31; EX.15,1

At the end of the second reading:

Canticle: I will sing to the Lord,
for he is gloriously triumphant;
horse and chariot he has cast into the sea.
My strength and my courage is the Lord,
and he has been my savior.
He is my God, I praise him;
the God of my father, I extol him.
The Lord crushes hostile attacks, Lord is his name!

EX. 15, 1-3

THIRD READING

IS. 4,2-6

At the end of the third reading:

Canticle: My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside;
He spaded it, cleared it of stones,
and planted the choicest vines;
Within it he built a watchtower, and hewed out a winepress.
For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the house of Israel.

IS. 5, 1-2

FOURTH READING

DT. 31,22-30

At the end of the fourth reading:

Canticle: Give ear, O heavens, while I speak;
let the earth hearken to the words of my mouth!
May my instruction soak in like the rain,
and my discourse permeate like the dew,
Like a downpour upon the grass,

DT. 32, 1-4

like a shower upon the crops:
For I will sing the Lord's renown.
Oh, proclaim the greatness of our God!
The Rock — how faultless are his deeds,
how right all his ways!
A faithful God, without deceit,
how just and upright is the Lord!

THE FIRST PART OF THE LITANY, p. 451

BAPTISMAL SERVICE

Next, literally in the midst of the litany of saints, wherein all Heaven is invited to join in our triumph, water is consecrated for those who are to be baptized. The members of the assembly renew their promises.

THE BLESSING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATER

The celebrant now blesses the water for Baptism by singing first an oration and then a preface in the ferial tone, page 12 Water is then put aside for blessing and the holy oils are put into the baptismal water. The water is then carried in solemn procession to the baptismal font, during which the following is said or sung.

Canticle: As the hind longs for the running waters, PS. 41, 2-4
so my soul longs for you, O God.
A-thirst is my soul for God, the living God.
When shall I go and behold the face of God?
My tears are my food day and night,
as they say to me day after day, "Where is your God?"

The celebrant sings another oration. He then returns to the altar and leads everyone in:

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Priest: Instruction.

Priest: Do you renounce Satan?

People: We do renounce him.

Priest: And all his works?

People: We do renounce them.

Priest: And all his allurements?

People: We do renounce them.

Priest: Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?

People: We do believe.

Priest: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born into this world and who suffered?

People: We do believe.

Priest: Do you believe also in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

People: We do believe.

Priest: Now let us pray to God together, as our Lord Jesus Christ has taught us to pray.

People: Our Father . . .

Priest: And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by means of water and the Holy Spirit and forgiven all our sins, keep us by his grace in the same Christ Jesus our Lord, so that we may have life everlasting.

People: Amen.

The celebrant then blesses all with holy water. The chanters then proceed with The Litany of the Saints, p.453

THE SECOND PART OF THE LITANY

The Solemn Mass of the Easter Vigil

At the end of the litany, the Lord, have mercy is begun immediately. At the solemn intonation of the Glory to God in the Highest, bells are sounded and the organ plays again.

FIRST READING

COL. 3,1-4

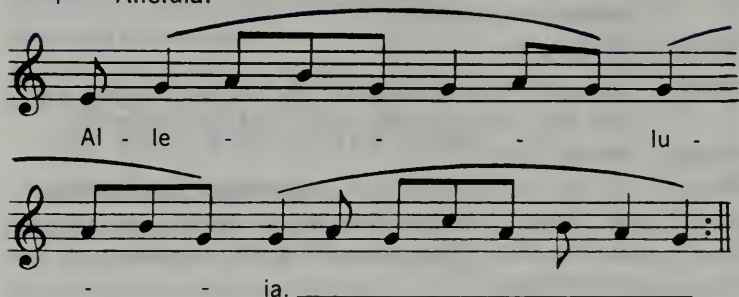
After the reading of the epistle, the celebrant intones Alleluia. It is sung three times, each time at a higher pitch, and then repeated by all.

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 1; PS. 116, 1-2

Priest: Alleluia.

People: Alleluia.



The choir proceeds immediately.

PS. 117, 1; PS. 116, 1-2

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever.
Praise the Lord, all you nations;
glorify him, all you peoples!
For steadfast is his kindness toward us,
and the fidelity of the Lord endures forever.

This is followed immediately by the second reading.

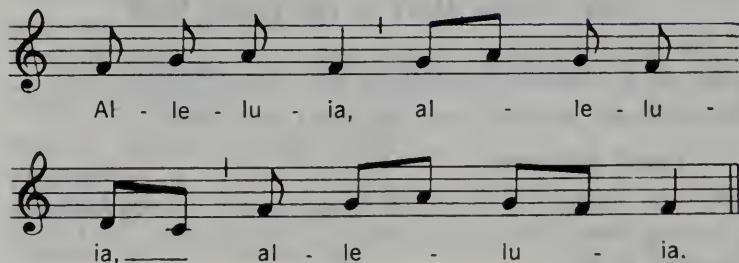
SECOND READING

MT. 28,1-7

The Creed is not said, and there is no Offertory Song.

The Lamb of God is not sung. After the ablutions, the following is begun:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



Psalm: Praise the Lord in his sanctuary,
praise him in the firmament of his strength.

PS. 150

Praise him for his mighty deeds,
praise him for his sovereign majesty.

Praise him with the blast of the trumpet,
praise him with lyre and harp.

Praise him with timbrel and dance,
praise him with strings and pipe.

Praise him with sounding cymbals,
praise him with clanging cymbals.

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

The celebrant should intone the antiphon And very early.

Priest: And very early

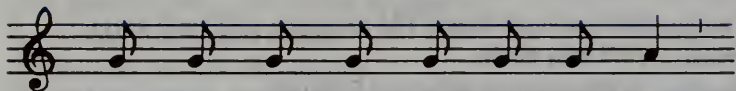
People: in the morning after the Sabbath,
they came to the sepulchre at sunrise, alleluia.

Canticle: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, LK. 1, 68-79
because he has visited and wrought redemption for his people,
And has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of David his servant,
As he promised through the mouths of his holy ones,
the prophets from of old:
Salvation from our enemies
and from the hands of all our foes.
He has fulfilled his kindness to our fathers,
and been mindful of his holy covenant
In the oath to Abraham our father,
by which he swore to grant us
That, delivered from the hands of our enemies,
we should serve him without fear
In holiness and justice before him all our days.
And you, O child, shall be called
the prophet of the Most High;
for you shall go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

To give his people knowledge of salvation
 through forgiveness of their sins,
 Because of the compassionate kindness of our God
 with which the Orient from on high will visit us,
 To shine on those
 who sit in darkness and the shadow of death,
 to guide our feet into the way of peace.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit,
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
 world without end. Amen.

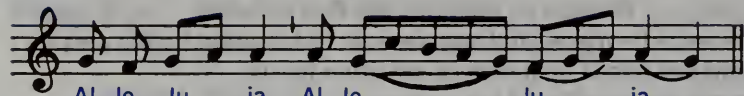
After the repetition of the antiphon the celebrant sings The Lord be with you and the postcommunion prayer.

The Mass ends with the Easter dismissal and blessing.



Priest: The Mass is end - ed. Go in peace.

People: Thanks be to God.



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EASTER DAY

Originally there was no Mass on Easter Day. The vigil accomplished the whole celebration. The readings of this Mass continue the joyful theme of Resurrection and Redemption.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 18, 5-6, 1-2

Antiphon: I arose, and am still with you, alleluia;
you rest your hand upon me, alleluia;
your knowledge is too wonderful, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalms: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 COR. 5,7-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 24, 1; 1 COR. 5, 7

This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it.
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever.
Alleluia, alleluia. Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Christians, to the Paschal victim Offer your thankful praises!
A lamb the sheep redeemeth:
Christ, who only is sinless, Reconcileth sinners to the Father.
Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous:
The Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal.
Speak Mary, declaring what thou sawest, wayfaring.
"The tomb of Christ, who is living,
The glory of Jesus' resurrection;
Bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting.
Yea, Christ my hope is arisen: To Galilee he goes before you."
Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining.
Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!
Amen. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MK. 16,1-7

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 75, 9-10

The earth feared and was silent
when God arose for judgment. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

1 COR. 5, 7-8

Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed, alleluia:
therefore let us keep festival
with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

MONDAY IN EASTER WEEK

We continue to celebrate the importance of the Eucharistic food as a constant source of strength that we Christians need.

ENTRANCE SONG

EX. 13, 5, 9; PS. 104, 1

Antiphon: The Lord has brought you
into a land flowing with milk and honey, alleluia:
thus the law of the Lord will ever be on your lips,
alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord, invoke his name;
make known among the nations his deeds.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ACTS 10, 37-43

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 24, 2; MT. 28, 2

This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it.
Let the house of Israel say that he is good,
that his mercy endures forever. Alleluia, alleluia.
An angel of the Lord came down from heaven,
and drawing near, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 119

SECOND READING

LK. 24, 13-35

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

MT. 28, 2, 5, 6

An angel of the Lord came down from heaven,
and said to the women,
"He whom you seek is risen as he said." Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 24, 34

The Lord has risen, and has appeared to Peter. Alleluia.

TUESDAY IN EASTER WEEK

This continuation of the glorious Easter feast brings forth more witnesses to the fact of the Ressurrection of the Lord.

ENTRANCE SONG

SIR. 15, 3, 4; PS. 104, 1

Antiphon: He gave them the water of learning to drink,
alleluia;

it shall be made strong in them,
and shall not be moved, alleluia,
and it shall exalt them forever, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord, invoke his name;
make known among the nations his deeds.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ACTS 13, 16, 26-33

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 24; PS. 106, 2

This is the day the Lord has made;
let us be glad and rejoice in it.

Thus let the redeemed of the Lord say,
those whom he has redeemed from the hand of the foe
and gathered from the lands,
Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord is risen from the sepulchre,
who for us hung upon a tree.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 119

SECOND READING

LK. 24, 36-47

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 17, 14, 16

The Lord thundered from heaven,
and the Most High gave forth his voice:
and the fountains of waters appeared, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

COL. 3, 1-2

If you have risen with Christ, seek the things that are above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God, alleluia;
mind the things that are above, alleluia.

WEDNESDAY IN EASTER WEEK

The instruction of the newly baptized continues. They (we) are told of the wonderful privileges of those who possess God's everlasting kingdom. Nourished with Heaven's bread, Christians overcome death (sin) here below.

ENTRANCE SONG

MT. 25, 34; PS. 95, 1

Antiphon: Come, blessed of my Father,
receive the kingdom, alleluia,
which was prepared for you from the foundation of the world,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all you lands.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 3, 13-15, 17-19

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 24, 16; LK. 24, 34

This is the day the Lord has made;
let us be glad and rejoice in it.
The right hand of the Lord has struck with power:
the right hand of the Lord has exalted me.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Peter.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 119

SECOND READING

JN. 21, 1-14

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 77, 23-25

The Lord opened the doors of heaven;
he rained manna upon them for food
and gave them heavenly bread.
The bread of angels was eaten by men, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

ROM. 6, 9

Christ having risen from the dead, dies now no more, alleluia;
death shall no longer have dominion over him, alleluia, alleluia.

THURSDAY IN EASTER WEEK

The benefits of Baptism are still further discovered.

ENTRANCE SONG

WIS. 10, 20-21; PS. 97, 1

Antiphon: They praised in unison your conquering hand,
O Lord, alleluia,
because wisdom opened the mouths of the dumb,
and gave ready speech to infants, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ACTS 8, 26-40

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 24, 22-23

This is the day the Lord has made;
let us be glad and rejoice in it.
The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

By the Lord has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ is risen, who created all things,
and who had compassion upon the human race.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 119

SECOND READING

JN. 20, 11-18

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

EX. 13, 5

"In the day of your solemnity," says the Lord,
"I will bring you into a land flowing with milk and honey."
Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

1 PT. 2, 9

O purchased people, proclaim the perfections of him, alleluia,
who has called you out of darkness
into his marvellous light, alleluia.

FRIDAY IN EASTER WEEK

Now is stressed our responsibility to "respond" to the New Covenant into which we have been sealed by the Sacraments. We must listen to the Lord's teaching; we must profess outwardly what we believe within.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 77, 53, 1

Antiphon: The Lord led them on in hope, alleluia, while he covered their enemies with the sea, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalms: Hearken, my people, to my teaching: incline your ears to the words of my mouth. Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 PT. 3, 18-21

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 24, 26-27; PS. 95, 10

This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; the Lord is God, and he has given us light. Alleluia, alleluia.

Say among the nations: the Lord has reigned from a tree.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 119

SECOND READING

MT. 28, 16-20

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

EX. 12, 14

This day shall be a memorial feast for you, alleluia; and you shall celebrate it as a solemn feast to the Lord from generation to generation: an everlasting legal day, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 28, 18-19

All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me, alleluia. Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, alleluia, alleluia.

SATURDAY IN EASTER WEEK

Christians are this day reminded of their dignity as God's chosen people; the living stones of the temple of which Christ is the cornerstone.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 104, 43, 1; PS. 117, 24; PS. 112, 1

Antiphon: The Lord led forth his people with joy, alleluia;
with shouts of joy, his chosen ones, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord, invoke his name;
make known among the nations his deeds.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 PT. 2, 1-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 24; PS. 112, 1

Alleluia, alleluia.

This is the day the Lord has made;
let us be glad and rejoice in it.

Alleluia. Praise, you servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 119

SECOND READING

JN. 20, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 117, 26-27

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
we bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, and he has given us light,
alleluia, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

GAL. 3, 27

All you who have been baptized into Christ,
have put on Christ, alleluia.

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

What is known to us as Eastertide existed in the days of Israel. It lasted until Pentecost, also a Jewish celebration. They believed, rightly, that Christ's death and Resurrection were the fulfillment of the ancient Passover. They continued the seasonal celebrations, but now in a Christian dimension. General theme of this and the following Sundays is that although the Lord would depart and go back to Heaven, he would stay with us in a way still more real, in the sacraments.

ENTRANCE SONG

1 PT. 2, 2; PS. 80, 2

Antiphon: Crave as newborn babes, alleluia:
pure spiritual milk: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Sing joyfully to God our strength;
acclaim the God of Jacob.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 JN. 5, 4-10

MEDITATION SONG

MT. 28, 7; JN. 20, 26

Alleluia, alleluia.

"On the day of my resurrection," says the Lord,
"I will go before you into Galilee."

Alleluia. After eight days, the doors being closed,
Jesus stood in the midst of his disciples, and said,
"Peace be to you!" Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 20, 19-31

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

MT. 28, 2, 5, 6

An angel of the Lord came down from heaven,
and said to the women,

"He whom you seek has risen even as he said," alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 20, 27

Put in your hand, and know the place of the nails, alleluia;
and be not unbelieving, but believing, alleluia, alleluia.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

The role of Christ the Good Shepherd is carried on by the bishops of his Church.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 32, 5-6, 1

Antiphon: Of the kindness of the Lord the earth is full, alleluia;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made,
alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

I PT. 2, 21-25

MEDITATION SONG

LK. 24, 35; JN. 10, 14

Alleluia, alleluia.

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus
in the breaking of the bread.

Alleluia. I am the good shepherd:
and I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 10, 11-16

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 62, 2, 5

O God, my God, to you do I watch at break of day,
and in your name I will lift up my hands, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 10, 14

I am the good shepherd, alleluia:
and I know my sheep, and mine know me, alleluia, alleluia.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

After the Resurrection, the Lord showed us a new way of life, a glorious one. We encounter him in faith in the sacraments. We share that life. Although joyfully, we must still carry our cross to follow him.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 65, 1-2, 3

Antiphon: Shout joyfully to God, all you on earth, alleluia; sing praise to the glory of his name, alleluia; proclaim his glorious praise, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Say to God,

"How tremendous are your deeds, O Lord!

For your great strength your enemies fawn upon you."

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

I PT. 2, 11-19

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 110, 9; LK. 24, 46

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord has sent deliverance to his people.

Alleluia. It behooved Christ to suffer

and to rise again from the dead,

and so to enter into his glory. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 16, 16-22

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 145, 2

Praise the Lord, O my soul;

I will praise the Lord all my life;

I will sing praise to my God while I live. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 16, 16

A little while, and you shall not see me, alleluia:

and again a little while, and you shall see me:

because I go to the Father. Alleluia, alleluia.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

By dying and arising, the Lord made possible the coming of the Spirit. By the power of the same Spirit, we are caught up into a new way of life. We are challenged to ready the world for the Parousia, the glorious coming of the Son of God!

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 97, 1, 2, 1

Antiphon: Sing to the Lord a new song, alleluia;
for the Lord has done wondrous deeds, alleluia;
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: His right hand has won victory for him, his holy arm.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JAS. 1,17-21

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 16; ROM. 6, 9

Alleluia, alleluia.

The right hand of the Lord has struck with power;
the right hand of the Lord has exalted me.

Alleluia. Christ, having risen from the dead, dies now no more;
death shall no longer have dominion over him. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 16,5-14

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 65, 1-2, 16

Shout joyfully to God, all you on earth,
sing praise to the glory of his name;
hear now, all you who fear God,
while I declare what the Lord has done for me. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 16, 8

When the Paraclete has come, the Spirit of truth,
he will convict the world of sin,
and of justice, and of judgment, alleluia, alleluia.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

We are the arisen people of the Lord. We bear witness to our having arisen with Christ into a new life by keeping the word of God.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 48, 20; PS. 65, 1-2

Antiphon: Declare the word of joy,
and let it be heard, alleluia;
declare it even to the ends of the earth;
the Lord has delivered his people: alleluia, alleluia.

Psalms: Shout joyfully to God, all you on earth,
sing praise to the glory of his name;
proclaim his glorious praise.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

JAS. 1,22-27

MEDITATION SONG

JN. 16, 28

Alleluia, alleluia.
Christ is risen, and has shone upon us,
whom he redeemed with his blood.
Alleluia. I came forth from the Father,
and have come into the world.
Again I leave the world, and go to the Father. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 16,23-30

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 65, 8-9, 20

Bless the Lord our God, you peoples,
loudly sound his praise;
he has given life to my soul, and has not let my feet slip.
Blessed be the Lord, who refused me not my prayer,
or his kindness. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 95, 2

Sing to the Lord, alleluia;
sing to the Lord; bless his name;
announce his salvation day after day, alleluia, alleluia.

SPRING ROGATION DAYS

Celebration of the Litanies

On the 25th of April and on the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday before the Ascension, following ancient tradition of the Church special prayers are said for peace and prosperity. These days are called Rogation Days or "Asking" days. For each Rogation Day except the Vigil of the Ascension there is also a special Eucharist celebration which follows the singing of the litanies and the procession, if one is held. In recent years it has been permissible to substitute other pertinent prayers for the Litany of the Saints. This litany may be found on page 451.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 17, 7, 2-3

Antiphon: From his holy temple he heard my voice, alleluia; and my cry to him reached his ears. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: I love you, O Lord, my strength,
O Lord, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JAS. 5, 16-20

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 78, 9-10; PS. 30, 8

Alleluia, alleluia.

Pardon our sins, O Lord;
why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"
Alleluia. I will rejoice and be glad of your kindness,
when you have seen my affliction
and watched over me in my distress. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 11, 5-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 108, 30-31

I will speak my thanks earnestly to the Lord,
and in the midst of the throng I will praise him,
for he stood at the right hand of the poor man,
to save me from those who would condemn me. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 11, 9-10

Ask, and you shall receive;
seek, and you shall find;
knock and it shall be opened to you.
For everyone who asks receives;
and he who seeks finds;
and to him who knocks, it shall be opened. (P.T. Alleluia.)

VIGIL OF THE ASCENSION

This celebration is of rather recent origin. Combined is the chant of last Sunday's Mass with new readings to accomplish the transition into the Feast of the Ascension itself.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 48, 20; PS. 65, 1-2

Antiphon: Declare the word of joy,
and let it be heard, alleluia:
declare it even to the ends of the earth;
the Lord has delivered his people: alleluia, alleluia.

Psalms: Shout joyfully to God, all you on earth,
sing praise to the glory of his name;
proclaim his glorious praise.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 4:7-13

MEDITATION SONG

JN. 16, 28

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ is risen, and has shone upon us,
whom he redeemed with his blood.

Alleluia. I came forth from the Father,
and have come into the world.

Again I leave the world, and go to the Father. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 17,1-11

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 65, 8-9, 20

Bless the Lord our God, you peoples, loudly sound his praise,
he has given life to my soul,
and has not let my feet slip.

Blessed be the Lord, who refused me not my prayer,
or his kindness. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 95, 2

Sing to the Lord, alleluia;
sing to the Lord; bless his name;
announce his salvation day after day, alleluia, alleluia.

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

The Ascension is not so much a historical fact as a phase of the mystery of Christ. It marks Christ's entering into his final dimension after the Resurrection. It is a continuation therefore of the Resurrection event.

ENTRANCE SONG

ACTS 1, 11; PS. 46, 2

Antiphon: Men of Galilee,
why do you stand looking up to heaven? Alleluia.
He shall come in the same way
as you have seen him going up to heaven:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalms: All you peoples, clap your hands,
shout to God with cries of gladness.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 1,1-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 46, 6; PS. 67, 18-19

Alleluia, alleluia.
God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy;
the Lord, amid trumpet blasts.
Alleluia. The Lord advances from Sinai to the sanctuary;
ascending on high, he has led captivity captive. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MK. 16,14-20

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 46, 6

God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy;
the Lord, amid trumpet blasts. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 67, 33-34

Chant praise to the Lord,
who rises on the heights of the heavens to the east. Alleluia.

SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION

Today's lesson does not speak to us about the Ascension, but about our responsibility to witness and endure.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 26, 7, 8, 9, 1

Antiphon: Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call, alleluia;
to you my heart speaks; your glance I seek;
your presence, O Lord, I seek.
Hide not your face from me, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

I PT. 4,7-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 46, 9; JN. 14, 18

Alleluia, alleluia.
The Lord reigns over all the nations,
God sits upon his holy throne.
Alleluia. I will not leave you orphans;
I go away and I come to you,
and your heart shall rejoice. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 15,26-27; JN.16,1-4

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 46, 6

God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy;
the Lord, amid trumpet blasts. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 17, 12-13, 15

Father, while I was with them,
I kept them whom you have given me, alleluia;
but now I am coming to you:
I do not pray that you take them out of the world,
but that you keep them from evil, alleluia, alleluia.

VIGIL OF PENTECOST

As we enter into the final phase of the Easter celebration, of our renewal in Christ, in the refreshment of Baptism, we are reminded that it is by the power of the Holy Spirit that the waters of this sacred rite take their effect.

ENTRANCE SONG

EZ. 36, 23, 24, 25-26; PS. 33, 2

Antiphon: When I prove my holiness through you,
I will gather you from all the foreign lands;
and I will sprinkle clean water upon you
to cleanse you from all your impurities;
and I will give you a new spirit, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalms: I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall be ever in my mouth.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ACTS 19.1-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 105, 1; PS. 105, 1-2

Alleluia. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his kindness endures forever!
Praise the Lord, all you nations;
glorify him, all you peoples!
For steadfast is his kindness toward us,
and the fidelity of the Lord endures forever.

SECOND READING

JN. 14.15-21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 103, 30-31

Send forth your spirit, and they shall be created,
and you shall renew the face of the earth.
May the glory of the Lord endure forever, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 7, 37-39

On the last day of the feast, Jesus said, "He who believes in me,
from within him there shall flow rivers of living water."
He said this, however, of the Spirit,
whom they who believed in him were to receive, alleluia, alleluia

PENTECOST

We are involved in the Redemption of Christ through Baptism and the other sacraments. After his Resurrection, Christ himself took on a new dimension of being, so that he could stay with us in the sacrament although the visible Jesus returned to heaven. By fulfilling his promise to send a Spirit and by the power of the Holy Spirit, the sacraments are effective.

ENTRANCE SONG

WIS. 1, 7; PS. 67, 2

Antiphon: The spirit of the Lord fills the world, alleluia,
is all-embracing, and knows man's utterance,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: God arises; his enemies are scattered,
and those who hate him flee before him.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 2,1-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 103, 30

Alleluia, alleluia.

Send forth your spirit, and they shall be created;
and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful:
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Come, thou Holy Spirit, come!
And from thy celestial home
Shed a ray of light divine!

Come, thou Father of the poor!
Come, thou source of all our store!
Come, within our bosoms shine!

Thou, of comforters the best;
Thou, the soul's most welcome guest;
Sweet refreshment here below;

In our labor, rest most sweet;
Grateful coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

O most blessed Light divine,
Shine within these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill!

Where thou art not, man hath naught,
Nothing good in deed or thought,
Nothing free from taint of ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

On the faithful, who adore
And confess thee, evermore
In thy sev'nfold gift descend;

Give them virtue's sure reward;
Give them thy salvation, Lord;
Give them joys that never end.
Amen. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 14,23-31

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 67, 29-30

Confirm, O God, what you have wrought in us;
from your temple, which is in Jerusalem,
kings shall offer gifts to you, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

ACTS 2, 2, 4

Suddenly there came a sound from heaven,
as of a violent wind blowing, where they were sitting, alleluia:
and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit,
speaking of the wonderful works of God, alleluia, alleluia.

MONDAY IN PENTECOST WEEK

This celebration continues the instruction of new Christians.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 80, 17, 2

Antiphon: He fed them with the best of wheat, alleluia:
and filled them with honey from the rock, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Sing joyfully to God our strength;
acclaim the God of Jacob.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 10, 34, 42-48

MEDITATION SONG

ACTS 2, 4

Alleluia, alleluia.

The apostles spoke in foreign tongues
the wonderful works of God.

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 137

SECOND READING

JN. 3,16-21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 17, 14, 16

The Lord thundered from heaven,
the Most High gave forth his voice;
and the fountains of waters appeared, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 14, 26

The Holy Spirit will teach you, alleluia:
whatever I have said to you, alleluia, alleluia.

TUESDAY IN PENTECOST WEEK

Another instruction in Christian living; on the sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist.

ENTRANCE SONG

4 ESD. 2, 36, 37; PS. 77, 1

Antiphon: Receive the joy of your glory, alleluia;
giving thanks to God, alleluia,
who has called you to the heavenly kingdom,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Hearken, my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 8,14-17

MEDITATION SONG

JN. 14, 26

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Spirit will teach you whatever I have said to you.
Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 137

SECOND READING

JN. 10,1-10

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 77, 23-25

The Lord opened the doors of heaven;
he rained manna upon them for food
and gave them heavenly bread.
The bread of the angels was eaten by men, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 15, 26; JN. 16, 14

The Spirit who proceeds from the Father, alleluia:
he will glorify me, alleluia, alleluia.

EMBER WEDNESDAY IN PENTECOST WEEK

A most important and encouraging truth is taught us today: as God was present to the Israelites in the desert, in the cloud and in the pillar of fire, his Spirit is present and living among us, today and always.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 67, 8, 9, 2

Antiphon: O God, when you went forth
at the head of your people, making a passage for them,
dwelling in their midst, alleluia;
the earth quaked; it rained from heaven, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: God arises; his enemies are scattered,
and those who hate him flee before him.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ACTS 2, 14-21

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 32, 6

After the first reading:

Alleluia. By the word of the Lord the heavens were made;
by the breath of his mouth all their host.

SECOND READING

ACTS 5, 12-16

MEDITATION SONG

After the second reading:

Alleluia, alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 137

THIRD READING

JN. 6, 44-51

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 47, 48

I will delight in your commands, which I love exceedingly.
And I will lift up my hands
to your commands, which I love, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 14, 27

Peace I leave with you, alleluia;
my peace I give to you, alleluia, alleluia.

THURSDAY IN PENTECOST WEEK

The coming of the Spirit is wonderfully announced by his driving away darkness and evil.

ENTRANCE SONG

WIS. 1, 7; PS. 67, 2

Antiphon: The Spirit of the Lord fills the world, alleluia, is all-embracing, and knows man's utterance, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: God arises; his enemies are scattered, and those who hate him flee before him. Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 8,5-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 103, 30

Alleluia, alleluia.

Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and kindle in them the fire of your love.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 137

SECOND READING

LK. 9,1-6

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 67, 29-30

Confirm, O God, what you have wrought in us; from your temple, which is in Jerusalem, kings shall offer gifts to you, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

ACTS 2, 2, 4

Suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind blowing, where they were sitting, alleluia: and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, speaking of the wonderful works of God, alleluia, alleluia.

EMBER FRIDAY IN PENTECOST WEEK

A typical ember day. It gives thanks for blessings, prays for help and forgiveness.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 70, 8, 23, 1-2

Antiphon: Let my mouth be filled with your praise, alleluia:
that I may sing, alleluia.

My lips shall shout for joy as I sing your praises, alleluia,
alleluia.

Psalm: In you, O Lord, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.

In your justice rescue me, and deliver me.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JL. 2, 23-27

MEDITATION SONG

WIS. 12, 10

Alleluia, alleluia.

How good and sweet is your spirit, O Lord, within us!

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 137

SECOND READING

LK. 5, 17-26

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 145, 2

Praise the Lord, O my soul;

I will praise the Lord all my life;

I will sing praise to my God while I live, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 14, 18

I will not leave you orphans;

I will come to you again, alleluia:

and your hearts shall rejoice, alleluia.

EMBER SATURDAY IN PENTECOST WEEK

As we leave the special celebration of the Spirit, we are reminded again that its presence is proclaimed in us by our love.

ENTRANCE SONG

ROM. 5, 5; PS. 102, 1

Antiphon: The charity of God is poured forth in our hearts,
alleluia:

by his Spirit dwelling in us, alleluia, alleluia.

Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and, all my being, bless his holy name.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

JL. 2, 28-32

MEDITATION SONG

JN. 6, 64

After the first reading: Alleluia. It is the Spirit that gives life;
but the flesh profits nothing.

SECOND READING

ROM. 5, 1-5

MEDITATION SONG

After the second reading: Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 137

THIRD READING

LK. 4, 38-44

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 87, 2-3

O Lord, the God of my salvation,
by day I cry out, at night I clamor in your presence.
Let my prayer come before you, O Lord, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 3, 8

The Spirit breathes where he will,
and you hear his voice, alleluia, alleluia;
but do not know whence he comes
or where he goes, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

This Mass is celebrated only on the weekdays of the week after Trinity Sunday.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 12, 6, 1

Antiphon: O Lord, I trusted in your kindness.

Let my heart rejoice in your salvation;

let me sing of the Lord,

"He has been good to me."

Psalm: How long, O Lord? will you utterly forget me?

How long will you hide your face from me?

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

I JN. 4, 8-21

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 40, 5, 2; PS. 5, 2

I said, "O Lord, have pity on me;

heal my soul, for I have sinned against you."

Happy is he who has regard for the lowly and the poor;

in the day of misfortune the Lord will deliver him.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Hearken to my words, O Lord, attend to my sighing. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 6, 36-42

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 5, 3-4

Heed my call for help, my king and my God!

To you I pray, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 9, 2-3

I will declare all your wondrous deeds;

I will be glad and exult in you;

I will sing praise to your name, Most High.

FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

Glory be to the Father in the Son and by the Holy Spirit. This ancient Christian doxology tells us that all three persons of the Trinity are wonderfully involved in our redemption. Today's liturgy sums up the renewal of the cycle of redemption by a meditation on this profound truth.

ENTRANCE SONG

TB. 12, 6; PS. 8, 2

Antiphon: Blessed be the Holy Trinity and undivided Unity:
we will give glory to him,
because he has shown his mercy to us.

Psalm: O Lord, our Lord, how glorious is your name
over all the earth!

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ROM. 11,33-36

MEDITATION SONG

DN. 3, 55-56, 52

Blessed are you, O Lord,
who look into the depths from your throne upon the cherubim.
Blessed are you, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven,
and praiseworthy forever.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers,
and praiseworthy forever. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 28,18-20

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

TB. 12, 6

Blessed be God the Father,
and the only-begotten Son of God,
and also the Holy Spirit:
because he has shown his mercy to us.

COMMUNION SONG

TB. 12, 6

We bless the God of heaven,
and before all living we will praise him;
because he has shown his mercy to us.

THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Liturgy gives us another celebration to stress the Easter mystery of death and life. Those who eat of the fruit of life are very much alive now, nor will they taste death forever.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 80, 17, 2

Antiphon: He fed them with the best of wheat, alleluia;
and filled them with honey from the rock,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Sing joyfully to God our strength;
acclaim the God of Jacob.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 COR. 11,23-29

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 144, 15-16; JN. 6, 56-57

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, O Lord;
and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand;
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.
Alleluia, alleluia.

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.
He who eats my flesh, and drinks my blood,
abides in me and I in him.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Laud, O Sion, thy salvation,
Laud with hymns of exultation,
Christ, thy king and shepherd true:

Bring him all the praise thou knowest,
He is more than thou bestowest,
Never canst thou reach his due.

Special theme for glad thanksgiving
Is the quick'ning and the living
Bread today before thee set:

From his hands of old partaken,
As we know, by faith unshaken,
Where the twelve at supper met.

Full and clear ring out thy chanting,
Joy nor sweetest grace be wanting,
From thy heart let praises burst:

For today the feast is holden,
When the institution olden
Of that supper was rehearsed.

Here the new law's new oblation.
By the new king's revelation,
Ends the form of ancient rite:

Now the new the old effaceth,
Truth away the shadow chaseth,
Light dispels the gloom of night.

What he did at supper seated,
Christ ordained to be repeated,
His memorial ne'er to cease:

And his rule for guidance taking,
Bread and wine we hallow, making
Thus our sacrifice of peace.

This the truth each Christian learneth,
Bread into his flesh he turneth,
To his precious blood the wine:

Sight hath fail'd, nor thought conceiveth,
But a dauntless faith believeth,
Resting on a pow'r divine.

Here beneath these signs are hidden
Priceless things to sense forbidden;
Signs, not things are all we see:

Blood is poured and flesh is broken,
Yet in either wondrous token
Christ entire we know to be.

Whoso of this food partaketh,
Rendeth not the Lord nor breaketh
Christ is whole to all that taste:

Thousands are, as one, receivers,
One, as thousands of believers,
Eats of him who cannot waste.

Bad and good the feast are sharing,
Of what divers dooms preparing,
Endless death, or endless life.

Life to these, to those damnation,
See how like participation
Is with unlike issues rife.

When the sacrament is broken,
Doubt not, but believe 'tis spoken,
That each sever'd outward token
doth the very whole contain.

Nought the precious gift divideth,
Breaking but the sign betideth
Jesus still the same abideth, still
unbroken doth remain.

Lo! the angels' food is given
To the pilgrim who hath striven;
See the children's bread from heaven,
which on dogs may not be spent.

Truth the ancient types fulfilling,
Isaac bound, a victim willing,
Paschal lamb, its life blood spilling,
manna to the fathers sent.

Very bread, good shepherd, tend us,
Jesu, of thy love befriend us,
Thou refresh us, thou defend us,
Thine eternal goodness send us
In the land of life to see.

Thou who all things canst and knowest,
Who on earth such food bestowest,
Grant us with thy saints, though lowest,
Where the heav'nly feast thou showest,
Fellow heirs and guests to be. Amen.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 6, 55-58

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LV. 21, 6

The priests of the Lord offer incense and loaves to God,
and therefore they shall be sacred to their God
and shall not profane his name. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

1 COR. 11, 26, 27

As often as you shall eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the death of the Lord, until he comes.
Therefore whoever eats this bread
or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily,
will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord, alleluia.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Today we are called upon to consider the seriousness of our Christian vocation.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 17, 19-20, 2-3

Antiphon: The Lord came to my support.
He set me free in the open,
and rescued me, because he loves me.

Psalm: I love you, O Lord, my strength,
O Lord, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

I JN. 3,13-18

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 119, 1-2; PS. 7, 2

In my distress I called to the Lord,
and he answered me.
O Lord, deliver me from lying lip, from treacherous tongue.
Alleluia, alleluia.
O Lord my God, in you I take refuge;
save me from all my pursuers and rescue me. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 14,16-24

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 6, 5

Return, O Lord, save my life;
rescue me because of your kindness.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 12, 6

I will sing of the Lord, "He has been good to me";
and I will sing to the name of the Lord the Most High.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

This celebration considers the human heart of Jesus as the living symbol of his outpouring love.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 32, 11, 19, 1

Antiphon: The thoughts of his heart are to all generations:
to deliver them from death
and preserve them in spite of famine.

Psalm: Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 3, 8-19

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 24, 8-9; MT. 11, 29

Good and upright is the Lord;
thus he shows sinners the way.
He guides the humble to justice;
he teaches the humble his way.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,
for I am meek, and humble of heart:
and you will find rest for your souls. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 19, 31-37

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 68, 21

My heart expected reproach and misery;
I looked for sympathy, but there was none;
and for comforters, and I found none.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 19, 34

One of the soldiers opened his side with a lance,
and immediately there came out blood and water.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

When sin breaks off our relationship with God he does not stop loving us. He is ready to re-establish us in grace. This is mercy.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 24, 16, 18, 1-2

Antiphon: Look toward me, and have pity on me, O Lord,
for I am alone and afflicted.

Put an end to my affliction and my suffering,
and take away all my sins, O my God.

Psalms: To you, I lift up my soul, O Lord.

In you, O my God, I trust;
let me not be put to shame.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

I PT. 5,6-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 54, 23, 17, 19; PS. 7, 12

Cast your care upon the Lord, and he will support you.

When I called upon the Lord, he heard my voice
and freed me from those who war against me.

Alleluia, alleluia.

A just judge is God, strong and patient;
is he angry every day? Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 15,1-10

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 9, 11-12, 13

They trust in you who cherish your name, O Lord,
for you forsake not those who seek you.

Sing praise to the Lord enthroned in Sion,
for he has not forgotten the cry of the afflicted.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 15, 10

I say to you: there is joy among the angels of God
over one sinner who repents.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The world which God made is not bad. It is good. Whatever is evil in it, we must correct as we continue Christ's work on the new creation.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 26, 1, 2, 3

Antiphon: The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?
The Lord is my life's refuge;
of whom should I be afraid?
My enemies that trouble me, themselves stumble and fall.

Psalm: Though an army encamp against me,
my heart will not fear.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ROM. 8,18-23

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 78, 9, 10; PS. 9, 5, 10

Pardon our sins, O Lord;
why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"
Help us, O God our savior;
because of the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.
Alleluia, alleluia.
O God, seated on your throne, judging justly:
be a stronghold for the oppressed in times of distress. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 5,1-11

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 12, 4-5

Give light to my eyes that I may never sleep in death,
lest my enemy say, "I have overcome him."

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 17, 3

O Lord, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer:
my God, my rock of refuge!

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Bluntly does the Lord tell us today that we must be at peace with our brother before we dare offer sacrifice at his altar.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 26, 7, 9, 1

Antiphon: Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call;
be my helper: forsake me not:
despise me not, O God my savior.

Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

I PT. 3,8-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 83, 10, 9; PS. 20, 1

Behold, O God, our protector, and look on your servants.
O Lord God of hosts, hear the prayers of your servants.
Alleluia, alleluia.
O Lord, in your strength the king is glad;
in your victory how greatly he rejoices! Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5,20-24

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 15, 7, 8

I bless the Lord who counsels me;
I set God ever before me;
with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 26, 4

One thing I ask of the Lord; this I seek:
to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

On this day of the Lord we take up again an Easter theme and recall what it means to "be alive in Christ."

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 27, 8-9, 1

Antiphon: The Lord is the strength of his people,
the saving refuge of his anointed.

Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance;
and rule them forever!

Psalm: To you, O Lord, I call;
O my God, be not deaf to me,
lest, if you heed me not,
I become one of those going down into the pit.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ROM. 6,3-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 89, 13, 1; PS. 30, 2-3

Return, O Lord! How long? Have pity on your servants!
O Lord, you have been our refuge through all generations.
Alleluia, alleluia.

In you, O Lord, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
In your justice rescue me and release me,
incline your ear to me, make haste to deliver me! Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MK. 8,1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 16, 5, 6-7

Make my steps steadfast in your paths,
that my feet may not falter.

Incline your ear to me; hear my word.
Show your wondrous kindness, O Lord,
O savior of those who trust in you.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 26, 6

I will go round and offer in his tent
sacrifices with shouts of gladness;
I will sing and chant praise to the Lord.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Bible is full of trees. As they do in nature, they fulfill a number of roles. Above all a healthy tree stands for a healthy Christian. Christ sprang from the stump of Jesse; he redeemed us on the tree of the cross; we are nourished on the fruit of the tree.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 46, 2, 3

Antiphon: All you peoples, clap your hands,
shout to God with cries of gladness.

Psalms: For the Lord, the Most High, the awesome,
is the great king over all the earth.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ROM. 6,19-23

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 33, 12, 6; PS. 46, 2

Come, children, hear me;
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
Look to him that you may be radiant with joy,
and your faces may not blush with shame.
Alleluia, alleluia.
All you peoples, clap your hands,
shout to God with cries of gladness. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 7,15-21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

DN. 3, 40

As though it were holocausts of rams and bullocks,
or thousands of fat lambs,
so let our sacrifice be in your presence today,
that it may please you;
for those who trust in you
cannot be put to shame, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 30, 3

Incline your ear to me, make haste to deliver me.

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

In a different gospel passage the Lord teaches us about Christian prudence. We begin by realizing prudence is not timid cowardliness, it is brave wisdom.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 47, 10-11, 2

Antiphon: O God, we ponder your kindness within your temple.
As your name, O God, so also your praise
reaches to the ends of the earth.
Of justice your right hand is full.

Psalm: Great is the Lord and wholly to be praised
in the city of our God, his holy mountain.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ROM. 8,12-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 30, 3; PS. 70, 1; PS. 47, 2

Be my rock of refuge, O God,
a stronghold to give me safety.
In you, O God, I take refuge;
O Lord, let me never be put to shame.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Great is the Lord and wholly to be praised
in the city of our God, his holy mountain. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 16,1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 17, 28, 32

Lowly people you save, O Lord,
but haughty eyes you bring low;
for who is God except you, O Lord?

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 33, 9

Taste and see how good the Lord is;
happy the man who takes refuge in him.

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Lessons in Christian living go on. Now we consider the possibility of our failure as Christians.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 53, 6-7, 3

Antiphon: Behold, God is my helper, the Lord sustains my life.
Turn back the evil upon my foes;
in your faithfulness destroy them, O Lord, my protector.

Psalm: O God, by your name save me,
and by your might deliver me.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

I COR. 10,6-13

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 8, 2; PS. 58, 2

O Lord, our Lord, how glorious is your name over all the earth!
You have elevated your majesty above the heavens.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Rescue me from my enemies, O my God;
from my adversaries defend me. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 19,41-47

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 18, 9, 10, 11, 12

The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart,
and his ordinances sweeter than syrup or honey from the comb;
therefore your servant is careful of them.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 6, 57

"He who eats my flesh, and drinks my blood, abides in me,
and I in him," says the Lord.

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

We consider justification as meaning righteousness. It is important to understand and use this word "righteousness" in its proper connotation. Not to be confused with "self-righteousness," it properly describes the grace which God gives us to cause us to be saved, to make us his children.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 54, 17, 18, 20, 23, 2-3

Antiphon: When I called upon the Lord, he heard my voice
and freed me from those who war against me;
and he humbled them,
he who is before all ages, and remains forever:
cast your care upon the Lord, and he will support you.

Psalm: Hearken, O God, to my prayer;
turn not away from my pleading;
give heed to me, and answer me.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

I COR. 12,2-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 16, 8, 2; PS. 64, 2

Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;
hide me in the shadow of your wings.
From you let judgment come; your eyes behold what is right.
Alleluia, alleluia.
To you we owe our hymn of praise, O God, in Sion;
to you must vows be fulfilled in Jerusalem. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 18,9-14

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 24, 1-3

To you I lift up my soul, O Lord.
In you, O my God, I trust;
let me not be put to shame,
let not my enemies exult over me.
No one who waits for you shall be put to shame.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 50, 21

You shall be pleased with due sacrifices,
burnt offerings and holocausts on your altar, O Lord.

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

We are reminded of our solemn responsibilities to understand, to hand down, to teach what we have received from our Father in the Word of God and through the Holy Spirit.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 67, 6-7, 36, 2

Antiphon: God is in his holy dwelling,
God who makes men of one mind to dwell in a house;
he shall give power and strength to his people.

Psalm: God arises;
his enemies are scattered,
and those who hate him flee before him.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

I COR. 15,1-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 27, 7, 1; PS. 80, 2-3

In God my heart trusts, and I find help;
then my heart exults, and with my song I give him thanks.
To you, O Lord, I call;
O my God, be not deaf to me;
depart not from me.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Sing joyfully to God our strength;
acclaim the God of Jacob.
Take up a pleasant psalm with the harp. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MK. 7,31-37

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 29, 2-3

I will extol you, O Lord, for you drew me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice over me;
O Lord, I cried out to you and you healed me.

COMMUNION SONG

PRV. 3, 9-10

Honor the Lord with your wealth,
with first fruits of all your produce.
Then will your barns be filled with grain,
with new wine your vats will overflow.

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

In himself Christ brings all history together. He is the Lord of his people. His is the history of salvation. There is only one great day of salvation that encompasses the whole span of history. That day began with the Resurrection and will never end. The Lord of history is powerful among us in his sacraments.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 69, 2-3, 4

Antiphon: Deign, O God, to rescue me;

O Lord, make haste to help me.

Let them be put to shame and confounded who seek my life.

Psalms: Let them be turned back in disgrace, who desire my ruin.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 COR. 3, 4-9

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 33, 2-3; PS. 87, 2

I will bless the Lord at all times;

his praise shall be ever in my mouth.

Let my soul glory in the Lord; the lowly will hear and be glad.

Alleluia, alleluia.

O Lord, the God of my salvation,

by day I cry out, at night I clamor in your presence. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 23-37

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

EX. 32, 11, 13, 14

Moses prayed in the sight of the Lord his God and said,

"Why, O Lord, is your indignation enkindled against your people?

Let the anger of your mind cease;

remember Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,

to whom you swore to give a land flowing with milk and honey."

And the Lord was appeased from doing the evil

which he had spoken of doing against his people.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 103, 13, 14-15

The earth is replete with the fruit of your works, O Lord;

you produce bread from the earth,

and wine to gladden men's hearts,

so that their faces gleam with oil,

and bread fortifies the hearts of men.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

That God is faithful to his promises fills us with constant courage.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 73, 20, 19, 23, 1

Antiphon: Look to your covenant, O Lord,
forsake not forever the lives of your afflicted ones.
Arise, O Lord; defend your cause;
be not unmindful of the voices of those who ask you.

Psalm: Why, O God, have you cast us off forever?
Why does your anger smolder
against the sheep of your pasture?
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

GAL. 3,16-22

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 73, 20, 19, 22; PS. 89, 1

Look to your covenant, O Lord,
be not unmindful of the lives of your afflicted ones.
Arise, O Lord; defend your cause;
remember the reproach of your servants.
Alleluia, alleluia.
O Lord, you have been our refuge through all generations.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 17,11-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 30, 15-16

My trust is in you, O Lord;
I say, "You are my God."
In your hands is my destiny.

COMMUNION SONG

WIS. 16, 20

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and the sweetness of every taste.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

May we never forget that since we became citizens of heaven in Baptism we are really no longer totally citizens of this old world. There is necessarily a tension between us and our surroundings. This tension is resolved as we gradually bring the world into the New Creation.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 83, 10-11, 2-3

Antiphon: Behold, O God, our protector,
and look upon the face of your anointed.
Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere.

Psalm: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

GAL. 5,16-24

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 117, 8-9; PS. 94, 1

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord;
let us acclaim the God of our salvation. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 6,24-33

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 33, 8-9

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him,
and delivers them.
Taste and see how good the Lord is.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 6, 33

"Seek first the kingdom of God;
and all things shall be given you besides," says the Lord.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Again we go back into the glorious theme of Easter-Resurrection.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 85, 1, 2-3, 4

Antiphon: Incline your ear, O Lord; answer me;
save your servant, O my God, who trusts in you.
Have pity on me, O Lord,
for to you I call all the day.

Psalm: Gladden the soul of your servant,
for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

GAL. 5,25-26; GAL. 6,1-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 2-3; PS. 94, 3

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing to your name, Most High.
To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.
Alleluia, alleluia.
For the Lord is a great God,
and a great king over all the earth. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 7,11-16

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 39, 2, 3, 4

I have waited, waited for the Lord,
and he stooped toward me, and heard my cry.
And he put a new song into my mouth, a hymn to our God.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 6, 52

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

From the gospel of this celebration we draw a lesson on the "day of the Lord," the observance of that Sunday.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 85, 3, 5, 1

Antiphon: Have pity on me, O Lord,
for to you I call all the day;
for you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in kindness to all who call upon you.

Psalm: Incline your ear, O Lord;
answer me, for I am afflicted and poor.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 3,13-21

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 101, 16-17; PS. 97, 1

The nations shall revere your name, O Lord,
and all the kings of the earth your glory.
For the Lord has rebuilt Sion, and he shall appear in his glory.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Sing to the Lord a new song,
for the Lord has done wondrous deeds. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 14,1-11

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 39, 14, 15

Deign, O Lord, to rescue me;
let all be put to shame and confusion
who seek to snatch away my life.
Deign, O Lord, to rescue me.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 70, 16-17, 18

O Lord, I will tell of your singular justice;
O God, you have taught me from my youth;
and now that I am old and gray, O God, forsake me not.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The basic Christian fabric is necessarily re-examined: unity in love.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 137, 124, 1

Antiphon: You are just, O Lord,
and your ordinance is right.
Deal with your servant according to your kindness.

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 4,1-6

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 32, 12, 6; PS. 101, 2

Happy the nation whose God is the Lord,
the people the Lord has chosen for his own inheritance.
By the word of the Lord the heavens were made;
by the breath of his mouth all their host.
Alleluia, alleluia.
O Lord, hear my prayer,
and let my cry come to you. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 22,34-46

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

DN. 9, 17, 18, 19

I, Daniel, prayed to my God, saying,
"Hear, O Lord, the prayers of your servant;
show your face upon your sanctuary,
and favorably look down upon this people,
upon whom your name is invoked, O God."

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 75, 12-13

Make vows to the Lord, your God, and fulfill them;
let all round about him bring gifts to the terrible Lord
who checks the pride of princes,
who is terrible to the kings of the earth.

EMBER WEDNESDAY IN SEPTEMBER

The fall Ember days recall best their original purpose: a renewal of the covenant; worship the Lord, the giver of all good things.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 80, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Antiphon: Sing joyfully to God our strength;
acclaim the God of Jacob.
Take up a pleasant psalm with the harp;
blow the trumpet in the beginning of the month;
for it is a statute in Israel, an ordinance of the God of Jacob.

Psalm: He made it a decree for Joseph,
when he came forth from the land of Egypt:
he heard an unfamiliar speech.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

AM. 9,13-15

MEDITATION SONG

After the first reading:

PS. 112, 5-7

Who is like the Lord, our God, who is enthroned on high
and looks upon the heavens and the earth below?
He raises up the lowly from the dust;
from the dunghill he lifts up the poor.

SECOND READING

NEH. 8,1-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 32, 12, 6

After the second reading:

Happy the nation whose God is the Lord,
the people the Lord has chosen for his own inheritance.
By the word of the Lord the heavens were made;
by the breath of his mouth all their host.

THIRD READING

MK. 9,16-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 47, 48

I will delight in your commands, which I love exceedingly.
And I will lift up my hands to your commands, which I love.

COMMUNION SONG

2 ESD. 8, 10

Eat fat meats, and drink sweet wine,
and send portions to those
who have not prepared for themselves:
because it is the holy day of the Lord,
be not sad, for the joy of the Lord is our strength.

EMBER FRIDAY IN SEPTEMBER

A meditation on natural fertility, applied to the fruitfulness of God's people.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 104, 3-4, 1

Antiphon: Rejoice, O hearts that seek the Lord!
Look to the Lord; and be strengthened;
seek his face evermore.

Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord, invoke his name;
make known among the nations his deeds.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

OS. 14,2-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 89, 13, 1

Return, O Lord! How long?
Have pity on your servants.
O Lord, you have been our refuge through all generations.

SECOND READING

LK. 7,36-50

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 102, 2, 5

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits;
and your youth shall be renewed like the eagle's.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 22, 24

Take away from me reproach and contempt,
for I observe your decrees, O Lord.
Your decrees are my delight.

EMBER SATURDAY IN SEPTEMBER

Here we have a continuation of the Lord's harvest festival rather than that of pagan peoples.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 94, 6-7, 1

Antiphon: Come, let us bow down in worship to God;
let us kneel before the Lord.

Let us weep before him who made us; for he is the Lord our God.

Psalm: Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord;
let us acclaim God our savior.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

LV. 23, 26-32

MEDITATION SONG

After the first reading:

PS. 78, 9, 10

Pardon our sins, O Lord;
why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"
Help us, O God our savior;
because of the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.

SECOND READING

HEB. 9, 2-12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 116, 1-2

After the second reading:

Praise the Lord, all you nations; glorify him, all you peoples!
For steadfast is his kindness toward us,
and the fidelity of the Lord endures forever.

THIRD READING

LK. 13, 6-17

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 87, 2-3

O Lord, the God of my salvation, by day I cry out,
at night I clamor in your presence.

Let my prayer come before you, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

LV. 23, 41, 43

In the seventh month you shall keep this feast,
as I made the Israelites dwell in booths,
when I led them out of the land of Egypt.
I, the Lord, am your God.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The renewal that is ours in Baptism is ever more ours in Penance and the Eucharist.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 36, 18; PS. 121, 1

Antiphon: Give peace, O Lord, to those who have hoped in you, and let your prophets be proved true.

Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

Psalm: I rejoiced because they said to me,

"We will go up to the house of the Lord."

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

I COR. 1,4-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 121,1,7; PS. 101, 16

I rejoiced because they said to me,

"We will go up to the house of the Lord."

May peace be within your walls, prosperity in your buildings.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The nations shall revere your name, O Lord,

and all the kings of the earth your glory. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 9,1-8

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

EX. 24, 4, 5

Moses consecrated an altar to the Lord,

offering upon it holocausts, and sacrificing victims:

he made an evening sacrifice to the Lord God

for an odor of sweetness, in the sight of the Israelites.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 95, 8-9

Bring gifts and enter his courts;

worship the Lord in his holy court.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Today we have a last look at the "wedding garment."

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 77, 1

Antiphon: "I am the salvation of the people," says the Lord;
"in whatever tribulation they shall cry to me, I will hear them;
and I will be their Lord forever."

Psalm: Hearken, my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 4,23-28

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 140, 2; PS. 104, 1

Let my prayer come like incense before you, O Lord.
The lifting up of my hands, like the evening sacrifice.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Give thanks to the Lord, invoke his name;
make known among the nations his deeds. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 22,1-14

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 137, 7

Though I walk amid distress, you preserve me, O Lord;
against the anger of my enemies you raise your hand;
your right hand saves me.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 4-5

You have commanded that your precepts be diligently kept.
Oh, that I might be firm in the ways of keeping your statutes!

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Christ demands that we have faith in him. We believe in him through the signs of his sacraments. He, of course, first gives us this belief. This is the cycle of our redemption.

ENTRANCE SONG

DN. 3, 31, 29, 35; PS. 118, 1

Antiphon: All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done in true judgment,
because we have sinned against you,
and we have not obeyed your commandments;
but give glory to your name,
and deal with us according to the multitude of your mercy.

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 5,15-21

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 144, 15-16; PS. 107, 2

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, O Lord,
and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.
Alleluia, alleluia.
My heart is steadfast, O God; my heart is steadfast;
I will sing and chant praise to you, my glory. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 4,46-53

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 136, 1

By the streams of Babylon we sat and wept
when we remembered you, O Sion.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
since you have given me hope.
This is my comfort in my affliction.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Here our attention is directed to brotherly love in terms of mutual forgiveness.

ENTRANCE SONG

EST. 13, 9, 10-11; PS. 118, 1

Antiphon: In your will are all things, O Lord,
and there is none that can resist your will;
for you have made all things, heaven and earth,
and all things that are under the cope of heaven.
You are Lord of all.

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 6, 10-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 89, 1-2; PS. 113, 1

O Lord, you have been our refuge through all generations.
Before the mountains were begotten
and the earth and the world were brought forth,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
Alleluia, alleluia.

When Israel came forth from Egypt,
the house of Jacob from a people of alien tongue. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 18, 23-35

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

JB. 1

There was a man in the land of Hus, whose name was Job,
simple, and upright, and fearing God,
whom Satan besought that he might tempt:
and power was given him from the Lord
over his possessions and his flesh;
and he destroyed all his substance and his children,
and wounded his flesh also with a grievous ulcer.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 81, 84, 86

My soul pines for your salvation; I hope in your word.
When will you do judgment on my persecutors?
The wicked persecuted me wrongfully; help me, O Lord my God!

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A very important point is made today. As Christians we must be good citizens of the state. What we must demand universally is not Christian governments, but governments influenced by Christian principles.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 129, 3-4, 1-2

Antiphon: If you, O Lord, mark iniquities,
Lord, who can stand?
But with you is forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Psalm: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice!
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

PHIL. 1,6-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 132, 1-2; PS. 113, 11

Behold how good it is, and how pleasant
where brethren dwell at one!
It is as when the precious ointment upon the head
runs down over the beard, the beard of Aaron.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Those who fear the Lord trust in the Lord;
he is their help and their shield. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 22,15-21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

EST. 14, 12, 13

Remember me, O Lord, you who rule above all power:
and give a well-ordered speech in my mouth,
that my words may be pleasing in the sight of the prince.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 16, 6

I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;
incline your ear to me; hear my word.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Now that we are near the end of the year of grace we return another time to the themes of Baptism and Resurrection. We consider what it means to be and to live "in Christ Jesus our Lord."

ENTRANCE SONG

JER. 29, 11, 12, 14; PS. 84, 2

Antiphon: The Lord says:

"I think thoughts of peace, and not of affliction.

You shall call upon me, and I will hear you;

and I will bring back your captivity from all places."

Psalm: You have favored, O Lord, your land;

you have restored the well-being of Jacob.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

PHIL. 3,17-21; PHIL. 4,1-3

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 43, 8-9, PS. 129, 1-2

You saved us, O Lord, from our foes,
and those who hated us you put to shame.

In God we gloried day by day;

your name we praised always. Alleluia, alleluia.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;

Lord, hear my prayer! Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 9 18-26

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 129, 1-2

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;

Lord, hear my prayer! Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

MK. 11, 24

Amen I say to you, all things whatever you ask for in prayer,
believe that you shall receive, and it shall be done to you.

The proper chants of all the Sunday celebrations after the Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost are those of the Twenty-third Sunday. The readings will be those of the Sundays in the time after Epiphany which were not celebrated this year. See Pages 38 to 39

LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The proper chants of this Sunday are those of the Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost. The readings appointed for this, the Sunday before Advent, are as follows:

The Church year ends with a stirring consideration of the fullness of time, the coming of the great day of the Lord.

FIRST READING

COL. 1,9-14

SECOND READING

MT. 24,15-35



FEASTS OF THE SAINTS AND VOTIVE CELEBRATIONS

The Cycle of the Year presents the history of salvation and challenges us to respond to the Lord's invitation to work with Him here below to make the world slowly into His eternal kingdom. We know by now that the Cycle of the Year sets before us in wonderful totality the coming of the Lord Saviour in prophecy, in history, in mystery, and in majesty.

The Cycle of the saints came later in the development of the liturgy. Christian life evolved in response to the celebration of the Cycle of the Year. It is evidence of the successful response of Christian men and women to the challenging invitation given by the liturgy of the year, that we should honor these saints now as our holy ancestors in the Cycle of the Saints.

It is clear to us that the saints did in their day what we are trying to do now. They heard the message of God, they listened to His instruction, and tried to live up to it. They were successful because they responded to God's word and to the grace of the sacraments. In the end, they won eternal glory and victory. We recall these victories of the saints by noting their "birthdays into heaven," by hearing the scripture message (from the word of God) after which they each patterned their individual lives, and by celebrating the Eucharist. As we try to do, they drew the strength unto more perfect Christian living from the Eucharist. The calendar character of the feasts of the saints differs from the Cycle of the Year in this: The latter are fixed on the succession of the Sundays together with the celebrations which necessarily interlay the Sundays, such as Holy Week, Ascension, Christmas. The feasts of the saints are celebrated on the day of their death. For it is by the victory of death that a Saint is proved.

Often, on a certain day or Sunday there is a coincidence of important celebrations of both cycles. Rules provided by the Church and explained by the leader of the assembly in every parish or chapel will indicate which of the coinciding feasts is celebrated. These instructions are given in a booklet published annually in every diocese.

There are other Eucharistic celebrations which are neither of the Cycle of the Year nor of the Cycle of the Saints. These are called votive celebrations. In these we ask God to attend to the special needs of the Church: the sick, the dying, the dead, vocations, marriages, and those receiving other sacraments. Votive celebrations seem to have their beginning in the Ember days and the days of litanies. (See Monday before Ascension in the Cycle of the Time.)

November 30
SAINT ANDREW
Apostle

Very little is known of this saint, other than that he was truly great. He accepted the Master's call to martyrdom. He is supposed to have been crucified on an X-shaped cross, called St. Andrew's cross.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 17, 1-2

Antiphon: To me, your friends, O God,
are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Psalms: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ROM. 10, 10-18

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 17-18

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord.

The place of your fathers your sons shall have;
therefore shall nations praise you.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord loved Andrew in an odor of sweetness. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima: PS. 44, 17-18; PS. 20, 3-4;

You shall make them princes through all the land;

they shall remember your name, O Lord.

The place of your fathers your sons shall have;

therefore shall nations praise you.

You have granted him his heart's desire:

you refused not the wish of his lips.

For you welcomed him with goodly blessings.

You placed upon his head a crown of precious stones.

During Eastertime:

PS. 20, 4

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord loved Andrew in an odor of sweetness.

Alleluia. You placed on his head, O Lord,

a crown of precious stones. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 4, 18-22

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 138, 17

To me, your friends, O God, are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 4, 19-20

"Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

And at once they left the nets, and followed the Lord.

December 2

SAINT VIVIEN

Vírgin and Martyr

This holy woman perhaps lived and was martyred in the latter part of the 3rd century. Heroism of Christian women is a challenge to Christian men.

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December 3

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER

Confessor

Here is one of the first Jesuits, a Spanish graduate of the University of Paris, missionary to India and the Orient. In his lifetime, he was a companion to St. Ignatius; now he is a patron of the missions.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 46-47; PS. 116, 1-2

Antiphon: I will speak of your decrees before kings
without being ashamed.

And I will delight in your commands, which I love exceedingly.

Psalm: Praise the Lord, all you nations;
glorify him, all you people!

For steadfast is his kindness toward us,
and the fidelity of the Lord endures forever.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ROM. 10, 10-18

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 13-14, 3; JAS. 1, 12

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow in the house of the Lord.
To proclaim your kindness at dawn,
and your faithfulness throughout the night.
Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried,
he will receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MK. 16, 15-18

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant,
whom his master, when he comes, shall find watching.
Amen I say to you, he will set him over all his goods.

December 4

SAINT PETER CHRYSOLOGUS
Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

St. Peter lived in the 5th century, and was necessarily involved in the great arguments over the nature of the Blessed Trinity. He taught courageously and is now honored as a great teacher.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 TM. 4, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; PS. 109, 4

Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God.

There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.

Alleluia, alleluia.

You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 25, 20-21

"Master, you delivered to me five talents:
behold I have gained other five over and above."

"Well done, good and faithful servant,
because you have been faithful over a few things,
I will set you over many;
enter into the joy of your master."

December 6

SAINT NICHOLAS

Bishop and Confessor

Another leader of the ancient Church who defended the truth in the face of powerful heretics, Nicholas will be honored for all time as a heroic Christian. He was also a lover of the defenseless and of the poor, especially of children. As Bishop of Myra, in Asia Minor, he attended the Council of Nicea in 325.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 45, 30; PS. 131, 1

Antiphon: The Lord made a covenant of friendship with him,
and made him a prince,
that he should possess the dignity of priesthood forever.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

HEB. 13, 7-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 88, 21-23; PS. 91, 13

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.
No enemy shall have an advantage over him,
nor shall the son of iniquity have power to hurt him.
Alleluia, alleluia. The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 25, 14-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 88, 36-38

Once, by my holiness, have I sworn;
his posterity shall continue forever,
and his throne shall be like the sun before me;
like the moon, which remains forever —
a faithful witness in the sky.

December 7

SAINT AMBROSE
Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

Ambrose was a pagan and Roman governor of Milan early in the 4th century when he was called by God to become a Christian and the bishop of his city. He was converted and helped many others to be converted, especially St. Augustine.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Psalms: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 TM. 4, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; PS. 109, 4

Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.
Alleluia, alleluia. The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent:
"You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec." Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 88, 36-38

Once, by my holiness, have I sworn;
his posterity shall continue forever,
and his throne shall be like the sun before me;
like the moon, which remains forever —
a faithful witness in the sky.

December 8
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
OF OUR LADY

Today we celebrate Mary's being born without original sin.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 61, 10; PS. 29, 2

Antiphon: I will heartily rejoice in the Lord,
in my God is the joy of my soul;
for he has clothed me with a robe of salvation,
and wrapped me in a mantle of justice,
like a bride bedecked with her jewels.

Psalm: I will extol you, O Lord, for you drew me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice over me.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

PRV. 8, 22-35

MEDITATION SONG

JDT. 13, 23; JDT. 15, 10; CT. 4, 7

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary,
by the Lord the most high God,
above all women upon the earth.
You are the glory of Jerusalem, you are the joy of Israel,
you are the honor of our people.
Alleluia, alleluia.
You are all-beautiful, O Mary,
and there is in you no stain of original sin. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima:

PS. 86, 1-2, 3, 5

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary,
by the Lord the most high God,
above all women upon the earth.
You are the glory of Jerusalem, you are the joy of Israel,
you are the honor of our people.

JDT. 13, 23, JDT. 15, 10

His foundation upon the holy mountains the Lord loves:
the gates of Sion, more than any dwelling of Jacob.
Glorious things are said of you, O city of God.
A man is born in her;
and he who established her is the most High Lord.

During Eastertime:

JDT. 15, 10; CT. 4, 7

Alleluia, alleluia.

You are the glory of Jerusalem, you are the joy of Israel,
you are the honor of our people.

Alleluia. You are all beautiful, O-Mary,
and there is in you no stain of original sin, Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 26-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 1, 28

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 86, 3; LK. 1, 49

Glorious things are said of you, O Mary,
because he who is mighty has done great things for you.

December 11
SAINT DAMASUS
Holy Pope

The two greatest accomplishments of St. Damasus were the engagement of St. Jerome for the translation of the Scriptures into Latin which became the Vulgate version of the Bible, and the changing of the liturgy in Rome from Greek to Latin, the language of the people. Damasus was Pope late in the 4th century.

ENTRANCE SONG

JN. 21, 15-17; PS. 29, 1

Antiphon: If you love me, Simon Peter,
feed my lambs, feed my sheep.

Psalm: I will extol you, O Lord, for you drew me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice over me.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 PT. 5, 1-4, 10-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 106, 32, 31; MT. 16, 18

Let them extol him in the assembly of the people
and praise him in the council of the elders.
Let them give thanks to the Lord for his kindness
and his wondrous deeds to the children of men.
Alleluia, alleluia.
You are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my Church. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 16, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

JER. 1, 9-10

See, I place my words in your mouth!
Behold, I set you over nations and over kingdoms,
to root up and to tear down,
and to build and to plant.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 16, 18

You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

December 12

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Today we join with our brethren of Mexico in honoring the holy Mother of God under a title special to them. The shrine of this visitation has never been closed.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Hail, holy Mother, who gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth forever and ever.

(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalms: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 24, 23-31

MEDITATION SONG

CT. 6, 9; ECCL. 50, 8; CT. 2, 12

Who is this that comes forth like the dawn,
as beautiful as the moon, as resplendent as the sun?
Like the rainbow appearing in the cloudy sky;
like the blossoms on the branches in springtime.
Alleluia, alleluia.

The flowers appear on the earth,
the time of pruning the vines has come. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima:

CT. 6, 9; ECCL. 50, 8

Who is this that comes forth like the dawn,
as beautiful as the moon, as resplendent as the sun?
Like the rainbow appearing in the cloudy sky;
like the blossoms on the branches in springtime.
Rejoice, O Virgin Mary,
for alone you have destroyed all heresies.
You believed the words of the Archangel Gabriel.
As a virgin, you brought forth God and man;
and after childbirth you remained an inviolate virgin.
O Mother of God, intercede for us.

During Eastertime:

NM. 17, 8; LK. 1, 28

Alleluia, alleluia.

The rod of Jesse has blossomed:

a Virgin has brought forth God and man:

God has given peace,

reconciling in himself the lowest with the highest.

Alleluia. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;

blessed are you among women. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 39-47

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

2 PAR. 7, 16

I have chosen and have sanctified this place,

that my name may be there

and my eyes and my heart may remain there forever.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 147, 20

He has not done this for any other nation;

his ordinances he has not made known to them.

December 13 **SAINT LUCY** **Virgin and Martyr**

All that we have to prove that Lucy exists is a tomb in Syracuse, Sicily, where she is especially venerated. Whether she did exist or not is of little importance, since she represents many heroic girls who died to give witness to Christ.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 8, 2

Antiphon: You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

Psalms: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 COR. 10, 17-18; 2 COR. 11, 1-2

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 8, 3

You love justice and hate wickedness.
Therefore, God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 13, 44-52

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 15-16

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.
Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness and joy;
they enter the palace of the Lord, the king.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 161-162

Princes persecute me without cause,
but my heart stands in awe of your word.
I rejoice at your promise, as one who has found rich spoil.

December 16

SAINT EUSEBIUS

Bishop and Martyr

An Italian bishop of the 4th century, Eusebius was exiled for his defense of the doctrine of the divinity of Christ, established at Nicea. He suffered much for the teachings of the true Church.

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December 21
SAINT THOMAS
Apostle

We hope that St. Thomas will not be embarrassed for all eternity over the temporary unbelief that he showed after the Lord's resurrection.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 17, 1-2

Antiphon: To me, your friends, O God,
are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Psalms: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 2, 19-22

MEDITATION

PS. 138, 17-18; 32, 1

Your friends, O God, are exceedingly honorable:
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.
I will number them and they will outnumber the sands.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 20, 24-29

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 18, 5

Through all the earth their voice resounds,
and to the ends of the world, their message.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 20, 27

Put in your hand and know the place of the nails,
and be not unbelieving, but believing.

*For feasts of this time not to be found here, see the Proper of
the Time after Christmas, Page 30*

December 26
SAINT STEPHEN
The First Martyr

The story of Stephen and his martyrdom is told in the Acts of the Apostles, in the first lesson of this celebration.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 23, 86, 23

Antiphon: Princes met and talked against me,
and the wicked persecuted me wrongfully;
help me, O Lord my God,
for your servant meditates on your statutes.

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon:

FIRST READING

ACTS 6, 8-10; ACTS 7, 54-59

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 118, 23, 86; PS. 6, 5; ACTS 7, 56

Princes met and talked against me,
and the wicked persecuted me wrongfully.
Help me, O Lord my God:
rescue me because of your kindness.
Alleluia, alleluia.
I see the heavens opened,
and Jesus standing on the right hand of the power of God.
Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima:

PS. 118, 23, 86; PS. 6, 5;

Princes met and talked against me,
and the wicked persecuted me wrongfully.

PS. 20, 3-4

Help me, O Lord my God:
rescue me because of your kindness.
You have granted him his heart's desire:
you refused not the wish of his lips.
For you welcomed him with goodly blessings.
You placed on his head a crown of precious stones.

During Eastertime:

ACTS 7, 56; PS. 20, 4

Alleluia, alleluia. I see the heavens opened,
and Jesus standing at the right hand of God.

Alleluia.

O Lord, you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 23, 34-39

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

ACTS 6, 5;

ACTS 7, 59

The apostles chose Stephen to be a levite,
a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit:
whom the Jews stoned, praying and saying,
"Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

ACTS 7, 56, 59, 60

I see the heavens opened,
and Jesus standing on the right hand of the power of God:
Lord Jesus, receive my spirit,
and do not lay this sin against them.

December 27

SAINT JOHN

Apostle and Evangelist

Here is a man who worked very hard for the Church, who deserves the glory that he undoubtedly has. A companion to the Lord, he wrote beautifully and truthfully about the Son of God in his Gospel and in his letters.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5 ; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly
the Lord opened his mouth;
and filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 15, 1-6

MEDITATION SONG

JN. 21, 23, 22; JN. 21, 24

This saying therefore went abroad among the brethren,
that that disciple was not to die.
But Jesus had not said, "He is not to die."
But rather, "So I wish him to remain until I come. Follow me."
Alleluia, alleluia. This is that disciple
who bears witness concerning these things:
and we know that his witness is true. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima: JN. 21, 23, 22; PS. 111, 1-3

This saying therefore went abroad among the brethren,
that that disciple was not to die.
But Jesus had not said, "He is not to die."
But rather, "So I wish him to remain until I come. Follow me."
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime: JN. 21, 24; PS. 91, 13

Alleluia, alleluia. This is that disciple
who bears witness concerning these things:
and we know that his witness is true.
Alleluia. The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 21, 19-24

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 21, 23

A saying went abroad among the brethren,
that that disciple was not to die.
But Jesus had not said, "He is not to die";
but rather, "So I wish him to remain until I come."

December 28

THE HOLY INNOCENTS

Martyrs

This feast points to the event described by Matthew 2:13-18. Scriptural scholarship will have to tell us whether this event is history or intends to hint at the doctrine of Christian suffering. Most possibly it is the latter.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 8, 3, 2

Antiphon: Out of the mouth of babes and of sucklings, O God, you have fashioned praise because of your foes.

Psalm: O Lord, our Lord,
how glorious is your name over all the earth!
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

AP. 14, 1-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 123, 7-8; PS. 112, 1

We were rescued like a bird from the fowlers' snare.
Broken was the snare, and we were freed.
Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Praise the Lord, you children,
praise the name of the Lord. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima:

PS. 123, 7-8; PS. 78, 3, 10

We were rescued like a bird from the fowlers' snare.
Broken was the snare, and we were freed.
Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
They have poured out the blood of the saints,
as water, round about Jerusalem.
And there was none to bury them.
Revenge, O Lord, the blood of your saints,
which has been poured out upon the earth.

During Eastertime:

PS. 112, 1; ECCL. 39, 19

Alleluia: alleluia,
Praise the Lord, you children,
praise the name of the Lord.
Alleluia. Your saints shall flourish like the lily, O Lord,
and be as the odor of balsam before you. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 2, 13-18

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 123, 7

We were rescued like a bird from the fowlers' snare.
Broken was the snare and we were freed.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 2, 18

A voice was heard in Rama, weeping and loud lamentation;
Rachel weeping for her children,
and she would not be comforted, because they are no more.

January 13

BAPTISM OF JESUS

By being baptized in the river Jordan, Jesus took on the responsibility of atoning for sin. The very nation of Israel was a prophetic symbol of the Redeemer to come. By accepting Baptism, Jesus became the new Israel. It can be said that messianic times, the days of the kingdom of the Lord, began with this event in salvation history.

ENTRANCE SONG

MAL. 3, 1; I PAR. 29, 12; PS. 71

Antiphon: Behold the Lord the ruler is come;
and the kingdom is in his hand, and power, and dominion.

Psalm: O God, with your judgment endow the king,
and with your justice, the king's son.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

IS. 60,1-6

MEDITATION SONG

IS. 60, 6, 1; MT. 2, 2

All from Saba shall come, bearing gold and frankincense,
and proclaiming the praises of the Lord.

Rise up in splendor, O Jerusalem,
for the glory of the Lord shines upon you.

Alleluia, alleluia.

We have seen his star in the east
and have come with gifts to worship the Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 1,29-34

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 71, 10-11

The kings of Tharsis and the isles shall offer gifts;
the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring tribute.

All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 2, 2

We have seen his star in the east;
and have come with gifts to worship the Lord.

January 14

SAINT HILARY

Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

*A man who won his leadership as saint, as bishop and teacher
by defending the Church against heresy. He was a bishop in
Poitiers, France, in the 4th century.*

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January 15

SAINT PAUL

The First Hermít

Paul of Egypt is the first of many men who chose the solitude of the desert as the place in which to overcome temptation and to achieve detachment from worldliness.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 91, 13-14, 2

Antiphon: The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow:
planted in the house of the Lord,
in the courts of the house of our God.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

PHIL. 3, 7-12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; OS. 14, 6

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow
in the house of the Lord.
To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The just man shall blossom like the lily,
and flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 11, 25-30

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 2-3

O Lord, in your strength the just man is glad;
in your victory how greatly he rejoices!
You have granted him his heart's desire.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 63, 11

The just man is glad in the Lord
and takes refuge in him;
all the upright of heart shall be praised.

January 16
SAINT MARCELLUS
Pope and Martyr

This Holy Father was the victim of Roman persecution, and died in exile in 309.

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January 17
SAINT ANTHONY
Abbot

This godly man went into the desert to seek holiness. So many others were drawn to join him that two monasteries were founded.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart.

Psalm: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 45, 1-6

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 20, 4-5; PS. 91, 13

O Lord, you welcomed him with goodly blessings,
you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.
He asked life of you
and you gave him length of days forever and ever.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 35-40

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 3, 4

You have granted him his heart's desire, O Lord;
you refused not the wish of his lips:
you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

January 20

SAINT FABIAN

Pope and Martyr

and SAINT SEBASTIAN

Martyr

There is no reason for celebrating these saints together except that they were somehow associated in ancient liturgy. They lived two centuries apart and are buried nowhere near each other. Fabian was a pope, responsible for many missions, martyred in 250. Sebastian was a Christian soldier of Rome and his martyrdom was under Diocletian's persecution.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 78, 11, 12, 10, 1

Antiphon: Let the prisoners' sighing come before you, O Lord;
repay our neighbors sevenfold into their bosoms;
avenge the blood of your saints which has been shed.

Psalm: O God, the nations have come into your inheritance;
they have defiled your holy temple,
they have made Jerusalem as a place to keep fruit.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

HEB. 11, 33-39

MEDITATION SONG

EX. 15, 11, 6; PS. 144, 10-11

God is glorious in his saints,
wonderful in majesty, a worker of wonders.
Your right hand, O Lord, is magnificent in power;
your right hand has shattered the enemy.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Let your faithful ones bless you, O Lord.
Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

EX. 15, 11, 6; PS. 125, 5-6

God is glorious in his saints,
wonderful in majesty, a worker of wonders.
Your right hand, O Lord, is magnificent in power;
your right hand has shattered the enemy.
Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.
Going, they went and wept, casting their seeds.
But coming, they shall come with joyfulness,
carrying their sheaves.

SECOND READING

LK. 6, 17-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 31, 11

Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, you just;
exult, all you upright of heart.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 6, 18, 19

A multitude of sick,
and those who were troubled with unclean spirits, came to him;
for power went forth from him and healed all.

January 21

SAINT AGNES

Virgin and Martyr

A young girl who, in her early teens, had the courage to die for Christ. She is mentioned by St. Damasus and St. Ambrose as one who had a choice, and made that choice for Christ.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 95-96, 1

Antiphon: Sinners wait to destroy me,
but I pay heed to your decrees, O Lord.
I see that all fulfillment has its limits;
broad indeed is your command.

Psalms: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 51, 1-8, 12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 3, 5; MT. 25, 4, 6

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever.
Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
and may your right hand show you wondrous deeds.
Alleluia, alleluia.

The five wise virgins took oil in their vessels with the lamps;
and at midnight a cry arose,
"Behold the bridegroom is coming,
go forth to meet Christ our Lord." Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 44, 3, 5, 8, 5

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever.
Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
and may your right hand show you wondrous deeds.
Come, spouse of Christ,
receive the crown which the Lord has prepared for you forever:
for the love of whom you shed your blood.

You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.
In your splendor and your beauty ride on triumphant, and reign.

SECOND READING

MT. 25, 1-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 15, 16

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.
Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness and joy;
they enter the palace of the Lord, the king.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 25, 4, 6

The five wise virgins took oil in their vessels with the lamps;
and at midnight a cry arose,
"Behold the bridegroom is coming,
go forth to meet Christ our Lord."

January 22

SAINTS VINCENT AND ANASTASIUS

Martyrs

Here again men of different centuries, even of different nationalities are celebrated on one day, due to ancient tradition. Vincent was a Spanish deacon who was martyred under Dacian, Roman Governor, in the early 4th century. Anastasius was a Persian monk, beheaded in the year 628, in Assyria.

Mass of Several Holy Martyrs, Page 388

January 23

SAINT RAYMOND OF PENAFORT

Confessor

A leading Dominican in the early days of the Order, learned enough to be trusted with codification of Canon Law, Raymond died in 1275.

Mass of a Holy Man, Page 394

January 24

SAINT TIMOTHY
Bishop and Martyr

We always think of Timothy as a young man, relative to his teacher, since he was trained by none other than Paul. He was worthy of the confidence placed in him and was martyred at Ephesus.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 45, 30; PS. 131, 1

Antiphon: The Lord made a covenant of friendship with him,
and made him a prince;
that he should possess the dignity of priesthood forever.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 TM. 6, 11-16

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 88, 21-23; PS. 109, 4

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.
No enemy shall have an advantage over him,
nor shall the son of iniquity have power to hurt him.
Alleluia, alleluia.

You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 88, 21-23; PS. 20, 3-4

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.
No enemy shall have an advantage over him,
nor shall the son of iniquity have power to hurt him.

You have granted him his heart's desire,
you refused not the wish of his lips.
For you welcomed him with goodly blessings.
You placed on his head a crown of precious stones.

SECOND READING

LK. 14, 26-33

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 88, 36, 37, 38

Once by my holiness have I sworn:
his posterity shall continue forever,
and his throne shall be like the sun before me,
like the moon perfect forever — a faithful witness in the sky.

January 25

THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL

The history of the Church and the history of salvation hinge largely on this event. It is described in detail in the first lesson of the celebration.

ENTRANCE SONG

2 TM. 1, 12; PS. 138, 1-2

Antiphon: I know whom I have believed,
and I am certain that he is able to guard the trust
committed to me against that day,
being a just judge.

Psalm: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 9, 1-22

MEDITATION SONG

GAL. 2, 8, 9

He who worked in Peter for the apostleship,
worked also in me among the Gentiles,
and they recognized the grace of God that was given to me.
The grace of God in me has not been fruitless;
but his grace always remains in me.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The great saint Paul, a vessel of election,
is indeed worthy to be glorified,
for he was made worthy to sit upon the twelfth throne. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

GAL. 2, 8, 9

He who worked in Peter for the apostleship,
worked also in me among the Gentiles,
and they recognized the grace of God that was given to me.
The grace of God in me has not been fruitless;
but his grace always remains in me.

O holy Apostle Paul, you are a vessel of election
and indeed worthy to be glorified.

You are the preacher of truth

and teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Through you all nations have known the grace of God.

Intercede for us with God who chose you.

SECOND READING

MT. 19, 27-29

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 138, 18

To me, your friends, O God, are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28, 29

Amen, I say to you,

that you who have left all things, and followed me,

shall receive a hundredfold, and shall possess life everlasting.

January 26

SAINT POLYCARP

Bishop and Martyr

Polycarp belonged to the generation of bishops who followed immediately after the Apostles. It was John who appointed him as bishop of Smyrna, in Asia Minor.

ENTRANCE SONG

DAN. 3, 84, 87, 57

Antiphon: Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord;
holy men of humble heart, praise God.

Psalm: Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord,
praise and exalt him above all forever.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 JN. 3, 10-16

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 8, 6-7

You crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him rule over the works of your hands, O Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia.

This is the priest whom the Lord has crowned. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 8, 6-7; PS. 111, 1-3

You crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him rule over the works of your hands, O Lord.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.

His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.

Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

SECOND READING

MT. 10, 26-32

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 21-22

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 20, 4

You placed on his head, O Lord, a crown of precious stones.

January 27

SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

John was given his name because he had "a golden tongue." Bishop of Constantinople, his eloquence brought many to Christ, and persecution to himself. He spent much time in exile but never flinched in upholding the teachings of Christ. His death in exile came early in the 5th century.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 TM. 4, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; JAS. 1, 12

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried,
he will receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; PS. 111, 1-3

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

January 28

SAINT PETER NOLASCO **Confessor**

St. Peter devoted his life to solving a problem peculiar to his day. He founded an order whose purpose was to rescue Christians from Moslem captivity. He died in the middle of the 13th century.

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January 29

SAINT FRANCIS OF SALES **Bishop, Confessor and Doctor**

A nobleman, a brilliant student, and bishop of Geneva, Switzerland, Francis' work of conversion of Calvinists and his writings on application of spiritual principles to the lives of the laity did much for the Church of his day. He was an eloquent preacher and teacher, encouraging the development of spiritual directors for souls.

Mass of Holy Doctors, Page 393

January 30

SAINT MARTINA
Vírgin and Martyr

A young Roman of whom little is known, other than her martyrdom under Emperor Alexander Severus in 228, by beheading. A church in her honor was built in Rome in the 8th century.

Mass of a Holy Vírgin Martyr, Page 399

January 31

SAINT JOHN BOSCO
Confessor

A nineteenth century priest, St. John Bosco spent his life taking care of children in whom nobody else was interested, the abandoned and needy. Gathering about him those of similar sympathetic inclination, John founded the Order of Our Lady Help of Christians and the Salesian Order, still successfully devoted to his ideals.

ENTRANCE SONG

3 KGS. 4, 29; PS. 112, 1

Antiphon: God gave him wisdom and understanding
exceeding much,
and largeness of heart as the sand that is on the seashore.

Psalm: Praise, you servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

PHIL. 4. 4-9

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 3-5; PS. 73, 21

Trust in the Lord and do good,
that you may dwell in the land and be fed with its riches.
Take delight in the Lord,
and he will grant you your heart's requests.
Commit to the Lord your way;
trust in him, and he will act.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The afflicted and the poor shall praise your name. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 36, 3-5; PS. 60, 4-6

Trust in the Lord and do good,
that you may dwell in the land and be fed with its riches.
Take delight in the Lord,
and he will grant you your heart's requests.
Commit to the Lord your way;
trust in him, and he will act.
You are my refuge, O Lord,
a tower of strength against the enemy.
Oh, that I might lodge in your tent forever,
take refuge in the shelter of your wings!
You indeed, O God, have accepted my vows;
you granted me the heritage of those who fear your name.

SECOND READING

MT. 18, 1-5

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 33, 12

Come, children, hear me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

ROM. 4, 18

Hoping against hope he believed,
so that he became father of many nations,
according to what was said to him.

February I

SAINT IGNATIUS
Bishop and Martyr

Toward the end of the first century, this brave bishop of Antioch was sent to Rome for execution. All along his journey, he encouraged Christian communities to be brave and faithful to Christ.

ENTRANCE SONG

GAL. 6, 14; PS. 131, 1

Antiphon: But as for me, God forbid that I should glory
save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom the world is crucified to me,
and I to the world.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ROM. 8, 35-39

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; GAL. 2, 19-20

Behold, a great priest who in his days pleased God.

There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.

Alleluia, alleluia.

With Christ I am nailed to the cross.

It is now no longer I that live,
but Christ lives in me. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; PS. 20, 3-4

Behold, a great priest who in his days pleased God.

There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.

You have granted him his heart's desire;
you refused not the wish of his lips.

For you welcomed him with goodly blessings.

You placed on his head a crown of precious stones.

SECOND READING

JN. 12, 24-26

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 8, 6-7

O Lord, you crowned him with glory and honor

and you have given him rule over the works of your hands.

COMMUNION SONG

I am the wheat of Christ;

may I be ground by the teeth of beasts,
that I may be found pure bread.

February 2
THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST
IN THE TEMPLE

This day we recall how the Lord was brought by his Mother and Joseph to the holy temple, there to be dedicated to the Lord. The Gospel of this celebration tells the beautiful story, another fulfillment of ancient prophecies.

The Distribution of Candles

Antiphon: A light of revelation to the gentiles, LK. 2, 32
and a glory for your people Israel.

Canticle: Now you dismiss your servant, O Lord, LK. 2, 29-31
according to your word, in peace. *Repeat Antiphon.*

Because my eyes have seen your salvation.

Repeat Antiphon.

Which you have prepared before the face of all peoples.

Repeat Antiphon.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit. *Repeat Antiphon.*

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. *Repeat Antiphon.*

The Procession

Antiphon: Adorn your bridal chamber, Sion,
and welcome Christ the King;
embrace Mary, who is the gate of heaven,
for she carries the glorious King of the new light.
She remains a virgin, bearing in her hands
the Son begotten before the daystar.
Holding him in his arms, Simeon proclaimed to the peoples,
"He is the Lord of life and death
and the Savior of the world."

Another Antiphon: It had been revealed to Simeon by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. And when they brought the child into the temple, he received him into his arms and blessed God, saying: "Now you dismiss your servant, O Lord, in peace." When his parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, he received him into his arms.

Upon re-entering the church:

They offered for him to the Lord
a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons,
As it is written in the law of the Lord.
After the days of Mary's purification were fulfilled,
according to the law of Moses,
they took Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord.
As it is written in the law of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it is written in the law of the Lord.

At Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 47, 10-11, 2

Antiphon: O God, we ponder your kindness within your temple
As your name, O God,
so also your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.
Of justice your right hand is full.

Psalm: Great is the Lord, and wholly to be praised
in the city of our God, his holy mountain.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

MAL. 3, 1-4

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 47, 10-11, 9

O God, we ponder your kindness within your temple.
As your name, O God,
so also your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.
As we have heard, so have we seen,
in the city of our God, in his holy mountain.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The old man carried the Child:
but the Child governed the old man. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 47, 10-11, 9; LK. 2, 29-32

O God, we ponder your kindness within your temple.
As your name, O God,
so also your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.
As we have heard, so have we seen,
in the city of our God, in his holy mountain.
Now you dismiss your servant, O Lord,
according to your word, in peace.
Because my eyes have seen your salvation.
Which you have prepared before the face of all peoples.
A light of revelation to the Gentiles,
and a glory for your people Israel.

SECOND READING

LK. 2, 22-32

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 3

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever and ever.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 2, 26

It was revealed to Simeon by the Holy Spirit
that he should not see death
before he had seen the Christ of the Lord.

February 4

SAINT ANDREW CORSINI

Bishop and Confessor

This holy witness to the truth began his career as a member of the Carmelite Order in Italy and became prior. He was later chosen as bishop of Fiesole.

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February 5
SAINT AGATHA
Virgín and Martyr

Of the history of this saint, we know nothing for sure. There is widespread devotion to her in Sicily. She, or someone like her must certainly have once lived and witnessed.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Let us all rejoice in the Lord,
celebrating the feast in honor of blessed Agatha,
Virgin and Martyr,
for whose passion the angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 COR. 1, 26-31

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 45, 6, 5; PS. 118, 46

God will help her with his countenance;
God is in her midst, she shall not be disturbed.
There is a stream whose runlets gladden the city of God;
the Most High has sanctified his dwelling.
Alleluia, alleluia.
I will speak of your decrees before kings
without being ashamed. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 45, 6, 5; PS. 125, 5-6

God will help her with his countenance;
God is in her midst, she shall not be disturbed.
There is a stream whose runlets gladden the city of God;
the Most High has sanctified his dwelling.
Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.
Going, they went and wept, casting their seeds.
But coming, they shall come with joyfulness
carrying their sheaves.

SECOND READING

MT. 19, 3-12

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 15

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.
Her neighbors are brought to you.

COMMUNION SONG

I invoke him, the living God,
who deigned to cure me of every wound,
and to restore my breast to my body.

February 6

SAINT TITUS

Bishop and Confessor

Another of Paul's own trainees, accompanying him on many journeys. Titus, under Paul's direction, organized the Christian community on the island of Crete, becoming its bishop.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 45, 30; PS. 131, 1

Antiphon: The Lord made a covenant of friendship with him,
and made him a prince,
that he should possess the dignity of priesthood forever.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 44, 16-27; ECCL. 45, 3-20

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; PS. 109, 4

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.
Alleluia, alleluia.
You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; PS. 111, 1-3

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 21-22

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

February 7

SAINT ROMUALD

Abbot

Romuald was an eleventh century Benedictine who received permission to go off and live in solitude. When others followed, his community, the Camaldolese Benedictines, was founded and still exists, even here in the United States.

Mass of Holy Abbots, Page 397

February 8

SAINT JOHN OF MATHA

Confessor

The founder of the Order of the Holy Trinity, dedicated to redemption of captives.

Mass of a Holy Man, Page 394

February 9

SAINT CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA

Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

St. Cyril won his renown in the Church by defending the divinity of Christ and the fact that Mary is the Mother of God. Cyril figured largely at the Council of Ephesus in 431.

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February 10

SAINT SCHOLASTICA

Virgin

The sister of St. Benedict, Scholastica founded the Benedictine Sisters under his direction.

Mass of a Holy Virgin not a Martyr, Page 402

February 11

**THE APPEARANCE OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
AT LOURDES**

In the middle of the 19th century, the miracles at Lourdes followed upon the declaration of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception.

ENTRANCE SONG

AP. 21, 2; PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem,
coming down out of heaven from God,
made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

AP. 11, 19; AP. 12, 1, 10

MEDITATION SONG

CT. 2, 12, 10, 14

The flowers appear in our land,
the time of pruning has come,
the song of the dove is heard in our land.
Arise, my beloved, my beautiful one, and come!
O my dove, in the clefts of the rock,
in the secret recesses of the cliff.
Alleluia, alleluia. Show me your face, let me hear your voice,
for your voice is sweet and your face is beautiful. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

CT. 2, 12, 10, 14; JDT. 15, 10; CT. 4, 7

The flowers appear in our land,
the time of pruning has come,
the song of the dove is heard in our land.
Arise, my beloved, my beautiful one, and come!
O my dove, in the clefts of the rock,
in the secret recesses of the cliff.
You are the glory of Jerusalem, you are the joy of Israel,
you are the honor of our people.
You are all beautiful, O Mary,
and there is in you no stain of original sin.
Happy are you, O holy Virgin Mary, and most worthy of all praise
for with your virgin foot you have crushed the serpent's head.

In Votive Masses during Eastertime:

JDT. 15, 10; CT. 4, 7

Alleluia, alleluia. You are the glory of Jerusalem,
you are the joy of Israel,
you are the honor of our people.
Alleluia. You are all beautiful, O Mary,
and there is in you no stain of original sin. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 26-31

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 1, 28

Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 64, 10

You have visited the land and watered it;
greatly have you enriched it.

February 12
THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS
OF THE SERVITE ORDER
Confessors

Early in the 13th century seven young men, all of noble birth, gave up titles and wealth to form a community for meditation upon the Lord and his Mother.

ENTRANCE SONG

WIS. 10, 20-21; PS. 8, 2

Antiphon: The just sang, O Lord, your holy name
and praised in unison your conquering hand —
because wisdom opened the mouths of the dumb,
and gave ready speech to infants.

Psalm: Lord, our Lord,
how glorious is your name over all the earth!
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 44, 1-15

MEDITATION SONG

IS. 65, 23; ECCL. 44, 14, 15

My elect shall not toil in vain,
nor beget children for sudden destruction;
for a race blessed by the Lord are they and their offspring.
Their bodies are buried in peace, and their name lives on and on.
Alleluia, alleluia. At gatherings their wisdom is retold,
and the assembly sings their praises. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

IS. 65, 23; ECCL. 44, 14; PS. 125, 5-6

My elect shall not toil in vain,
nor beget children for sudden destruction;
for a race blessed by the Lord are they and their offspring.
Their bodies are buried in peace,
and their name lives on and on.
Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.
Going, they went and wept, casting their seeds.
But coming, they shall come with joyfulness,
carrying their sheaves.

During Eastertime:

ECCL. 44, 15; PS. 36, 28

Alleluia, alleluia.

At gatherings their wisdom is retold,

and the assembly sings their praises.

Alleluia. For the Lord forsakes not his faithful ones;

they shall be preserved forever. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 19, 27-29

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

IS. 56, 7

I will bring them to my holy mountain,

and make them joyful in my house of prayer;

their holocausts and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 15, 16

I have chosen you from the world

that you should go and bear fruit,

and that your fruit should remain.

February 22

SAINT PETER'S CHAIR

On this day we recall that the prince of the Apostles was the first bishop of Rome.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 45, 30; PS. 131, 1

Antiphon: The Lord made a covenant of friendship with him,

and made him a prince;

that he should possess the dignity of priesthood forever.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 PT. 1, 1-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 106, 32, 31; MT. 16, 18-19;

Let them extol him in the assembly of the people

and praise him in the council of the elders.

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his kindness

and his wondrous deeds to the children of men.

You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.
And the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.
And whatever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven.
And whatever you shall loose on earth
shall be loosed in heaven.

PS. 106, 32, 31; MT. 16, 18

In Votive Masses before Septuagesima or after Pentecost:

Let them extol him in the assembly of the people
and praise him in the council of the elders.

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his kindness
and his wondrous deeds to the children of men.

Alleluia, alleluia. You are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my Church. Alleluia.

During Eastertime:

PS. 106, 15; MT. 16, 18

Alleluia, alleluia.

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his kindness
and his wondrous deeds to the children of men.

Alleluia. You are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my Church. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 16, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

MT. 16, 18-19

You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church,
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 16, 18

You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

February 23

SAINT PETER DAMIAN

Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

*This 11th century Benedictine sacrificed much to help the
Church in the reforms then undertaken.*

Mass of Holy Doctors, Page 393

February 24 or 25

SAINT MATTHIAS

Apostle

The election of Matthias as successor to the traitor Judas is read to us in the first lesson of this celebration.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 17, 1-2

Antiphon: To me, your friends, O God,
are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Psalm: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 1, 15-26

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 138, 17-18; 20, 3-4

Your friends, O God, are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.
Were I to recount them, they would outnumber the sands.
You have granted him his heart's desire;
you refused not the wish of his lips.
For you welcomed him with goodly blessings.
You placed on his head a crown of precious stones.

SECOND READING

MT. 11, 25-30

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 17-18

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord,
through all generations.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28

You who have followed me shall sit on thrones
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

February 27 or 28

SAINT GABRIEL OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS
Confessor

This young man died a little over a hundred years ago. He is one of the glories of the Passionist Order.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 11, 13; PS. 72, 1

Antiphon: The eye of God looks favorably upon him;
he raises him free of the vile dust, and lifts up his head
to the amazement of the many who glorify God.

Psalm: How good is God to Israel,
to those who are clean of heart!

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 JN. 2, 14-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 30, 20; PS. 83, 6-7, 11, 13

How great is the goodness, O Lord,
which you have in store for those who fear you.
And which, toward those who take refuge in you,
you show in the sight of men.
Happy the man whose strength you are!
his heart is set upon the pilgrimage in the vale of tears,
in the place he has set.
I had rather lie at the threshold of the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
He withholds no good thing from those who walk in sincerity.
O Lord of hosts, happy the man who trusts in you.

PS. 30, 20; PS. 8, 6-7

In Votive Masses before Septuagesima or after Pentecost:

How great is the goodness, O Lord,
which you have in store for those who fear you.
And which, toward those who take refuge in you,
you show in the sight of men.

Alleluia, alleluia.

O Lord, you have made him little less than the angels,
and crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him rule over the works of your hands. Alleluia.

During Eastertime:

PS. 8, 6-7; ECCL. 11, 24

Alleluia, alleluia.

O Lord, you have made him little less than the angels,
and crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him rule over the works of your hands.

Alleluia. God's blessing is the lot of the just man,
and in due time his hopes bear fruit. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MK. 10, 13-21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 115, 16-17

O Lord, I am your servant, the son of your handmaid;
you have loosed my bonds.

To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving.

COMMUNION SONG

AP. 3, 20

Behold, I stand at the door and knock.

If any man listens to my voice and opens the door to me,
I will come in to him and will sup with him,
and he with me.

March 4

SAINT CASIMIR

Confessor

Casimir is one of the many holy men whose lives prove that even rulers can be saints. In fact, rulers must be saints.

Mass of a Holy Man, Page 394

March 6

SAINTS PERPETUA AND FELICITY

Martyrs

These two women are supposed to have been martyred in the coliseum at Carthage, early in the 3rd century. Here again is proof of the courage of holy women.

Mass of Holy Women Martyrs, Page 404

March 7

SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

Confessor and Doctor

Thomas dedicated his brilliant mind completely to the service of God and to the spread of God's teachings. His writings are basic to our theology today.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 7, 7-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 111, 1-3

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

March 8
SAINT JOHN OF GOD
Confessor

Born in Portugal about the time Columbus discovered America, John dedicated himself and his followers to the care of the poor and the sick. He is the patron of the ill and the dying.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of God is in his heart.

Psalm: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 31, 8-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; PS. 111, 1-3

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow in the house of the Lord,
To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

SECOND READING

MT. 22, 34-46

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant whom his master,
when he comes, shall find watching.
Amen I say to you, he will set him over all his goods.

March 9
SAINT FRANCES OF ROME
Widow

This woman wished to be a nun, but her vocation was to be married. She did a good job; is deservedly a saint. She died in the middle of the 15th century.

Mass of a Holy Woman, Page 405

March 10
THE FORTY HOLY MARTYRS

Early in the 4th century, these forty Roman soldiers were exposed to freeze to death, after refusal to sacrifice to idols.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 33, 18, 2

Antiphon: When the just cry out, the Lord hears them
and from all their distress he rescues them.

Psalm: I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall be ever in my mouth.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

HEB. 11, 33-39

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 132, 1-2; PS. 125, 5-6

Behold, how good it is, and how pleasant,
where brethren dwell as one!
It is as when the precious ointment upon the head
runs down over the beard, the beard of Aaron.
Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.
Going, they went and wept, casting their seeds.
But coming, they shall come with joyfulness,
carrying their sheaves.

SECOND READING

LK. 6, 17-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 31, 11

Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, you just;
exult, all you upright of heart.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 12, 50

"For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven,
he is my brother and sister and mother," says the Lord.

March 12

SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT

Pope, Confessor and Doctor

The years 590 to 604 achieved much in the development of the Church, due mainly to Gregory's remarkable variety of interests. His consecration of his talents and energies to the service of the Lord brought about development in the fields of liturgy, sacred music, and of missions.

Mass of Holy Popes, Page 383

March 17

SAINT PATRICK

Bishop and Confessor

This man is well known to the Irish, for he brought the faith to their ancestral land. He died in the latter half of the 5th century.

Mass of a Holy Confessor Bishop, Page 390

March 18

SAINT CYRIL OF JERUSALEM
Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

A leader of the early Church, Cyril suffered and achieved much during the days of the great heresies about the nature of Christ.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 39, 6-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 111, 1-3

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime:

ECCL. 45, 9; OS. 14, 6

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord loved him and adorned him:
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Alleluia. The just man shall blossom like the lily;
and shall flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 10, 23-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

March 19

SAINT JOSEPH

*Confessor, Spouse of Our Lady,
Patron of the Universal Church*

The title of this celebration bespeaks its importance. St. Joseph had a minor role to play in the history of salvation, but he did it well and with outstanding unselfishness.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 91, 13-14, 2

Antiphon: The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow:
planted in the house of the Lord,
in the courts of the house of our God.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 45, 1-6

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 20, 4-5; PS. 111, 1-3

O Lord, you welcomed him with goodly blessings,
you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.

He asked life of you;
you gave him length of days forever and ever.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime:

ECCL. 45, 9; OS. 14, 6

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord loved him, and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Alleluia. The just man shall blossom as the lily;
and shall flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 1, 18-21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 1, 20

Do not be afraid, Joseph, son of David,
to take to you Mary your wife,
for that which is begotten in her is of the Holy Spirit.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

March 21

SAINT BENEDICT

Abbot

In this great man we find the father of the monks of the western Church. It is a tribute to him that his order continues to thrive today, all over the world.

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March 24
SAINT GABRIEL
Archangel

The book of Daniel the prophet and the Gospel according to Luke tell of the role played by Gabriel in bringing the message of salvation from God to Man. These events are proclaimed in the scripture lessons of this celebration.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 102, 20, 1

Antiphon: Bless the Lord, all you his angels,
you mighty in strength, who do his bidding,
obeying his spoken word .
(P.T. Alleluia.)

Psalm: Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and all my being, bless his holy name.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

DN. 9, 21-26

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 102, 20, 1; LK. 1, 28, 42, 31, 35

Bless the Lord, all you his angels,
you mighty in strength, who do his bidding.
Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and, all my being, bless his holy name.
Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.
And behold, you shall conceive and shall bring forth a son,
and you shall call his name Emmanuel.
The Holy Spirit shall come upon you
and the power of the Most High shall overshadow you.
And therefore the Holy One to be born
shall be called the Son of God.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 26-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

AP. 8, 3, 4

An angel stood before the altar of the temple,
having a golden censer in his hand;
and there was given to him much incense:
and the smoke of the incense went up before God.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord,
sing a hymn, and exalt him above all forever.

March 25

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

With this announcement we can almost say that the history of salvation "came down to earth."

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 13, 15, 16, 2

Antiphon: All the rich among the people seek your favor.
Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.
Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness and joy.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 7, 10-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 3, 5, 11, 12, 13, 10, 15-16

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever.
Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
may your right hand show your wondrous deeds.
Hear, O daughter, and see; turn your ear;
for the king shall desire your beauty.

All the rich among the people seek your favor;
the daughters of kings come to meet you.
Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king;
her neighbors are brought to you.
They are brought with gladness and joy;
they enter the palace of the king.

During Eastertime:

LK. 1, 28

Alleluia, alleluia.

Hail, Mary, full of grace,

the Lord is with you;

blessed are you among women.

The rod of Jesse has blossomed:

a Virgin has brought forth God and man:

God has given peace,

reconciling in himself the lowest with the highest. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 26-38

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 1, 28, 42

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.

Blessed are you among women

and blessed is the fruit of your womb. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

IS. 7, 14

Behold, a virgin shall be with child,

and bear a son,

and shall name him Emmanuel. (P.T. Alleluia.)

March 27

SAINT JOHN DAMASCENE
Confessor and Doctor

In the 8th century many eastern Catholics were in favor of destroying images and icons, all sacred art. St. John opposed this evil destruction, and worked hard to transmit to us the teaching of the ancient Greek Fathers. He died in 749.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 72, 24, 1

Antiphon: You have hold of my right hand;
with your counsel you guide me,
and you will receive me in glory. (P.T. Alleluia.)

Psalm: How good God is to Israel,
to those who are clean of heart!
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

WIS. 10, 10-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 17, 33, 35, 38, 39, 50

The God who girded me with strength
and kept my way unerring.
Who trained my hands for war
and my arms to bend a bow of brass.
I pursued my enemies and overtook them.
I smote them, and they could not rise;
they fell beneath my feet.
Therefore will I proclaim you, O Lord, among the nations,
and I will sing praise to your name.

During Eastertime:
Alleluia, alleluia.

1 SM. 25, 26, 28; PS. 143, 1

The Lord has saved your hand for you
because you fight the battles of the Lord.
Alleluia. Blessed be the Lord my God,
who trains my hands for battle, my fingers for war. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses before Septuagesima or after Pentecost:

The God who girded me with strength
and kept my way unerring
Who trained my hands for war
and my arms to bend a bow of brass.
Alleluia, alleluia.

PS. 17, 33, 35

You gave me your saving protection
and your right hand sustained me. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 6, 6-11

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

JB. 14, 7

For a tree there is hope, if it be cut down,
that it will sprout again
and that its tender shoots will not cease. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 36, 17

The power of the wicked shall be broken,
but the Lord supports the just. (P.T. Alleluia.)

March 28

SAINT JOHN CAPISTRAN

Confessor

A Franciscan, a reformer and an evangelist, John lived in the 15th century and worked hard for the union of the eastern and western Churches.

ENTRANCE SONG

HB. 3, 18-19; PS. 80, 2

Antiphon: Yet will I rejoice in the Lord
and exult in my saving God;
the Lord God is my strength. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalms: Sing joyfully to God our strength;
acclaim the God of Jacob.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 10, 10-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 21, 24-25; EX. 15, 2-3; JDT. 16, 3

You who fear the Lord, praise him;
all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him!
Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!
For he has not spurned nor disdained
the wretched man in his misery.
My strength and my courage is the Lord,
and he has been my savior.

He is my God, I praise him.
The Lord is a warrior, almighty is his name.
The Lord who breaks battles; the Lord is his name.

During Eastertime:

PS. 58, 17

Alleluia, alleluia.
But I will sing of your strength
and revel at dawn in your kindness.
Alleluia. You have been my stronghold,
my refuge in the days of distress. Alleluia.

PS. 21, 24-25; PS. 58, 17

In Votive Masses before Septuagesima or after Pentecost:

You who fear the Lord, praise him;
all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him!
Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!
For he has not spurned nor disdained
the wretched man in his misery.
Alleluia, alleluia.
But I will sing of your strength
and revel at dawn in your kindness. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 9, 1-6

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

ECCL. 46, 6

He called upon the Most High God
when his enemies beset him on all sides,
and the great and holy God heard him. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

WIS. 10, 20

They sang, O Lord, your holy name
and praised your conquering hand. (P.T. Alleluia.)

April 2
SAINT FRANCIS OF PAULA
Confessor

A hermit in his early life, this good man formed a small community called the "Minimi", meaning, "the least in the service of God."

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 91, 13-14, 2

Antiphon: The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow,
planted in the house of our God. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

PHIL. 3, 7-12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 111, 1; OS. 4, 6

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.

Alleluia. The just man shall blossom like the lily,
and flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

Outside of Eastertime:

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 111, 1-3

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.

The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.

His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.

Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 32-34

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 2-3

O Lord, in your strength the just man is glad;
in your victory how greatly he rejoices!
You have granted him his heart's desire. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28, 29

Amen I say to you that you,
who have left all things and followed me,
shall receive a hundredfold, and shall possess life everlasting.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

April 4

SAINT ISIDORE

Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

A 7th century archbishop of Seville, St. Isidore did much to make the Spanish Church strong in his day.

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April 5

SAINT VINCENT FERRER

Confessor

A 14th century Spanish Dominican missionary who was true to the work of his order. He spent his life teaching and preaching the word of God.

Mass of a Holy Man, Page 394

April 11

SAINT LEO

Pope, Confessor and Doctor

In the 5th century the Church was much disturbed by barbarian invasions. St. Leo, by his holiness and fearlessness did a great

deal to maintain calm. Above all he was a glorious preacher of the word of God, whose theological contribution and extraordinary sermons are well remembered.

Mass of Holy Popes, Page 383.

April 13

SAINT HERMENEGILD

Martyr

Since his father was a heretic, an Arian, and opposed to the conversion of Hermenegild to the true faith, the son was martyred by his own father.

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During Eastertime, Page 389.

With the following exception:

SECOND READING

LK. 14, 26-33

Outside of Eastertime, Page 387.

April 14

SAINT JUSTIN

Martyr

Justin is one of the important defenders of the faith in the 2nd century. He tried to teach the Roman emperors that Christians were good citizens of the empire. He lost his head for his effort.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 85, 46, 1

Antiphon: The wicked have told me fables, but not as your law. I will speak of your decrees before kings without being ashamed. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalms: Happy are they whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 COR. 1, 18-25, 30

MEDITATION SONG

1 COR. 3, 19, 20; PHIL. 3, 8

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia.

The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.

For it is written,

"The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise,
that they are empty."

Alleluia. Nay more, I count everything loss,
because of the excelling knowledge
of Jesus Christ, my Lord, Alleluia.

Outside of Eastertime:

1 COR. 3, 19, 20, 1, 19; 1 COR. 2, 2, 7-8

The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.

For it is written,

"The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise,
that they are empty."

I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the prudence of the prudent I will reject.

I determined not to know anything among you,
except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

We speak the wisdom of God, mysterious, hidden,
which God foreordained before the world unto our glory.

Which none of the rulers of this world has known;
for had they known it,

they would never have crucified the Lord of glory.

1 COR. 3, 19, 20, 1, 19; PHIL. 3, 8

In Votive Masses before Septuagesima or after Pentecost:

The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.

For it is written,

"The Lords knows the thoughts of the wise,
that they are empty."

I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the prudence of the prudent I will reject.

Alleluia, alleluia. Nay more, I count everything loss,
because of the excelling knowledge
of Jesus Christ, my Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 2-8

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

1 COR. 2, 2

For I determined not to know anything among you,
except Jesus Christ and him crucified. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

2 TM. 4, 8

There is laid up for me a crown of justice,
which the Lord, the just Judge,
will give to me in that day. (P.T. Alleluia.)

April 21

SAINT ANSELM

Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

This 11th century Norman monk became archbishop of Canterbury. In spite of a busy life he was also a great philosopher and writer.

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April 22

SAINTS SOTER AND CAIUS

Popes and Martyrs

Again we have two holy men who did not know each other, except in the glory of martyrdom and sainthood. St. Soter ruled the Church late in the 2nd century and was martyred under Marcus Aurelius. Caius died about 100 years later.

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April 24

SAINT FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN

Martyr

In the early 17th century this young Capuchin friar was martyred in Switzerland by the Calvinists.

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April 25
SAINT MARK
Evangelist

Mark was Peter's companion and secretary. We are quite sure that he wrote the oldest Gospel extant.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 63, 3, 2

Antiphon: You have sheltered me, O God,
against the council of malefactors, alleluia,
against the multitude of the workers of iniquity,
alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Hear, O God, my voice in lament;
from the dread enemy preserve my life.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon:*

FIRST READING

EZ. 1, 10-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 88, 6; PS. 20, 4

Alleluia, alleluia.
The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.
Alleluia. You placed on his head, O Lord,
a crown of precious stones. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 6

The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones,
alleluia, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 63, 11

The just man is glad in the Lord and takes refuge in him;
all the upright of heart shall be praised, alleluia, alleluia.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LITANIES

The litanies and the Rogation Mass are celebrated once on April 25. Page 131. The other Masses are those of St. Mark.

April 26

SAINTS CLETUS AND MARCELLINUS

Popes and Martyrs

Once more we combine men who ruled the Church heroically at widely separated times: Cletus in the late first century, martyred during Emperor Domitian's reign; Marcellinus, beheaded by order of Diocletian in the late 3rd century.

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April 27

SAINT PETER CANISIUS

Confessor and Doctor

This Jesuit preacher of Reformation times did much to preserve the faith in Germany. He died in Switzerland, late in the 16th century.

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April 28

SAINT PAUL OF THE CROSS

Confessor

Today we honor this Genoese, founder of the Passionist Order. He died in Rome in 1775.

ENTRANCE SONG

GAL. 2, 19-20; PS. 40, 2

Antiphon: With Christ I am nailed to the cross.

It is now no longer I that live,
but Christ lives in me.

I live in the faith of the Son of God,
who loved me and gave himself up for me.

(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Happy is he who has regard for the lowly and the poor;
in the day of misfortune the Lord will deliver him.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 COR. 1, 17-25

MEDITATION SONG

2 COR. 5, 15; ROM. 8, 17

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia. Christ died for all,
in order that they who are alive
may live no longer for themselves,
but for him who died for them and rose again.
Alleluia. If we are sons, we are heirs also:
heirs indeed of God and joint heirs with Christ,
provided, however, we suffer with him,
that we may also be glorified with him. Alleluia.

GAL. 6, 14;

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

EPH. 5, 2

Walk in love, as Christ also loved us,
and delivered himself up for us,
an offering and a sacrifice to God, in fragrant odor.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

1 PT. 4, 13

Rejoice in as far as you are partakers
of the sufferings of Christ,
that you may also rejoice with exultation
in the revelation of his glory. (P.T. Alleluia.)

April 29

SAINT PETER OF VERONA

Martyr

A 13th century Dominican, St. Peter was put to death while working to spread the kingdom of God.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 63, 3, 2

Antiphon: You have sheltered me, O God,
against the council of malefactors, alleluia,
against the multitude of the workers of iniquity,
alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Hear O God, my voice in lament;
from the dread enemy preserve my life.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 TM. 2, 8-10; 2 TM. 3, 10-12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 88, 6; PS. 20, 4

Alleluia, alleluia.

The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.
Alleluia. You placed on his head, O Lord,
a crown of precious stones. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 15, 1-7

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 6

The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones,
alleluia, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 63, 11

The just man is glad in the Lord
and takes refuge in him;
all the upright of heart shall be praised, alleluia, alleluia.

April 30
SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA
Vírgin

In the 14th century this brave young woman confronted Pope Gregory IX and persuaded him to return to Rome, to fulfill his duty as a true leader of God's Church.

Mass of a Holy Vírgin not a Martyr, Page 402



May 1

SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER

Because Joseph apparently supported the Holy Family by working with his hands, he is properly the patron of all working men. Today we reconsecrate material labor to the upbuilding of the kingdom of God.

ENTRANCE SONG

WIS. 10, 17; PS. 126, 1

Antiphon: Wisdom gave the holy ones
the recompense of their labors,
and conducted them by a wondrous road,
and became a shelter for them by day
and a starry flame by night. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia).

Psalm: Unless the Lord build the house,
they labor in vain who build it.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

COL. 3, 14-15, 17, 23-24

MEDITATION SONG

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia. In whatever trouble they shall call upon me,
I will hear them, and I will always be their protector.
Alleluia.

Obtain for us grace to lead an innocent life, O Joseph;
and may it ever be secure under your protection. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses Outside of Eastertime:

PS. 127, 1-2

Happy are you who fear the Lord,
who walk in his ways!

You shall eat the fruit of your handiwork
and you shall be favored.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Obtain for us grace to lead an innocent life, O Joseph;
and may it ever be secure under your protection. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 127, 1-2; PS. 111, 1-3

Happy are you who fear the Lord,
who walk in his ways!

You shall eat the fruit of your handiwork
and you shall be favored.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.

His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.

Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

SECOND READING

MT. 13, 54-58

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 89, 17

May the gracious care of the Lord our God be ours;
prosper the work of our hands for us!

Prosper the work of our hands! (P.T. Alleluia).

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 13, 54-55

Where did he get this wisdom and these miracles?

Is not this the carpenter's son?

Is not his mother called Mary? (P.T. Alleluia.)

May 2

SAINT ATHANASIUS

Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

This bishop was the leading hero of the Council of Nicea in 325. Athanasius faced up to the followers of Arius and insisted that Christ is the Son of God, a person of divine nature. For this conviction of the truth Athanasius was made to suffer greatly.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him

with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;

he clothed him with a robe of glory. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 COR. 4, 5-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 109, 4; JAS. 1, 12

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia.

You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec.

Alleluia. Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried,
he will receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses outside of Eastertime: ECCL. 44, 16, 20; JAS. 1, 12

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.

There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried,
he will receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 10, 23-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 21-22

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 10, 27

"What I tell you in darkness,
speak it in the light," says the Lord;
"and what you hear whispered,
preach it on the house-tops." (P.T. Alleluia.)

May 4
SAINT MONICA
Widow

Praying without ceasing, St. Monica won the conversion of her highly intellectual son, Augustine. He finally responded to God's invitation and became a great teacher and saint.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 75, 120, 1

Antiphon: I know, O Lord, that your ordinances are just,
and in your faithfulness you have afflicted me.

Pierce my flesh with your fear,
I fear your ordinances. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalms: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 TM. 5, 3-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 5

Alleluia, alleluia.

In your splendor and your beauty
ride on triumphant, and reign.

Alleluia. Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
may your right hand show you wondrous deeds. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 7, 11-16

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 3

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever, and ever. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 44, 8

You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness
above your fellows. (P.T. Alleluia.)

May 5

SAINT PIUS V
Pope and Confessor

Pius was a Dominican friar who became pope and put into effect the reforms of the Council of Trent. He was strong and unselfish in fulfilling its decrees.

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May 7

SAINT STANISLAUS
Bishop and Martyr

Because the bishop was outspokenly against the immorality of the Polish king, he was put to death in 1079.

Mass of a Holy Martyr, Page 387

May 9

SAINT GREGORY NAZIANZEN
Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

A leader of the Eastern Church in the 4th Century, St. Gregory wrote wonderfully about the Blessed Trinity.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 39, 6-14

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 45, 9; OS. 14, 6

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Alleluia. The just man shall blossom like the lily;
and shall flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

Outside of Eastertime:

PS. 36, 30-31; ECCL. 45, 9

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.

The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time. (P.T. Alleluia.)

May 10

SAINT ANTONINUS

Bishop and Confessor

A Dominican friar in Florence in the 15th century, St. Antoninus became archbishop of this famous town and did much to improve its spiritual life.

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May 11
SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES
Apostles

Philip, a Galilean, was one of the earliest disciples of Jesus, and carried the faith to Asia Minor where he was stoned. James (the younger) came from Cana and remained in Judea to become the first bishop of Jerusalem. Today's celebration gives us some of their conversation with the Lord.

ENTRANCE SONG

NEH. 9, 27; PS. 32, 1

Antiphon: In the time of their tribulation
they cried to you, O Lord,
and you heard them from heaven, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 5, 1-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 88, 6; JN. 14, 9

Alleluia, alleluia.

The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness, in the assembly of the holy ones.

Alleluia. Have I been so long a time with you,
and you have not known me?

Philip, he who sees me, sees also my Father. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 14, 1-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 6

The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness, in the assembly of the holy ones,
alleluia, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 14, 9, 10

Have I been so long a time with you, and you have not known me?
Philip, he who sees me sees also my Father. Alleluia.

Do you not believe that I am in the Father
and the Father in me? Alleluia, alleluia.

May 12
SAINTS NEREUS, ACHILLEUS, AND PANCRAS
Martyrs

SAINT DOMITILLA
Virgin and Martyr

These holy people have little in common except their burial in the catacomb of Domitilla. The first two were Roman soldiers, beheaded in the first century, Domitilla was exiled for her faith, and very little is known of Pancras for certain.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 32, 18, 19, 20, 1

Antiphon: But see, the eyes of the Lord
are upon those who fear him,
upon those who hope in his kindness, alleluia:
to deliver them from death;
for he is our help and our shield, alleluia.

Psalm: Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 5, 1-5

MEDITATION SONG

Alleluia, alleluia. This is the true brotherhood,
which overcame the wickedness of the world;
it followed Christ, attaining the glorious kingdom of heaven.
Alleluia. The white-robed army of Martyrs praises you, O Lord.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 4, 46-53

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 6

The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness, in the assembly of the holy ones,
alleluia, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 32, 1

Exult, you just, in the Lord, alleluia;
praise from the upright is fitting, alleluia.

May 13

SAINT ROBERT BELLARMINE
Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

A brilliant Jesuit of the 17th century, Robert Bellarmine gave the Church much benefit of his learning. As teacher at a Roman college, envoy to France, cardinal and archbishop, his counsel was a great aid.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 7, 7-14

MEDITATION SONG

DAN. 12, 3

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia.

The wise shall shine brightly
like the splendor of the firmament.

Alleluia. Those who led the many to justice,
shall be like the stars forever. Alleluia.

Outside of Eastertime:

ECCL. 44, 16-17, 20; DAN. 12, 3

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.

There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The wise shall shine brightly
like the splendor of the firmament. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima: ECCL. 44, 16-17; PS. 91, 2, 3, 5

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.

There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
To proclaim your kindness at dawn,
and your faithfulness throughout the night.
For you make me glad, O Lord, by your deeds;
at the works of your hands I rejoice.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 72, 28

But for me, to be near God is my good;
to make the Lord God my refuge.
I shall declare all your works
in the gates of the daughter of Sion. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 5, 14, 16

You are the light of the world.
Even so, let your light shine before men,
in order that they may see your good works
and give glory to your Father in heaven. (P.T. Alleluia.)

May 15

SAINT JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE

Confessor

St. John lived in the 18th century, founded the teaching order of the Brothers of the Christian Schools. Their work throughout the world today proves the wisdom of the founder and the unselfishness of his sons.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalms: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 31, 8-11

MEDITATION SONG

JAS. 1, 12; ECCL. 45, 9

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried
he shall receive the crown of life.

Alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

Outside of Eastertime:

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; JAS. 1, 12

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow
in the house of the Lord.

To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried, he will receive the crown of life.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 18, 1-5

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes,
shall find watching.

Amen I say to you,
he will set him over all his goods. (P.T. Alleluia.)

May 16

SAINT UBALD

Bishop and Confessor

*This 12th century Italian bishop won his sainthood by being
a peacemaker.*

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May 17

SAINT PASCHAL BAYLON
Confessor

In the 16th century this humble Franciscan brother was outstanding for his faith in the Eucharist.

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May 18

SAINT VENANTIUS
Martyr

Another early witness about whom little is known. Possibly he was a bishop in Dalmatia, who died in the 3rd century.

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May 19

SAINT PETER CELESTINE
Pope and Confessor

This founder of the Celestine Order was elected pope in his seventh decade. It was too late in life to change from his hermit's habits to the task of Church administration. He resigned the papacy after a few months but continued to be a saint.

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May 20

SAINT BERNARDINE OF SIENA
Confessor

A 14th century Italian Franciscan, this man proved his love of God with constant and effective preaching.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 31, 8-11

MEDITATION SONG

JAS. 1, 12; ECCL. 45, 9

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Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
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Alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

Outside of Eastertime:

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; JAS. 1, 12

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow
in the house of the Lord.

To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried,
he will receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 19, 27-29

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted. (P.T. Alleluia).

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes,
shall find watching.

Amen I say to you,
he will set him over all his goods. (P.T. Alleluia.)

May 25

SAINT GREGORY VII

Pope and Confessor

In the 11th century, St. Gregory was a champion of reform in the Church. This cost him much suffering and he died in exile, still working for the principle of independence of the Church.

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May 26

SAINT PHILIP NERI

Confessor

Philip was a real pastor. He spent many of his days walking the streets, winning converts for the Church with the dynamic warmth of his character. The community which he founded, called the Oratory, is still thriving throughout the world.

ENTRANCE SONG

ROM. 5, 5; PS. 102, 1

Antiphon: The charity of God is poured forth in our hearts,
by his spirit dwelling within us. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and, all my being, bless his holy name.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 7, 7-14

MEDITATION SONG

LAM. 1, 13; PS. 38, 4

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia.

From on high he sent fire into my very frame and instructed me.

Alleluia. Hot grew my heart within me;

in my thoughts, a fire blazed forth. Alleluia.

Outside of Eastertime:

PS. 33, 12, 6; LAM. 1, 13

Come, children, hear me;

I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Look to him that you may be radiant with joy,

and your faces may not blush with shame.

Alleluia, alleluia. From on high he sent a fire into my very frame,
and instructed me. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 35-40

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 118, 32

I will run the way of your commands

when you give me a docile heart. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 83, 3

My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. (P.T. Alleluia.)

May 27

SAINT BEDE THE VENERABLE
Confessor and Doctor

Today we celebrate an 8th century English Benedictine who wrote, taught and translated, sharing his learning with all scholars of history and of the Bible.

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May 28

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY
Bishop and Confessor

One of the tasks of Gregory the Great was that of sending a missionary to England. St. Augustine was his man. Augustine and his companions did their work well and lived to see the Church well rooted in Britain. He died in 604.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 131, 9-10, 1

Antiphon: May your priests, O Lord, be clothed with justice;
let your faithful ones shout merrily for joy.

For the sake of David your servant,
reject not the plea of your anointed. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 THES. 2, 2-9

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 109, 4; ECCL. 45, 9

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent:

"You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec."

Alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

Outside of Eastertime:

PS. 131, 16-17; PS. 109, 4

Her priests I will clothe with salvation,
and her faithful ones shall shout merrily for joy.
In her will I make a horn to sprout forth for David;
I will place a lamp for my anointed.
Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent:
"You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec." Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes,
shall find watching.

Amen I say to you,
he will set him over all his goods. (P.T. Alleluia.)

May 29

SAINT MARY MAGDALENE DEI PAZZI **Virgín**

*This Carmelite nun proved by her self-denial that wise discipline
brings Christian perfection.*

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May 31

THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

This relatively new feast summarizes all that the scriptures have said of the royalty of the Lord Jesus and therefore of his Mother. Mary's special dignity as the Holy Mother of God gives her a royalty unparalleled in the history of salvation.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Let us all rejoice in the Lord,
celebrating a feast
in honor of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
on whose solemnity the angels rejoice
and give praise to the Son of God. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia).

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

In Votive Masses:

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Hail, holy mother, who gave birth to the King
who rules heaven and earth forever and ever.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 24, 5, 7, 9-11, 30-31

MEDITATION SONG

During Eastertime:
Alleluia, alleluia.
Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary,
who stood beneath the cross of the Lord.
Alleluia. Now with him you reign forever. Alleluia.

Outside of Eastertime:

AP. 19, 16; PS. 44, 10

He has on his garment and on his thigh a name written:
"King of kings and Lord of lords."

The Queen takes her place at his right hand in gold of Ophir.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Hail, Queen of mercy, protect us from the enemy,
and receive us at the hour of death. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima:

AP. 19, 16; PS. 44, 10

He has on his garment and on his thigh a name written:

"King of kings and Lord of lords."

The Queen takes her place at his right hand in gold of Ophir.

Rejoice, O Virgin Mary,

for alone you have destroyed all heresies.

You believed the words of the Archangel Gabriel.

As a virgin, you brought forth God and man;

and after childbirth you remained an inviolate virgin.

O Mother of God, intercede for us.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 26-33

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Sprung from a royal line, Mary shines with glory.

We devoutly plead to be helped by her prayers

in mind and in heart. (P.T. Alleluia).

COMMUNION SONG

Most worthy Queen of the world, Mary ever Virgin,

you bore Christ the Lord, the Savior of all men.

Intercede for our peace and salvation. (P.T. Alleluia.)

June 1

SAINT ANGELA MERICI

Vírgin

This Italian girl who lived in the 16th century founded the Ursuline Sisters to look after the education of girls. They did their work well and the congregation then begun still carries on its educational work for the young.

Mass of a Holy Vírgin not a Martyr, Page 402

June 4

SAINT FRANCIS CARACCILO
Confessor

This 16th century Italian priest spent his life preaching the Gospel to people in prison, a truly great apostolate.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 21, 15; PS. 68, 10; PS. 72, 1

Antiphon: My heart has become like wax
melting away within my bosom,
because zeal for your house consumes me.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: How good God is to Israel,
to those who are clean of heart!
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 4, 8-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 41, 2, 3; PS. 72, 26

As the hind longs for the running waters,
so my soul longs for you, O God.
Athirst is my soul for the strong living God.
Alleluia, alleluia. My flesh and my heart waste away;
God is the God of my heart and my portion forever. Alleluia.

During Eastertime:

PS. 64, 5; PS. 111, 9

Alleluia, alleluia.
Happy the man you choose and bring to dwell in your courts.
Alleluia. Lavishly he gives to the poor;
his generosity shall endure forever. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 35-40

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 30, 20

How great is the goodness, O Lord,
which you have in store for those who fear you. (P.T. Alleluia.)

June 5

SAINT BONIFACE
Bishop and Martyr

Boniface, also named Winfred, came from England to Germany in the 8th century to do what Patrick had done in Ireland and Augustine in England itself. He was the apostle to the Germanic people. After a life of fruitful work he was martyred in 754.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 65, 19, 23; PS. 43, 2

Antiphon: I will rejoice in Jerusalem and exult in my people.
No longer shall the sound of weeping be heard there,
or the sound of crying.
My elect shall not toil in vain,
nor beget children for sudden destruction;
for a race blessed by the Lord are they and their offspring.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: O God, our ears have heard,
our fathers have declared to us,
the deeds you did in their days.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 44, 1-15

MEDITATION SONG

1 PT. 4, 13-14; IS. 66, 12; IS. 66, 10, 14

In as far as you are partakers of the sufferings of Christ,
rejoice that you may also rejoice with exultation
in the revelation of his glory.
If you are upbraided for the name of Christ,
blessed will you be,
because the honor, the glory and the power of God,
and his Spirit rest upon you.
Alleluia, alleluia.
I will spread prosperity over him like a river,
and glory like an overflowing torrent. Alleluia.

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad because of her,
all you who love the Lord.

Alleluia. You shall see and your heart shall rejoice;
and the Lord's power shall be known to his servants. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 1-12

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 15, 7, 8

I bless the Lord who counsels me;

I set God ever before me;

with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

(P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

AP. 3, 21

He who overcomes,

I will permit him to sit with me upon my throne;

as I also have overcome

and have sat with my Father on his throne. (P.T. Alleluia.)

June 6

SAINT NORBERT

Bishop and Confessor

In the 12th century this young German nobleman went to France and founded the Order of Norbertines or Premonstratensians.

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June 10

SAINT MARGARET

Queen, Widow

Descendent of English royalty, Margaret was the saintly wife of Malcolm of Scotland, in the 11th century. She was a blessing to her people and to her Church.

Mass of a Holy Woman, Page 405

June 11

SAINT BARNABAS

Apostle

Although not one of the original twelve, Barnabas evidently had the good opinion of all. It was he who introduced Paul to the other apostles after his conversion. He worked on Cyprus and elsewhere.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 17, 1-2

Antiphon: To me, your friends, O God,
are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Psalm: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ACTS 11, 21-26; ACTS 13, 1-3

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 18, 5, 2; JN. 15, 16

Through all the earth their voice resounds,
and to the ends of the world, their message.
The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Alleluia, alleluia.

I have chosen you out of the world,
that you should go and bear fruit,
and that your fruit should remain. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 10, 16-22

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 17-18

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord, through all generations.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28

You who have followed me shall sit on thrones
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

June 12

SAINT JOHN OF SAN FACONDO

Confessor

Typical of the spirituality of his time, this 15th century Spanish Augustinian was distinguished for his devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

Mass of a Holy Man, Page 394

June 13

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

Confessor and Doctor

Anthony was a Portuguese who became a Franciscan friar and a most outstanding preacher of the good news of salvation. He died at Padua in 1231.

Mass of Holy Doctors, Page 393

June 14

SAINT BASIL THE GREAT
Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

Today we celebrate another heroic bishop of Arian times. Vigorously he opposed the heresy and remained faithful to the divinity of the Lord Christ. He died in 379.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 TM. 4, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 88, 21

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.

Alleluia, alleluia.

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 14, 26-35

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

June 17

SAINT GREGORY BARBARIGO
Bishop and Confessor

This 17th century bishop, cardinal and teacher enjoyed the admiration of Pope John XXIII. In May 1960, during the pontificate of John, he was canonized and proclaimed a doctor. Gregory earnestly desired that the dissenting Greek Church be received again into communion with Rome, thus foreshadowing today's ecumenical spirit.

Mass of a Holy Confessor Bishop, Page 390

June 18

SAINT EPHREM
Confessor and Doctor

Although he was neither bishop nor priest but a deacon, St. Ephrem was at the same time a great scholar and teacher in the 4th century Church. His commentaries, sermons and hymns were an important contribution.

Mass of Holy Doctors, Page 393

June 19

SAINT JULIANA FALCONIERI
Virgín

Today we celebrate a Florentine who became a holy sister and a great saint. She had great reverence for the Blessed Sacrament and the holy Mother of God.

Mass of a Holy Virgín not a Martyr, Page 402

June 21

SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA

Confessor

St. Aloysius lived late in the 16th century in Italy, and is one of the youngest saints of the Jesuit Order. He died nursing victims of the plague.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 8, 6; PS. 148, 2

Antiphon: You have made him little less than the angels, and crowned him with glory and honor.

Psalm. Praise the Lord, all you his angels,
praise him, all you his hosts.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 31, 8-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 70, 5-6; PS. 40, 13; PS. 64, 5

O Lord, you are my trust from my youth;
I have been strengthened by you from birth;
from my mother's womb you are my protector.
But because of my innocence you sustain me
and you establish me in your sight forever.
Alleluia, alleluia. Happy the man you choose and take to yourself.
He shall dwell in your courts. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses during Eastertime:

PS. 64, 5; PS. 70, 18

Alleluia, alleluia. Happy the man you choose and take to yourself.
He shall dwell in your courts.

Alleluia. O God, you have taught me from my youth
and till the present I proclaim your wondrous deeds. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 22, 29-40

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 23, 3-4

Who can ascend the mountain of the Lord?
or who may stand in his holy place?
He whose hands are sinless, whose heart is clean.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 77, 24-25

He gave them the bread of heaven; man ate the bread of angels.

June 22

SAINT PAULINUS
Bishop and Confessor

This Saint had quite a varied career. He was a Roman senator, then a consul, a pagan, and a married man. Finally he gave up his former life and wife, and became a Christian hermit and then a bishop.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 131, 9-10, 1

Antiphon: May your priests, O Lord, be clothed with justice;
let your faithful ones shout merrily for joy.
For the sake of David your servant,
reject not the plea of your anointed.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 COR. 8, 9-15

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 41, 16, 20; PS. 109, 4

Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.
Alleluia, alleluia.
You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 32-34

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 21-22

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

June 23

VIGIL OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

The celebration of this vigil gives us an opportunity to hear again Gabriel's announcement to Zachary that he was to have an unusual son.

ENTRANCE SONG

LK. 1, 13, 15, 14; PS. 20, 2

Antiphon: Do not be afraid, Zachary,
your petition has been heard,
and your wife Elizabeth shall bear you a son,
and you shall call his name John;
and he shall be great before the Lord,
and shall be filled with the Holy Spirit
even from his mother's womb;
and many will rejoice at his birth.

Psalm: O Lord, in your strength the king is glad;
in your salvation how greatly he rejoices!
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JER. 1, 4-10

MEDITATION SONG

JN. 1, 6-7

There was a man, one sent from God, whose name was John.
This man came to bear witness concerning the light,
to prepare for the Lord a perfect people.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 5-17

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 8, 6-7

You crowned him with glory and honor.
You have given him rule over the works of your hands, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 20, 6

Great is his glory in your salvation;
majesty and splendor you conferred upon him, O Lord.

June 24

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Today's Gospel tells of John's entrance into the world; the entrance of the one who was to go before the Lord. John was the last of the prophets, the preparer of the way.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 49, 1, 2; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: From my mother's womb
the Lord called me by my name,
and made my mouth a sharp-edged sword;
he concealed me in the shadow of his hand,
and made me a chosen arrow.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

IS. 49, 1-3, 6-7

MEDITATION SONG

JER. 1, 5, 9; LK. 1, 76

Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you,
and before you were born, I dedicated you.
The Lord extended his hand,
and touched my mouth, and said to me. Alleluia, alleluia.
You, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High;
you shall go before the Lord to prepare his ways. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 57-58

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree;
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 1, 76

You, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High;
for you shall go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways.

June 25

SAINT WILLIAM

Abbot

The feast of this Saint reminds us that holy men and women working quietly in God's Church are the truly great and needed ones.

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June 26

SAINTS JOHN AND PAUL

Martyrs

Little is known of these saints other than their martyrdom under Diocletian in the 4th century. A church is dedicated to them in Rome, and they are mentioned in the Canon of the Mass.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 33, 20-21, 2

Antiphon: Many are the troubles of the just;
but out of them all the Lord delivers them;
the Lord watches over all their bones;
not one of them shall be broken.

Psalm: I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall be ever in my mouth.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 44, 10-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 132, 1-2

Behold, how good it is and how pleasant,
where brethren dwell as one!

It is as when the precious ointment upon the head
runs down over the beard, the beard of Aaron.

Alleluia, alleluia.

This is the true brotherhood,

which overcame the wickedness of the world;

it followed Christ, attaining the glorious kingdom of heaven.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 1-8

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 5, 12-13

All who love your name shall glory in you,

for you, O Lord, bless the just man;

O Lord, you surround us with the shield of your good will.

COMMUNION SONG

WIS. 3, 4, 5, 6

For if before men they were punished, God tried them;

as gold in the furnace he proved them,

and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

June 28

VIGIL OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL Apostles

In three successive feasts we hail the achievements and teachings of these apostles.

ENTRANCE SONG

JN. 21, 18-19; PS. 18, 1

Antiphon: The Lord said to Peter,
"When you were young you girded yourself
and walked where you would.
But when you are old you will stretch forth your hands,
and another will gird you, and lead you where you would not."
Now this he said to signify by what manner of death
he should glorify God.

Psalm: The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 3, 1-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 18, 5, 2

Through all the earth their voice resounds,
and to the ends of the world, their message.
The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

SECOND READING

JN. 21, 15-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 138, 17

To me, your friends, O God, are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 21, 15, 17

Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these do?
Lord, you know all things;
you know, Lord, that I love you.

June 29

SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL
Apostles

This feast urges us to meditate on authority within the Church. We can recall the words of Peter to his bishops: ". . . Not as domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock." (1 Pt. 5:3).

ENTRANCE SONG

ACTS 12, 11; PS. 138, 1-2

Antiphon: Now I know for certain
that the Lord has sent his angel
and rescued me from the power of Herod
and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.

Psalm: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 12, 1-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 17-18; MT. 16, 18

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord.
The place of your fathers your sons shall have;
therefore shall nations praise you.
Alleluia, alleluia.

You are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my Church, Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 16, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 17-18

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord,
through all generations.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 16, 18

You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

June 30

COMMEMORATION OF SAINT PAUL

Apostle

We are here reminded of the special quality of Paul's divinely inspired power to win souls for Christ, as shown in the Acts and in his Epistles.

ENTRANCE SONG

2 TM. 1, 12; PS. 138, 1-2

Antiphon. I know whom I have believed,
and I am certain that he is able to guard the trust
committed to me against that day;
being a just judge.

Psalm: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

GAL. 1, 11-20

MEDITATION SONG

GAL. 2, 8-9; 1 COR. 15, 10

He who worked in Peter for the apostleship,
worked also in me among the Gentiles,
and they recognized the grace of God, that was given to me.
The grace of God in me has not been fruitless;
but his grace always remains in me.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Holy Apostle Paul,
preacher of truth and teacher of the Gentiles,
intercede for us. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 10, 16-22

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 138, 17

To me, your friends, O God, are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28, 29

Amen I say to you
that you who have left all things and followed me,
shall receive a hundredfold, and shall possess life everlasting.

July 1

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

The Blood of Christ is the living sign of the new and eternal covenant between God and man. This truth is proclaimed in every Eucharistic celebration.

ENTRANCE SONG

AP. 5, 9-10; PS. 88, 2

Antiphon: You have redeemed us, O Lord, with your blood,
out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,
and have made us for our God a kingdom.

Psalm: The favors of the Lord I will sing forever;
through all generations
my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

HEB. 9, 11-15

MEDITATION SONG

1 JN. 5, 6, 7-8, 9

This is he who came in water and in blood, Jesus Christ;
not in the water only, but in the water and in the blood.

There are three that bear witness in heaven:

the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit;

and these three are one.

And there are three that bear witness on earth:

the Spirit, the water, and the blood;

and these three are one.

Alleluia, alleluia.

If we receive the testimony of men,

the testimony of God is greater. Alleluia.

1 JN. 5, 6, 7-8;

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima: EPH. 1, 6-8; ROM. 3, 24-25

This is he who came in water and in blood, Jesus Christ;
not in the water only, but in the water and in the blood.

There are three that bear witness in heaven:

The Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit;

and these three are one.

And there are three that bear witness on earth:
the Spirit, the water, and the blood;
and these three are one.
God has favored us in his beloved Son.
In him we have redemption through his blood
The remission of sins, according to the riches of his grace.
This grace has abounded beyond measure in us.
We are justified freely by his grace
through the redemption which is Christ Jesus.
Whom God has set forth as a propitiation
by his blood through faith.

During Eastertime:

AP. 5, 9; EX. 12, 13

Alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy are you, O Lord,
to take the scroll and to open its seals;
for you were slain,
and have redeemed us for God with your blood:
Alleluia. And the blood shall be to you for a sign;
seeing the blood, I will pass over you;
thus no destructive blow will come upon you. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 19, 30-35

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

1 COR. 10, 16

The cup of blessing that we bless,
is it not the sharing of the blood of Christ?
And the bread that we break,
is it not the partaking of the body of the Lord?

COMMUNION SONG

HEB. 9, 28

Christ was offered once to take away the sins of many;
the second time he will appear with no part in sin
to those who wait for him unto salvation.

July 2

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Today's Gospel tells us of Mary's visit to Elizabeth, the occasion for this joyful feast. Mary's visit and her discourse with her cousin are in fulfillment of the Old Testament.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Hail, holy Mother, who gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth forever and ever.

Psalms: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

CT. 2, 8-14

MEDITATION SONG

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary,
for without stain to your virginity,
you became the Mother of the Savior.
O Virgin, Mother of God,
he whom the whole world cannot contain,
being made man, shut himself up within your womb.
Alleluia, alleluia. Happy are you, O holy Virgin Mary,
and most worthy of all praise;
for out of you has risen the sun of justice,
Christ our God. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 39-47

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary,
who bore the Creator of all things;
you brought forth him who made you,
and you remain forever a virgin.

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,
which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

July 3

SAINT IRENAEUS
Bishop and Martyr

Even in the middle of the 2nd century the Church was plagued by those who taught error. Irenaeus opposed the Gnostics, who denied the humanity and reality of Christ.

ENTRANCE SONG

MAL. 2, 6; PS. 77, 1

Antiphon: The law of truth was in his mouth,
and iniquity was not found on his lips.
He walked with me in peace, and in equity,
and turned many away from evil.

Psalm: Hearken, my people, to my law;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 TM. 3, 14-17; 2 TM. 4, 1-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 121, 8; PS. 36, 37; ECCL. 6, 35

Because of my relatives and friends I will say,
"Peace be within you!"
Keep innocence, and behold equity;
for there is a future for the man of peace.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Stand in the multitude of the prudent priests
and from your heart join yourself to their wisdom
that you may hear every discourse of God. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 10, 28-33

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

ECCL. 24, 44

I send my teachings forth to all shining like the dawn,
and I will make them known afar off.

COMMUNION SONG

ECCL. 24, 47

See that I have not labored for myself only,
but for all who seek the truth.

July 5

SAINT ANTONY MARY ZACCARIA

Confessor

A great admirer of St. Paul, this Italian priest of the middle 16th century formed a community committed to close adherence to Paul's teachings.

ENTRANCE SONG

1 COR. 2, 4; PS. 110, 1

Antiphon: My speech and my preaching
were not in the persuasive words of human wisdom,
but in the demonstration of the Spirit of the power.

Psalm: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with all my heart
in the company and assembly of the just.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 TM. 4, 8-16

MEDITATION SONG

PHIL. 1, 8-9, 10, 11

God is my witness

how I long for you all in the heart of Christ Jesus.

And this I pray, that your charity may more and more abound
in knowledge and all discernment.

That you may approve the better things,
that you may be upright and without offense
unto the day of Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Filled with the fruit of justice, through Jesus Christ,
to the glory and praise of God. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MK. 10, 15-21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 137, 1-2

In the presence of the angels I will sing your praise;
I will worship at your holy temple
and give thanks to your name.

COMMUNION SONG

PHIL. 3, 17

Brethren, be imitators of me,
and mark those who walk after the pattern you have in us.

July 7

SAINTS CYRIL AND METHODIUS
Bishops and Confessors

In the 9th century these brave men brought the good news of salvation to the Slavic people of central Europe. They translated Scripture and Liturgy into the language of the people.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 131, 9-10, 1

Antiphon: May your priests, O Lord, be clothed with justice;
let your faithful ones shout merrily for joy.
For the sake of David, your servant,
reject not the plea of your anointed.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

HEB. 7, 23-27

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 131, 16-17; PS. 109, 4

Her priests I will clothe with salvation,
and her faithful ones shall shout merrily for joy.
In her will I make a horn to sprout forth for David;
I will place a lamp for my anointed.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent:
"You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec." Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima: PS. 131, 16-17; PS. 111, 1-3

Her priests I will clothe with salvation,
and her faithful ones shall shout merrily for joy.
In her will I make a horn to sprout forth for David;
I will place a lamp for my anointed.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime:

PS. 109, 4; ECCL. 45, 9

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent;

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchisedec."

Alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him;

he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 67, 36

God is wonderful in his saints;

the God of Israel gives power and strength to his people.

Blessed be God!

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 10, 27

"What I tell you in darkness, speak it in the light," says the Lord,

"and what you hear whispered, preach it on the housetops."

July 8

SAINT ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL

Queen, Widow

A peacemaker between factions and a reconciler of enemies, this daughter and wife of royalty demonstrates for us the possibility for Christian action in all walks of life.

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July 10

THE SEVEN HOLY BROTHERS

Martyrs

AND SAINTS RUFINA AND SECUNDA

Virgins and Martyrs

Obscure but noble Christians who lived and died in different times and places. The holy seven are buried together in Rome, and Rufina and Secunda in a tomb some miles out of the city.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 112, 1, 9, 2

Antiphon: Praise the Lord, you children,
praise the name of the Lord.
He established in her home the barren wife
as the joyful mother of children.

Psalm: Blessed be the name of the Lord
both now and forever.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

PRV. 31, 10-31

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 123, 7-8

We were rescued like a bird from the fowlers' snare.

Broken was the snare, and we were freed.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

Alleluia, alleluia.

This is the true brotherhood,

which overcame the wickedness of the world;

it followed Christ,

attaining the glorious kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses during Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia.

This is the true brotherhood

which overcame the wickedness of the world;

it followed Christ,

attaining the glorious kingdom of heaven.

Alleluia. The white-robed army of martyrs

praises you, O Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 12, 46-50

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 123, 7

We were rescued like a bird from the fowlers' snare;
broken was the snare, and we were freed.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 12, 50

"Whoever does the will of my Father in heaven,
he is my brother and sister and mother," says the Lord.

July 12

SAINT JOHN GUALBERT

Abbot

This Italian monk was originally a soldier who sought vengeance. Later, as the abbot of a Benedictine community at Vallombrosa he showed the opposite virtue, teaching and exemplifying forgiveness.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart.

Psalm: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 45, 1-6

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 20, 4-5; PS. 91, 13

O Lord, you welcomed him with goodly blessings,
you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.
He asked life of you
and you gave him length of days forever and ever.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 43-48

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 3, 4

You have granted him his heart's desire, O Lord;
you refused not the wish of his lips:
you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

July 14

SAINT BONAVENTURE

Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

Bonaventure was a teacher of the Franciscan Order, a close friend of Thomas Aquinas, and a man of great scholarship.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 TM. 4, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 109, 4

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent:
"You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec." Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

July 15

SAINT HENRY
Emperor, Confessor

Even an emperor can be a saint. Henry's first concern was to upbuild the kingdom of God in his empire. He rebuilt churches, founded monasteries and tried to prevent the oppression of the poor. He lived and died in the 11th century.

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July 18
SAINT CAMILLUS DE LELLIS
Confessor

Late in the 16th century, this holy Italian established a community committed to the care of the sick, regardless of the state or cause of the disease. Camillus is a patron of all hospitals and sick people and protector of nurses.

ENTRANCE SONG

JN. 15, 13; PS. 40, 2

Antiphon: Greater love than this no one has,
that one lay down his life for his friends.

Psalm: Happy is he who has regard for the lowly and the poor;
in the day of misfortune the Lord will deliver him.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 JN. 3, 13-18

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 111, 1

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart, and his steps do not falter.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 15, 12-16

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 2-3

O Lord, in your strength the just man is glad;
in your victory how greatly he rejoices!
You have granted him his heart's desire.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 25, 36, 40

I was sick and you visited me.
Amen, amen, I say to you,
as long as you did it for one of these
the least of my brethren, you did it for me.

July 19

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Confessor

We celebrate a man who won his holiness by complete unselfishness, by giving his entire life to the service of others. He was concerned for slaves, prisoners, the sick, unwanted children. He is a special patron of all charitable enterprises in the Church.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 91, 13-14, 2

Antiphon: The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow,
planted in the house of our God.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 COR. 4, 9-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 111, 1

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.

The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 2-3

O Lord, in your strength the just man is glad;
in your victory how greatly he rejoices!

You have granted him his heart's desire.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28, 29

Amen I say to you

that you, who have left all things and followed me,

shall receive a hundredfold, and shall possess life everlasting.

July 20

SAINT JEROME EMILIAN
Confessor

A 16th century Christian who gathered around him other men who cared, so that they could all work for the education and feeding of unfortunate children.

ENTRANCE SONG

LAM. 2, 11; PS. 112, 1

Antiphon: My gall is poured out on the ground
because of the downfall of the daughter of my people,
as child and infant faint away in the open spaces of town.

Psalm: Praise the Lord, you servants,
praise the name of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 58, 7-11

MEDITATION SONG

PRV. 5, 16; PS. 111, 5-6, 9

Let your water sources be dispersed abroad,
and in the streets divide your waters.
Well for the man who is gracious and lends,
who conducts his affairs with justice;
he shall never be moved.
Alleluia, alleluia. Lavishly he gives to the poor;
his generosity shall endure forever. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 19, 13-21

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

TB. 12, 12

When you prayed with tears, and buried the dead,
and left your dinner,
and hid the dead by day in your house,
and buried them by night,
I offered your prayer to the Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

JAS. 1, 27

Religion pure and undefiled before God the Father, is this:
to give aid to orphans and widows in their tribulation,
and to keep oneself unspotted from this world.

July 21

SAINT LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI

Confessor and Doctor

A Capuchin Franciscan, Lawrence was early acknowledged as a great linguist. He became a renowned professor and teacher of Christian morality.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 TM. 4, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; ECCL. 45, 9

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.

The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

July 22

SAINT MARY MAGDALENE

Penitent

Christian tradition assumes that Mary Magdalene was the woman of whom today's Gospel speaks, the woman who anointed the feet of Jesus. She was "forgiven much because she loved much" (Luke 7:47).

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 95-96, 1

Antiphon: Sinners wait to destroy me,
but I pay heed to your decrees, O Lord.
I see that all fulfillment has its limits;
broad indeed is your command.

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

CT. 3, 2-5; CT. 8, 6-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 8, 3

You love justice and hate iniquity.
Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 7, 36-50

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 10

The daughters of kings come in your honor;
the queen takes her place at your right hand
in gold and colored clothing.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 121, 122, 128

I have fulfilled just ordinances, O Lord;
let not the proud oppress me.
For in all your precepts I go forward;
every false way I hate.

July 23

SAINT APOLLINARIS

Bishop and Martyr

The first bishop of Ravenna. He ruled the Church there wisely at about the year 200.

ENTRANCE SONG

DN. 3, 84, 87, 57

Antiphon: Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord;
holy men of humble heart, praise God.

Psalm: Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord,
praise and exalt him above all forever.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 PT. 5, 1-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 88, 21-23; PS. 109, 4

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.
No enemy shall have an advantage over him,
nor shall the son of iniquity have power to hurt him.
Alleluia, alleluia. The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent:
"You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec." Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 22, 24-30

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 25, 20, 21

"Master, you delivered to me five talents;
behold, I have gained other five over and above."
"Well done, good and faithful servant;
because you have been faithful over a few things,
I will set you over many;
enter into the joy of your master."

July 25
SAINT JAMES
Apostle

This is James the Elder, brother of St. John, the Beloved Apostle. He is the patron saint of the Spanish people. His martyrdom was under Herod Agrippa, on his return to Jerusalem.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 17, 1-2

Antiphon: To me, your friends, O God,
are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Psalm: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 COR. 4, 9-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 17-18; JN. 15, 16

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord.

The place of your fathers your sons shall have;
therefore shall nations praise you.

Alleluia, alleluia.

I have chosen you out of the world,
that you should go and bear fruit,
and that your fruit should remain. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 20, 20-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 18, 5

Through all the earth their voice resounds,
and to the ends of the world, their message.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28

You who have followed me shall sit on thrones,
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

July 26

SAINT ANNE

Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The name of Anne is not given to us in the authentic Gospels, but in the so-called apocryphal gospels written in the early days of the Church. Certainly the Blessed Virgin had a mother; certainly she was a good and holy woman of Israel.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Let us all rejoice in the Lord,
celebrating a feast in honor of blessed Anne,
on whose solemnity the angels rejoice
and give praise to the Son of God.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme,
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

PRV. 31, 10-31

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 8, 3

You love justice and hate wickedness.
Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 13, 44-52

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 10

The daughters of kings come in your honor;
the queen takes her place at your right hand
in gold and colored clothing.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 44, 3

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever and ever.

July 28

SAINTS NAZARIUS AND CELSUS *Martyrs*

VICTOR I *Pope and Martyr*

AND INNOCENT I *Pope and Confessor*

A grouping of ancient heroes. Nazarius and Celsus were beheaded at Milan in the year 68. Victor I, African-born, was martyred under Septimius Severus in the early 3rd century. Innocent I died in 417.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 78, 11, 12, 10, 1

Antiphon: Let the prisoners' sighing come before you, O Lord; repay our neighbors sevenfold into their bosoms; avenge the blood of your saints which has been shed.

Psalms: O God, the nations have come into your inheritance; they have defiled your holy temple, they have made Jerusalem as a place to keep fruit.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 10, 17-20

MEDITATION SONG

EX. 15, 11, 6; ECCL. 44, 14

God is glorious in his saints, wonderful in majesty,
a worker of wonders.

Your right hand, O Lord, is magnificent in power,
your right hand has shattered the enemy.

Alleluia, alleluia. The bodies of the saints are buried in peace,
but their name lives on and on. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 21, 9-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 67, 36

God is wonderful in his saints;

the God of Israel is he

who gives power and strength to his people.

Blessed be God! Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

WIS. 3, 4, 5, 6

For if before men they were punished, God tried them;
as gold in the furnace he proved them,
and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

July 29

SAINT MARTHA

Virgin

Sister of Mary and of Lazarus. Jesus often visited their home in Bethany.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 8, 2

Antiphon: You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme,
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 COR. 10, 17-18; 2 COR. 11, 1-2

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 5, 15, 16

In your splendor and your beauty
ride on triumphant, and reign.

Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
and may your right hand show you wondrous deeds.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.
Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 38-42

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 10

The daughters of kings come in your honor;
the queen takes her place at your right hand
in gold and colored clothing.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 25, 4, 6

The five wise virgins took oil in their vessels with the lamps:
and at midnight a cry arose,
"Behold, the bridegroom is coming,
go forth to meet Christ the Lord."

July 31

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

Confessor

This great man brought his knowledge and training as a professional soldier into the new army of the Church called the Jesuit Order. He died in 1556.

ENTRANCE SONG

PHIL. 2, 10-11; PS. 5, 12-13

Antiphon: At the name of Jesus
every knee should bend of those in heaven,
on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father.

Psalm: All who love your name shall glory in you,
for you bless the just man.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 TM. 2, 8-10; 2 TM. 3, 10-12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; JAS. 1, 12

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree;
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow in the house of the Lord.
To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried, he will receive the crown of life.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 49

I have come to cast fire upon the earth,
and what will I but that it be kindled?

August 2

SAINT ALPHONSUS DE LIGUORI

Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

Alphonsus was a lawyer to begin with, and brought his knowledge into his later teachings on moral theology. He will always be remembered as the founder of the Redemptorist Congregation. His death was in 1787.

ENTRANCE SONG

LK. 4, 18; PS. 77, 1

Antiphon: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me;
to bring good news to the poor he has sent me,
to heal the contrite of heart.

Psalm: Hearken, my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 TM. 2, 1-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 118, 52-53; PS. 39, 11; ECCL. 49, 3-4

I remember your ordinances of old, O Lord,
and I am comforted.
Indignation seizes me
because of the wicked who forsake your law.
Your justice I kept not hid within my heart;
your faithfulness and your salvation I have spoken of.
Alleluia, alleluia.
He was directed by God to the repentance of the nation,
and he took away the abominations of wickedness,
he turned to God with his whole heart,
and though times were evil, he practiced virtue. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PRV. 3, 9, 27

Honor the Lord with your wealth,
and give him the first fruits of all your produce.

Do not withhold him from doing good who is able;
if you are able, do good yourself also.

COMMUNION SONG

ECCL. 50, 1, 9

A great priest, who in his time renovated the house,
and in his days reinforced the temple,
as a bright fire, and frankincense burning in the fire.

August 4 SAINT DOMINIC Confessor

Dominic realized in the 12th century that the Church needed strengthening against error through careful teaching of the truth. His Order of Friars Preachers (Dominicans) still preach effectively all over the world.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart.

Psalms: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 TM. 4, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; OS. 14, 6

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow
in the house of the Lord.

To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.
Alleluia, alleluia.

The just shall blossom like the lily
and flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

August 5**THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA
OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOW**

*We observe the anniversary of the consecration of the major
basilica in Rome known as St. Mary Major.*

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August 6

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Lest his followers be discouraged when they saw him die, the Lord gave several of them a flash of his divine glory beforehand, to encourage their belief and that of all mankind.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 76, 19; PS. 83, 2-3

Antiphon: Your lightning illumined the world;
the earth quivered and quaked.

Psalm: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 PT. 1, 16-19

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 3, 2; WIS. 7, 26

Fairer in beauty are you than the sons of men;
grace is poured out upon your lips.
My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.

Alleluia, alleluia.

He is the refulgence of eternal light,
the spotless mirror, and the image of his goodness. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 17, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 111, 3

Glory and wealth are in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 17, 9

Tell the vision you have seen to no one,
till the Son of Man has risen from the dead.

August 7
SAINT CAJETAN
Confessor

As every Christian, every Saint must do, Cajetan in his life simply stressed the need of living in accordance with the Gospel. He died in 1547.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart.

Psalm: Be not vexed over evildoers
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 31, 8-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; JAS. 1, 12

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow
in the house of the Lord.

To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried,
he will receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 6, 24-33

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes,
shall find watching.

Amen I say to you,
he will set him over all his goods.

August 8

SAINT JOHN MARY VIANNEY

Confessor

We usually call him the Cure d'Ars. This French priest of the 19th century shows that pastors can be saints too, often the most realistic ones that we know.

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August 9

THE VIGIL OF SAINT LAWRENCE

Martyr

Because of the richness of this feast and its association with many scriptural ideas, we enjoy it for two days.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 111, 9, 1

Antiphon: Lavishly he gives to the poor;
his generosity shall endure forever;
his horn shall be exalted in glory.

Psalm: Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 51, 1-8, 12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 111, 9, 2

Lavishly he gives to the poor;
his generosity shall endure forever.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.

SECOND READING

MT. 16, 24-27

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

JB. 16, 20

My prayer is pure,
and therefore I ask
that a place may be given to my voice in heaven;
for there is my judge,
and he who knows my conscience is on high.
Let my prayer ascend to the Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 16, 24

He who wishes to come after me, let him deny himself,
and take up his cross, and follow me.

August 10

SAINT LAWRENCE

Martyr

In the middle of the third century, this young deacon of the Roman Church proclaimed by his death that he had the courage of a prophet, the bravery of an apostle.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 95, 6, 1

Antiphon: Splendor and majesty go before him;
praise and grandeur are in his sanctuary.

Psalm: Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all you lands.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 COR. 9, 6-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 16, 3

Though you test my heart, O Lord,
searching it in the night.
Though you try me with fire,
you shall find no malice in me.
Alleluia, alleluia.

The Levite Lawrence performed a good work.
By the sign of the Cross,
he gave sight to the blind. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 12, 24-26

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 95, 6

Splendor and majesty go before him;
praise and grandeur are in his sanctuary.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 12, 26

If anyone serve me, let him follow me;
and where I am there also shall my servant be.

August 12
SAINT CLARE
Vírgin

Having heard Francis of Assisi, this wealthy young woman was moved to give up all and founded the Order of Poor Clares. This order thrives today.

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August 14
VIGIL OF THE ASSUMPTION

Today again we enter on so great a feast that we have a double celebration. Herewith it begins.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 13, 15-16, 2

Antiphon: All the rich among the people seek your favor.
Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.
Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness and joy.

Psalms: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 24, 23-31

MEDITATION SONG

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary;
for without stain to your virginity
you became the Mother of the Savior.
O Virgin Mother of God,
he whom the whole world cannot contain, being made man,
shut himself up within your womb.

SECOND READING

LK. 11, 27-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary,
you who bore the Creator of all things;
you brought forth him who made you,
and you remain forever a Virgin.

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,
which bore the Son of the eternal Father.



August 15

THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

On this festival we recall and celebrate the fact that at the end of her earthly life, the holy Mother of God was taken into the total glory of heaven, body and soul.

ENTRANCE SONG

AP. 12, 1; PS. 97, 1

Antiphon: A great sign appeared in heaven:
a woman clothed with the sun,
and the moon was under her feet,
and upon her head a crown of twelve stars.

Psalm: Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JDT. 13, 22-25; JDT. 15, 10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 11-12, 14

Hear, O daughter, and see; turn your ear;
for the king shall desire your beauty.
All glorious is the king's daughter as she enters;
her raiment is threaded with spun gold.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Mary has been taken up into heaven;
the choirs of the angels rejoice. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 41-50

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

GN. 3, 15

I will put enmity between you and the woman,
between your seed and her seed.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 1, 48-49

All generations shall call me blessed;
because he who is mighty has done great things for me.

August 16

SAINT JOACHIM

Father of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Confessor

As with St. Anne, we find the name of Joachim not in the Gospels, but in the apocryphal writings. Certainly he who fathered the holy Mother of God was himself a good Israelite.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 111, 9, 1

Antiphon: Lavishly he gives to the poor;
his generosity shall endure forever;
his horn shall be exalted in glory.

Psalm: Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 31, 8-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 111, 9, 2

Lavishly he gives to the poor;
his generosity shall endure forever.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.

Alleluia, alleluia.

O Joachim, husband of Saint Anne, father of the kind Virgin,
help your servants to save their souls. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 1, 1-16

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 8, 6-7

You crowned him with glory and honor.
You have given him rule over the works of your hand, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

August 17

SAINT HYACINTH

Confessor

This 13th century Dominican worked hard, preaching across northern Europe, including the countries of Poland, Austria, Denmark, Prussia, Sweden and others. In spite of difficulty of travel, climate and distance, Hyacinth's preaching mission was steadfast and successful.

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August 19

SAINT JOHN EUDES

Confessor

This 17th century French priest founded communities to spread abroad the charity of Christ. He was also renowned as a preacher of the love of God.

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August 20

SAINT BERNARD

Abbot and Doctor

In the 12th century, Bernard the Benedictine monk became the father and founder of the Cistercian Order. The latter community observes a stricter rule than the regular Benedictines.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 39, 6-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; ECCL. 45, 9

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.

The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

August 21

SAINT JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL

Widow

This young widow founded the Sisters of the Visitation, under the advice and influence of her friend, St. Francis de Sales. This order educates girls.

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August 22

THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

As the heart of Jesus is the symbol of his love for man, so is the heart of his Mother a sign of her love for all humanity.

ENTRANCE SONG

HEB. 4, 16; PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Let us draw near with confidence
to the throne of grace,
that we may obtain mercy
and find grace to help in time of need.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 24, 23-31

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 12, 6; PS. 44, 18; LK. 1, 46-47

Let my heart rejoice in your salvation;
let me sing to the Lord,
"He has been good to me."
Yes, I will sing to the name of the Lord, Most High.
They shall remember your name throughout all generations;
therefore shall nations praise you forever and ever.
Alleluia, alleluia.
My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima:

PS. 12, 6; PS. 44, 18;

Let my heart rejoice in your salvation;
let me sing to the Lord,
"He has been good to me."

PRV. 8, 32, 35

Yes, I will sing to the name of the Lord, Most High.
They shall remember your name throughout all generations:
therefore shall nations praise you forever and ever.
So now, O children, listen to me.
Happy those who keep my ways.

Hear instruction, and be wise, and do not reject it.
Happy the man who hears me, watching daily at my gates,
waiting at my doorposts.
For he who finds me finds life,
and wins favor from the Lord.

During Eastertime:

LK. 1, 46-48

Alleluia, alleluia.

My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Alleluia. All generations shall call me blessed,
because God has regarded his humble handmaid. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 19, 25-27

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 1, 47, 49

My spirit rejoices in God my Savior;
because he who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 19, 26-27

Jesus said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son."
Then he said to the disciple, "Behold your mother."
And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

August 23

SAINT PHILIP BENIZI

Confessor

A Florentine of the 13th century and trained in medicine and philosophy, Phillip dedicated himself to the Servite Order and in time became its Superior General. His influence helped to restore peace between warring factions in Italy.

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August 24
SAINT BARTHOLOMEW
Apostle

Many think that Bartholomew's real name was Nathaniel, and that he is spoken of in John 1:45-51. Whether or not we have the right name historically, certainly just such a man carried the faith to others, in apostolic times.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 17, 1-2

Antiphon: To me, your friends, O God,
are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Psalms: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 COR. 12, 27-31

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 17-18

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord.
The place of your fathers your sons shall have;
therefore shall nations praise you.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The glorious choir of apostles praises you, O Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 6, 12-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 138, 17

To me, your friends, O God, are made exceedingly honorable,
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28

"You who have followed me shall sit on thrones
judging the twelve tribes of Israel," says the Lord.

August 25
SAINT LOUIS
King, Confessor

As King of France, Louis patterned his life after the example of Francis of Assisi. He gave to his people peace, justice and material and spiritual well-being. The beauty of his life is reflected by the chapel which he built in Paris, called La Sainte Chapelle.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart.

Psalm: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 10, 10-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; JAS. 1, 12

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow in the house of the Lord.
To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried,
he will receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 19, 12-26

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes,
shall find watching.
Amen I say to you, he will set him over all his goods.

August 27

SAINT JOSEPH CALASANZ

Confessor

In the 17th century St. Joseph, an Aragonese, felt with many others the crying need of poor children for loving care and attention. The Piarists, whom he founded, worked to fulfill God's plan for the education of these children.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 33, 12, 2

Antiphon: Come, children, hear me;
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Psalm: I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall be ever in my mouth.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

WIS. 10, 10-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; JAS. 1, 12

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried,
he will receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 18, 1-5

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 9, 17

The desire of the afflicted the Lord hears.
You pay heed to the strengthening of their hearts.

COMMUNION SONG

MK. 10, 14

Let the little children come to me,
and do not hinder them,
for of such is the kingdom of God.

August 28
SAINT AUGUSTINE
Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

The great Augustine was converted at the age of thirty-three, and became one of the Church's finest teachers and bishops. His writings and preachings influenced the development of the Church in the Western part of the world. Augustine lived from 354 to 430 A.D.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 TM. 4, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 88, 21

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Alleluia, alleluia.
I have found David, my servant,
with my holy oil I have anointed him. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

August 29

THE BEHEADING OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

The martyrdom of John is prophetic of the sacrifice of Christ on the Cross. It is fitting that we commemorate and celebrate his death in this glorious feast.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 46-47; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: I will speak of your decrees before kings
without being ashamed.

And I will delight in your commands, which I love exceedingly.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JER. 1, 17-19

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; OS. 14, 6

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow
in the house of the Lord.

To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The just shall blossom like the lily,
and flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MK. 6, 17-29

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 2-3

O Lord, in your strength the just man is glad;
in your victory how greatly he rejoices!
You have granted him his heart's desire.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 20, 4

You placed on his head, O Lord,
a crown of precious stones.

August 30

SAINT ROSE OF LIMA

Vírgín

Rose lived in Peru, died early in the 17th century. A member of the Order of Dominic, she is the first to be canonized of new world saints.

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August 31

SAINT RAYMUND NONNATUS

Confessor

Also called Raymund the Unborn, because he was removed from his mother's womb right after she died. In his lifetime, Raymund dedicated himself to a task important to his day. This was the work of redeeming Christians from the Mohammedans.

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September 2
SAINT STEPHEN
King, Confessor

It was not a bishop or abbot, but the King of Hungary who organized and established the Church in his realm. Of course he had the help of many churchmen who helped to build Hungary into a Christian nation. Stephen died in 1038.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart.

Psalms: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 31, 8-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; JAS. 1, 12

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like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow in the house of the Lord.
To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried,
he will receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 19, 12-26

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes,
shall find watching.
Amen I say to you,
he will set him over all his goods.

September 3
SAINT PIUS X
Pope and Confessor

Pius guided the Church early in our own century. He began to talk of the importance of liturgy and the Eucharist, over 50 years ago. The present reform and emphasis can truly be called the fruit of his beginning.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 88, 20-22, 2

Antiphon: I have raised up the chosen one from the people;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.

Psalms: The favors of the Lord I will sing forever;
through all generations
my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 THES. 2, 2-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 39, 10-11; PS. 22, 5-6

I announced your justice in the vast assembly;
I did not restrain my lips as you, O Lord, know.
Your justice I kept not hid within my heart;
your faithfulness and your salvation I have spoken of.
Alleluia, alleluia.
You spread the table before me;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 21, 15-17

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 33, 12

Come, children, hear me;
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 6, 56-57

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.
He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood,
abides in me and I in him.

September 5

SAINT LAWRENCE JUSTINIAN

Bishop and Confessor

Because of the excesses of the age, the 15th century badly needed the example of austerity and penance set by St. Lawrence. He became Prior General of his order, bishop of Castella, then Patriarch of Venice, but never ceased to lead the simplest of lives.

Mass of a Holy Confessor Bishop, Page 390

September 8

**THE BIRTHDAY OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

We celebrate the coming into the world of Mary, full of grace and born to become the Mother of Our Lord. The reason for choice of this date is obscure, but it appears to have been introduced in the 8th century.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Hail, holy Mother, who gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth forever and ever.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;

as I sing my ode to the king.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

PRV. 8, 22-35

MEDITATION SONG

NM. 17, 8; LK. 1, 28

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary;
for without stain to your virginity
you became the Mother of the Savior.
O Virgin Mother of God,
he whom the whole world cannot contain,
being made man,
shut himself up within your womb.

Alleluia, alleluia.

You are happy, O Holy Virgin Mary,
and most worthy of all high praise;
for from you has risen the sun of justice,
Christ our God. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 1, 1-16

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary,
you who bore the Creator of all things;
you brought forth him who made you,
and you remain a Virgin forever.

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,
which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

September 9
SAINT PETER CLAVER
Confessor

A Spanish Jesuit who came to South America and was moved by the conditions prevailing among negro slaves. He dedicated his life to helping, instructing and ministering to them, and is now patron saint of all such missionaries.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 106, 9-10, 8

Antiphon: The Lord has satisfied the longing soul:
those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,
bondsmen in want and in chains.

Psalm: Let them give thanks to the Lord
for his kindness and his wondrous deeds
to the children of men.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

IS. 58, 6-9, 10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 71, 12-14; PS. 9, 33, 35

He shall rescue the poor man from the powerful,
and the poor man when he has no one to help him.
He shall have pity for the poor and the needy,
and the lives of the poor he shall save.
From fraud and wickedness he shall redeem their lives,
and honorable shall be their name in his sight.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Rise, O Lord! O God, lift up your hand!
Forget not the afflicted.
On you the poor man depends,
of the fatherless you are the helper. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima:

PS. 71, 12-14; IS. 61, 1;
1 COR. 9, 22

He shall rescue the poor man from the powerful,
and the poor man when he has no one to help him.
He shall have pity for the poor and the needy,
and the lives of the poor he shall save.

From fraud and wickedness he shall redeem their lives,
and honorable shall be their name in his sight.
The Lord has sent me to heal the brokenhearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives.
To the weak I became weak, that I might gain the weak.
I became all things to all men, that I might save all.

During Eastertime:

PS. 123, 7; PS. 84, 10

Alleluia, alleluia.

Our life was rescued like a bird from the fowlers' snare;
broken was the snare, and we were freed.

Alleluia. Near indeed is his salvation
to those who fear the Lord God,
that glory may dwell in our land. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 29-37

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

JB. 29, 12-13, 15-16

I rescued the poor who cried out for help,
the orphans, and the unassisted;
the blessing of those in extremity came upon me,
and the heart of the widow I made joyful.
I was eyes to the blind, and feet to the lame;
I was a father to the needy.

COMMUNION SONG

EZ. 34, 15-16

I myself will pasture my sheep;
I myself will give them rest, says the Lord God.
The lost I will seek out.
The strayed I will bring back,
the injured I will bind up, and the sick I will heal.

September 10 **SAINT NICHOLAS OF TOLENTINO** **Confessor**

A hermit of the Augustinian Order, Nicholas was hard on himself and easy on others. Although personally preferring the life of solitude his preaching brought peace to others.

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September 12

THE HOLY NAME OF MARY

Celebrating the blessed name of Our Lady, we recall the scripture passages associated with her.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 13, 15, 16, 2

Antiphon: All the rich among the people seek your favor.
Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.
Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness and joy.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 24, 23-31

MEDITATION SONG

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary;
for without stain to your virginity
you became the Mother of the Savior.
O Virgin Mother of God,
he whom the whole world cannot contain, being made man,
shut himself up within your womb.
Alleluia, alleluia.
After childbirth you still remained an inviolate virgin:
O Mother of God, intercede for us. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 26-38

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 1, 28, 42

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,
which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

September 14

TRIUMPH OF THE HOLY CROSS

With this feast we recall that the Cross of Christ was, in the end, not just a torture rack. Rather, it became the great sign of Christ's victory over sin and death, and of our victory with him. When we carry our crosses we not only bear the death of Christ, but we also bear his triumph.

ENTRANCE SONG

GAL. 6, 14; PS. 66, 2

Antiphon: But it behooves us
to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ;
in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection;
by whom we are saved and delivered.

Psalm: May God have pity on us and bless us;
may he let his face shine upon us; and may he have pity on us.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

PHIL. 2, 5-11

MEDITATION SONG

PHIL. 2, 8-9

Christ became obedient for us to death, even to death on a cross
Therefore God also has exalted him, and has bestowed upon him
the name that is above every name.

Alleluia, alleluia. Sweet the wood, sweet the nails,
sweet the load that hangs on you! You alone were worthy
to bear up the King and Lord of heaven. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 12, 31-36

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Protect your people, O Lord, through the sign of the Holy Cross,
from the snares of their enemies,
that we may pay you a pleasing service,
and our sacrifice may be acceptable to you. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

O our God, through the sign of the Cross,
deliver us from our enemies.

September 15

THE SEVEN SORROWS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Today's celebration brings us back to a great truth. As his loving Mother, Mary was closely associated with her Son in that which he endured to redeem mankind.

ENTRANCE SONG

JN. 19, 25, 26-27

Antiphon: There were standing by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary of Cleophas, and Salome, and Mary Magdalene.

Psalm: "Woman, behold your son," said Jesus; and to the disciple, "Behold your mother."

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

JDT. 13, 22, 23-25

MEDITATION SONG

LAM. 1, 12

You are sorrowful and tearful, O Virgin Mary,
standing by the cross of the Lord Jesus,
your Son and Redeemer.

O Virgin Mother of God,
he whom the whole earth does not contain,
the author of life made man,
bears this torture of the cross.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Mary, the Queen of heaven and Mistress of the world,
filled with sorrow, stood by the cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima:

LAM. 1, 12

You are sorrowful and tearful, O Virgin Mary,
standing by the cross of the Lord Jesus,
your Son and Redeemer.

O Virgin Mother of God,
he whom the whole earth does not contain,
the author of life made man,
bears this torture of the cross.

Holy Mary, the Queen of heaven and Mistress of the world,
filled with sorrow, stood by the cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ
O all you that pass by the way,
look and see if there be any suffering like my suffering.

During Eastertime:

LAM. 1, 12

Alleluia, alleluia. Holy Mary, the Queen of heaven
and Mistress of the world,
filled with sorrow, stood by the cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia.

O all you that pass by the way,
look and see if there be any suffering like my suffering.
Alleluia.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Omit in Votive Masses.

At the cross her station keeping,
Stood the mournful Mother weeping,
Close to Jesus to the last.

Through her heart, his sorrow sharing,
All his bitter anguish bearing,
Now at length the sword had passed.

Oh, how sad and sore distressed
Was that Mother highly blessed
Of the sole begotten One!

Christ above in torment hangs,
She beneath beholds the pangs
Of her dying, glorious Son.

Is there one who would not weep
'Whelmed in miseries so deep
Christ's dear Mother to behold?

Can the human heart refrain
From partaking in her pain,
In that mother's pain untold?

Bruised, derided, cursed, defiled,
She beheld her tender Child,
All with bloody scourges rent.

For the sins of his own nation
Saw him hang in desolation
Till his spirit forth he sent.

O sweet Mother! fount of love,
Touch my spirit from above,
Make my heart with yours accord.

Make me feel as you have felt;
Make my soul to glow and melt
With the love of Christ, my Lord.

Holy Mother, pierce me through,
In my heart each wound renew
Of my Savior crucified.

Let me share with you his pain,
Who for all our sins was slain,
Who for me in torments died.

Let me mingle tears with thee
Mourning him who mourned for me,
All the days that I may live.

By the cross with you to stay
There with you to weep and pray,
Is all I ask of you to give.

Virgin of all virgins blest!
Listen to my fond request:
Let me share your grief divine.

Let me, to my latest breath
In my body bear the death
Of that dying Son of yours.

Wounded with his every wound,
Steep my soul till it has swooned
In his very blood away.

Be to me, O Virgin, nigh,
Lest in flames I burn and die,
In his awful judgment day.

Christ, when you shall call me hence,
Be your Mother my defense,
Be your cross my victory.

While my body here decays,
May my soul your goodness praise,
Safe in heaven eternally.
Amen. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 19, 25-27

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

JER. 18, 20

Be mindful, O Virgin Mother of God,
when you stand in the sight of the Lord,
to speak good things for us, and to turn away his wrath from us.

COMMUNION SONG

Happy the heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
which, without dying,
earned the palm of martyrdom beneath the cross of our Lord.

September 16

SAINT CORNELIUS

Pope and Martyr

and

SAINT CYPRIAN

Bishop and Martyr

Martyred five years apart in the 3rd century, this pope and bishop were good friends. The encouragement written by one to the other in the face of persecution and death is still inspiring to read.

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September 18
SAINT JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO
Confessor

Joseph was a humble lay brother in the Franciscan community. Because of his true humility the Christian world rightly reveres him as saintly. He died in 1663.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 1, 14-15; PS. 83, 2

Antiphon: The love of God is honorable wisdom
and they to whom she shall show herself,
love her by the sight and by the knowledge of her great works.

Psalm: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 COR. 13, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 20, 4-5; ECCL. 11, 13

O Lord, you welcomed him with goodly blessings,
you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.
He asked life of you
and you gave him length of days forever and ever.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The eye of God looks favorably upon him;
he raises him free of the vile dust and lifts up his head.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 22, 1-14

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 34, 13

But I, when they were ill, put on sackcloth.
I afflicted myself with fasting
and poured forth my prayers within my bosom.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 68, 30-31

I am afflicted and in pain;
let your saving help, O God, protect me.
I will praise the name of God in song,
and I will glorify him with thanksgiving.

September 19

SAINT JANUARIUS

Bishop and Martyr

AND HIS COMPANIONS

Martyrs

Early in the 4th century this holy bishop of Benevento together with some of his people, witnessed for Christ by shedding their blood for him under the persecution of Diocletian.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 39, 1

Antiphon: The salvation of the just is from the Lord;
he is their refuge in time of distress.

Psalm: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

HEB. 10, 32-38

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 33, 18-19

The just cry out and the Lord hears them,
and from all their distress he rescues them.
The Lord is close to those who are brokenhearted;
and those who are crushed in spirit he saves.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The white robed army of Martyrs praises you, O Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 24, 3-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

WIS. 3, 1-2, 3

The souls of the just are in the hand of God,
and no torment of death shall touch them.
They seemed, in view of the foolish, to be dead;
but they are in peace. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 10, 27

"What I tell you in darkness,
speak it in the light," says the Lord,
"and what you hear whispered, preach it on the housetops."

September 21
SAINT MATTHEW
Apostle and Evangelist

Matthew gave up being a crooked tax collector to become a straight Apostle. He had a good job and made much money, but was not slow to see greater value in the kingdom of God and in the following of Christ.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart.

Psalm: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

EZ. 1, 10-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 111, 1-2

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The glorious choir of Apostles praises you, O Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 9, 9-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 4-5

O Lord, you placed on his head a crown of precious stones;
he asked life of you, and you gave it to him, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 20, 6

Great is his glory in your victory;
majesty and splendor you conferred upon him, O Lord.

September 22
SAINT THOMAS OF VILLANOVA
Bishop and Confessor

Thomas, another of the Hermits of Augustine, was attentive to the great need of his Church in the 15th century. He became one of its strong leaders and great preachers.

Mass of a Holy Confessor Bishop, Page 390

September 23
SAINT LINUS
Pope and Martyr

From earliest times, tradition has taught us that Linus succeeded Peter by becoming the second pope.

Mass of Holy Popes, Page 383

September 26
SAINTS ISAAC JOGUES, JOHN DE BREBEUF
AND COMPANIONS
Martyrs

In the middle of the 17th century these eight brave Jesuits planted the Church in what is now Ontario, Canada and upper New York state. This planting was watered with their blood.

ENTRANCE SONG

AP. 7, 14; PS. 116, 1

Antiphon: These are they
who have come out of the great tribulation,
and have washed their robes
and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Psalm: Praise the Lord, all you nations;
glorify him, all you peoples.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 COR. 12, 11-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 123, 7-8; 2 COR. 1, 5

Our life was rescued like a bird from the fowlers' snare.
Broken was the snare, and we were freed.
Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
Alleluia, alleluia.
As the sufferings of Christ abound in us,
so also through Christ does our comfort abound, alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima:

PS. 123, 7-8; PS. 125, 5-6

Our life was rescued like a bird from the fowlers' snare.
Broken was the snare, and we were freed.
Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.
They go forth weeping, carrying the seed to be sown.
They shall come back rejoicing, carrying their sheaves.

During Eastertime:

2 COR. 1, 5; EX. 15, 11

Alleluia, alleluia.
As the sufferings of Christ abound in us,
so also through Christ does our comfort abound, alleluia.
God is glorious in his saints, terrible in renown,
worker of wonders, alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 6, 17-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

WIS. 3, 6

As gold in the furnace, the Lord proved them,
and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

COMMUNION SONG

PHIL. 1, 20-21

Christ will be glorified in my body,
whether through life or through death:
for to me to live is Christ and to die is gain.

September 27

SAINTS COSMAS AND DAMIAN

Martyrs

Legend has it that these two 2nd century martyrs were physicians and cared for the bodies as well as the souls of those converted. They are patrons of physicians and dispensaries.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 44, 15, 14; PS. 32, 1

Antiphon: At gatherings the wisdom of the saints is retold,
and the assembly sings their praises; their name lives on and on.

Psalm: Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 5, 16-20

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 33, 18-19

When the just cry out, the Lord hears them,
and from all their distress he rescues them.
The Lord is close to the brokenhearted,
and those who are crushed in spirit he saves.
Alleluia, alleluia. This is the true brotherhood
which overcame the wickedness of the world;
it followed Christ,
holding fast to the glorious heavenly kingdom. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 6, 17-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 5, 12-13

All who love your name shall glory in you,
for you, O Lord, bless the just man.
O Lord, you surround us with the shield of your good will.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 78, 2, 11

They have given the corpses of your servants, O Lord,
as food to the birds of heaven,
the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the earth.
With your great power free those doomed to death.

September 28

SAINT WENCESLAUS

Duke, Martyr

The patron of Czechoslovakia, a country ruled by Wenceslaus in the early 10th century. He was martyred by his own brother while trying to establish Christianity in his barbarous country.

Mass of a Holy Martyr, Page 387

September 29

SAINT MICHAEL

Archangel

This celebration gives us an occasion to meditate on the ways in which God transmits his messages to men.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 102, 20, 1

Antiphon: Bless the Lord, all you his angels,
you mighty in strength,
who do his bidding, obeying his spoken word.

Psalm: Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and, all my being, bless his holy name.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

AP. 1, 1-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 102, 20, 1

Bless the Lord, all you his angels,
you mighty in strength, who do his bidding.

Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and, all my being, bless his holy name.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle,
that we may not perish in the dreadful judgment. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 18, 1-10

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

AP. 8, 3, 4

An Angel stood before the altar of the temple,
having a golden censer in his hand,
and there was given to him much incense;
and the smoke of the spices ascended before God. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

DN. 3, 58

All you angels of the Lord, bless the Lord,
sing a hymn, and exalt him above all forever.

September 30

SAINT JEROME

Confessor and Doctor

Jerome was a scholar of the early Church. Under Pope Damasus' commission, Jerome worked on the translations of the Scripture into Latin which became known as the "Vulgate" edition of the Bible. He died in 420.

Mass of Holy Doctors, Page 383

October 2

THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS

Today we continue our meditation on God's messages and messengers to us, and on how he protects us from evil.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 102, 20, 1

Antiphon: Bless the Lord, all you his angels,
you mighty in strength,
who do his bidding, obeying his spoken word.

Psalm: Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and, all my being, bless his holy name.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EX. 23, 20-23

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 90, 11-12; PS. 102, 21

To his angels God has given command about you,
they guard you in all your ways.

Upon their hands they shall bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 18, 1-10

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 102, 20, 21

Bless the Lord, all you his angels,
his ministers, who do his will,
obeying his spoken word.

COMMUNION SONG

DN. 3, 58

All you angels of the Lord, bless the Lord,
sing a hymn, and exalt him above all forever.

October 3

SAINT THERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS

Virgín

This holy Carmelite nun's life was short and simple, but her courage and generosity are an example to all of us. For some time Teresa (called the "Little Flower") was depicted as a "sweet" personality. Today we know better. She was strong of spirit and brave of mind. Her personal interest in mission work was so strong that Pius XI proclaimed her patroness of the missions, in 1927.

ENTRANCE SONG

CT. 4, 8-9; PS. 112, 1

Antiphon: Come from Lebanon, my bride,
come from Lebanon, come!

You have ravished my heart, my sister, my bride;
you have ravished my heart.

Psalm: Praise the Lord, you children,
praise the name of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

IS. 66, 12-14

MEDITATION SONG

MT. 11, 25; PS. 70, 5; ECCL. 39, 17-19

I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
that you did hide these things from the wise and prudent,
and did reveal them to little ones.

You are my trust, O Lord, from my youth.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Open up your petals, like roses planted near running waters;
send up a sweet odor like Lebanon.

Break forth in blossoms like the lily, and yield a smell.

And bring forth leaves in grace.

And praise with canticles and bless the Lord in his works.

Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 18, 1-4

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 1, 46-48, 49

My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my savior,
because he has regarded the lowliness of his handmaid.
He who is mighty has done great things for me.

COMMUNION SONG

DT. 32, 10-12

He led her about and taught her,
and he guarded her as the apple of his eye.
As an eagle he spread his wings to receive her
and bore her up on his pinions.
The Lord alone was her leader.

October 4
SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI
Confessor

Francis set himself to one great task; to relive the Gospel, in the 13th century. His rule of poverty still governs Franciscans and Poor Clares everywhere.

ENTRANCE SONG

GAL. 6, 14; PS. 141, 2

Antiphon: But as for me, God forbid that I should glory,
save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world.

Psalm: With a loud voice I cry out to the Lord;
with a loud voice I beseech the Lord.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

GAL. 6, 14-18

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.

The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Francis, poor and humble, enters heaven a rich man,
and he is welcomed with celestial hymns. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses during Eastertime:

PS. 111, 1

Alleluia, alleluia.

Francis, poor and humble, enters heaven a rich man,
and he is welcomed with celestial hymns.

Alleluia. Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 11, 25-30

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

October 6

SAINT BRUNO

Confessor

A gifted teacher at the cathedral school of Rheims, Bruno later founded an Order combining the community life and activities of the monk with a reasonable amount of the solitude desired by the hermit-contemplative. This group is known as the Carthusian Order. Its largest monastery is at Chartreuse, a name familiar to many.

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October 7

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Today's festival sums up the mysteries of the holy rosary. This venerable form of prayer invites us to learn and to meditate about the story of our salvation and Mary's role in it.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Let us all rejoice with the Lord,
keeping a feast-day in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
on whose solemnity the angels rejoice
and unite in praising the Son of God.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

PRV. 8, 22-24, 32-35

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 5, 11, 12

Because of truth and meekness and justice;
and may your right hand show you wondrous deeds.
Hear, O daughter, and see; turn your ear;
for the king shall desire your beauty.
Alleluia, alleluia.

The solemnity of the glorious Virgin Mary,
of the seed of Abraham,
sprung from the tribe of Juda, of the royal line of David.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 26-38

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

ECCL. 24, 25;

ECCL. 39, 17

In me is all grace of the way and of the truth,
in me is all hope of life and of virtue.
Like a rose planted near running waters I have budded forth.

COMMUNION SONG

ECCL. 39, 19

Break forth in blossoms like the lily, and yield a smell.
And bring forth leaves in grace.
And praise with canticles and bless the Lord in his works.

October 8
SAINT BRIDGET
Widow

This busy Swedish noblewoman of the 14th century found time to raise a large family in Sweden and to establish a healthy religious community in Rome.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 75, 120, 1

Antiphon: I know, O Lord, that your ordinances are just,
and in your faithfulness you have afflicted me.
Pierce my flesh with your fear; I fear your ordinances.

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 TM. 5, 3-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 3, 5

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever.
Because of truth, and meekness, and justice:
and may your right hand show you wondrous deeds.
Alleluia, alleluia.
In your splendor and your beauty
ride on triumphant, and reign. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 13, 44-52

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 3

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever and ever.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 44, 8

You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

October 9

SAINT JOHN LEONARDI

Confessor

He helped to fill the needs of the 16th century by preaching, teaching, and directing many in the Sacrament of Penance.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 42, 15-16; PS. 95, 1

Antiphon: At the Lord's word
were his works brought into being.
As the rising sun is clear to all,
so the glory of the Lord shines upon all his works.

Psalm: Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all you lands.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 COR. 4, 1-6, 15-18

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 72, 21; PS. 68, 10; IS. 49, 2; PS. 70, 7

My heart was embittered and my soul was pierced.
Zeal for your house consumed me.
He made my mouth a sharp-edged sword
and concealed me in the shadow of his arm.
He made me a polished arrow.
Alleluia, alleluia.
A portent am I to many, but you are my strong refuge! Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

COL. 1, 25

I have become a minister of Christ
in virtue of the office that God has given me,
for I am to fulfill the word of God.

COMMUNION SONG

PHIL. 3, 7

The things that were gain to me,
these, for the sake of Christ, I have counted loss.

October 10

SAINT FRANCIS BORGIA

Confessor

A member of a distinguished and sometimes notorious family, Francis Borgia became a Jesuit at the age of 40, and eventually succeeded Ignatius Loyola as General of that Order. He died in 1572.

Mass of Holy Abbots, Page 397

October 11

**THE MOTHERHOOD OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

In establishing this feast in 1931, Pius XI especially requested prayer for the separated Churches of the East. These Churches have a deep devotion to the Mother of God and supported the Dogma of Divine Motherhood at the Council of Ephesus.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 7, 14; PS. 97, 1

Antiphon: Behold, the virgin shall be with child
and bear a son,
and shall name him Emmanuel.

Psalm: Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 24, 23-31

MEDITATION SONG

IS. 11, 1-2

A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse,
and from his roots a bud shall blossom.
And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him.
Alleluia, alleluia.

O Virgin, Mother of God,
he whom the whole world cannot contain,
being made man, shut himself up within your womb. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 2, 43-51

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

MT. 1, 18

When Mary his mother had been betrothed to Joseph,
she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit.

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,
which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

October 13

SAINT EDWARD
King, Confessor

Edward is the only English king to be known as a saint. He is the founder of the famous Westminster Abbey, and died at the time of the Norman invasion in 1066.

Mass of a Holy Man, Page 394

October 14

SAINT CALLISTUS I
Pope and Martyr

It is not important to know much about the life of this early Church leader other than that he took good care of the flock of Christ and laid down his life for them.

Mass of Holy Popes, Page 383

October 15
SAINT TERESA
Virgín

Teresa of Ávila, Spain, worked with the help of St. John of the Cross for the reform of the Carmelite Order. Both she and St. John became truly great mystics.

Mass of a Holy Virgín, Page 402

October 16
SAINT HEDWIG
Widow

As the wife of Henry I, duke of Poland in the 13th century, Hedwig was responsible for the enrichment of Poland with monasteries, hospitals and asylums. As a widow she became a Cistercian nun and set a good example of holiness.

Mass of a Holy Woman, Page 405

October 17

SAINT MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE

Virgin

Late in the 17th century this Visitation nun suffered greatly in her efforts to promote devotion to the Sacred Heart.

ENTRANCE SONG

CT. 2, 3; PS. 83, 2-3

Antiphon: I delight to rest in his shadow,
and his fruit is sweet to my mouth.

Psalm: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 3, 8-9, 14-19

MEDITATION SONG

CT. 8, 7; PS. 72, 26; CT. 7, 10

Deep waters cannot quench love, nor floods sweep it away.
My flesh and my heart waste away;
God is the God of my heart and my portion forever.
Alleluia, alleluia.
I belong to my lover and for me he yearns. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 11, 25-30

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

ZA. 9, 17

What wealth is his, and what beauty!
grain that makes the chosen ones flourish,
and new wine, the maidens!

COMMUNION SONG

CT. 6, 2

I belong to my lover and my lover to me;
he browses among the lilies.

October 18

SAINT LUKE

Evangelist

Luke is the author of the third Gospel and of the Acts of the Apostles. His writings testify as to how hard he worked for the spread of the Good News. The Acts can be considered first-hand news reporting, since Luke accompanied Paul on much of his missionary journeying.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 17, 1-2

Antiphon: To me, your friends, O God,
are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Psalms: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 COR. 8, 16-24

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 18, 5, 2; JN. 15, 16

Through all the earth their voice resounds,
and to the ends of the world, their message.
The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Alleluia, alleluia.
I have chosen you out of the world,
that you should go and bear fruit,
and that your fruit should remain. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 10, 1-9

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 138, 17

To me, your friends, O God, are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28

You who have followed me shall sit upon thrones,
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

October 19

SAINT PETER OF ALCANTARA
Confessor

A 16th century Spanish Franciscan, Peter of Alcantara proved himself by an extraordinary spirit of penance.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 91, 13-14, 2

Antiphon: The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow,
planted in the house of our God.

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

PHIL. 3, 7-12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 111, 1

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 32-34

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 2-3

O Lord, in your strength the just man is glad;
in your victory how greatly he rejoices!
You have granted him his heart's desire.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28-29

Amen I say to you
that you, who have left all things and followed me,
shall receive a hundredfold, and shall possess life everlasting.

October 20

SAINT JOHN CANTIUS

Confessor

This man's saintliness showed through in all his work as a parish priest and as a professor of theology. He lived in Poland, died in 1473.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 18, 12-13; PS. 1, 1

Antiphon: Man may be merciful to his fellow man,
but God's mercy reaches all flesh.
He has mercy, teaches and guides,
as a shepherd does his flock.

Psalm: Happy the man
who follows not the counsel of the wicked
nor walks in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the company of the insolent.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

JAS. 2, 12-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 106, 8-9; PRV. 31, 20

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his kindness
and his wondrous deeds to the children of men.
Because he satisfied the longing soul
and filled the hungry soul with good things.
Alleluia, alleluia.
He extends his arms to the needy,
and reaches out his hands to the poor. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 35-40

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

JB. 29, 14-16

I wore my honesty like a garment;
justice was my robe and my turban.
I was eyes to the blind, and feet to the lame was I;
I was a father to the needy.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 6, 38

Give, and it shall be given to you;
good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over,
shall they pour into your lap.

October 23

SAINT ANTHONY MARY CLARET

Bishop and Confessor

Anthony is known as a 19th century archbishop of Cuba and the founder of the community of priests known as the Claretians (missioners). Through them his work for the Church goes on in many parts of the world, including the United States.

Mass of a Holy Confessor Bishop, Page 391

October 24

SAINT RAPHAEL

Archangel

The name of Raphael is found in the Book of Tobias in the Old Testament. Again we consider how God keeps in communication with man.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 102, 20, 1

Antiphon: Bless the Lord, all you his angels,
you mighty in strength, who do his bidding,
obeying his spoken word.

Psalm: Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and, all my being, bless his holy name.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

TB. 12, 7-15

MEDITATION SONG

TB. 8, 3; PS. 146, 5; PS. 137, 1-2

The angel of the Lord, Raphael, took and bound the devil.
Great is our Lord and mighty in power.
Alleluia, alleluia.

In the presence of the angels I will sing your praise;
I will worship at your holy temple
and give thanks to your name, O Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 5, 1-4

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

AP. 8, 3, 4

An angel stood before the altar of the temple,
having a golden censer in his hand;
and there was given to him much incense:
and the smoke of the spices went up before God.

COMMUNION SONG

DN. 3, 58

All you angels of the Lord, bless the Lord;
sing a hymn, and exalt him above all forever.

THE LAST SUNDAY OF OCTOBER FEAST OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING

*The royal Christ endows his noble people with the power of his
grace to bring evil down to ruin.*

ENTRANCE SONG

AP. 5, 12; AP. 1, 6; PS. 71, 1

Antiphon: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
to receive power, and divinity,
and wisdom, and strength, and honor.
To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever.

Psalm: O God, with your judgment endow the king,
and with your justice, the king's son.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

COL. 1:12-20

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 71, 8, 11; DN. 7, 14

He shall rule from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.
Alleluia, alleluia.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not be taken away,
and his kingdom shall not be destroyed. Alleluia.

In Votive Masses after Septuagesima: PS. 71, 8, 11; PS. 88, 27-28, 30

He shall rule from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.

He shall say to me,

"You are my father, my God, and the support of my salvation."

And I will make him the firstborn,
highest of the kings of the earth.

I will make his posterity endure forever
and his throne as the days of heaven.

During Eastertime:

DN. 7, 14; AP. 19, 16

Alleluia, alleluia.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not be taken away,
and his kingdom shall not be destroyed.

Alleluia. He has on his garment,
and on his thigh a name written,
"King of kings, and Lord of lords." Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 18:33-37

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 2, 8

Ask of me and I will give you the nations for an inheritance
and the ends of the earth for your possession.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 28, 10, 11

The Lord is enthroned as king forever;
may the Lord bless his people with peace!

October 25
SAINT ISIDORE
Confessor

Isadore worked as a farmer in the fields near his native Madrid, more than 500 years ago. For his holiness and simplicity of life he was recognized as a saint, and now is patron of American farmers.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 91, 13-14, 2

Antiphon: The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow;
planted in the house of our God.

Psalms: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JAS. 5, 7-8; JAS. 11, 16-18

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 111, 1

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Happy the man who fears the Lord.
who greatly delights in his commands. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 15, 1-7

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 2-3

O Lord, in your strength the just man is glad;
in your victory how greatly he rejoices!
You have granted him his heart's desire.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28-29

Amen I say to you that you,
who have left all things and followed me,
shall receive a hundredfold, and shall possess life everlasting.

October 28
SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE
Apostles

Today we celebrate two of the holy Apostles. St. Jude is also the author of the shortest letter in the New Testament. Rather than invoke him to do the impossible, we should read his letter.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 17, 1-2

Antiphon: To me, your friends, O God,
are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Psalm: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 4, 7-13

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 17-18; PS. 138, 17

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord.

The place of your fathers your sons shall have;
therefore shall nations praise you.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Your friends, O God, are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 15, 17-25

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 18, 5

Through all the earth their voice resounds,
and to the ends of the world, their message.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28

You who have followed me shall sit on thrones,
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

November 1
FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

We see a radiant picture of Christ's glorious kingdom in which all of God's children, his saints in heaven and on earth, rejoice together.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 32, 1

Antiphon: Let us all rejoice in the Lord,
celebrating a feast-day in honor of all the saints,
on whose solemnity the angels rejoice,
and join in praising the Son of God.

Psalms: Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

AP. 7,2-12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 33, 10, 11; MT. 11, 28

Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones,
for nought is lacking to those who fear him.
But those who seek the Lord want for no good thing.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5,1-12

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

WIS. 3, 1-2, 3

The souls of the just are in the hand of God,
and no torment shall touch them.
They seemed, in view of the foolish, to be dead;
but they are in peace. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 5, 8-10

Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they shall be called children of God.
Blessed are they who suffer persecution for justice' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

November 2
COMMEMORATION
OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

First Mass

Many scripture readings are suggested for masses celebrated in honor of departed Christians. All of these messages tell of hope, of Resurrection, of eternal life.

ENTRANCE SONG

4 ESD. 2, 34, 35; PS. 64, 2-3

Antiphon: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord;
and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Psalm: To you we owe our hymn of praise,
O God, in Sion;

to you must vows be fulfilled in Jerusalem.

Hear my prayer; to you all flesh must come. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 COR. 15, 51-57

MEDITATION SONG

4 ESD. 2, 34, 35; PS. 111, 7

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord;
and let perpetual light shine upon them.

The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;
an evil report he shall not fear.

Absolve, O Lord, the souls of all the faithful departed
from every bond of sin.

And by the help of your grace

may they deserve to escape the judgment of vengeance.

And to enjoy the blessedness of light eternal.

SEQUENCE HYMN, Page 444

SECOND READING

JN. 5, 25-29

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory,
deliver the souls of all the faithful departed
from the pains of hell and the deep pit,
deliver them from the lion's mouth,

may hell not swallow them up, nor may they fall into darkness,
but may Michael, the holy standard-bearer,
bring them into the holy light:

Which you once promised to Abraham and to his seed.
We offer you, O Lord, sacrifices and prayers of praise;
receive them for the souls whom we remember this day.
Grant, O Lord, that they may pass from death to life.
Which you once promised to Abraham and to his seed.

COMMUNION SONG

4 ESD. 2, 35, 34

May light eternal shine upon them, O Lord,
With your saints forever, for you are merciful.
Eternal rest grant upon them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
With your saints forever, for you are merciful.

Second Mass

See First Mass, Page³⁶⁹ , with the following exceptions:

FIRST READING

2 MC. 12, 43-46

SECOND READING

JN. 6, 37-40

Third Mass

See First Mass, Page³⁶⁹ , with the following exceptions:

FIRST READING

AP. 14, 13

SECOND READING

JN. 6, 51-55

November 4

SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO

Bishop and Confessor

Through his uncle, Pope Pius IV, Charles Borromeo held high Church office while still young. However, he earned his place as archbishop of Milan, and reorganized his diocese according to the Council of Trent. He founded the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. He lived an austere life, giving away his own possessions to provide for the sick and the suffering. He died in 1584.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 45, 30; PS. 131, 1

Antiphon: The Lord made a covenant of friendship with him,
and made him a prince,
that he should possess the dignity of the priesthood forever.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 44, 16-27; ECCL. 45, 3-20

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; PS. 109, 4

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.
Alleluia, alleluia. You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 25, 14-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 21-22

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

November 9

**DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA
OF THE MOST HOLY SAVIOR**

This great Roman church is truly the Pope's cathedral, and was once part of the papal residence. It is, therefore, the mother of all churches in the world. When we celebrate the anniversary of its consecration today.

Mass for the Dedic  tion of a Church, Page 407

November 10

**SAINT ANDREW AVELLINO
Confessor**

Andrew is another lawyer who became a successful priest. His knowledge and his spirit of prayer made him a good spiritual director. He died at Naples in 1608.

Mass of a Holy Man, Page 394

November 11

**SAINT MARTIN
Bishop and Confessor**

A soldier-convert, St. Martin became bishop of Tours, France. He died in 397.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 45, 30; PS. 131, 1

Antiphon: The Lord made a covenant of friendship with him, and made him a prince, that he should possess the dignity of the priesthood forever.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness. Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 44, 16-27; ECCL. 45, 3-20

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 44, 16, 20

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The blessed man, Saint Martin, Bishop of Tours,
has gone to rest;
angels and archangels, thrones,
dominations, and powers have received him. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 11, 33-36

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes,
shall find watching.
Amen I say to you, he will set him over all his goods.

November 12 **SAINT MARTIN I** **Pope and Martyr**

This pope guided the Church in troubled times when heresies were favored by Emperor Constans II, who attempted to make his views prevail. Martin died in exile in 655.

Mass of Holy Popes, Page 383

November 13 **SAINT DIDACUS** **Confessor**

A 15th century Franciscan lay brother, Didacus became a saint simply doing the job assigned to him by his superiors. His special gift was in the healing and care of the sick.

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November 13

SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI

Virgin

A saint of our own century and a naturalized American, St. Frances finished her work for the poor and the sick in Chicago, in 1917. She built orphanages, hospitals and schools all over the United States, and was canonized in 1946.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 72, 24, 1

Antiphon: You have hold of my right hand;
with your counsel you guide me,
and in the end you will receive me in glory.

Psalm: How good God is to Israel,
to those who are clean of heart.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 COR. 1, 26-31

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 17, 33-34; 1 COR. 9, 22

The God who guided me with strength
and kept my way unerring.
Who made my feet swift as those of hinds
and set me on the heights.
Alleluia, alleluia.
I became all things to all men,
that I might save all. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 11, 25-30

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 72, 28

But for me, to be near God is my good;
to make the Lord God my refuge.
I shall declare all your works
in the gates of the daughter of Sion.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 11, 28

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest.

November 14

SAINT JOSAPHAT
Bishop and Martyr

In the 17th century, Josaphat tried to bring about a reunion of the Eastern and Western Churches. The violence of the opposition which he encountered explains his martyrdom.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 32, 1

Antiphon: Let us all rejoice in the Lord,
celebrating a feast-day in honor of the blessed martyr Josaphat,
at whose martyrdom the angels rejoice
and give praise to the Son of God.

Psalms: Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

HEB. 5, 1-6

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 88, 21-23

I have found David, my servant,
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.
No enemy shall have an advantage over him,
nor shall the son of iniquity have power to hurt him.
Alleluia, alleluia.
This is the priest whom the Lord has crowned. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 10, 11-16

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

JN. 15, 13

Greater love than this no one has,
that one lay down his life for his friends.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 10, 14

I am the good shepherd,
and I know my sheep, and mine know me.

November 15

SAINT ALBERT THE GREAT
Bishop, Confessor and Doctor

In the 13th century, at the University of Cologne, Albert was teacher to Thomas Aquinas. Both are deservedly great doctors of the Church.

Mass of Holy Doctors, Page 393

November 16

SAINT GERTRUDE
Virgin

This girl of Saxony became a Cistercian nun and a great mystic in the 14th century. She died in 1334.

Mass of a Holy Virgin not a Martyr, Page 402

November 17

SAINT GREGORY THE WONDERWORKER
Bishop and Confessor

In the 3rd century Gregory studied under the famous Origen. Finally he became bishop of his native city in Asia Minor and worked at least the wonder of organizing a good diocese in troubled times.

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 45, 30; PS. 131, 1

Antiphon: The Lord made a covenant of friendship with him,
and made him a prince,
that he should possess the dignity of priesthood forever.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 44, 16-27; ECCL. 45, 3-20

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; PS. 109, 4

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.
Alleluia, alleluia. You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MK. 11, 22-24

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 21-22

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time.

November 18

DEDICATION OF THE BASILICAS OF THE HOLY APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL

Today the great church of St. Paul-outside-the-walls is linked to the famous Basilica of St. Peter so that the anniversaries of the consecrations of both sacred places can be celebrated at once.

Mass for the Dedication of a Church, Page 407

November 19

SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY Widow

Here we have another noble woman, this time of Hungary, who lost her husband early in life and became a Franciscan religious and a servant to the poor. Elizabeth died in 1231.

Mass of a Holy Woman, Page 405

November 20

SAINT FELIX OF VALOIS

Confessor

Felix assisted John of Matha in founding the Trinitarian Order for ransoming of captives from the Moslems.

Mass of a Holy Man, Page 396

November 21

**THE PRESENTATION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

There is no scriptural evidence to show that Mary was ever brought to live in the temple at an early age. This feast rather serves to remind us that from the beginning of her existence Mary was the fulfillment of many prophecies symbolized by the temple in Jerusalem. For the temple is a sign of Israel, a sign of the Old Testament.

Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Page 408

November 22

SAINT CECILIA

Virgín and Martyr

It is difficult to find anything historically accurate about the life of St. Cecilia. At least, her name stands as a symbol of many holy young women who did witness to Christ in their blood. Cecilia is regarded as patron saint of musicians and of Church music.

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 46-47, 1

Antiphon: I will speak of your decrees before kings
without being ashamed.

And I will delight in your commands, which I love exceedingly.

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 51, 13-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 11, 12, 5; MT. 25, 4, 6

Hear, O daughter, and see; turn your ear;
for the king shall desire your beauty.

In your splendor and your beauty ride on triumphant, and reign.
Alleluia, alleluia.

The five wise virgins took oil in their vessels with the lamps:
and at midnight a cry arose,

"Behold the bridegroom is coming,
go forth to meet Christ the Lord." Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 25, 1-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 15, 16

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.

Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness and joy;
they enter the palace of the Lord, the King.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 78, 80

Let the proud be put to shame for oppressing me unjustly;
I will meditate on your precepts, on your statutes,
that I be not put to shame.

November 23
SAINT CLEMENT I
Pope and Martyr

Although he lived and guided the Church in the 1st century, we know something about Clement through his writing to the Corinthian Church, urging them to preserve unity. Clement is said to have been exiled by Roman Emperor Trajan.

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 59, 21; IS. 56, 7; PS. 111, 1

Antiphon: The Lord says,
"My words that I have put into your mouth,
shall never leave your mouth;
and your gifts shall be accepted upon my altar."

Psalm: Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

PHIL. 3, 17-21; PHIL. 4, 1-3

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 106, 32, 31; MT. 16, 18

Let them extol him in the assembly of the people;
and praise him in the council of the elders.
Let them give thanks to the Lord
for his kindness and his wondrous deeds
to the children of men.
Alleluia, alleluia.
You are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my Church. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 16, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

JER. 1, 9-10

See, I place my words in your mouth:
behold, I set you over nations and over kingdoms,
to root up and to tear down, and to build and to plant.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 16, 18

You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

November 24

SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS
Confessor and Doctor

John is the Spanish Carmelite who worked with Teresa of Avila for the reform of the Carmelite Order. His writings make John an authority on mysticism as a way of Christian life. He died in 1591.

Mass of Holy Doctors, Page 393

November 25

SAINT CATHERINE
Vírgín and Martyr

Catherine seems to have come from Alexandria and has come down to us as patron of philosophers. A famous monastery in her honor exists on Mt. Sinai.

Mass of a Holy Vírgín Martyr, Page 399

November 26

SAINT SYLVESTER
Abbot

An Italian contemplative, Sylvester invited men to join him in a more perfect way of life, the way of love. Thus was founded the Sylvestrian Benedictines. He died in 1267.

Mass of Holy Abbots, Page 397



MASS OF HOLY POPES

ENTRANCE SONG

JN. 21, 15-17; PS. 29, 1

Antiphon: If you love me, Simon Peter,
feed my lambs, feed my sheep.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: I will extol you, O Lord,
for you drew me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice over me.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 PT. 5, 1-4, 10-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 106, 32, 31; MT. 16, 18

Let them extol him in the assembly of the people;
and praise him in the council of the elders.
Let them give thanks to the Lord
for his kindness and his wondrous deeds
to the children of men.
Alleluia, alleluia.
You are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my Church. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 106, 32, 31; PS. 39, 10-11

Let them extol him in the assembly of the people;
and praise him in the council of the elders.
Let them give thanks to the Lord
for his kindness and his wondrous deeds
to the children of men.
I announced your justice in the vast assembly;
I did not restrain my lips as you, O Lord, know.
Your justice I kept not hid within my heart;
your faithfulness and your salvation I have spoken of.
I have made no secret of your kindness and your truth
in the vast assembly.

During Eastertime:

MT. 16, 18; PS. 44, 17, 18

Alleluia, alleluia. You are Peter
and upon this rock I will build my Church.
Alleluia. You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord,
through all generations. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 16, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

JER. 1, 9-10

See, I place my words in your mouth!
Behold, I set you over nations and over kingdoms,
to root up and to tear down,
and to build and to plant. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 16, 18

You are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my Church. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF A HOLY MARTYR BISHOP

Outside of Eastertime

First Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 45, 30; PS. 131, 1

Antiphon: The Lord made a covenant of friendship with him,
and made him a prince;
that he should possess the dignity of priesthood forever.

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

JAS. 1, 12-18

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 88, 21-23; PS. 109, 4

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
that my arm may make him strong.

No enemy shall have an advantage over him,
nor shall the son of iniquity have power to hurt him.
Alleluia, alleluia.

You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 88, 21-23; PS. 20, 3-4

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
that my arm may make him strong.
No enemy shall have an advantage over him,
nor shall the son of iniquity have power to hurt him.
You have granted him his heart's desire;
you refused not the wish of his lips.
For you welcomed him with goodly blessings.
You placed on his head a crown of precious stones.

SECOND READING

LK. 14, 26-33

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 88, 36, 37-38

Once by my holiness have I sworn:
his posterity shall continue forever,
and his throne shall be like the sun before me,
like the moon perfect forever — a faithful witness in the sky.

MASS OF A HOLY MARTYR BISHOP

Outside of Eastertide

Second Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

DN. 3, 84, 87, 57

Antiphon: Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord,
holy men of humble heart, praise God.

Psalm: Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord,
praise and exalt him above all forever.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

2 COR. 1, 3-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 8, 6-7

You crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him rule over the works of your hands, O Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia.

This is the priest whom the Lord has crowned. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 8, 6-7 PS. 111, 1-3

You crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him rule over the works of your hands, O Lord.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.

His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.

Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity endures forever.

SECOND READING

MT. 16, 24-27

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 21-22

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 20, 4

You placed on his head, O Lord, a crown of precious stones.

MASS OF A HOLY MARTYR

Outside of Eastertime

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 20, 2-3, 4

Antiphon: O Lord, in your strength the just man is glad;
in your salvation how greatly he rejoices!
You have granted him his heart's desire.

Psalm: For you welcomed him with goodly blessings,
you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 10, 10-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 111, 1-2

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed. Alleluia, alleluia.
You placed on his head, O Lord, a crown of precious stones.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 111, 1-2; PS. 20, 3-4

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
You have granted him his heart's desire:
you refused not the wish of his lips.
For you welcomed him with goodly blessings.
You placed upon his head a crown of precious stones.

SECOND READING

MT. 10, 34-42

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 8, 6-7

You crowned him with glory and honor;
you have given him rule over the works of your hands, O Lord.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 16, 24

Whoever wishes to come after me,
let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

MASS OF SEVERAL HOLY MARTYRS

Outside of Eastertime

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 78, 11, 12, 10, 1

Antiphon: Let the prisoners' sighing come before you, O Lord;
repay our neighbors sevenfold into their bosoms;
avenge the blood of your saints which has been shed.

Psalm: O God, the nations have come into your inheritance;
they have defiled your holy temple,
they have made Jerusalem as a place to keep fruit.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

WIS. 3, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

EX. 15, 11, 6; ECCL. 44, 14

God is glorious in his saints,
wonderful in majesty, a worker of wonders.
Your right hand, O Lord, is magnificent in power;
your right hand has shattered the enemy. Alleluia, alleluia.
The bodies of the saints are buried in peace,
but their name lives on and on. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

EX. 15, 11, 6; PS. 125, 5-6

God is glorious in his saints,
wonderful in majesty, a worker of wonders.
Your right hand, O Lord, is magnificent in power;
your right hand has shattered the enemy.
Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.
Going, they went and wept, casting their seeds.
But coming, they shall come with joyfulness,
carrying their sheaves.

SECOND READING

LK. 21, 9-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 67, 36

After Septuagesima omit the Alleluia in the following antiphon.
God is wonderful in his saints; the God of Israel
is he who gives power and strength to his people.
Blessed be God! Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

WIS. 3. 4, 5, 6

For if before men they were punished, God tried them;
as gold in the furnace he proved them,
and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

MASS OF A HOLY MARTYR

During Eastertime

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 63, 3, 2

Antiphon: You have sheltered me, O God,
against the council of malefactors, alleluia,
against the multitude of the workers of iniquity,
alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Hear, O God, my voice in lament;
from the dread enemy preserve my life.
Glory be to the Father.

FIRST READING

WIS. 5, 1-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 88, 6; PS. 20, 4

Alleluia, alleluia.

The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.
Alleluia. You placed on his head, O Lord,
a crown of precious stones. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 15, 1-7

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 6

The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones,
alleluia, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 63, 11

The just man is glad in the Lord and takes refuge in him;
all the upright of heart shall be praised, alleluia, alleluia.

MASS OF A HOLY CONFESSOR BISHOP

First Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 45, 30; PS. 131, 1

Antiphon: The Lord made a covenant of friendship with him,
and made him a prince,
that he should possess the dignity of priesthood forever.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 44, 16-27; ECCL. 45, 3-20

MEDITATION SONG

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; PS. 109, 4

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.
Alleluia, alleluia. You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

ECCL. 44, 16, 20; PS. 111, 1-3

Behold, a great priest, who in his days pleased God.
There was not found the like to him,
who kept the law of the Most High.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house:
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime:

PS. 109, 4

Alleluia, alleluia.
You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec.
Alleluia. This is the priest whom the Lord has crowned.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 25, 14-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 21-22

I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him,
that my hand may be always with him,
and that my arm may make him strong. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF A HOLY CONFESSOR BISHOP

Second Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 131, 9-10, 1

Antiphon: May your priests, O Lord, be clothed with justice;
let your faithful ones shout merrily for joy.

For the sake of David your servant,
reject not the plea of your anointed. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Remember, O Lord, David and all his meekness.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

HEB. 7, 23-27

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 131, 16-17; PS. 109, 4

Her priests I will clothe with salvation,
and her faithful ones shall shout merrily for joy.
In her will I make a horn to sprout forth for David;
I will place a lamp for my anointed.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent:

"You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec." Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 131, 16-17; PS. 111, 1-3

Her priests I will clothe with salvation,
and her faithful ones shall shout merrily for joy.
In her will I make a horn to sprout forth for David;
I will place a lamp for my anointed.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime:

PS. 109, 4; ECCL. 45, 9

Alleluia, alleluia. The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent:
"You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchisedec."
Alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 24, 42-47

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes,
shall find watching.
Amen I say to you,
he will set him over all his goods. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF HOLY DOCTORS

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 15, 5; PS. 91, 2

Antiphon: In the midst of the assembly he opened his mouth;
and the Lord filled him
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 TM. 4, 1-8

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; ECCL. 45, 9

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Alleluia, alleluia.
The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 111, 1-3

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime:

ECCL. 45, 9; OS. 14, 6

Alleluia, alleluia.
The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory.

Alleluia. The just man shall blossom like the lily;
and shall flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 5, 13-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 91, 13

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF A HOLY MAN A CONFESSOR NOT A BISHOP First Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 31, 8-11

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; JAS. 1, 12

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow in the house of the Lord.
To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried, he will receive the crown of life.
Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 91, 13, 14, 3; PS. 111, 1-3

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow
in the house of the Lord.

To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.

His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.

Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime:

JAS. 1, 12; ECCL. 45, 9

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the man who endures temptation;
for when he has been tried,
he shall receive the crown of life.

Alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him;
he clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 35-40

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 88, 25

My faithfulness and my kindness shall be with him,
and through my name shall his horn be exalted. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 24, 46-47

Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes,
shall find watching.

Amen I say to you,
he will set him over all his goods. (P.T. Alleluia.)

**MASS OF A HOLY MAN
A CONFESSOR NOT A BISHOP**
Second Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 91, 13-14, 2

Antiphon: The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow,
planted in the house of our God. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 COR. 4, 9-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 111, 1

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 36, 30-31; PS. 111, 1-3

The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart,
and his steps do not falter.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime:

PS. 111, 1; OS. 14, 6

Alleluia, alleluia.

Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.

Alleluia. The just man shall blossom like the lily,
and flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 12, 32-34

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 2-3

O Lord, in your strength the just man is glad;
in your victory how greatly he rejoices!

You have granted him his heart's desire. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28, 29

Amen I say to you that you,
who have left all things and followed me,
shall receive a hundredfold, and shall possess life everlasting.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF HOLY ABBOTS

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 36, 30-31, 1

Antiphon: The mouth of the just man tells of wisdom,
and his tongue utters what is right.
The law of his God is in his heart. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 45, 1-6

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 20, 4-5; PS. 91, 13

O Lord, you welcomed him with goodly blessings,
you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.
He asked life of you
and you gave him length of days forever and ever.

Alleluia, alleluia.

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 20, 4-5; PS. 111, 1-3

O Lord, you welcomed him with goodly blessings,
you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.
He asked life of you
and you gave him length of days forever and ever.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime:

PS. 91, 13; OS. 14, 6

Alleluia, alleluia. The just man shall flourish like the palm tree
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.
Alleluia. The just man shall blossom like the lily,
and flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 19, 27-29

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 20, 3, 4

You have granted him his heart's desire, O Lord;
you refused not the wish of his lips;
you placed on his head a crown of precious stones.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 12, 42

The faithful and prudent servant
whom the master will set over his household
to give them their ration of grain in due time. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF A HOLY VIRGIN MARTYR

First Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 46-47, 1

Antiphon: I will speak of your decrees before kings
without being ashamed.

And I will delight in your commands, which I love exceedingly.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 51, 1-8, 12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 8, 15, 16

You love justice and hate wickedness.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.

Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 44, 8, 5

You love justice and hate wickedness.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness.

Come, O spouse of Christ,

receive the crown which the Lord has prepared for you forever,
for the love of whom you shed your blood.

You love justice and hate wickedness;

therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

In your splendor and your beauty ride on triumphant, and reign.

During Eastertime:

PS. 44, 15-16, 5

Alleluia, alleluia.

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.

Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness.

Alleluia. In your splendor and your beauty
ride on triumphant, and reign. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 25, 1-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 15, 16

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.

Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness and joy;

they enter the palace of the Lord, the King. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 78, 80

Let the proud be put to shame for oppressing me unjustly;

I will meditate on your precepts, on your statutes,

that I be not put to shame. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF A HOLY VIRGIN MARTYR

Second Mass

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 95-96, 1

Antiphon: Sinners wait to destroy me,
but I pay heed to your decrees, O Lord.

I see that all fulfillment has its limits;
broad indeed is your command. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

In Mass of One Virgin Martyr

FIRST READING

or

ECCL. 51, 13-17

In Mass of Several Virgin Martyrs

FIRST READING

1 COR. 7, 25-34

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 45, 6, 5

God will help her with his countenance;

God is in her midst, she shall not be disturbed.

There is a stream whose runlets gladden the city of God;
the Most High has sanctified his dwelling.

Alleluia, alleluia.

This is a wise virgin,
and one of the number of the prudent. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 45, 6, 5; PS. 44, 8, 5

God will help her with his countenance;

God is in her midst, she shall not be disturbed.

There is a stream whose runlets gladden the city of God;
the Most High has sanctified his dwelling.

Come, spouse of Christ,

receive the crown which the Lord has prepared for you forever,
for the love of whom you shed your blood.

You love justice and hate wickedness;

therefore God, your God, has anointed you.

with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

In your splendor and your beauty

ride on triumphant, and reign.

During Eastertime:

WIS. 4, 1

Alleluia, alleluia.

This is a wise virgin,

and one of the number of the prudent.

Alleluia.

Oh, how beautiful is the chaste generation with glory!

Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 13, 44-52 OR MT. 19, 3-12

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 3

Grace is poured out upon your lips;

thus God has blessed you forever and ever. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 121, 122, 128

I have done judgment and justice, O Lord,

let not the proud slander me.

I was directed toward all your commandments;

I have hated all wicked ways. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF A HOLY VIRGIN NOT A MARTYR

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 8, 2

Antiphon: You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme,
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 COR. 10, 17-18; 2 COR. 11, 1-2

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 5, 15, 16

In your splendor and your beauty ride on triumphant, and reign.
Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
and may your right hand show you wondrous deeds.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.
Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 44, 5, 11, 12, 13, 10, 15-16

In your splendor and your beauty ride on triumphant, and reign.
Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
and may your right hand show you wondrous deeds.

Hear, O daughter, and see, and turn your ear;
for the king shall desire your beauty.

All the rich among the people seek your favor;
the daughters of kings come in your honor.

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.
They are brought with gladness and joy;
they enter the palace of the king.

During Eastertime: PS. 44, 15, 16, 5

Alleluia, alleluia.

Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.

Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness.

Alleluia. In your splendor and beauty
ride on triumphant, and reign. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 25, 1-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 10

The daughters of kings come in your honor;
the queen takes her place at your right hand
in gold and colored clothing. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 25, 4, 6

The five wise virgins took oil in their vessels with the lamps;
and at midnight a cry arose,
"Behold, the bridegroom is coming,
go forth to meet Christ the Lord." (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF HOLY WOMEN MARTYRS

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 95-96, 1

Antiphon: Sinners wait to destroy me,
but I pay heed to your decrees, O Lord.
I see that all fulfillment has its limits;
broad indeed is your command. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalms: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 51, 1-8, 12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 8, 5

You love justice and hate wickedness.
Therefore, God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness.
Alleluia, alleluia.

In your splendor and your beauty
ride on triumphant, and reign. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 44, 8, 5

You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore, God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness.
Come, O spouse of Christ,
receive forever the crown which the Lord has prepared for you:
for whose love you shed your blood.
You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows
In your splendor and your beauty
ride on triumphant, and reign.

During Eastertime:

PS. 44, 5

Alleluia, alleluia.
In your splendor and your beauty
ride on triumphant and reign.
Alleluia. Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
may your right hand show you wondrous deeds. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 13, 44-52

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 3

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever, and ever. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 161-162

Princes persecute me without cause,
but my heart stands in awe of your words.
I rejoice at your promise,
as one who has found rich spoil. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF A HOLY WOMAN

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 118, 75, 120, 1

Antiphon: I know, O Lord, that your ordinances are just,
and in your faithfulness you have afflicted me.
Pierce my flesh with your fear;
I fear your ordinances. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

PRV. 31, 10-31

In the Mass of a Holy Widow

FIRST READING

1 TM. 5, 3-10

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 3, 5

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever.
Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
and may your right hand show you wondrous deeds.
Alleluia, alleluia.
In your splendor and your beauty,
ride on triumphant, and reign. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 44, 3, 5, 8, 5

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever.

Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
and may your right hand show you wondrous deeds.

Come, O spouse of Christ,
receive the crown which the Lord has prepared for you forever;
for the love of whom you shed your blood.

You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore, God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

In your splendor and your beauty,
ride on triumphant, and reign.

During Eastertime:

PS. 44, 5

Alleluia, alleluia. In your splendor and your beauty
ride on triumphant, and reign.

Alleluia. Because of truth, and meekness, and justice;
may your right hand show wondrous deeds. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 13, 44-52

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 44, 3

Grace is poured out upon your lips;
thus God has blessed you forever, and ever. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 44, 8

You love justice and hate wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS FOR THE DEDICATION OF A CHURCH

ENTRANCE SONG

GEN. 28, 17; PS. 83, 2-3

Antiphon: How awesome is this place!
This is none other than the house of God;
this is the gate of heaven;
and it shall be called the court of God. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalms: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

AP. 21, 2-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 137, 2

This place was made by God, a priceless mystery;
it is without reproof.

O God, before whom stands the choir of angels,
hear the prayers of your servants.

Alleluia, alleluia.

I will worship at your holy temple
and give thanks to your name. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 124, 1-2

This place was made by God, a priceless mystery;
it is without reproof.

O God, before whom stands the choir of angels,
hear the prayers of your servants.

They who trust in the Lord
are like Mount Sion, which is immovable;
which forever stands.

Mountains are round about Jerusalem;
so the Lord is round about his people, both now and forever.

During Eastertime:

PS. 137, 2

Alleluia, alleluia. We will worship at your holy temple
and give thanks to your name,
Alleluia. The house of the Lord is well founded
upon a firm rock. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 19, 1-10

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PAR. 29, 17, 18

O Lord God, in the simplicity of my heart
I have joyfully offered all these things;
and I have seen with great joy your people which is here present:
O God of Israel, keep this will. Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 21, 13

"My house shall be called a house of prayer," says the Lord;
"in it everyone who asks receives:
and he who seeks finds,
and to him who knocks, it shall be opened." (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Hail, holy Mother, who gave birth to the King
who rules heaven and earth forever and ever.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalms: My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 24, 14-16

MEDITATION SONG

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary;
for without stain to your virginity
you became the Mother of the Savior.
O Virgin Mother of God,
he whom the whole world cannot contain,
being made man, shut himself up within your womb.
Alleluia, alleluia.
After childbirth you still remained an inviolate virgin:
O Mother of God, intercede for us. Alleluia.

In Advent:

LK. 1, 28

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary;
for without stain to your virginity
you became Mother of the Savior.

O Virgin Mother of God,
he whom the whole world cannot contain,
being made man, shut himself up within your womb.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary;
for without stain to your virginity
you became the Mother of the Savior.

O Virgin Mother of God,
he whom the whole world cannot contain,
being made man, shut himself up within your womb.
Rejoice, O Virgin Mary,
for alone you have destroyed all heresies.
You believed the words of the Archangel Gabriel.
As a virgin, you brought forth God and man;
and after childbirth you remained an inviolate virgin.
O Mother of God, intercede for us.

During Eastertime:

NM. 17, 8; LK. 1, 28

Alleluia, alleluia.

The rod of Jesse has blossomed:
a Virgin has brought forth God and man:
God has given peace,
reconciling in himself the lowest with the highest.
Alleluia. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 11, 27-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 1, 28, 42

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women
and blessed is the fruit of your womb. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,
which bore the Son of the eternal Father. (P.T. Alleluia.)

**MASSES OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
ON SATURDAY
During Advent**

ENTRANCE SONG

IS. 45, 8; PS. 84, 2

Antiphon: Drop down dew, you heavens, from above,
and let the clouds rain the Just;
let the earth be opened and bud forth a Savior.

Psalm: You have favored, O Lord, your land;
you have restored the well-being of Jacob.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

IS. 7, 10-15

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 23, 7, 3-4; LK. 1, 28

Lift up, O gates, your lintels; reach up, you ancient portals,
that the King of glory may come in!
Who can ascend the mountain of the Lord?
or who may stand in his holy place?
He whose hands are sinless, whose heart is clean.
Alleluia, alleluia. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 1, 26-38

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 1, 28, 42

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

COMMUNION SONG

IS. 7, 14

Behold, a virgin shall be with child and bear a son,
and shall name him Emmanuel.

From Christmas until the Purification

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 13, 15, 16, 2

Antiphon: All the rich among the people seek your favor.
Behind her the virgins of her train are brought to the king.
Her neighbors are brought to you with gladness and joy.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme,
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

TL. 3, 4-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 3, 2

Fairer in beauty are you than the sons of men;
grace is poured out upon your lips.
My heart overflows with a goodly theme,
as I sing my ode to the king,
my tongue is nimble as the pen of a skillful scribe.
Alleluia, alleluia.
After childbirth, you still remained an inviolate virgin:
O Mother of God, intercede for us. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 44, 3, 2

Fairer in beauty are you than the sons of men;
grace is poured out upon your lips.
My heart overflows with a goodly theme,
as I sing my ode to the king,
my tongue is nimble as the pen of a skillful scribe.
Rejoice, O Virgin Mary;
for alone you have destroyed all heresies.
You believed the words of the Archangel Gabriel.
As a virgin, you brought forth God and man;
and after childbirth, you remained an inviolate virgin.
O Mother of God, intercede for us.

SECOND READING

LK. 2, 15-20

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

For you are happy, O holy Virgin Mary,
and most worthy of all praise;
for from you has risen the sun of justice, Christ our God.

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,
which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

From the Purification until Easter

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Hail, holy Mother, who gave birth to the King
who rules heaven and earth forever.

Psalms: My heart overflows with a goodly theme,
as I sing my ode to the king.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 24, 14-16

MEDITATION SONG

NM. 17, 8

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary;
for without stain to your virginity
you became the Mother of the Savior.
O Virgin mother of God,
he whom the whole world cannot contain,
being made man, shut himself up within your womb.
Alleluia, alleluia.

The rod of Jesse has blossomed:
a Virgin has brought forth God and man:
God has given peace,
reconciling in himself the lowest with the highest. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary;
for without stain to your virginity
you became the Mother of the Savior.
O Virgin Mother of God,
he whom the whole world cannot contain,
being made man, shut himself up within your womb.

Rejoice, O Virgin Mary,
for alone you have destroyed all heresies.
You believed the words of the Archangel Gabriel.
As a virgin, you brought forth God and man;
and after childbirth you remained an inviolate virgin.
O Mother of God, intercede for us.

SECOND READING

LK. 11, 27-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

You are happy, O holy Virgin Mary,
and most worthy of all praise,
since from you has risen the sun of justice, Christ our God.

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,
which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

From Easter until Pentecost

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Hail, holy Mother, who gave birth to the King
who rules heaven and earth forever, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme,
as I sing my ode to the king.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 24, 14-16

MEDITATION SONG

NM. 17, 8; LK. 1, 28

Alleluia, alleluia.

The rod of Jesse has blossomed:

a Virgin has brought forth God and man:

God has given peace,

reconciling in himself the lowest with the highest.

Alleluia. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;

blessed are you among women. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 19, 25-27

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary,
who bore the Creator of all things;
you brought forth him who made you,
and you remain forever a virgin, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,
which bore the Son of the eternal Father, alleluia.

From Pentecost until Advent

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 44, 2

Antiphon: Hail, holy Mother, who gave birth to the King
who rules heaven and earth forever.

Psalm: My heart overflows with a goodly theme,
as I sing my ode to the king.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ECCL. 24, 14-16

MEDITATION SONG

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary;
for without stain to your virginity
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O Virgin Mother of God,
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Alleluia, alleluia.
After childbirth you remained an inviolate virgin.
O Mother of God, intercede for us. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 11, 27-28

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LK. 1, 28, 42

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,
which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

VOTIVE MASS OF THE TRINITY

ENTRANCE SONG

TB. 12, 6; PS. 8, 2

Antiphon: Blessed be the holy Trinity, and undivided Unity:
we will give glory to him,
because he has shown his mercy to us. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: O Lord, our Lord,
how glorious is your name over all the earth!
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 COR. 13, 11, 13

MEDITATION SONG

DN. 3, 55-56, 52

Blessed are you, O Lord,
who look into the depths from your throne upon the cherubim.
Blessed are you, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven,
and praiseworthy forever.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers,
and praiseworthy forever. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

DN. 3, 55-56

Blessed are you, O Lord,
who look into the depths from your throne upon the cherubim.
Blessed are you, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven,
and praiseworthy forever.

With all our hearts we confess you,

we praise you, we bless you,

God the Father unbegotten,

the only-begotten Son, and Holy Spirit, the Consoler,
holy and undivided Trinity.

For you are great and do wonderful things;
you alone are God.

To you be praise, to you glory,

to you thanksgiving for eternal ages, O blessed Trinity.

During Eastertime:

DN. 3, 52

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers,
and praiseworthy forever.

Alleluia. Let us bless the Father and the Son
with the Holy Spirit. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 15, 16-17; JN. 16, 1-4

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

TB. 12, 6

Blessed be God the Father, and the only-begotten Son of God,
and also the Holy Spirit:

because he has shown his mercy to us. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

TB. 12, 6

We bless the God of heaven,

and before all living we will praise him;

because he has shown his mercy to us. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF THE ANGELS

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 102, 20, 1

Antiphon: Bless the Lord, all you his angels,
you mighty in strength, who do his bidding,
obeying his spoken word. (P.T. Alleluia.)

Psalm: Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and, all my being, bless his holy name.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

AP. 5, 11-14

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 148, 1-2; PS. 137, 1-2

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the heights.
Praise him, all you his angels, praise him, all you his hosts.
Alleluia, alleluia.

In the presence of the angels I will sing your praise;
I will worship at your holy temple
and give thanks to your name. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 148, 1-2; PS. 102, 20, 21-22

Praise the Lord from the heavens,
praise him in the heights.
Praise him, all you his angels,
praise him, all you his hosts.
Bless the Lord, all you his angels,
you mighty in strength, who do his bidding.
Bless the Lord, all you his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will.
Bless the Lord, all his work,
everywhere in his domain.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!

During Eastertime:

PS. 137, 1-2; MT. 28, 2

Alleluia, alleluia.
In the presence of the angels I will sing your praise;
I will worship at your holy temple and give thanks to your name.
Alleluia. An angel of the Lord came down from heaven,
and drawing near rolled back the stone, and sat upon it.
Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 1, 47-51

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

AP. 8, 3, 4

An angel stood near the altar of the temple,
having a golden censer in his hand,
and there was given to him much incense:
and the smoke of the perfumes ascended before God.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

Angels, archangels, thrones and dominations,
principalities and powers,
the virtues of the heavens, cherubim and seraphim,
bless the Lord forever. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF SAINT JOSEPH

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 32, 20-21; PS. 79, 2

Antiphon: The Lord is our help and our shield;
in him our hearts rejoice;
in his holy name we trust. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
O guide of the flock of Joseph!
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

GN. 49, 22-26

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 20, 4-5

O Lord, you welcomed him with goodly blessings,
you placed on his head a crown of pure gold.
He asked life of you:
you gave him length of days forever and ever.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Make us lead, O Joseph, an innocent life;
and may it ever be safe under your patronage. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 20, 4-5; PS. 111, 1-3

O Lord, you welcomed him with goodly blessings,
you placed on his head a crown of pure gold.
He asked life of you:
you gave him length of days forever and ever.
Happy the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.
Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia.

In whatever tribulation they shall cry to me,
I will hear them, and be their protector always.
Alleluia. Make us lead, O Joseph, an innocent life;
and may it ever be safe under your patronage. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 3, 21-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 147, 12, 13

Glorify the Lord, O Jerusalem,
for he has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed your children within you. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 1, 16

And Jacob begot Joseph, the husband of Mary,
and of her was born Jesus who is called Christ. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL *Apostles*

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 17, 1-2

Outside of Eastertime:

Antiphon: To me, your friends, O God,
are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Psalm: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

During Eastertime:

PS. 63, 3, 2

Antiphon: You have protected me, O God,
from the assembly of the malignant, alleluia:
from the multitude of the workers of iniquity, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Hear, O God, my prayer
when I make supplication to you:
deliver my soul from the fear of the enemy.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ACTS 5, 12-16

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 17, 18; PS. 138, 17

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord.
The place of your fathers your sons shall have;
therefore shall nations praise you. Alleluia, alleluia.
Your friends, O God, are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 44, 17, 18; PS. 125, 5-6

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord.
The place of your fathers your sons shall have;
therefore shall nations praise you.
Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.
Although they go forth weeping, carrying the seed to be sown.
They shall come back rejoicing, carrying their sheaves.

During Eastertime:

PS. 88, 6; PS. 20, 4

Alleluia, alleluia.
The heavens shall confess your wonders, O Lord;
and your truth in the church of the saints.
Alleluia. O Lord, you placed on his head
a crown of precious stones. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 19, 27-29

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 18, 5

Through all the earth their voice resounds,
and to the ends of the world, their message.

During Eastertime:

PS. 88, 6

The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones,
alleluia, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28

You who have followed me
shall sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

During Eastertime:

PS. 63, 11

The just man is glad in the Lord and takes refuge in him;
in him glory all the upright of heart, alleluia, alleluia.

MASS OF ALL THE HOLY APOSTLES

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 138, 17, 1-2

Outside of Eastertime:

Antiphon: To me, your friends, O God,
are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

Psalm: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

During Eastertime:

PS. 63, 3, 2

Antiphon: You have protected me, O God,
from the assembly of the malignant, alleluia:
from the multitude of the workers of iniquity, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm: Hear, O God, my prayer
when I make supplication to you:
deliver my soul from the fear of the enemy.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

EPH. 4, 7-13

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 44, 17, 18; PS. 138, 17

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord.

The place of your fathers your sons shall have;
therefore shall nations praise you.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Your friends, O God, are made exceedingly honorable;
their principality is exceedingly strengthened. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 44, 17, 18; PS. 125, 5-6

You shall make them princes through all the land;
they shall remember your name, O Lord.

The place of your fathers your sons shall have;
therefore shall nations praise you.

Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

Although they go forth weeping, carrying the seed to be sown.

They shall come back rejoicing, carrying their sheaves.

During Eastertime:

PS. 88, 6; JN. 15, 16

Alleluia, alleluia.

The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones. Alleluia.
I have chosen you from the world and have appointed you
that you should go and bear fruit,
and that your fruit should remain. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 19, 27-29

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 18, 5

Through all the earth their voice resounds,
and to the ends of the world, their message.

During Eastertime:

PS. 44, 17-18

You shall make them princes through all the land.
I will make your name memorable through all generations;
therefore shall all generations praise you forever and ever,
alleluia, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

MT. 19, 28

You who have followed me shall sit on thrones
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

During Eastertime:

PS. 18, 5

Through all the earth their voice resounds,
and to the end of the world, their message, alleluia, alleluia.

MASS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

ENTRANCE SONG

WIS. 1, 7; PS. 67, 2

Antiphon: The spirit of the Lord fills the world,
is all-embracing, and knows man's utterance.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: God arises;
his enemies are scattered,
and those who hate him flee before him.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ACTS 8, 14-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 32, 12, 6

Happy the nation whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen for his own inheritance.
By the word of the Lord the heavens were made;
by the breath of his mouth all their hosts.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 32, 12, 6; PS. 103, 30

Happy the nation whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen for his own inheritance.
By the word of the Lord the heavens were made;
by the breath of his mouth all their hosts.
Send forth your spirit, and they shall be created;
and you shall renew the face of the earth.
O Lord, how good and sweet is your spirit within us!
Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

During Eastertime:

PS. 103, 30

Alleluia, alleluia.
Send forth your spirit, and they shall be created;
and you shall renew the face of the earth. Alleluia.
Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 14, 23-31

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 67, 29-30

After Septuagesima omit the Alleluia in the following antiphon.

Confirm, O God, what you have wrought in us; from your temple,
which is in Jerusalem, kings shall offer gifts to you, alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

ACTS 2, 2, 4

After Septuagesima omit the Alleluia in the following antiphon.

Suddenly there came a sound from heaven,
as of a violent wind blowing, where they were sitting,
and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit,
speaking of the wonderful works of God, alleluia.

MASS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 80, 17, 2

Antiphon: He fed them with the best of wheat,
and filled them with honey from the rock.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Sing joyfully to God our strength;
acclaim the God of Jacob.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

1 COR. 11, 23-29

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 144, 15-16; JN. 6, 56-57

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, O Lord;
and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand;
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.
Alleluia, alleluia.

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.
He who eats my flesh, and drinks my blood,
abides in me and I in him. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 144, 15-16; MAL. 1, 11; PRV. 9, 5

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, O Lord;
and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand;
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.
Alleluia, alleluia.

From the rising of the sun, even to its setting,
my name is great among the nations.
And everywhere they bring sacrifice to my name,
and a pure offering;
for great is my name among the nations.
Come, eat of my bread,
and drink of the wine I have mixed for you.

During Eastertime:

LK. 24, 35; JN. 6, 56-57

Alleluia, alleluia. The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia.

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.

He who eats my flesh, and drinks my blood, abides in me and I in him. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 6, 56-59

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LV. 21, 6

The priests of the Lord offer incense and loaves to God, and therefore they shall be sacred to their God and shall not profane his name. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

COR. 11, 26-27

As often as you shall eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord, until he comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF JESUS CHRIST THE HIGH PRIEST

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 109, 4, 1

Antiphon: The Lord has sworn and he will not repent:

"You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchisedec." (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand." Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

HEB. 5, 1-11

MEDITATION SONG

LK. 4, 18; HEB. 7, 24

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he has anointed me.

To bring good news to the poor he has sent me, to heal the contrite of heart.

Alleluia, alleluia.

But Jesus, because he continues forever,
has an everlasting priesthood. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

LK. 4, 18; PS. 9, 34-36

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me
because he has anointed me.

To bring good news to the poor he has sent me,
to heal the contrite of heart.

Rise, O Lord!

O God, lift up your hand!

Forget not the afflicted!

You do see, for you behold misery and sorrow.

On you the unfortunate man depends;
of the fatherless you are the helper.

During Eastertime:

HEB. 7, 24; LK. 4, 18

Alleluia, alleluia.

But Jesus, because he continues forever,
has an everlasting priesthood.

Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me
because he has anointed me;

to bring good news to the poor he has sent me,
to heal the contrite of heart. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 22, 14-20

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

HEB. 10, 12-14

Christ having offered one sacrifice for sins,
has taken his seat forever at the right hand of God;
for by one offering he has perfected forever
those who are sanctified. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

I COR. 11, 24-25

"This is the body which shall be given up for you.
This cup is the new covenant in my blood," says the Lord.
"Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."
(P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF THE HOLY CROSS

ENTRANCE SONG

GAL. 6, 14; PS. 66, 2

Antiphon: But it behooves us to glory
in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ:
in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection:
by whom we are saved and delivered. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia).

Psalm: May God have pity on us and bless us;
may he let his face shine upon us;
and may he have pity on us.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

PHIL. 2, 8-11

MEDITATION SONG

PHIL. 2, 8-9

Christ became obedient for us to death,
even to death on a cross.
Therefore, God also has exalted him,
and has bestowed upon him
the name that is above every name.
Alleluia, alleluia. Sweet the wood, sweet the nails,
sweet the load that hangs on you:
you alone were worthy to bear up the king and Lord of heaven.
Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PHIL. 2, 8-9

Christ became obedient for us to death,
even to death on a cross.
Therefore, God also has exalted him,
and has bestowed upon him
the name that is above every name.
We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:
because by your cross you redeemed the world.
We adore your cross, O Lord,
we commemorate your glorious passion;
have mercy on us, you who suffered for us.
O blessed cross, you alone were worthy
to bear the Lord and king of the heavens.

During Eastertime:

PS. 95, 10

Alleluia, alleluia. Say among the nations:

The Lord has reigned from the wood.

Alleluia. Sweet the wood, sweet the nails,
sweet the load that hangs on you:

you alone were worthy

to bear up the king and Lord of heaven. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 20, 17-19

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Through the sign of the holy cross,
protect your people, O Lord, from the snares of all enemies,
that we may pay you a pleasing service,
and our sacrifice may be acceptable. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

By the sign of the cross, our God,
deliver us from our enemies. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF OUR LORD'S PASSION

ENTRANCE SONG

PHIL. 2, 8-9; PS. 88, 2

Antiphon: The Lord Jesus Christ humbled himself unto death,
even to death on a cross;
therefore God also exalted him and has bestowed upon him
the name that is above every name.
(P. T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: The favors of the Lord I will sing forever;
through all generations.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ZA. 12, 10-11; 13, 6-7

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 68, 21-22

Insult has broken my heart, and I am weak;
I looked for sympathy, but there was none;
for comforters, and I found none.

Rather they put gall in my food,
and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Hail, our king; you alone pitied our errors;
obedient to the Father, you were led to be crucified
like a meek lamb to the slaughter. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 68, 21-22; IS. 53, 4-5

Insult has broken my heart, and I am weak;
I looked for sympathy, but there was none;
for comforters, and I found none.
Rather they put gall in my food,
and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

Yet it was our infirmities that he bore,
our sufferings that he endured.

While we thought of him as stricken,
as one smitten by God and afflicted.

But he was pierced for our offenses, crushed for our sins.
Upon him was the chastisement that makes us whole,
by his stripes we were healed.

During Eastertime:

Alleluia, alleluia. Hail, our king: you alone pitied our errors;
obedient to the Father, you were led to be crucified
like a meek lamb to the slaughter. Alleluia.

Glory to you, to you hosanna; to you triumph and victory;
to you the crown of highest praise and honor! Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 19, 28-35

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Wicked men rose up against me;
pitilessly they sought to slay me without mercy;
and they did not spare to spit in my face;
with lances they wounded me,
and all my bones are shattered. (P. T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 21, 17-18

They have pierced my hands and my feet:
They have numbered all my bones. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 32, 11, 19, 1

Antiphon: The thoughts of his heart are to all generations:
to deliver them from death
and preserve them in spite of famine. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalms: Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

EPH. 3, 8-12, 14-19

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 24, 8-9; MT. 11, 29

Good and upright is the Lord;
thus he shows sinners the way.
He guides the humble to justice;
he teaches the humble his way.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,
for I am meek, and humble of heart:
and you will find rest for your souls. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 24, 8-9; PS. 102, 8-10

Good and upright is the Lord;
thus he shows sinners the way.
He guides the humble to justice;
he teaches the humble his way.
Merciful and gracious is the Lord,
slow to anger and abounding in kindness.
He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever.
Not according to our sins does he deal with us,
nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

During Eastertime:

MT. 11, 28, 29

Alleluia, alleluia.
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,
for I am meek and humble of heart;
and you will find rest for your souls.
Alleluia. Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 19, 31-37

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 68, 21

My heart expected reproach and misery;
I looked for sympathy, but there was none;
and for comforters, and I found none.

During Eastertime:

PS. 39, 7-9

Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not;
then said I, "Behold I come;
in the written scroll it is prescribed for me,
to do your will, O my God, is my delight,
and your law is within my heart!" Alleluia.

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 19, 34

One of the soldiers opened his side with a lance,
and immediately there came out blood and water.

During Eastertime:

JN. 7, 37

If anyone thirst,
let him come to me and drink. Alleluia, alleluia.

MASS FOR THE SPREADING OF THE FAITH

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 66, 2-3, 4

Antiphon: May God have pity on us and bless us;
may he let his face shine upon us;
and may he have pity on us.

So may your ways be known upon earth;
among all nations, your salvation. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: May the peoples praise you, O God;
may all the peoples praise you!

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

ECCL. 36, 1-10, 17-19

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 66, 6-8; PS. 99, 1

May the peoples praise you, O God;
may all the peoples praise you!
The earth has yielded its fruits.
God, our God, has blessed us.

May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear him!
Alleluia, alleluia. Sing joyfully to God, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful song. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 66, 6-8; PS. 95, 3-5

May the peoples praise you, O God;
may all the peoples praise you!
The earth has yielded its fruits.
God, our God, has blessed us.
May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear him!
Tell the glory of the Lord among the nations;
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.
For great is the Lord and highly to be praised;
awesome is he, beyond all gods.
For all the gods of the nations are devils,
but the Lord made the heavens.

During Eastertime:

PS. 99, 1-2

Alleluia, alleluia.
Sing joyfully to God, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful song.
Alleluia. Know that the Lord is God;
he made us, his we are. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 9, 35-38

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 95, 7-9

Give to the Lord, you families of nations,
give to the Lord glory and praise;
give to the Lord the glory due his name!
Bring gifts, and enter his courts;
worship the Lord in his holy court. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 116, 1-2

Praise the Lord, all you nations;
glorify him, all you peoples!
For steadfast is his kindness toward us,
and the fidelity of the Lord endures forever. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE CHURCH

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 43, 23-24, 25-26, 2

Antiphon: Awake! Why are you asleep, O Lord?

Arise! Cast us not off forever!

Why do you hide your face, forgetting our oppression?

Our bodies are pressed to the earth.

Arise, O Lord, help us and deliver us! (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia).

Psalm: O God, our ears have heard;

our fathers have declared to us.

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EST. 13, 8-11, 15-17

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 82, 19, 14; PS. 79, 3

Let the nations know that God is your name;

you alone are the Most High over all the earth.

O my God, make them like leaves in a whirlwind,

like chaff before the wind.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Rouse your power, O Lord,

and come to save us. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 82, 19, 14; PS. 78, 9-11

Let the nations know that God is your name;

you alone are the Most High over all the earth.

O my God, make them like leaves in a whirlwind,

like chaff before the wind.

Help us, O God our savior,

because of the glory of your name, O Lord;

deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"

Let him be known among the nations in our sight.

Avenge the shedding of your servants' blood;

let the prisoners' sighing come before you.

During Eastertime: PS. 79, 3, 15-16

Alleluia, alleluia.

Rouse your power, O Lord, and come to save us.

Alleluia. Once again, O God of hosts,

look down from heaven, and see;

take care of this vine,

and protect what your right hand has planted. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 11, 5-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 17, 28, 32

Lowly people you save, O Lord,

but haughty eyes you bring low;

for who is God except you, O Lord? (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 81, 84, 86

My soul pines for your salvation;

I hope in your word.

When will you do judgment on my persecutors?

The wicked persecuted me wrongfully;

help me, O Lord my God! (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS FOR CHURCH UNITY

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 105, 47, 1

Antiphon: Save us, O Lord, our God,

and gather us from among the nations,

that we may give thanks to your holy name

and glory in praising you. (P.T. Alleluia.)

Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

for his kindness endures forever!

Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

EPH. 4, 1-7, 13-21

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 121, 6-7; PS. 147, 12

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!
May those who love you prosper!
May peace be within your walls, prosperity in your buildings.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Glorify the Lord, O Jerusalem;
praise your God, O Sion. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 121, 6-7; PS. 75, 2-4

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!
May those who love you prosper!
May peace be within your walls, prosperity in your buildings.
God is renowned in Juda;
in Israel great is his name.
In the city of peace is his abode;
his dwelling is in Sion.
There he shattered the flashing shafts of the bow,
shield and sword, and weapons of war.

During Eastertime:

PS. 147, 12, 14

Alleluia, alleluia.
Glorify the Lord, O Jerusalem;
praise your God, O Sion.
Alleluia. He has granted peace in your borders;
with the best of wheat he fills you. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 17, 1, 11-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

ROM. 15, 5-6

May God grant you to be of one mind toward one another;
that, one in spirit, you may with one mouth glorify our God.
(P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

1 COR. 10, 17

The bread is one, and we though many, are one body,
all of us who partake of the one bread,
and of the one chalice. (P.T. Alleluia).

MASS IN TIME OF WAR

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 24, 6, 3, 22, 1-2

Antiphon: Remember that your compassion, O Lord,
and your kindness are from of old;
let not our enemies exult over us;
deliver us, O God of Israel, from all our tribulations.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: To you I lift up my soul, O Lord;
in you, O my God, I trust;
let me not be put to shame.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JER. 42, 1-2, 7-12

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 76, 15-16; PS. 58, 2

You are the God who alone works wonders;
among the peoples you have made known your power.
With your strong arm you delivered your people,
the sons of Israel and Joseph.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Rescue me from my enemies, O my God;
from my adversaries defend me. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 76, 15-16; PS. 102, 10; PS. 78, 8-9

You are the God who alone works wonders;
among the peoples you have made known your power.
With your strong arm you delivered your people,
the sons of Israel and Joseph.
O Lord, deal with us not according to our sins,
nor requite us according to our crimes.
O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may your compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God, our savior,
because of the glory of your name, O Lord;
deliver us and pardon our sins for your name's sake.

During Eastertime:

PS. 58, 2, 17

Alleluia, alleluia.

Rescue me from my enemies, O my God;
from my adversaries defend me.

Alleluia. But I will sing of your strength
and revel at dawn in your kindness. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 24, 3-8

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 17, 28, 32

Lowly people you save, O Lord, but haughty eyes you bring low;
for who is God except you, O Lord? (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 30, 3

Incline your ear; make haste to deliver us! (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS FOR PEACE

ENTRANCE SONG

ECCL. 36, 18; PS. 121, 1

Antiphon: Give peace, O Lord, to those who have hoped in you,
and let your prophets be proved true.

Hear the prayers of your servant,
and of your people Israel. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: I rejoiced because they said to me,
"We will go up to the house of the Lord."
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

2 MC. 1, 1-5

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 121, 6-7; PS. 147, 12

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!

May those who love you prosper!

May peace be within your walls, prosperity in your buildings.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Glorify the Lord, O Jerusalem;
praise your God, O Sion. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 121, 6-7; PS. 75, 2-4

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!

May those who love you prosper!

May peace be within your walls, prosperity in your buildings.

God is renowned in Juda;

in Israel great is his name.

In the city of peace is his abode;

his dwelling is in Sion.

There he shattered the flashing shafts of the bow,
shield and sword, and weapons of war.

During Eastertime:

PS. 147, 12, 14

Alleluia, alleluia. Glorify the Lord, O Jerusalem;

praise your God, O Sion.

Alleluia. He has granted peace in your borders;

with the best of wheat he fills you. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 20, 19-23

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 134, 3, 6

Praise the Lord, for he is good;

sing to his name, for it is sweet.

All that he wills he does in heaven and on earth. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

JN. 14, 27

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you,"
says the Lord. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS

ENTRANCE SONG

WIS. 11, 24, 25, 27; PS. 56, 2

Antiphon: You have mercy on all, O Lord,
and hate none of the things which you have made,
overlooking the sins of men for the sake of repentance,
and sparing them: because you are the Lord our God.
(P. T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Have pity on me, O God;
have pity on me, for in you I take refuge.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

ROM. 7, 22-25

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 78, 9-10, 9; PS. 7, 12

Pardon our sins, O Lord:
why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"
Help us, O God our savior;
because of the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.
Alleluia, alleluia.
A just judge is God, strong and patient;
is he angry every day? Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 78, 9-10, 9; PS. 129, 1-4

Pardon our sins, O Lord:
why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"
Help us, O God our savior;
because of the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.
Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears
be attentive to the prayer of your servant.
If you, O Lord, mark iniquities, Lord, who can stand it?
But with you is forgiveness,
and by reason of your law I have waited for you, O Lord.

During Eastertime: PS. 7, 12; PS. 50, 10

Alleluia, alleluia.

A just judge is God, strong and patient;
is he angry every day? Alleluia.

Let me hear the sounds of joy and gladness;
the bones you have crushed shall rejoice. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

LK. 11, 9-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 101, 2

O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come to you.

(P. T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

LK. 11, 9-10

Ask, and you shall receive; seek, and you shall find;
knock, and it shall be opened to you.

For everyone who asks receives; and he who seeks finds;
and to him who knocks it shall be opened. (P. T. Alleluia.)

MASS FOR THE SICK

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 54, 2-3, 3-4

Antiphon: Hearken, O God, to my prayer;
turn not away from my pleading;
give heed to me, and answer me. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: I rock with grief, and am troubled
at the voice of the enemy and the clamor of the wicked.
Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

JAS. 5, 13-16

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 6, 3-4; PS. 101, 2

Have pity on me, O Lord, for I am languishing;
heal me, O Lord.

For my body is in terror;
my soul, too, is utterly terrified.

Alleluia, alleluia. O Lord, hear my prayer,
and let my cry come to you. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 6, 3-4; PS. 30, 10-11

Have pity on me, O Lord, for I am languishing;
heal me, O Lord.

For my body is in terror;
my soul, too, is utterly terrified.

Have pity on me, O Lord, for I am in distress:
with sorrow my eye is consumed;
my soul also, and my body.

For my life is spent with grief and my years with sighing.
My strength has failed through affliction,
and my bones are consumed.

During Eastertime:

PS. 101, 2; PS. 27, 7

Alleluia, alleluia.

Hear, O Lord, my prayer,
and let my cry come to you.

Alleluia. In God my heart trusts, and I find help;
then my flesh flourishes again
and with my song I give him thanks. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MT. 8, 5-13

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 54, 2-3

Hearken, O God, to my prayer;
turn not away from my pleading;
give heed to me and answer me. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 30, 17-18

Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your kindness.
O Lord, let me not be put to shame,
for I call upon you. (P.T. Alleluia.)

MASS FOR ANY NECESSITY

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 77, 1

Antiphon: "I am the salvation of the people," says the Lord.
"From whatever tribulation they shall cry to me,
I will hear them; and I will be their Lord forever."
(P. T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Hearken, my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
Glory be to the Father.

Repeat Antiphon.

FIRST READING

JER. 14, 7-8, 9

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 43, 8-9; PS. 78, 9-10

You saved us, O Lord, from our foes,
and those who hated us you put to shame.
In God we glorified day by day; your name we praised always.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Pardon our sins, O Lord; why should the nations say,
"Where is their God?" Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 43, 8-9; PS. 24, 17-18, 1-4

You saved us, O Lord, from our foes,
and those who hated us you put to shame.
In God we glorified day by day; your name we praised always.
Bring me out of distress, O Lord;
put an end to my affliction and my suffering,
and take away all my sins.
To you I lift up my soul, O Lord.
In you O my God, I trust;
let me not be put to shame,
let not my enemies exult over me.
No one who waits for you shall be put to shame;
those shall be put to shame who heedlessly break faith.

During Eastertime:

PS. 78, 9-10; PS. 30, 8

Alleluia, alleluia.

Pardon our sins, O Lord; why should the nations say,
"Where is their God?" Alleluia.

I will rejoice and be glad of your kindness,
when you have seen my affliction
and watched over me in my distress. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

MK. 11, 22-26

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

PS. 137, 7

Though I walk amid distress, you preserve me;
against the anger of my enemies you raise your hand;
your right hand saves me. (P. T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

PS. 118, 49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
since you have given me hope.
This is my comfort in my affliction. (P. T. Alleluia.)

DAILY MASS FOR THE DEAD

The liturgy for Masses for the dead has a double character. It reflects the hope and joy of the ancient Church in the scripture readings and the "frightened" Christianity of the Middle Ages in the Sequence and other chants. The readings and prayers vary from Mass to Mass, but the following chants are common to all celebrations for the dead.

ENTRANCE SONG

4 ESD. 2, 34, 35; PS. 64, 2-3

Antiphon: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord:
and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Psalm: To you we owe our hymn of praise, O God, in Sion;
to you must vows be fulfilled in Jerusalem. Hear my prayer;
to you all flesh must come. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

AP. 14, 13

MEDITATION SONG

4 ESD. 2, 34, 35; PS. 111, 7

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord:
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;
an evil report he shall not fear.
Absolve, O Lord, the souls of all the faithful departed
from every bond of sin.
And by the help of your grace
may they deserve to escape the judgment of vengeance.
And to enjoy the blessedness of light eternal.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Day of wrath! O day of mourning!
See fulfilled the prophets' warning,
Heav'n and earth in ashes burning!
O what fear man's bosom rendeth
when from heav'n the judge descendeth,
On whose sentence all dependeth!
Wondrous sound the trumpet flingeth;
Through earth's sepulchers it ringeth;
All before the throne it bringeth.

Death is struck, and nature quaking,
All creation is awaking,
To its judge an answer making.

Lo! the book, exactly worded,
Wherein all hath been recorded:
Thence shall judgment be awarded.

When the judge his seat attaineth
And each hidden deed arraigneth,
Nothing unavenged remaineth.

What shall I, frail man, be pleading?
Who for me be interceding,
When the just are mercy needing?

King of majesty tremendous,
Who dost free salvation send us,
Fount of pity, then befriend us!

Think, good Jesus, my salvation
Cost thy wondrous incarnation;
Leave me not to reprobation!

Faint and weary, thou hast sought me,
On the cross of suff'ring bought me.
Shall such grace be vainly brought me?

Righteous judge! for sin's pollution
Grant thy gift of absolution,
Ere the day of retribution.

Guilty, now I pour my moaning,
All my shame with anguish owning;
Spare, O God, thy suppliant groaning!

Thou the sinful woman savedst;
Thou the dying thief forgavest;
And to me a hope vouchsafest.

Worthless are my prayers and sighing,
Yet, good Lord, in grace complying,
Rescue me from fires undying!

With thy favored sheep O place me
Nor among the goats abase me,
But to thy right hand upraise me.

While the wicked are confounded,
Doomed to flames of woe unbounded,
Call me with thy saints surrounded.

Low I kneel, with heart submission:
See, like ashes, my contrition;
Help me in my last condition.

Ah! that day of tears and mourning!
From the dust of earth returning,
Man for judgment must prepare him;
Spare, O God, in mercy spare him!

Lord, all pitying, Jesus blest,
Grant them thine eternal rest. Amen.

SECOND READING

JN. 6, 51-55

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory,
deliver the souls of all the faithful departed
from the pains of hell and the deep pit;
deliver them from the lion's mouth;
may hell not swallow them up, nor may they fall into darkness,
but may Michael, the holy standard-bearer,
bring them into the holy light:
Which you once promised to Abraham and to his seed.
We offer you, O Lord, sacrifices and prayers of praise;
receive them for the souls whom we remember this day.
Grant, O Lord, that they may pass from death to life.
Which you once promised to Abraham and to his seed.

COMMUNION SONG

4 ESD. 2, 35, 34

May light eternal shine upon them, O Lord:
With your saints forever, for you are merciful.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord;
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
With your saints forever, for you are merciful.

ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR THE DEAD

Same as the Daily Mass for the Dead, Page 444, with the following exceptions. The Sequence is optional.

FIRST READING

2 MC. 12, 43-46

SECOND READING

JN. 6, 37-40

MASS ON THE DAY OF BURIAL

Before Mass

RESPONSORY

Come to his (her) aid, O saints of God;
Hasten to meet him (her), angels of the Lord;
Taking up his (her) soul,
Presenting it in the sight of the Most High.
May you be received by Christ,
Who has called you:
and may the Angels bring you
into the bosom of Abraham.
Taking up his (her) soul,
Presenting it in the sight of the Most High.
Eternal rest grant unto him (her), O Lord:
and let perpetual light shine upon him (her).
Presenting his (her) soul
in the sight of the Most High.

The Mass

Same as the Daily Mass for the Dead, Page 444, with the following exceptions:

FIRST READING

1 THES. 4, 13-18

SECOND READING

JN. 11, 21-27

Absolution After Mass

RESPONSORY

Priest: Deliver me, O Lord, from everlasting death
on that day of terror:
When the heavens and the earth will be shaken
As you come to judge the world by fire.
I am in fear and trembling
at the judgment and the wrath
that is to come.
When the heavens and the earth will be shaken.
That day will be a day of wrath,
of misery, and of ruin:
a day of grandeur and great horror:
As you come to judge the world by fire.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
Deliver me, O Lord, from everlasting death
on that day of terror:
When the heavens and the earth will be shaken.
As You come to judge the world by fire.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Next the priest says in a high voice:

Priest: Our Father . . .
And lead us not into temptation.

People: But deliver us from evil.

Priest: From the gate of hell.

People: Rescue his (her) soul, O Lord.

Priest: May he (she) rest in peace.

People: Amen.

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

People: And let my cry come to you.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

FORTY HOURS ADORATION

A solemn votive Mass of the Blessed Sacrament is first celebrated.

MASS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ENTRANCE SONG

PS. 80, 17, 2

Antiphon: He fed them with the best of wheat,
and filled them with honey from the rock.
(P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

Psalm: Sing joyfully to God our strength;
acclaim the God of Jacob.

Glory be to the Father. *Repeat Antiphon.*

FIRST READING

1 COR. 11, 23-29

MEDITATION SONG

PS. 144, 15-16; JN. 6, 56-57

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, O Lord;
and you give them their food in due season.

You open your hand;

and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Alleluia, alleluia.

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.

He who eats my flesh, and drinks my blood,

abides in me and I in him. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima:

PS. 144, 15-16; MAL. 1, 11; PRV. 9, 5

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, O Lord;

and you give them their food in due season.

You open your hand;

and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Alleluia, alleluia.

From the rising of the sun, even to its setting,

my name is great among the nations.

And everywhere they bring sacrifice to my name,

and a pure offering;

for great is my name among the nations.

Come, eat of my bread,

and drink of the wine I have mixed for you.

During Eastertime:

LK. 24, 35; JN. 6, 56-57

Alleluia, alleluia. The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia.

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.

He who eats my flesh, and drinks my blood,
abides in me and I in him. Alleluia.

SECOND READING

JN. 6, 56-59

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

LV. 21, 6

The priests of the Lord offer incense and loaves to God,
and therefore they shall be sacred to their God
and shall not profane his name. (P.T. Alleluia.)

COMMUNION SONG

COR. 11, 26-27

As often as you shall eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the death of the Lord, until he comes.

Therefore whoever eats this bread

or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily

will be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord.

(P.T. Alleluia.)

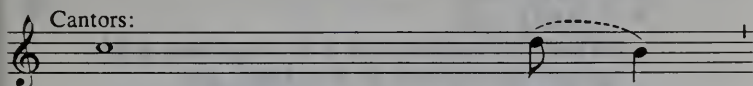
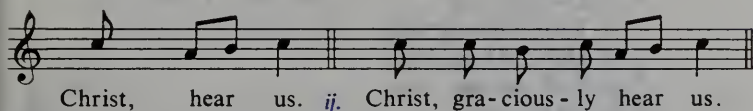
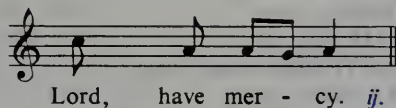
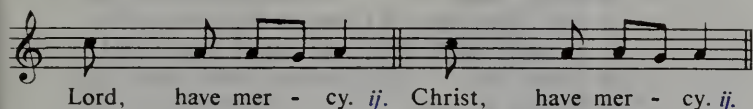
The Exposition

After Mass the celebrant removes the chasuble and maniple and puts on the cape. When he returns to the altar he kneels on the lowest step and incenses the Blessed Sacrament. The procession then takes place, during which suitable hymns in English are sung. It is recommended that the text of the first hymn be the first four verses of Praise We Christ's Immortal Body.

After the procession the Blessed Sacrament is placed on the throne. Verses 5 and 6 of Praise We Christ's Immortal Body, p.201, are sung and the Blessed Sacrament is incensed. Then the cantors begin the Litany of the Saints. All respond.

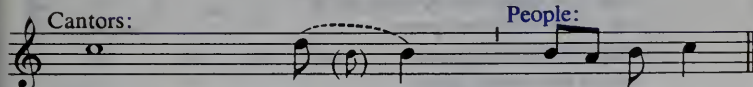
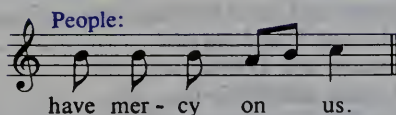
Each of the opening five invocations is sung by the cantors and then repeated by the people.

The Litany of the Saints



God, the Father of
God the Son, Redeemer of the
God the Holy
Holy Trinity, one

HEAV - en,
WORLD,
SPIR - it,
GOD,

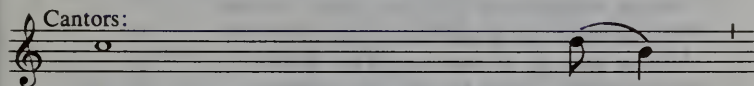


Holy MAR - y, pray for us.
Holy Mother of GOD, pray
Holy Virgin of VIR-gins, pray
St. MI-chael, pray
St. GA-bri-el, pray
St. RAPH-a-el, pray
All you holy angels and arch-AN-gels, pray
All you holy ranks of blessed SPIR-its, pray
St. John the BAP-tist, pray

St. JO-seph, pray
 All you holy patriarchs and PROPH-ets, pray
 St. PE-ter, pray
 St. PAUL, pray
 St. AN-drew, pray
 St. JAMES, pray
 St. JOHN, pray
 * St. THOM-as, pray
 * St. JAMES, pray
 * St. PHIL-ip, pray
 * St. Bar-THOL-o-mew, pray
 * St. MAT-thew, pray
 * St. SI-mon, pray
 * St. THAD-de-us, pray
 * St. Mat-THI-as, pray
 * St. BAR-na-bas, pray
 * St. LUKE, pray
 * St. MARK, pray
 All you holy apostles and e-VAN-ge-lists, pray
 All you holy disciples of the LORD, pray
 * All you holy IN-no-cents, pray
 St. STE-phen, pray
 St. LAW-rence, pray
 St. VIN-cent, pray
 * SS. Fabian and Se-BAS-tian, pray
 * SS. John and PAUL, pray
 * SS. Cosmas and DA-mi-an, pray
 * SS. Gervase and PRO-tase, pray
 All you holy MAR-tyrs, pray
 St. Syl-VES-ter, pray
 St. GREG-o-ry, pray
 * St. AM-brose, pray
 St. Au-GUS-tine, pray
 * St. Jer-OME, pray
 * St. MAR-tin, pray
 * St. NICH-o-las, pray
 All you holy bishops and con-FES-sors, pray
 All you holy DOC-tors, pray
 St. AN-tho-ny, pray

*Omit these invocations at the Paschal Vigil and for the Vigil of Pentecost.

- St. BEN-e-dict pray
 * St. BER-nard, pray
 St. DOM-in-ic, pray
 St. FRAN-cis, pray
 All you holy priests and LE-vites, pray
 All you holy monks and HER-mits, pray
 St. Mary MAG-da-len, pray
 * St. AG-a-tha, pray
 * St. LU-cy, pray
 St. AG-nes, pray
 St. Ce-CIL-ia, pray
 * St. CATH-er-ine, pray
 St. Anas-TA-sia, pray
 All you holy virgins and WID-ows, pray



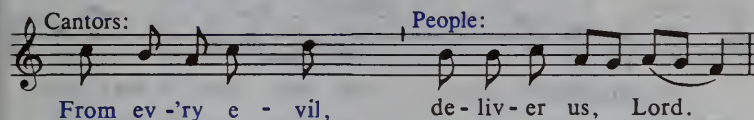
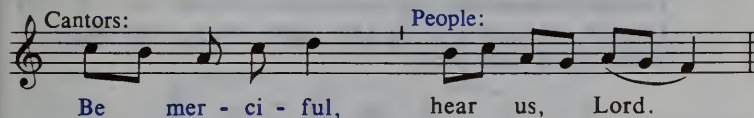
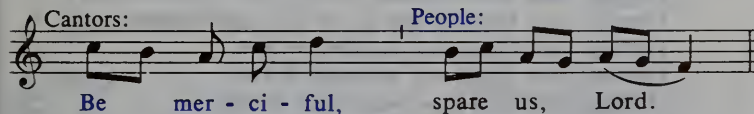
All you holy men and women, saints of GOD,

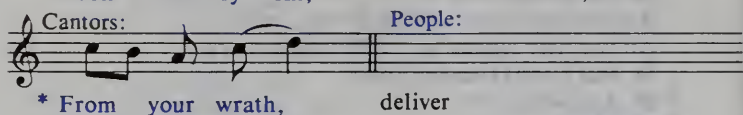
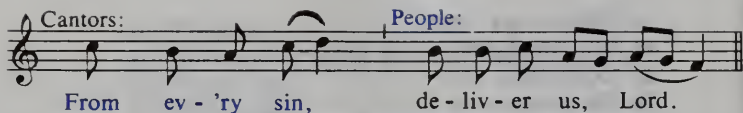


in - ter - cede for us.

On Holy Saturday, the first part of the litany ends here.

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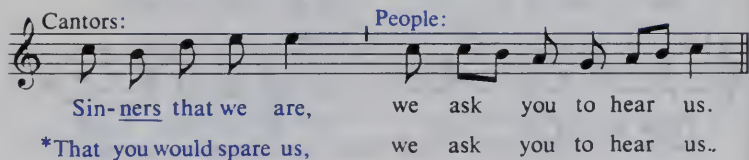


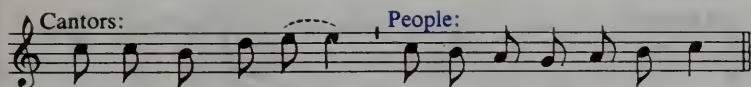
- * From the snares of the dev-il, deliver
- * From anger, hatred, and all ill will, deliver
- * From the spirit of for-ni-ca-tion, deliver
- * From light-ning and tem-pest, deliver
- * From scourge of earth-quakes, deliver
- * From plague, fam-ine, and war, deliver

The following invocation is used only at Forty Hours :

- * From dangers that threat-en us, deliver
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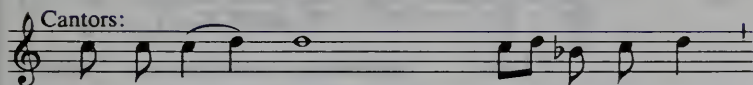
From ev-er-last-ing death, deliver
 Through the mystery of your holy in-car-na-tion, deliver
 Through your com-ing, deliver
 Through your birth, deliver
 Through your baptism and ho-ly fast-ing, deliver
 Through your cross and pas-sion, deliver
 Through your death and bur-ial, deliver
 Through your holy res-ur-rec-tion, deliver
 Through your wonder-ful as-cen-sion, deliver
 Through the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Con-sol-er,
 In the day of judg-ment,



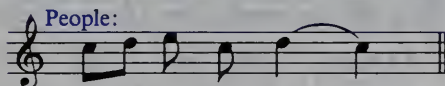


That you would par-don us, this we ask you, hear our prayer.

- * That you would bring us to true pen-ance, this
- That you would govern and preserve your ho-ly Church, this
- That you would preserve our Holy Father and all ranks in the Church in ho-ly re-li-gion, this
- That you would humble the enemies of ho-ly Church, this
- That you would give peace and true union of hearts to Chris-tian kings and ru-lers, this
- * That you would give peace and unity to the whole Chris-tian world, this
- * That you would restore to the unity of the Church all who have strayed from the truth, and lead all unbelievers to the light of the Gos-pel, this
- That you would strengthen and keep us in your ho-ly serv-ice, this
- * That you would lift up our minds to heaven-ly de-sires, this
- That you would repay with everlasting goods all who have done good to us, this
- * That you would deliver our souls, and the souls of our brethren, relatives, and benefactors from everlast-ing dam-na-tion, this
- That you would give and preserve the fruits of the earth, this
- That you would grant eternal rest to all the faith-ful de-part-ed, this
- That you would lis-ten to us, this
- * Son of God, this



Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,



spare us, O Lord.

Cantors:

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,

People:

hear us, O Lord.

Cantors:

Lamb of God who take away the sins of the world,

People:

have mer - cy on us.

Cantors:

Christ, hear us.

People:

Christ, gra-cious-ly hear us.

Cantors:

* Lord, have mer - cy.

People:

* Christ, have mer - cy.

All:

* Lord, have mer - cy.

Priest: Our Father . . . *inaudibly until*
And lead us not into temptation.

People: But deliver us from evil.

Psalm 69

1. Deign, O God, to rescue me;
O Lord, make haste to help me.
2. Let them be put to shame and confounded
who seek my life.
3. Let them be turned back in disgrace
who desire my ruin.
4. Let them retire in their shame
who say to me, "Aha, aha!"
5. But may all who seek you
exult and be glad in you,
6. And may those who love your salvation
say ever: "God be glorified."
7. But I am afflicted and poor,
O God, hasten to help me!
8. You are my help and my deliverer:
O Lord, hold not back.
9. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
10. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.

Priest: Preserve your servants.

People: Who trust in thee, O my God.

Priest: Be unto us, O Lord, a tower of strength.

People: From the face of the enemy.

Priest: Let the enemy do nothing to harm us.

People: And the son of iniquity have no power over us.

Priest: O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins.

People: Nor take retribution on us because of our
transgressions.

Priest: Let us pray for our sovereign Pontiff, N____.

People: The Lord preserve him and give him life, and make him blessed upon the earth, and deliver him not up to the will of his enemies.

Priest: Let us pray for our benefactors.

People: Vouchsafe, for your name's sake, O Lord, to reward with eternal life all them who do us good. Amen.

Priest: Let us pray for the faithful departed.

People: Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Priest: May they rest in peace.

People: Amen.

Priest: For our absent brethren.

People: Preserve your servants who trust in you, O my God.

Priest: Send them, Lord, aid from on high.

People: And from Sion watch over them.

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

People: And let my cry come unto you.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

The priest says here some prayers, some of which are proper to the season. The people respond.

Priest: . . . forever and ever

People: Amen.

The priest kneels down and sings.

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer

People: And let my cry come unto you

Cantor: May the almighty and merciful Lord graciously hear us,

Priest: And may he always protect us. Amen.

(on a lower note) And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

People: Amen.

The Reposition

As the clergy enter, the faithful sing an appropriate hymn. The Litany of the Saints, p.117, is then sung. The Litany is followed by a procession, during which suitable hymns in English are sung. It is recommended that the first four verses of Praise We Christ's Immortal Body, p.201, be sung first. After the procession, the Blessed Sacrament is placed on the altar. Verses 5 and 6 of Praise We Christ's Immortal Body, p.201 are sung and the Blessed Sacrament is incensed.

Priest: You have given them bread from heaven.

People: Containing in itself all delight.

The priest stands and sings some prayers, some of which are proper to the season. To the last prayer the people respond.

Priest: . . . forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer

People: And let my cry come unto you

Cantor: May the almighty and merciful Lord graciously hear us,

Priest: And may he always protect us. Amen.

And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Benediction begins with a hymn in honor of the Blessed Sacrament.

Humbly Let us Voice Our Homage follows this hymn immediately.

After the responses following this hymn, the priest says a short prayer in honor of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Divine Praises are recited .

THE DIVINE PRAISES

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his holy name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be his Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in his angels and in his Saints.

The service ends with the singing of an appropriate hymn of thanksgiving.

Latin Text of the People's Parts of the Ordinary of the Mass

In order that the faithful may become familiar with the Latin text; also, in accordance with Article 36 of the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, the Latin text of the dialogue and of the Ordinary chants should regularly be provided in books, missals, and similar items of a permanent character, but not necessarily in booklets, leaflets, cards, etc.

From the Introduction to English Translations of the Ordinary of the Mass for liturgical use in the United States published by the Bishop's Commission on the Liturgical Apostolate, 1965.

Kyrie

Priest: Kyrie eléison.

People: Kyrie eléison.

Priest: Kyrie eléison.

People: Christe eléison.

Priest: Christe eléison.

People: Christe eléison.

Priest: Kyrie eléison.

People: Kyrie eléison.

Priest: Kyrie eléison.

Gloria

Priest: Glória in excélsis Deo.

People: Et in terra pax homínibus bonae voluntátis. Laudámus te, benedicimus te, adorámus te, glorificámus te, grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam glóriam tuam: Dómine Deus, Rex caeléstis, Deus Pater omnípotens. Dómine Fili unigénite, Jesu Christe; Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Fílius Patris: Qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi, súscipe deprecationem nostram; qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserére nobis. Quóniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dóminus, tu solus Altíssimus: Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spíritu: in glória Dei Patris. Amen.

Short Responses Throughout the Mass

Priest: **Dóminus vobíscum.**

People: Et cum spírítu tuo.

Priest: . . . **Per ómnia saécula saeculórum.**

People: Amen.

After the Epistle

People: Deo grátias.

Before the Gospel

Priest: **Sequéntia (Inítium) Sancti Evangélii secúndum . . .**

People: Glória tibi, Dómine.

After the Gospel

People: Laus tibi, Christe.

Credo

Priest: **Credo in unum Deum.**

People: Patrem omnipoténtem, factórem caeli et terrae, visibílium óm-nium et invisibílium. Et in unum Dóminum Jesum Christum, Fíl-ium Dei unigénitum. Et ex Patre natum ante ómnia saécula. Deum de Deo, lumen de lúmine, Deum verum de Deo vero. Gén-ítum, non factum, consubstantiálem Patri; per quem ómnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos hómines, et propter nostram salútem des-céndit de caelis. Et incarnátus est de Spírítu Sancto ex Mariá Virgine: Et homo factus est. Crucifíxus étiam pro nobis; sub Póntio Piláto passus, et sepúltus est. Et resurréxit tértia die, secúndum Scriptúras. Et ascéndit in caelum; sedet ad déteram Patris. Et íterum ventúrus est cum glória iudicáre vivos et mór-tuos; cuius regni non erit finis. Et in Spírítum Sanctum, Dómi-num, et vivificántem; qui ex Patre Filióque procédit. Qui cum Patre et Fílio simul adorátur, et conglorificátur; qui locútus est per prophétas. Et unam, sanctam, cathólicam et apostólicam Ecclesiam. Confíteor unum baptísma in remissióne peccatórum. Et expecto resurrectionem mortuórum. Et vitam ventúri saeculi. Amen.

Before the Preface

Priest: **Sursum corda.**

People: Habémus ad Dóminum.

Priest: **Grátias agámus Dómino Deo nostro.**

People: Dignum et justum est.

Sanctus

People: Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dóminus Deus Sábaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosánna in excélsis. Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini. Hosánna in excélsis.

Pater Noster

Priest: Orémus: Praeceptis salutáribus móniti, et divína institutióne formáti, audémus dícere:

Priest and Pater noster, qui es in caelis: Sanctificétur nomen tuum: Advéniat regnum tuum, Fiat volúntas tua, sicut in caelo, et in terra.

People: Panem nostrum cotidiánum da nobis hódie, Et dimítte nobis débíta nostra, sicut et nos dimíttimus debitóribus nostris. Et ne nos indúcas in tentatióem. Sed líbera nos a malo.

Pax Domini

Priest: Pax Dómini sit semper vobíscum.

People: Et cum spíritu tuo.

Agnus Dei

People: Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, dona nobis pacem.

(In Requiem Masses: dona eis réquiem dona eis réquiem dona eis réquiem sempitérnam.)

Ecce Agnus Dei

Priest: Ecce Agnus Dei, ecce qui tollit peccáta mundi.

People: Dómine, non sum dignus, ut intres sub tectum meum; sed tantum dic verbo, et sanábitur ánima mea.

At the Communion

Priest: Corpus Christi.

Communicant: Amen.

Dismissal

Priest: Ite, missa est.

(or: Benedicámus Dómino.)

People: Deo grátias.

(in Requiem Masses: Requiéscant in pace.

People: Amen.)

Blessing

Priest: Benedícat vos omnipotens Deus, Pater, et Fílius, + et Spíritus Sanctus.

People: Amen.



THE EUCHARISTIC LITURGY

In the Eucharistic Liturgy we ask God for strength and enlightenment (Collect Prayer). He responds by teaching and encouraging us in the message of his word (readings). We give ourselves then to the Lord in the simple gifts of bread and wine, and ask for the strength to live up to the challenge of his message. In the eucharistic prayer (Canon) he renews our redemption by recalling the effects of the sacrifice of his Son. In Holy Communion, the emptying of himself that Christ began on the cross comes into us and we are renewed in the Lord.

The correct positions for the congregation to assume during the Eucharistic Liturgy vary from one area to another. It is customary in most places that the congregation

STAND *as the celebrant enters and leaves the sanctuary.*

STAND *whenever the celebrant addresses the congregation.*

SIT *during readings from the Old Testament, and during readings of Epistles, Acts of Apostles, or Apocalypse, from the New Testament.*

STAND *during readings of the Gospel from the New Testament.*

KNEEL *during the Canon.*

STAND *for recital of the Lord's Prayer.*

THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

Entrance Rite

ENTRANCE SONG

Turn to the Proper section and/or the Music section.

The eucharistic liturgy, the Mass, begins with song. By singing together, the assembly begins to "be of one mind" (Phil. 2:5) before the Lord. During this song the assembly renews the sacraments of Baptism and Penance by an Act of Contrition. The Entrance Song is sung or recited. The proper text is found in the Proper Section. Another hymn is often added.

In accordance with the judgment of the local Ordinary, the following parts of the Mass may also be in the vernacular language. If there is no entrance singing, these parts may be recited by the people and are followed by the Entrance Song proper to the day.

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

I will go to the altar of God.

People: To God who gives joy to my youth.

Priest: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Priest: I confess to almighty God, . . . to pray to the Lord our God for me.

People: May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting.

Priest: Amen.

People: I confess to almighty God, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy apostles Peter and Paul, to all the saints, and to you, father, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed; through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel,

blessed John the Baptist, holy apostles Peter and Paul, all the saints, and you, father, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting.

People: Amen.

Priest: May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, absolution, and remission of our sins.

People: Amen.

Priest: O God, you will give us life again.

People: And your people will rejoice in you.

Priest: Show us, O Lord, your kindness.

People: And grant us your salvation.

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

People: And let my cry come to you.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Let us pray.

The priest greets the altar, the symbol of Christ. He kisses it saying:

Lord we ask you to forgive us our sins so that we can be made worthy to enter the holy of holies with clean minds: Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We ask you, Lord, by the holiness of the saints whose remains are here, and of all the saints, mercifully to forgive us all our sins. Amen.

As soon as he reaches his seat as president of the assembly, the celebrant invites everyone to join in the Kyrie, a part of an ancient Greek litany of intentions. It is entirely addressed to Christ the Lord. With the insistence of repetition we pray together for the needs of the whole Church and of the "church in miniature" which we are. The Kyrie has the urgency of the blind man crying out for mercy of the Lord, son of David (Mt. 20:20).

If the Kyrie is sung, turn to the Music section.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Priest: Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

If it is said, the Gloria follows, a hymn in praise of the Trinity. This hymn also comes from the gospel (LK. 2:14) and the Eastern liturgy.

If the Gloria is sung, turn to the Music section.

Priest: Glory to God in the highest.

People: And on earth peace to men of good will.*

We praise you. We bless you. We worship you.

We glorify you.*

We give you thanks for your great glory.*

Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father

almighty.*

Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son.*

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.*

You, who take away the sins of the world,*

have mercy on us.*

You, who take away the sins of the world,*

receive our prayer.*

You, who sit at the right hand of the Father,*

have mercy on us.*

For you alone are holy.*

You alone are Lord.*

You alone, O Jesus Christ, are most high,*

With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the

Father. Amen.

Priest: _____ People: _____

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Priest: Let us pray

Priest: forever and ever.

Let us pray. O God... and ev - er. A - men.

People: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION SONG

Turn to the Proper section.

After the first (or second) reading, the community responds by singing or reciting the meditation proper to the day. Songs are the natural lyrical response of Bible folk to the various situations of their lives: covenant, pilgrimage, peace, war, sin and mercy. Most usually, the psalms sing of the glory of God. Christians are the new people of the Bible, children of the covenant. The psalms continue to be our best meditation on the word of God.

Priest: Cleanse my heart and my lips, O almighty God, who did cleanse the lips of the prophet Isaia with a burning coal. Grant in your gracious mercy to purify me so that I may worthily proclaim your holy Gospel: through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pray, a blessing

May the Lord be in my heart and on my lips, that I may worthily and fitly proclaim his holy Gospel. Amen.

The proclamation of the gospel climaxes the Liturgy of the Word. The Lord has already spoken to us through the prophets and apostles. Now the Word enfleshed speaks. We Christians believe that during the gospel the Lord stands in our midst and gives us anew the good news of salvation. We respond by standing to greet the Lord at his coming.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to

We declare our agreement and willingness to accept the message.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Then, after its proclamation:

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

A homily (the word means literally "a sharing") explains and applies to Christian living the message of God's word.

The liturgy of the word of God ends with a reaffirmation of a Christian faith (in some celebrations).

If the Creed is sung, turn to the Music section.

Priest: I believe in one God.

People: The Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,*
and of all things visible and invisible.*

And I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,*
the only-begotten Son of God.

Born of the Father before all ages.*

God of God, Light of Light, true God of true God.*

Begotten, not made,*

of one substance with the Father.*

By whom all things were made.*

Who for us men and for our salvation came down
from heaven.*

And he became flesh by the Holy Spirit of the
Virgin Mary:* and was made man.*

He was also crucified for us,*

Suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was buried.*

And on the third day he rose again, according
to the Scriptures.*

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand
of the Father.*

He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead.*

And of his kingdom there will be no end.*

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and
Giver of life,*

Who proceeds from the Father and the Son.*

Who together with the Father and the Son is adored
and glorified,*

And who spoke through the prophets.*

And one holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.*

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.*

And I await the resurrection of the dead.*

And the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Líturgy of the Eucharíst

The Preparation of the Gifts

The assembly moves from the celebration of the word to the great act of the Eucharist. It first makes known to the Lord its urgent needs in the Prayer of the Faithful. After the usual greeting, the celebrant or one appointed by him asks the Lord to look after the Pope, bishops, people, the sick, the dead, etc. The form of this prayer is flexible. See examples of the Prayer of the Faithful, pages 159 — 167.

At the end, the celebrant sums it up in another prayer of the assembly, to which approval is given.

People: Amen.

SONG WHILE PREPARING THE GIFTS

Turn to the Proper section and/or the Music section.

After the litany, celebrant-president moves from pulpit or chair to the altar to begin the preparation of the gifts. Now is sung or recited the Song While The Gifts Are Prepared, proper to the day. Another hymn may be included. During the recitation or singing, the gifts, bread and wine, are brought to the altar of sacrifice. During the gift-giving rite, the celebrant accompanies every action with a personal prayer. In earlier times, there were none such. These prayers simply give a verbal dimension to what the priest is doing. They apply exclusively to him and his assistants. It is certainly fitting that every member of the assembly pray at this time to make a gift of himself; and to make known to God again, as in the Kyrie, the needs of the Church, of the assembly, and of himself. A hymn sung here is the best possible offertory prayer.

The bread is offered.

Receive, Holy Father, God almighty and everlasting, this unblemished host which I, your unworthy servant, offer to you, my living and true God, for my own countless sins, offenses, and failings; for all here present and for all faithful Christians, living and dead, that it may help both me and them unto salvation in life eternal. Amen.

The wine is prepared.

O God, in a wonderful way you created and ennobled human nature, and still more wonderfully renewed it. Grant us that by the mystery of this water and wine we may share in the Godhead of him who chose to share in our manhood: Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. Amen.

The cup is offered.

We offer you the cup of salvation, Lord, asking your mercy that it may ascend as a sweet fragrance in the presence of your divine majesty: for our salvation and that of the whole world. Amen.

The offering is finished.

Humble in spirit and repentant in heart, may we be accepted by you, O Lord, and may our sacrifice be so offered in your sight this day that it may be pleasing to you, Lord God.

Come, you who make holy, God everlasting and almighty, and bless this sacrifice made ready for your holy name.

During certain Masses the bread and wine are incensed. This rite shows us that the gifts are holy things set aside and given over to the worship of God. Incense is offered to honor holy things: the Eucharist, the Cross, the Gospel book, the altar, and the assembled holy people of God.

Blessing the incense, the Celebrant prays.

May the Lord be pleased to bless this incense and to accept its odor of fragrance through the prayers of the blessed Archangel Michael, who stands at the right hand of the altar of incense; and through the prayers also of all his saints: through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The gifts are incensed.

May this incense, which you have blessed, rise up to you, O Lord; and may your mercy come down upon us.

Then the Cross and the altar.

Let my prayer be like incense in your sight, O Lord; the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice. Set a watch before my mouth, O Lord; a door around about my lips. Let not my heart incline to evil words: to make excuses for evil deeds.

May the Lord kindle in us the fire of his love and the flame of everlasting charity. Amen.

The Celebrant washes his hands.

I will wash my hands among the innocent, and will go round your altar, Lord. That I may hear the sound of your praise, and recount all your wondrous deeds. Lord, I have loved the beauty of your house, and the place where your glory dwells.

O God, do not destroy my soul with the wicked, nor my life with men of blood. Their hands are stained with crimes, and their right hand is filled with gifts. But as for me I have walked in innocence; redeem me and have mercy on me. My foot has stood in the right path; in the assemblies will I praise you, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father . . .

Receive, O Holy Trinity, this offering which we make to you in remembrance of the passion, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ, and in honor of blessed Mary, ever Virgin, of blessed John the Baptist, the holy apostles Peter and Paul, of these and of all the saints; that it may avail to their honor and our salvation. May they be pleased to pray for us in heaven, whose memory we now keep on earth: through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

The bread and wine symbolize the giving of ourselves. Bread and wine are the staff of life. Rightly they stand for human life, for ourselves. The gift-giving is ended with a solemn prayer called the "Secret," The word "secret" is used in its basic meaning. "Secreta" in Latin means "selected, set aside"; the selected gifts. The "secret" may be preceded by an invitation thereto. This can be said quietly among priest and servers.

Priest: Brethren, pray that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father almighty.

Servers May the Lord receive the sacrifice from your hands
or to the praise and glory of his name, for our welfare

People: and that of all his holy Church.

At the end of this prayer, the assembly makes it its own by a solemn and enthusiastic "amen".

People: Amen.

The Great Eucharistic Prayer

Now the celebrant invites every member of the Christian assembly to come forward with his share in the priesthood of Christ, and to enter into the great and common act of thanksgiving which is the renewal of salvation, the eucharistic prayer. In Baptism and Confirmation, every Christian becomes another Christ. Christ is the priest. We who are other Christs, all of us, share in his priesthood. The sacrament of Holy Orders gives certain men the duty to administer sacraments and to preside over the eucharistic assembly in the sense of activating the priesthood of all. Vatican Council II makes this doctrine wonderfully clear.

A stirring dialogue begins this great action. The renewal of the effects of Christ's emptying himself is about to take place.

The introduction to the eucharistic prayer, called the Preface, can be said in our own language.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We have lifted them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right and just.

PREFACE 1

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And with your

Priest: spir - it. Lift up your hearts. People: We have

Priest: lift - ed them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks

People: to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

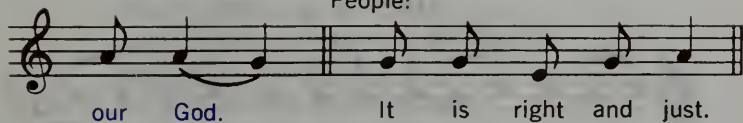
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Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spir - it.

Priest: Lift up your hearts. People: We have lift - ed them up

Priest: to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord

People:



At the celebrant's invitation, we reply by acclamation. The phrase "Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Sabaoth" is written and sung, both in Isaiah 6:3 and in the Apocalypse 4:8. The Hebrew word "Sabaoth" proclaims God the ruler of all cosmic forces. By calling on the choirs of angels to join this act of cosmic thanks, we call upon all creation to join us in our great act of thanksgiving. We assure creation that it will benefit by this same act.

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.*

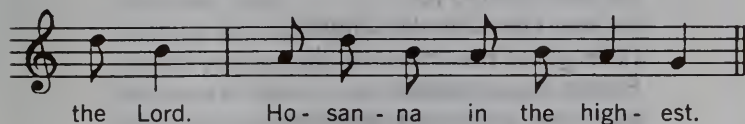
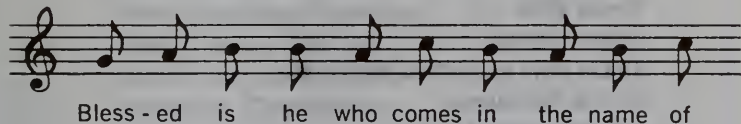
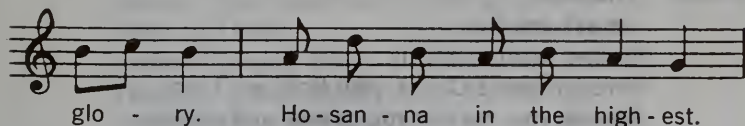
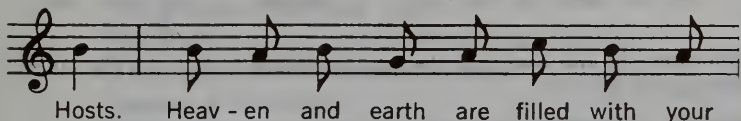
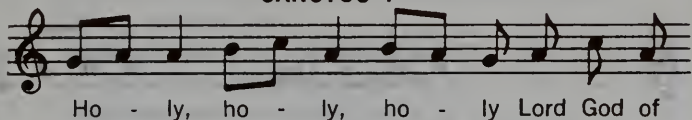
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.*

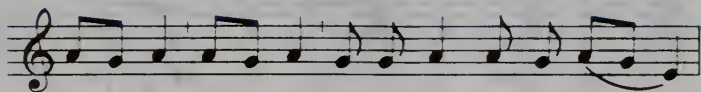
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

Hosanna in the highest.

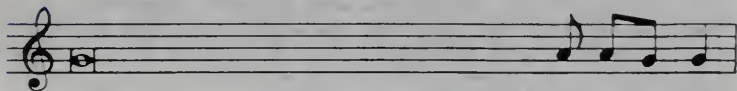
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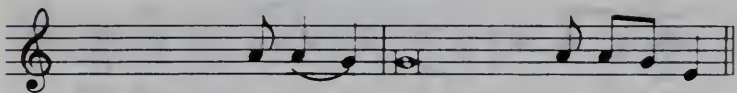
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Hosts.



Heaven and earth are filled with your glo - ry.



Hosanna in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the high - est.

The celebrant now continues the eucharistic prayer in Latin, the ancient language of our rite:

Priest: Therefore
we ask you this
Father most merciful
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
We ask you, we beg you to take and to bless
these gifts
these tokens
these holy unspotted offerings.
In the first place
we offer them to you
for your holy Catholic Church
(throughout the whole world).
Please give her peace
guard her, gather her, guide her.

We offer them
together with your servant our Pope N.
together with our bishop N.
and with all who faithfully teach
the Catholic apostolic faith.
Remember, Lord
the servants of your household N. and N.
and all who are assembled here around your altar.
You know their faithfulness
and attachment to you.
We offer to you for them
or they offer to you
this sacrifice of praise
for themselves and for all they cherish
for the forgiveness of their sins
for the salvation and safety in which they hope.
To you do they pray
God everlasting, living and true.
In the fellowship of communion
we honor and remember first of all
the glorious Mary ever Virgin
the Mother of our Lord and God, Jesus Christ.
Then we recall the blessed Joseph,
spouse of the Virgin
and your holy apostles and martyrs
Peter and Paul,
Andrew, James, John,
Thomas, James, Philip,
Bartholomew, Matthew,
Simon and Jude Thaddeus,
Linus, Cletus, Clement,
Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian,
Lawrence, Chrysogonus,
John and Paul,
Cosmas and Damian,
and all your saints.
Because of their merits and prayers
help and guard us in all things

Then the celebrant spreads his hands over the gifts; he shows that he accepts them in God's name as the material for the sacrifice. The words of consecration come from the very ancient church. They were possibly in use, just as we have them now, even before the gospel accounts of the institution were written. It is in the blood of Christ that God ratifies his agreement with us: the covenant, the testament. He agrees to be our Father; we, his children. This pact was first made between God and Abraham; renewed in the days of Moses, who sprinkled the Children of Israel with sacrificial victims' blood. In the new covenant between God and his people, his Church, it is the blood of Christ that seals the pact between man and his Creator; the blood and body of Christ the Lord. In the double consecration of bread into the body, and wine into the blood of Christ, we renew the separation of the Lord's blood from his body on the cross. But Christ, having died once, can die no more. It is under the signs of bread and wine that the saving effect of his giving of himself is achieved.

When we say that we recall the sacrifice of Christ, we mean that we bring the body and the blood of the Lord, together with all that his giving of himself achieved, into our dimension, into our space and time. The Eucharist is no mere commemoration like the celebration of a national festival. It really reproduces in our midst, mystically, under signs, the historic sacrifice of Christ.

The body and blood of Christ offered now on our altar has the power to atone for our sins, for our refusals, for our disobedience. For the act that we accomplish and the gift that we offer is the very obedience of the Son of God who gave himself for our salvation.

Priest: This, then, is the offering
which we, your servants, and your whole family
owe and give to you.
Please accept it
set our days in your peace
save us from everlasting doom
count us among your chosen ones
As for this whole offering
O God
please bless it
please accept it
and make it proper and perfect
and worthy to please you
so that it may become for us
the Body and Blood of your dearly Beloved Son

our Lord Jesus Christ.
The day before he suffered
he took bread
into his holy and worshipful hands
and with eyes lifted up to heaven
to you, God, his almighty Father
giving thanks to you
he blessed
broke
and gave it to his disciples
saying
"Take, eat this, all of you,
For this is my Body."
Likewise after the supper
he also took this glorious cup
into his holy and worshipful hands.
He gave thanks to you again
and blessed the cup
and handed it to his disciples
saying
"Take, drink this, all of you,
For this is the cup
of my Blood
of the new and everlasting covenant
the mystery of faith.
It shall be shed for you and for many
to atone for sins.
Whenever you do these things
you will do them in memory of me."

Immediately after the consecration, the celebrant proclaims the great remembrance which the Greek Christians called Anamnesis. Here we remind the Father that the whole cycle of our redemption has been renewed in its effects in the Body and Blood of his Son; his suffering, death, burial, resurrection and ascension. This is achieved in mystery. The saving power of Christ, dead, buried, arisen and ascended is the great reality, vibrantly active under the quiet sign of bread and wine.

Priest: For this reason, O Lord, we your servants
and likewise your people
remember the blessed suffering
of the same Christ, your Son, our Lord.
We remember
his rising from the abode of the dead
and his going up to the glory of heaven.
Mindful of all this
from among the gifts you gave us
we offer to your radiant majesty
a victim pure, holy, spotless
the sacred bread of life eternal
the cup which gives salvation forever.
May your face be pleased and serene
and, as you look upon these gifts
may you take them up as you took up
the gifts of your servant Abel, a just man
the sacrifice of Abraham, our patriarch
and that which Melchisedech set before you
a holy sacrifice, a victim without blemish.
Almighty God
humbly we ask you
bid your holy angel
to carry these gifts up to the altar
which is before your heavenly majesty.
This we ask so that
whoever shares in receiving
the most holy Body and Blood of your Son
from this altar here below
may be filled with every blessing and grace
from heaven above. . .
Remember too, Lord
the servants of your household N. and N.
They have gone before us
they are sealed with the sign of faith
now they sleep the sleep of peace.
Grant, O Lord, we ask you
to these and to all who are at rest in Christ

a place refreshing, of light and peace
We, your sinful servants
have hope in your boundless mercy.
Please give us part and fellowship
with your holy apostles and martyrs
with John and Stephen
with Matthias and Barnabas
with Ignatius and Alexander
with Marcellinus and Peter
with Felicity and Perpetua
with Agatha and Lucy
with Agnes and Cecilia
with Anastasia and all your saints.
We pray you, let us share their company
not in view of our merits
but because of your mercy
through Christ our Lord:
Through him
you make good
you make holy
you make alive
you make blessed
and you give to us
these and all good things.
Through him
and with him
and in him
is given to you, Father almighty
together with the Holy Spirit
all honor
all glory:
world without end.

The celebrant has invited us to join him and all the saints in offering the whole world, all its people, all its creatures, all its times, all its spaces, all its places, to God the Father through his Son, Jesus Christ in his holy presence in the now-consecrated bread and wine. The assembly makes the whole Eucharist Prayer its own, with a great "amen"

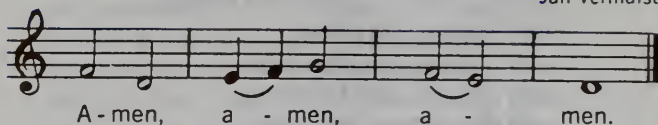
People: Amen.

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be selected from the following.*

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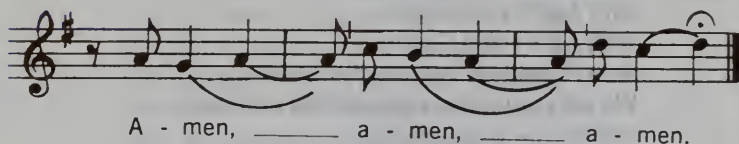
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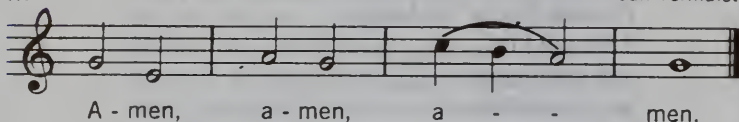
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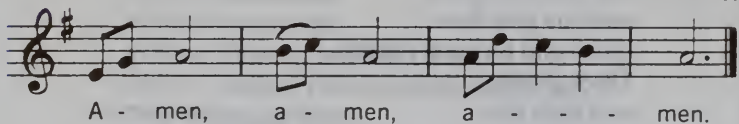
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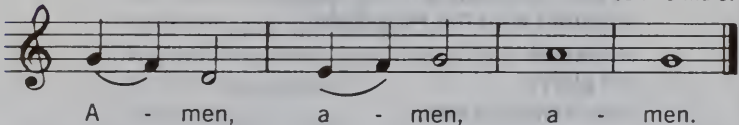
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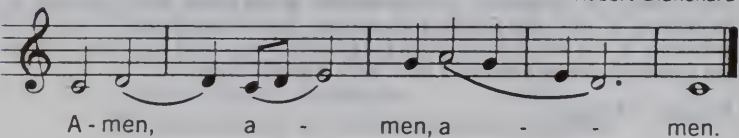
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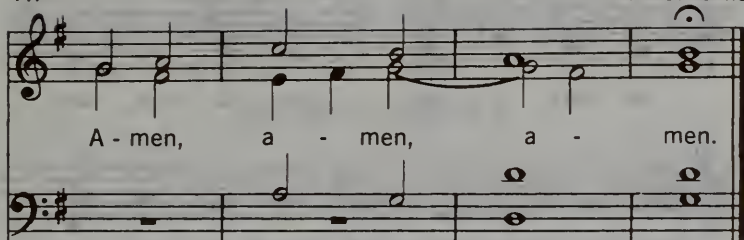
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VI

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The Eucharistic Banquet

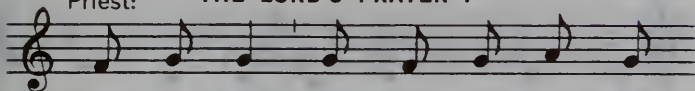
After the members of the assembly have made the great eucharistic prayer their own by proclaiming the great "Amen", they move into a more intimate dialogue with their heavenly Father. The celebrant leads the community in reciting the Lord's Prayer, and adds immediately thereto an extension of its last petition, a prayer asking for freedom from all sorts of evil. This formula is called the Embolism because during it a particle of the Sacred Host is mixed into the chalice. (Embolism, in Greek, means to "throw in".)

Priest: Let us pray: Taught by our Saviour's command
and formed by the word of God, we dare to say:

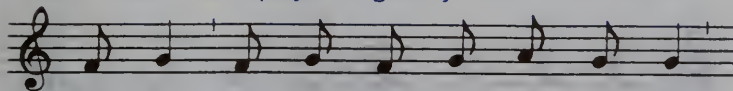
Priest Our Father who art in heaven,*
and hallowed be thy name;*

People: thy kingdom come;*
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.*
Give us this day our daily bread;*
and forgive us our trespasses*
as we forgive those who trespass against us;*
and lead us not into temptation,*
but deliver us from evil.*

Priest: THE LORD'S PRAYER I

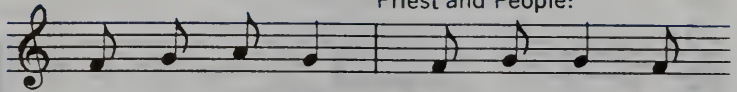


Let us pray: Taught by our Sav - ior's

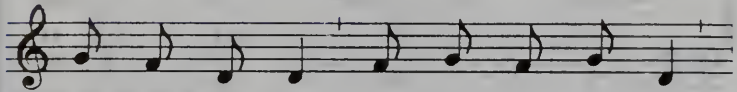


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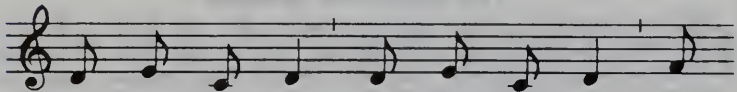
Priest and People:



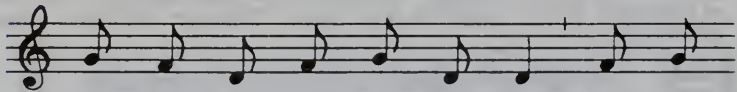
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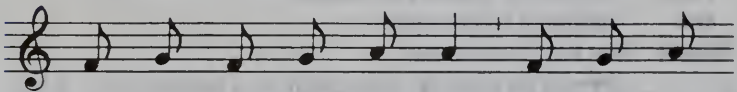
art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name;



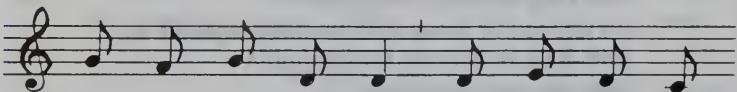
thy king - dom come; thy will be done on



earth as it is in heav - en. Give us



this day our dai - ly bread; and for - give



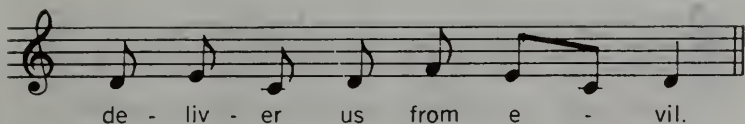
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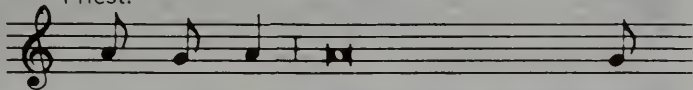


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THE LORD'S PRAYER II

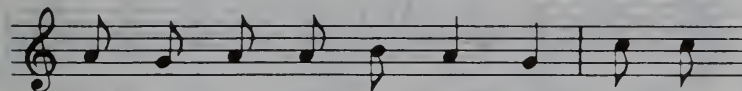
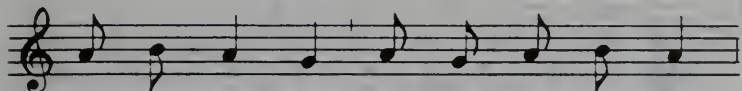
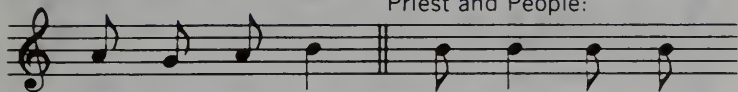
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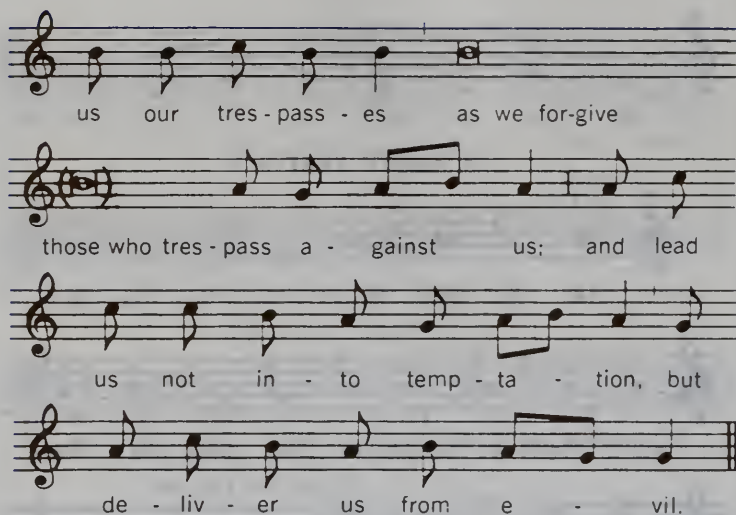


Let us pray: Taught by our Sav - ior's



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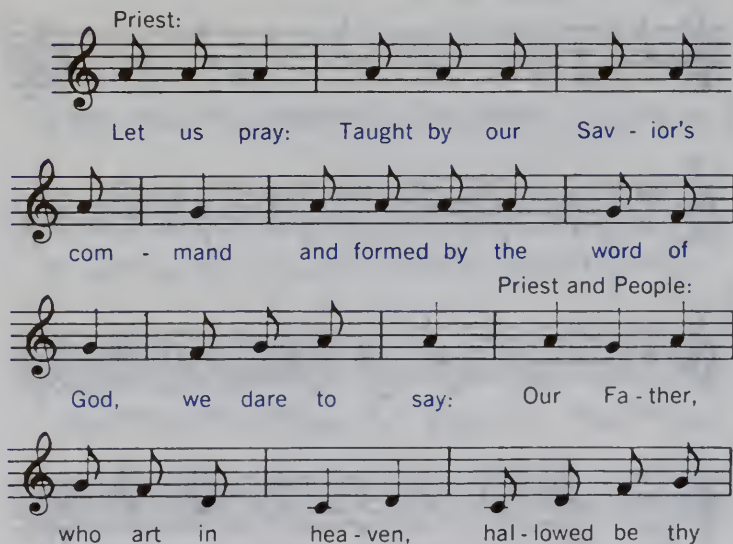




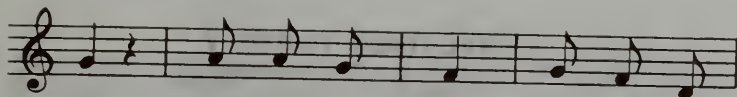
us our tres - pass - es as we for-give
 those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead
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THE LORD'S PRAYER III

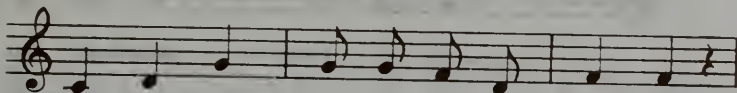
Priest:



Let us pray: Taught by our Sav - ior's
 com - mand and formed by the word of
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 God, we dare to say: Our Fa - ther,
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name; thy king-dom come; thy will be



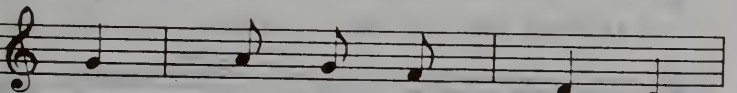
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Give us this day our dai - ly bread



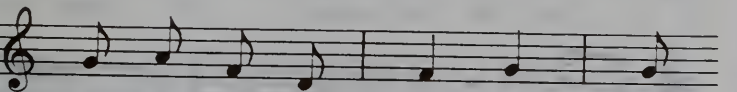
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not in - to temp - ta - tion but



de - liv - er us from e - vil.

THE LORD'S PRAYER IV

Priest:

Let us pray: taught by our

Sav - ior's com-mand and formed by the word of

God, we dare to say: Our

quiet, moving *rall.* *Priest and People: a tempo*

Fa - ther who art in heav-en, hal - low - ed

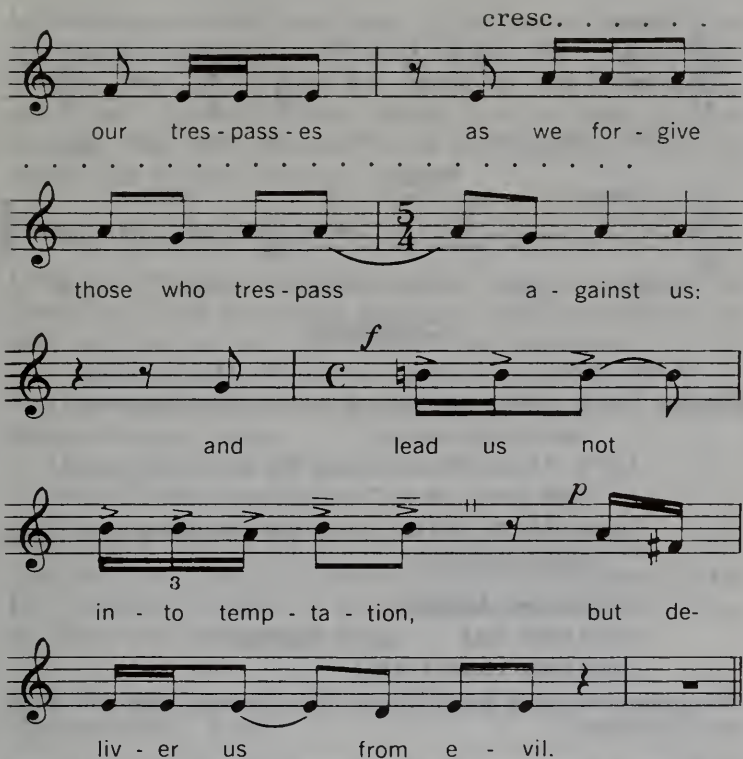
be thy name; thy king-dom come;

thy will be done on earth

as it is in heav-en. Give us this

day our dai - ly bread; and for - give us

cresc.



our tres-pass-es as we for-give
 those who tres-pass a-gainst us:
 and lead us not
 in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-
 liv-er us from e-vil.

As he prepares to put this particle of the Host into the chalice, the celebrant calls for the peace of the Lord in the brotherhood of the assembly. Those gathered around the altar, now the banquet table of the Lord, respond.

Priest: Forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Priest: May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

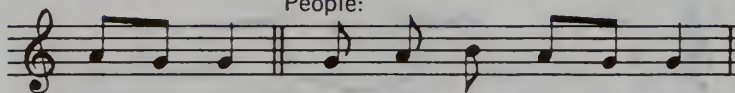
People: And with your spirit.

Priest:



May the peace of the Lord be al - ways

People:



with you. And with your spir - it.

Communion

If the Agnus Dei is sung, turn to the Music section.

People: Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,*
have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,*
have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,*
grant us peace.

(In Requiem Masses:

grant them rest . . . grant them rest . . .

grant them eternal rest.)

The celebrant now says several private prayers to make ready for his own Holy Communion.

Lord Jesus Christ who said to your apostles: "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you" do not look upon my sins, but upon the faith of your Church. Please grant her peace and unity according to your will: you who are God living and reigning for ever and ever. Amen.

The Celebrant prepares himself for the Sacred Meal

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, according to the will of the Father and through the help of the Holy Spirit you gave life to the world by your death. By this your most holy Body and Blood deliver me from all my sins and from all evils. Make me always cling to your commandments and never let me be separated from you: who with the same God the Father and the Holy Spirit live and reign, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Let not the sharing of your Body, O Lord Jesus Christ, which I unworthy make bold to receive, become my judgment and condemnation. But through your goodness may it be my safeguard and a healing remedy both of soul and body: you who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

He takes the Sacred Body.

I will take the bread of heaven and call upon the name of the Lord. Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof; only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

May the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep my spirit unto life everlasting. Amen.

He drinks the Precious Blood.

What shall I return to the Lord for all that he has given to me? I will take the chalice of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, singing his praise. I will call upon the Lord and I shall be saved from my enemies.

May the Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep my spirit unto life everlasting. Amen.

As soon as he has received Holy Communion, the celebrant invites his brothers and sisters to join him at the banquet of the Lord. The invitation and reply are given three times.

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God,*
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

People: Lord, I am not worthy that
you should come under my roof.*
Speak but the word and my soul will be healed.

Before a Christian receives the body of Christ, he is reminded of what he is doing. His faith in the presence of Christ is stimulated. He accepts his responsibility to be a better Christian and to live more conformably to the Christ whom he receives, by greeting his own communion with:

Priest: The body of Christ.

Communicant: Amen.

COMMUNION SONG

Turn to the Proper section and/or the Music section.

During the communion procession, the antiphon for the day is sung or recited. Often another hymn is added.

After all have been nourished with the Body and Blood of the Lord, the celebrant cleanses the sacred vessels

Priest: Grant, O Lord, that what we have taken with our mouth, we may receive with a pure mind: and that from a temporal gift it may become for us an eternal remedy. O Lord, may your Body which I have received and your Blood which I have drunk cleave to my inmost parts. Grant that there remain no stain of wickedness in me whom these pure and holy sacraments have refreshed: you who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

The celebrant finally prepares for the prayer of thanksgiving. He greets the people in the usual way and says the postcommunion prayer. The people add their approval.

Afterward, the assembly is dismissed to go about its work of bringing the good news of salvation to the world, and is blessed unto this task in the name of the Trinity. The thanksgiving is often extended into the singing of another hymn, which accompanies the people of God as they prepare to go back into the world.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: The Mass is ended. Go in peace.
(or: Let us bless the Lord.)

People: Thanks be to God.

(in Requiem Masses: May they rest in peace.

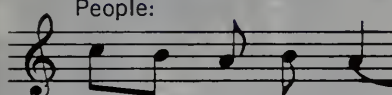
People: Amen.)

Priest:



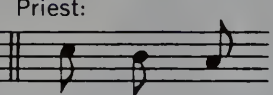
The Mass is end - ed. Go in peace.

People:



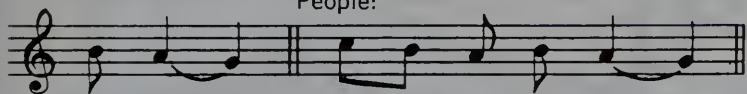
Thanks be to God.

Priest:



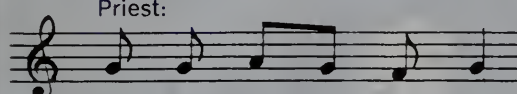
Let us bless

People:



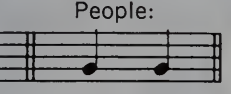
the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Priest:



May they rest in peace.

People:



A - men.

As at the end of the Preparation for the Sacrifice and at the end of the Canon, also at the end of the whole Celebration, the Holy Trinity is invoked.

Priest: O Holy Trinity, may the worship of our service be pleasing to you. Grant that the sacrifice which I though unworthy have offered in the sight of your majesty may be acceptable to you. Because of your mercy may it be helpful for me and for all those for whom I have offered it: through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son,
+ and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG *Turn to the Music section.*

PONTIFICAL BLESSING

When a bishop is celebrant, the following dismissal is sung.

Priest: People:

Bless-ed be the name of the Lord. Now

Priest:

and for - ev - er. Our help is in the

People:

name of the Lord. Who made heav - en

Priest:

and earth. May Al - might - y God bless

you, the Fa - ther, and the Son. and

People:

the Ho - ly Spir - it A - men.



O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

*Veni, Veni Emmanuel**Psalterium Canticum Catholicarum, 1710*

Tr. John M. Neale, 1851, alt.

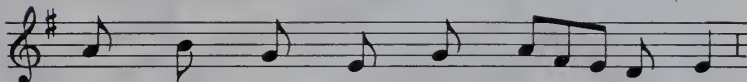
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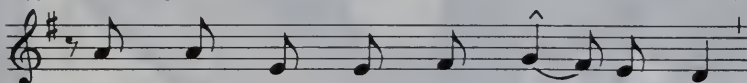
Thomas Helmore, 1854



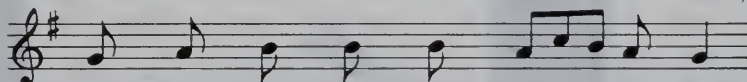
1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,
2. O come, thou Wis - dom from on high,
3. O come, thou Day - spring from on high,
4. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind



1. And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el
2. Who or - d'rest all things might - i - ly:
3. And cheer us by thy draw - ing nigh:
4. In one the hearts of all man-kind:

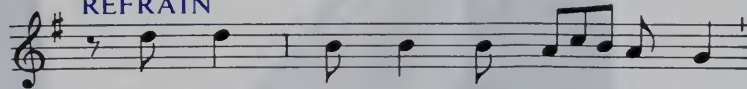


1. That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
2. To us the path of knowl - edge show,
3. Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,
4. Bid thou our sad di - vi - sions cease,

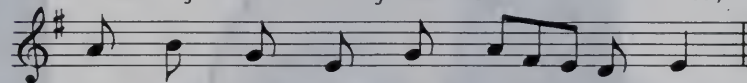


1. Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
2. And teach us in her ways to go.
3. And death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
4. And be thy - self our King of Peace.

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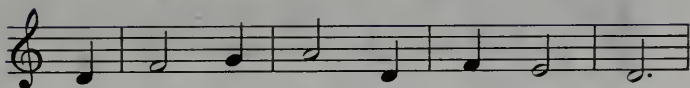
Re - joice! Re - joice! O Is - ra - el,



To thee shall come Em - man - u - el.

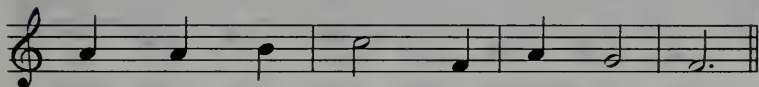
Behold a Virgin Bearing Him

Michael Gannon

Rheinfels *Gesangbuch*, 1666

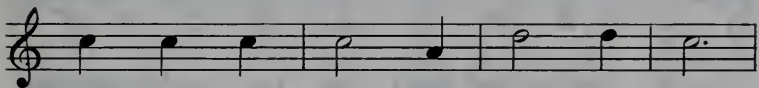
1. Be - hold a Vir - gin bear - ing him

2. Be - hold our Hope and Life and Light,



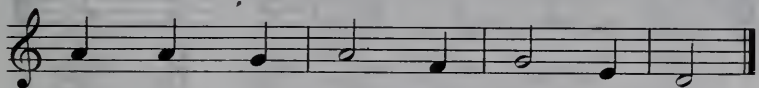
1. Who comes to save us from our sin;

2. The prom - ise of the ho - ly night;



1. The proph - ets cry: pre - pare his way!

2. We lift our prayer and bend our knee



1. Make straight his paths to Christ - mas Day.

2. To his great love and maj - es - ty.

On Jordan's Bank

Charles Coffin, 1736
Tr. John Chandler, 1837, alt.

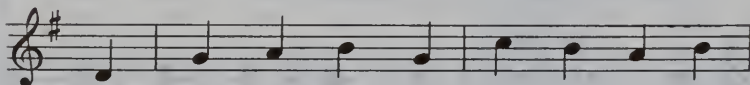
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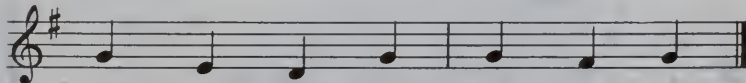
1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry
2. Then cleansed be ev - 'ry Chris - tian breast
3. For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord,
4. All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee,



1. An - noun - ces that the Lord is nigh;
2. And fur - nished for so great a guest;
3. Our re - fuge and our great re - ward;
4. Whose ad - vent set thy peo - ple free;



1. A - wake and hear - en, for he brings Glad
2. O let us each our hearts pre - pare For
3. Once more up - on thy peo - ple shine, And
4. Whom with the Fa - ther we a - dore, And

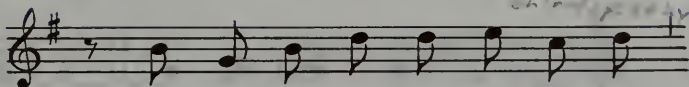


1. ti - dings of the King of kings.
2. Christ to come and en - ter there.
3. fill the world with love di - vine.
4. Ho - ly Ghost for - ev - er - more.

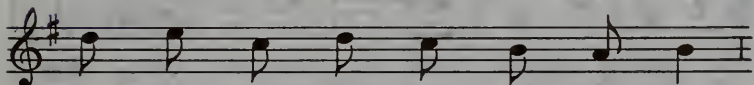
O Lord of Light

Creator *Alme Siderum*, 7th cent.
Tr. *Melvin Farrell*, S. S.

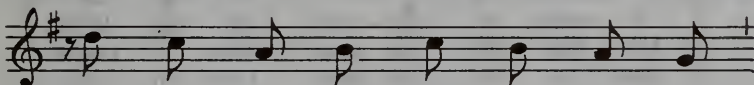
Chant



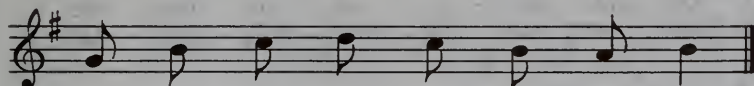
1. O Lord of light, who made the stars,
2. In low - li - ness you came on earth
3. To pay the debt we owed for sin
4. But now you reign the King of kings,
5. Great Judge of man-kind's fi - nal day,
6. To God the Fa - ther and the Son



1. O Dawn by whom we see the Way,
2. To res - cue man from Sa - tan's snares:
3. Your pain - ful cross was named the price;
4. A - dored in high - est maj - es - ty:
5. Have pit - y on your chil - dren's plight:
6. For a - ges of e - ter - nal days



1. O Christ, Re - deem - er of all men,
2. O won - drous Love that healed our wounds
3. From Mar - y's vir - gin - shrine you came
4. Your ver - y Name com - mands re - spect
5. Rise up to shield us with your grace,
6. To - geth - er with the Spir - it be

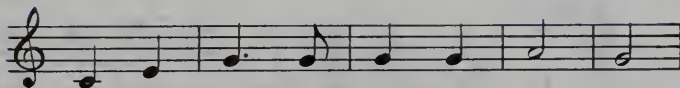


1. Make haste to lis - ten as we pray!
2. By tak - ing on our mor - tal cares!
3. A spot - less host for sac - ri - fice.
4. From pole to pole and sea to sea!
5. De - liv - er us from Sa - tan's might.
6. All glo - ry, hon - or, might, and praise!

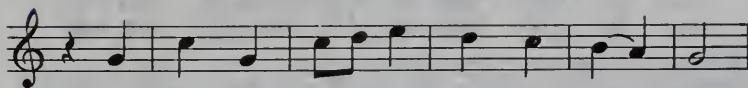
Wake, Awake, the Night Is Dying

Melvin Farrell, S. S.

Philip Nicolai, 1599



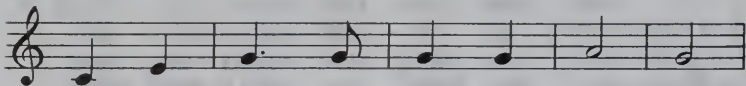
1. Wake, a - wake, the night is dy - ing,
2. We shall heed the proph-ets' warn - ing,
3. Let the shad - ows be for - sak - en:



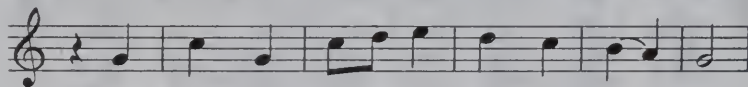
1. And proph-ets from of old are cry - ing:
2. And rise to greet the Prince of Morn - ing:
3. The time has come for us to wak - en,



1. A - wake, ye chil - dren of the light!
2. His gen - tle rule shall bring us peace.
3. And to the Day our lives en - trust.



1. Lo, the Dawn shall ban - ish sad - ness,
2. Love and mer - cy are his treas - ure,
3. Search the sky for heav - en's por - tal:

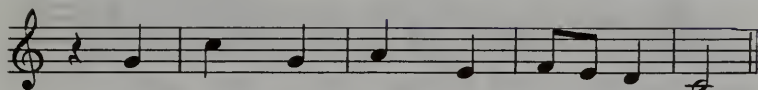


1. The Ris - ing Sun shall bring us glad - ness,
2. The seas and skies o - bey his pleas - ure:
3. The clouds shall rain the Light Im - mor - tal,

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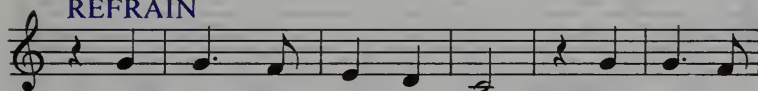
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Wake, Awake the Night Is Dying (*cont.*)

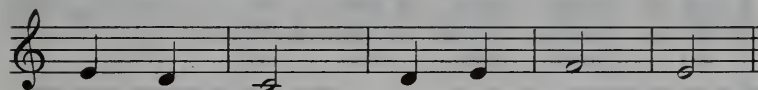


1. And all the blind shall see a - right.
2. His might - y rule shall nev - er cease.
3. And earth will soon bud forth the Just.

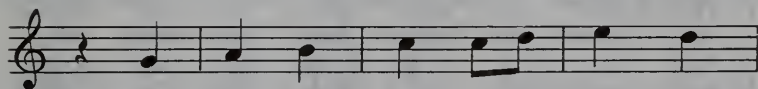
REFRAIN



Re - joice, the King is near, Our prais-es



he will hear, al - le - lu - ia!



But we must be Pre - pared to



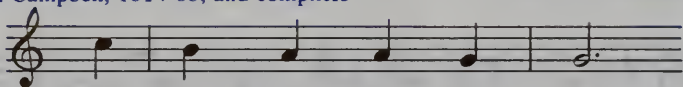
see The Bright - ness of e - ter - ni - ty.

The Coming of Our God

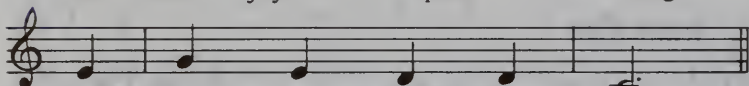
Charles Coffin, 1676-1749

Tr. R. Campbell, 1814-68, and compilers

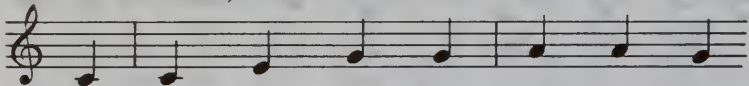
Anon.



1. The com - ing of our God
2. The co - e - ter - nal Son
3. Daugh - ter of Si - on, rise
4. In glo - ry from his throne
5. Let deeds of dark - ness fly
6. Our joy - ful prais - es sing



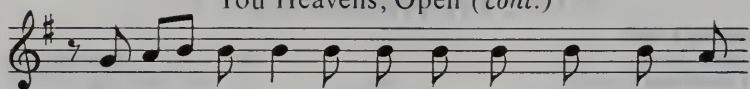
1. Our thoughts must now em - ploy;
2. A maid - en's off - spring see;
3. To greet thine in - fant King;
4. A - gain will Christ de - scend;
5. Be - fore th'ap - proach - ing morn,
6. To Christ, who set us free;



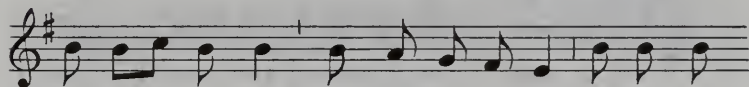
1. Then let us meet him on the road
2. A serv - ant's form Christ put - teth on,
3. Nor let thy stub - born heart de - spise
4. And sum - mon all that are his own
5. For un - to sin 't is ours to die
6. Like trib - ute to the Fa - ther bring,



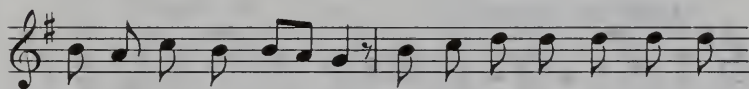
1. With songs of ho - ly joy.
2. To set his peo - ple free.
3. The par - don he doth bring.
4. To joys that nev - er end.
5. And serve the Vir - gin - born.
6. And, Ho - ly Ghost, to thee.

You Heavens, Open (*cont.*)

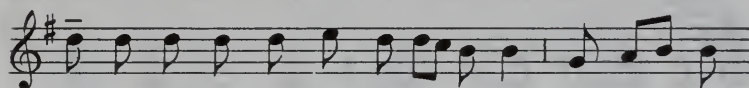
2. We know our sin, and we are bur-dened as with



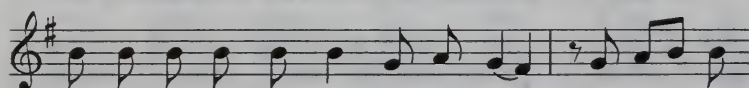
some loath-some thing, And have fall-en down Just like leaves



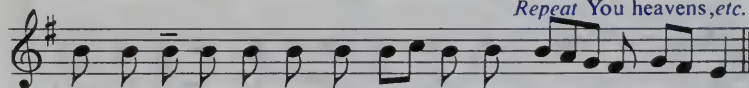
in the blast of win-ter: And the sins we have com-mit-



ted just like winds have blown us all a-bout. You have tak-

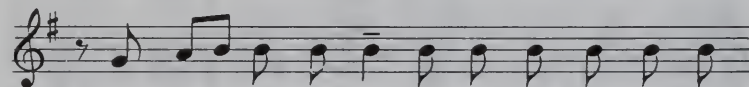


en from us your bright-ness and com-fort, And you have



Repeat You heavens, etc.

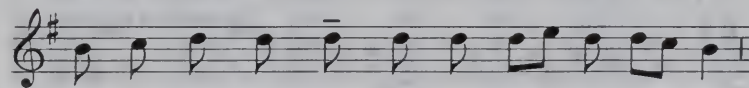
brok-en us by lay-ing the debt of our sins up-on us.



3. Lord, now turn to us and see your chos-en peo-



ple's af-flic-tion And send down him who is to come,



The One prom-ised, Lamb and yet Lord of all lands,

You Heavens, Open (*cont.*)

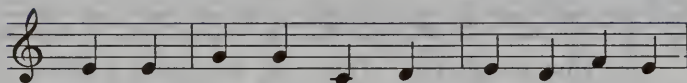
From the rock in the des-ert to the mount of Si -
 on, your daugh-ter, That he may bring par-don, free-
Repeat You heavens; etc.
 ing us cap - tives of our bur - den.

4. Be you com-fort-ed, be you com-fort-ed, hear me, my people:
 Soon shall come to you Christ, your Sav-ior. Why do you
 give way to sor-row-ing: Has this griev-ing end-ed
 your sad-ness? Your Sav-ior comes, do not be fear-ful,
 for it — is I, your God and your might-y Rul - er,
Repeat You heavens; etc.
 Si - on's Ho - ly One and your — Re - deem - er.

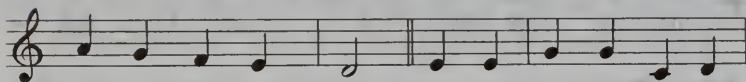
Come, O Long-Awaited Savior

Charles Wesley, 1707-88, alt.

Origin uncertain



1. Come, O long - a - wait - ed Sav - ior, Born to
 2. Born to free thy cap - tive peo - ple, Born a



1. set thy peo - ple free; From our fears and sins re -
 2. Child, and yet a King, Born to reign in us for -



1. lease us, Let us find our rest in thee.
 2. ev - er, Now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.



1. Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, Hope of
 2. By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in



1. all the earth thou art; Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry
 2. all our hearts a - lone: By thine all suf - fi - cient



1. na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
 2. mer - it Raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

"O" Antiphons

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.

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From *Is. 45, 8**Antiphon for unison or equal voices*

Heav-ens drop dew from a - bove. Let the earth
o - pen up, And the Sav-iour spring forth.

Before Time Was, O Word Divine A-11

Verbum Supernum Prodiens, c. 10th cent.Tr. and adap. Rev. M. Quinn, O. P., *et al.*

Thomas Campion, 1567-1620

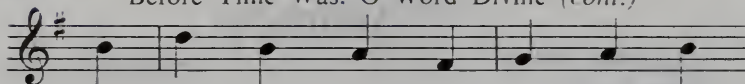
1. Be - fore time was, O Word Di - vine,
2. Dis - pose our hearts to heed your call,
3. That when you come a - gain, O Lord,
4. O free us then, Lord, we im - plore,
5. Let earth re - sound with might - y praise,

1. You were the Fa - ther's on - ly Son;
2. To feel the ar - dor of your love,
3. To judge the se - crets of the heart,
4. From guilt of sin which marks our past,
5. To God the Fa - ther and his Son,

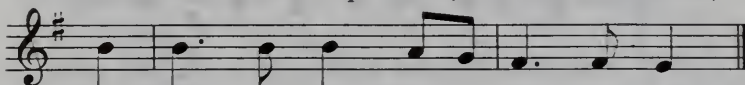
(A-11)

CHRISTMAS

Before Time Was. O Word Divine (*cont.*)



1. And yet you chose a hu - man birth
2. To know the worth - less - ness of joys
3. We may in ho - ly fear re - ceive
4. That with the bless - ed we may live
5. Praise God the Spir - it, Love Di - vine,



1. That our re - demp - tion might be won.
2. Which do not lead to things a - bove.
3. The judg - ments which you will im - part.
4. And reign with you un - to the last.
5. Im - mense, e - ter - nal God - head one.

C-1

Silent Night

Joseph Mohr, 1818

Tr. C. L. Hutchins, 1871

Franz Grüber, 1818

1. Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright
'Round yon Virgin Mother and Child.
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.
2. Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav'nly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Savior, is born,
Christ, the Savior, is born!
3. Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light,
Radiant, beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth!

O Come, All Ye Faithful

J. F. Wade (?), 1740-43

Tr. Frederick Oakeley, 1841, et al.

J. F. Wade (?), c. 1740-43

1. O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O Come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

REFRAIN

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

2. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;
Glory to God, in the highest glory:
3. Savior, we greet thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:

The First Noel

English Carol, 17th cent. (?)

English Carol, 17th cent. (?)
1st pub., 1833

1. The first Noel, the angel did say,
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

REFRAIN

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, Born is the King of Israel.

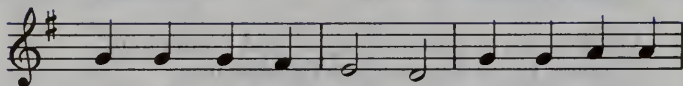
2. They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the East, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.
3. And by the light of that same star,
Three wise men came from country far;
To seek a King was their intent,
And to follow the star where-e'er it went.

Welcome, Son of Mary

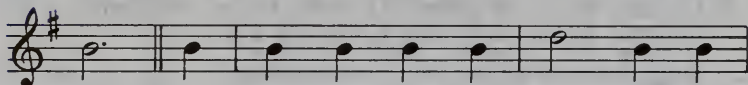
Nu Sijt Willekome

English text by Michael Gannon

Dutch Carol, 16th cent.



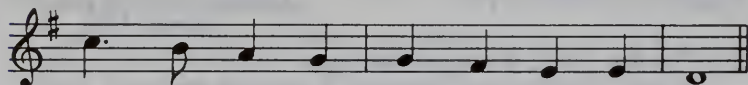
1. Wel-come, Son of Mar-y, Lord of all the
2. An-gels and arch-an-gels come in blaz-ing
3. Hear the joy of Chris-tians ring-ing on the



1. earth; We lift our voice and sing of your
2. light! The pro-phets are ful-filled: he is
3. air! O Child of God and man-kind, be-



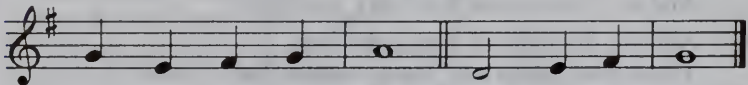
1. ho-ly birth; May our hum-ble
2. here to-night! Shep-herds from the
3. hold our prayer! When our hearts are



1. home-land be for you a roy-al throne,
2. hill-side won-der at the sight they see:
3. fear-ful, when the earth is dark and wild,



1. May we hum-ble crea-tures re-
2. God in in-fant cloth-ing up-
3. Fill the night with glad-ness and

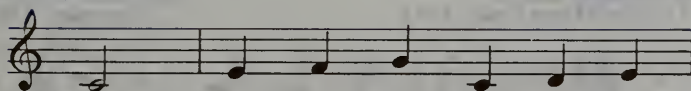


1. ceive you as our own.
2. on a wo-man's knee. Hail, In-fant King!
3. light, O ho-ly Child!

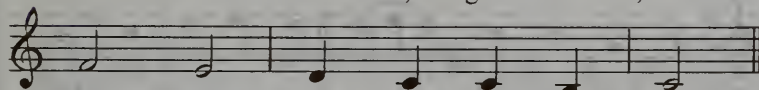
The People Who in Darkness Dwelt

Based on Isaiah, chap. 9
J. Morrison, 1770, alt.

Scottish Psalter, 1615



1. The peo - ple who in dark - ness
2. To hail you, Sun of Right - eous -
3. For un - to us a Child is
4. His name shall be the Prince of
5. His right - eous gov - ern - ment and
6. Lord Je - sus, reign in us, we



1. dwelt A glo - rious light have seen;
2. ness, The gath - 'ring na - tions come;
3. born, To us a Son is giv'n;
4. Peace, The ev - er - last - ing Lord,
5. power Shall o - ver all ex - tend;
6. pray, And make us yours a - lone,



1. The light has shone on them who
2. They joy as when the reap - ers
3. And on his shoul - der ev - er
4. The Won - der - ful, the Coun - se -
5. On judg - ment and on jus - tice
6. Who with the Fa - ther ev - er



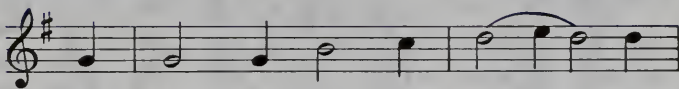
1. long In shades of death have been.
2. bear Their har - vest treas - ures home.
3. rests All power in earth and heav'n.
4. lor, The God by all a - dored.
5. based, His reign shall have no end.
6. art, And Ho - ly Spir - it, One.

Good Christian Men, Rejoice

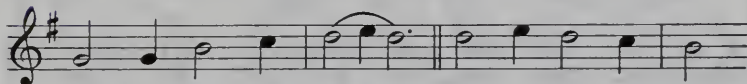
In Dulci Jubilo

Tr. John Mason Neale, 1853

Germany, 14th cent.



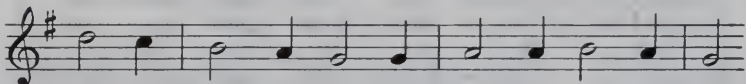
1. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice With
2. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice With
3. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice With



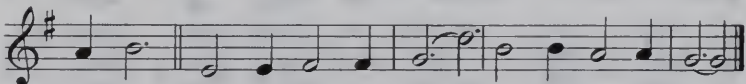
1. heart and soul and voice; Give you heed to what
2. heart and soul and voice; Now you hear of end -
3. heart and soul and voice; Now you need not fear



1. we say: Je - sus Christ is born to-day! Ox and
2. less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this! He hath
3. the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save! Calls you



1. ass be - fore him bow, And he is in the man -
2. oped the heav - 'nly door, And man is bless - ed ev -
3. one and calls you all To gain his ev - er - last -



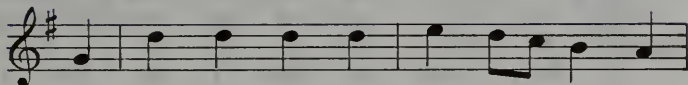
1. ger now. Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
2. er - more. Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
3. ing hall. Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Let All Together Praise Our God

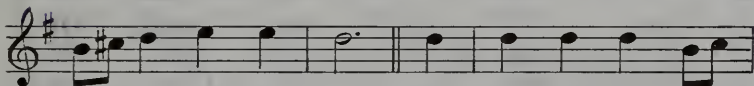
Nikolaus Herman, 1560

Tr. Arthur Tozer Russell, 1851, alt.

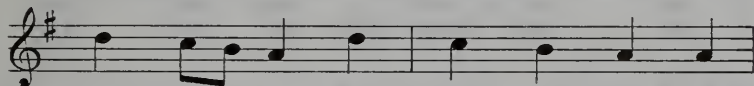
Nikolaus Herman, 1554



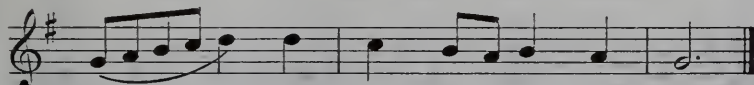
1. Let all to - geth - er praise our God Up -
2. He lays a - side his maj - es - ty And
3. Be - hold the won - der - ful ex - change Our
4. The glo - rious gates of par - a - dise The



1. on his loft - y throne; For he un - clos - es
2. seems as noth - ing worth, And takes on him a
3. Lord with us doth make! Lo, he as - sumes our
4. an - gel guards no more; This day a - gain those



1. heav'n to - day And gives to us his
2. serv - ant's form, Who made the heav'n and
3. flesh and blood, And we of heav'n par -
4. gates un - fold; With praise our God a -



1. Son, And gives to us his Son.
2. earth, Who made the heav'n and earth.
3. take, And we of heav'n par - take.
4. dore, With praise our God a - dore!

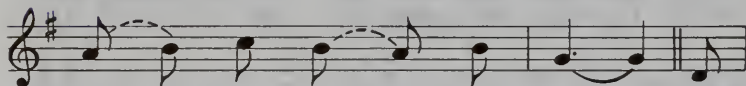
Behold a Mystical Rose

Richard Cross, alt.

Old Breton air



1. Be - hold a Mys - ti - cal Rose From
 2. Be - hold the Moth - er of God, Yet
 3. Be - hold the Cause of our Joy, Who



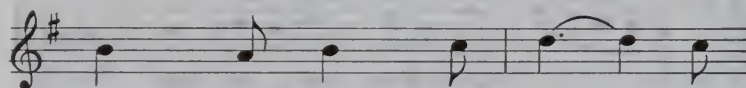
1. thorn - y stem — hath sprung; Of
 2. low - li - est daugh - ter of men; At
 3. bore — the in - fi - nite Child, To



1. Da - vid's lin - eage God chose To
 2. her as - sent - ing nod God
 3. Sa - tan's king - dom de - stroy And



1. give to the world — his Son. All
 2. gave — his Son — to men. All
 3. men — to God rec - on - cile. All

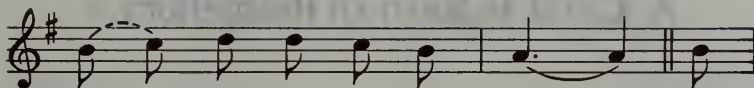


1. hail, O House of Gold, Of
 2. hail, O Morn - ing Star, Who
 3. hail, O Gate of Heav'n, Through

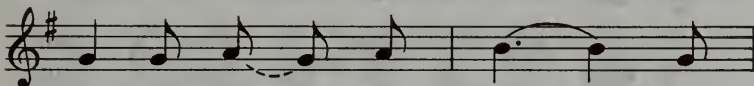
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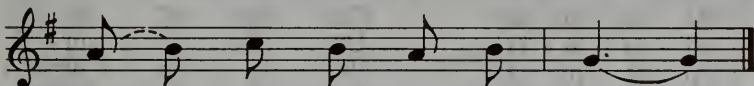
Behold a Mystical Rose (cont.)



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| 1. whom an - cient | proph - ets fore - | told; | Your |
| 2. brought Bless - ed | Light from a - | far, | Dis - |
| 3. you — all | grac - es are | giv'n: | Through |



- | | | | |
|-------------------|----------------|--------|------|
| 1. roy - al | prais - es we | sing; | Your |
| 2. pel the | dark - ness of | night, | Il - |
| 3. you Sal - va - | - - - tion | came; | All |

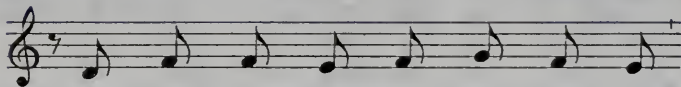


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|--------------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| 1. womb was | the Court | of our | King. |
| 2. lu - mine | our path | with your | Light. |
| 3. praised — | and blest | be your | name! |

A Child Is Born in Bethlehem

*Puer Natus**Verses 1 and 2: Justine B. Ward**Verses 3 and 4: People's Hymnal Com.*

14th cent. Carol



1. A Child is born in Beth - le - hem,
2. Like us in hu - man form is he,
3. This Child is he whom you a - dore,
4. The an - gels come in joy - ous throng,



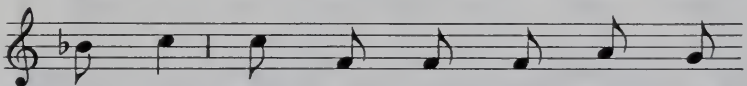
1. Al - le - lu - ia! The joy of all
2. Al - le - lu - ia! Un - like in sin -
3. Al - le - lu - ia! He is the Christ
4. Al - le - lu - ia! And fill the dark -



1. Je - ru - sa - lem! Al - le - lu - ia,
2. less pur - i - ty! Al - le - lu - ia,
3. long wai - ted for! Al - le - lu - ia,
4. ness with their song! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Let ev' - ry heart



be gay, for Christ is born, let all



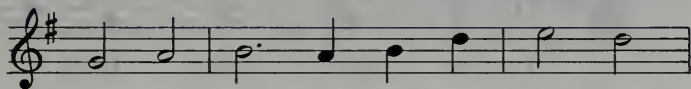
a - dore with song on Christ-mas day!

All My Heart This Night Rejoices

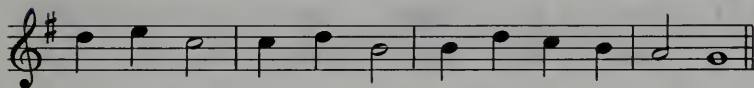
Paul Gerhardt, 1653

Tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1858, alt.

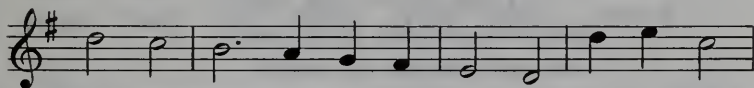
Johann Georg Ebeling, 1666



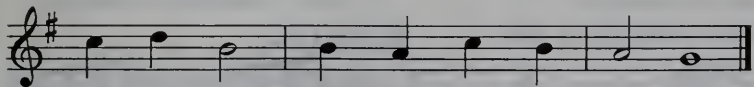
1. All my heart this night re - joic - es
2. Hark! a voice from yon - der man - ger,
3. Come, then, let us hast - en yon - der!
4. You, dear Lord, with heed I'll cher - ish;



1. As I hear, Far and near, Sweetest an - gel voic - es.
2. Soft and sweet, Doth en - treat: "Flee from woe a - d - danger!
3. Here let all, Great and small, Kneel in awe and won - der!
4. Live for you, And with you Dy - ing, shall not per - ish;



1. "Christ is born," their choirs are sing - ing, Till the air
2. Breth - ren, come! from all that grieves you You are freed;
3. Love him who with love is yearn - ing! Hail the star
4. But shall dwell with you for - ev - er, Far on high,

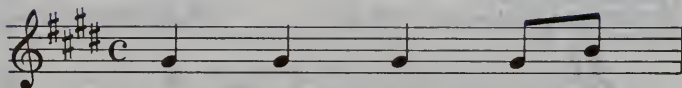


1. Ev - 'ry - where Now with joy is ring - ing.
2. All you need I will sure - ly give you."
3. That from far Bright with hope is burn - ing!
4. In the joy That shall al - ter nev - er.

Angels We Have Heard on High

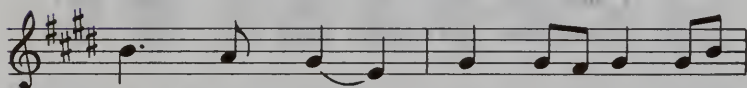
J. W. Chadwick

Old French melody



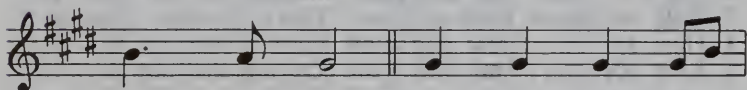
1. An - gels we have

2. Shep - herds, why this



1. heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing

2. ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous



1. o'er the plains, And the moun - tains

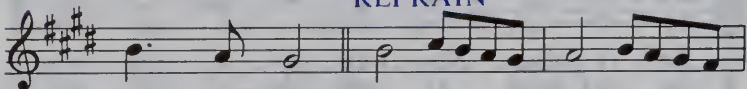
2. strains pro - long? What the glad - some



1. in re - ply Ech - o - ing their

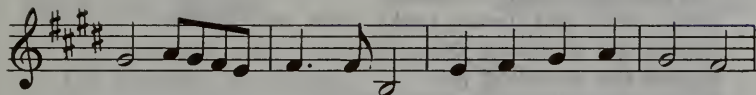
2. ti - dings be, Which in - spire your

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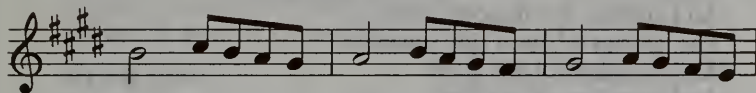


1. joy - ous strain.

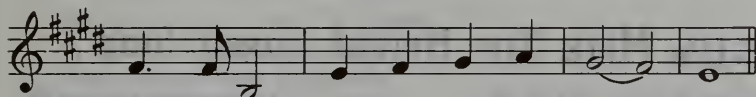
2. joy - ous song: Glo - - - -

Angels We Have Heard (*cont.*)

- - - - - ri - a in ex-cel-sis De - o.



Glo - - - - -



- - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

3. Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing.
Come, adore on bended knee
Jesus Christ, the new-born King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, etc.

Joy To The World C-12

Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

George F. Handel

Arr. Lowell Mason, 1836

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

(C-12)

CHRISTMAS

Joy to the World (*cont.*)

2. Joy to the world! the Savior reigns;
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
3. He rules the world! with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.

C-12a Hark The Herald Angels Sing

Charles Wesley, 1707-88, alt.

Adapted from a chorus by
Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-47

1. Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild;
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

REFRAIN

- Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King."
2. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his Wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

English Carol, 18th cent.

London melody, 18th cent.

1. God rest you merry, gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay,
Remember Christ our Savior
Was born on Christmas Day;
To save us all from Satan's pow'r
When we were gone astray.

REFRAIN

O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy,
O tidings of comfort and joy.

2. From God, our heav'nly Father,
A blessed angel came;
And unto certain shepherds
Brought tidings of the same;
How that in Bethlehem was born
The Son of God by name.
3. "Fear not, then," said the angel,
"Let nothing you affright;
This day is born a Savior
Of a pure virgin bright,
To free all those who trust in him
From Satan's power and might."
4. Now to the Lord sing praises,
All you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood
Each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas
Doth bring redeeming grace.

Redeemer of the Nations (*cont.*)

1. A vir - gin was your moth - er, O
2. For, ris - ing out of Mar - y As
3. And hav - ing, by your pas - sion, Re -
4. That you, to whom our weak - ness And



1. ho - ly mys - ter - y! Let all cre - a - tion
2. from a cloud - less sky, You came to bring to
3. deemed your fel - low men, You reign now with the
4. sin - ful - ness are known, May sanc - ti - fy our



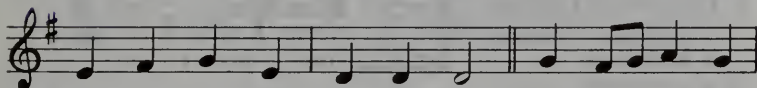
1. mar - vel At that na - tiv - i - ty.
2. cap - tives Re - demp - tion from on high.
3. Fa - ther, Whence you shall come a - gain.
4. na - ture Which you have made your own.

As With Gladness Men of Old

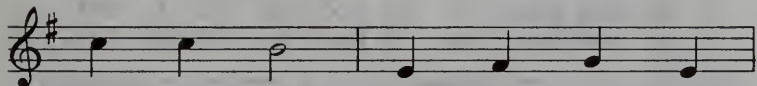
W. C. Dix, 1837-98, alt.

Arr. from the chorale *Treuer Heiland* of
C. Kocher, 1786-1872

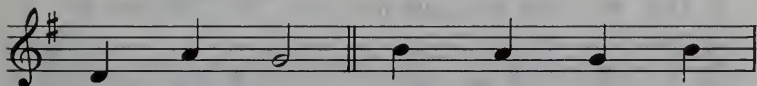
1. As with glad - ness men of old
 2. As with joy - ful steps they sped
 3. As they of - fered gifts most rare



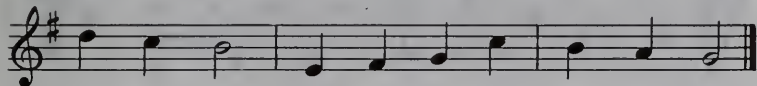
1. Did the guid - ing star be - hold, As with joy they
 2. To that low - ly man - ger bed, There to bend the
 3. At that man - ger, rude and bare, So may we with



1. hailed its light, Lead - ing on - ward,
 2. knee be - fore him, Whom heav'n and
 3. hum - ble heart And the joy that



1. beam - ing bright, So, most gra - cious
 2. earth a - dore, So may we, O
 3. ye im - part, All our cost - ly



1. Lord, may we Ev - er - more be led to thee.
 2. Lord, this day Un - to thee our hom - age pay.
 3. treas - ures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'n - ly King.

C-13a

CHRISTMAS

It Came Upon The Midnight Clear

Edmund H. Sears, 1810-76

Richard S. Willis, 1819-1900

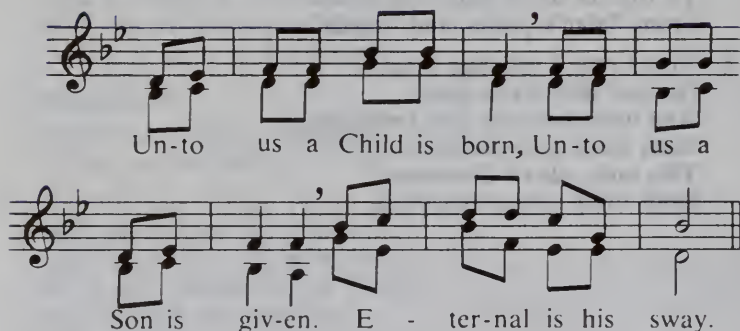
1. It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,
From heaven's all gracious King."
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.
2. Still thro' the cloven skies they come
With peaceful wings unfurled,
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world:
Above its sad and lowly plains,
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever o'er its Babel sounds,
The blessed angels sing.

C-14

A Child Is Born

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Antiphon for unison or equal voices

Redeemer of the Nations

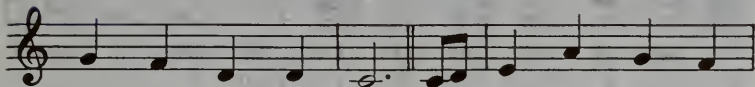
Veni Redemptor Gentium

St. Ambrose, 340-97

Tr. and adap. Rev. M. Quinn, O. P., et al. *Wurtemberg Gesangbuch, 1710*



1. Re - deem - er of the na - tions Make
2. The Rod of Jes - se blos - somed, Her
3. Pro - ceed - ing from your Fa - ther Ac -
4. O Son of God the Fa - ther And



1. known your won - drous birth Which so be - fits your
2. spot - less womb con - ceived, And she brought forth Sal -
3. cord - ing to his plan, You blessed our hu - man
4. e - qual - ly a - dored, We ear - nest - ly im -



1. gran - deur And sanc - ti - fies the earth;
2. va - tion To all who have be - lieved.
3. na - ture, Be - com - ing Son of Man;
4. plore you, Our Judge and sav - ing Lord,

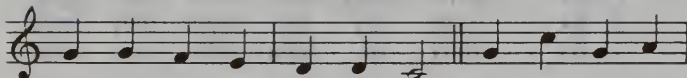
Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Christopher Wordsworth, 1862

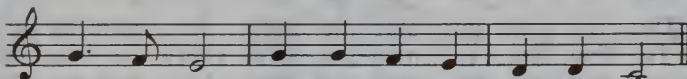
J. Hintze, 1678, alt.



1. Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise,
2. Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream,
3. Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,



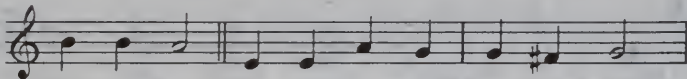
1. Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise, Man - i - fest-ed
2. Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme; And at Ca - na,
3. Mir-rored in thy ho - ly Word; May we im - i -



1. by the star To the wise men from a - far;
2. wed-ding guest, In thy God-head man - i - fest;
3. tate thee now, And be pure, as pure art thou;



1. Branch of roy - al Da-vid's stem In thy birth at
2. Man - i - fest in power di - vine, Chang-ing wa - ter
3. That we like to thee may be At thy great E -



1. Beth - le - hem; Prais - es be to thee ad-dressed,
2. in - to wine; Prais - es be to thee ad-dressed,
3. piph-an - y; And may praise thee, ev - er - blessed,



God in man made man - i - fest.

Sion Sing

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.
From *So. 3, 14*

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Antiphon for unison or mixed voices

Congregation:



Si-on sing, break in-to song! For with-in

Choir:

S
A

T
B

you is the Lord with his sav - ing pow'r.

S
A

T
B

Earth Has Many Noble Cities

Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, 348-413
Tr. Edward Caswall, 1814-1878, alt.

Adapted from a melody by
C. F. Witt, 1660-1716



1. Earth has ma - ny no - ble cit - ies;
2. Fair - er than the sun at morn - ing
3. East - ern sag - es at his cra - dle
4. Sa - cred gifts of mys - tic mean - ing:
5. Je - sus, whom the gen - tiles wor - shipped



1. Beth - l'hem, all do you ex - cel:
2. Was the star that told his birth,
3. Make ob - la - tions rich and rare;
4. In - cense does their God dis - close,
5. At your glad E - piph - a - ny,



1. Out of you the Lord from heav - en
2. To the world its God an - nounc - ing
3. See them give, in deep de - vo - tion,
4. Gold the King of kings pro - claim - eth,
5. Un - to you, with God the Fa - ther



1. Came to rule his Is - ra - el.
2. Seen in form of flesh on earth.
3. Gold, and frank - in - cense, and myrrh.
4. Myrrh his sep - ul - cher fore - shows.
5. And the Spir - it, glo - ry be.

This Is Our Accepted Time

Michael Gannon, alt.

Melchior Vulpus, 1609

1. This is our ac - cept - ed time,
 2. Lord, look down up - on your sons,

1. This is our sal - va - tion;
 2. Look up - on their yearn - ing;

1. Prayer and fast - ing are our hope,
 2. Man is dust, and un - to dust

1. Pen - ance, our vo - ca - tion.
 2. He shall be re - turn - ing.

1. God of par - don and of love,
 2. Lift him up, O Lord of life,

1. Mer - cy past all meas - ure,
 2. Flesh has gained him sad - ness,

1. You a - lone can grant us peace.
 2. Hear his plea, be - stow on him

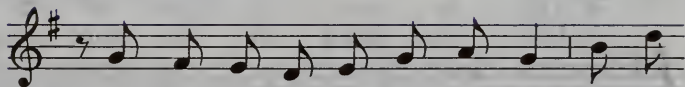
1. You, our ho - ly treas - ure.
 2. Ev - er - last - ing glad - ness.

Queen of the Heavens

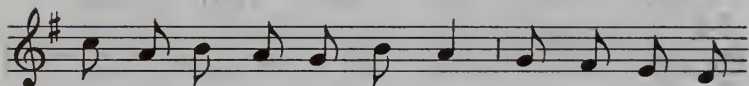
Ave Regina Caelorum

Para. by Melvin Farrell, S. S., alt.

11th cent. Easter Epistle melody



Queen of the heav-ens, we greet you; *Queen of



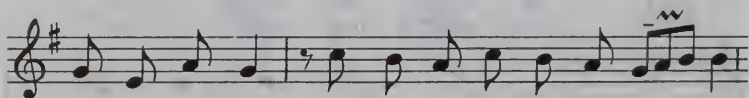
an- gels, now we en-treat you; Fair- est flow-er,



heav-en's por-tal From whom came the Light Im-mor-tal.



Match-less maid-en, God did raise you For the u-ni-



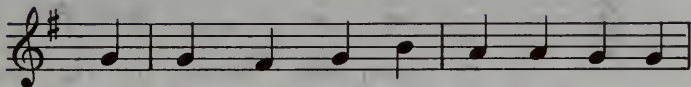
verse to praise you. Hear us, O hear us, our Moth-er;



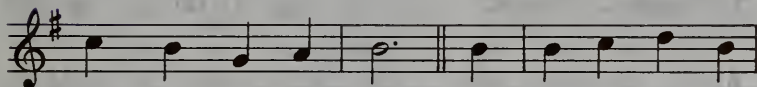
Show your chil - dren Je - sus, our Broth - er.

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

Claudia F. Hernaman, 1873, alt.

John Day's *Psalter*, 1562

1. Lord, who through-out these for- ty days, For
2. As you with Sa - tan didst con - tend And
3. As thirst and hun - ger you have known, So
4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And
5. A - bid with us, that so, this life Of



1. us didst fast and pray, Teach us with you to
2. didst the vic - tory win, O give us strength in
3. teach us, gra - cious Lord, To die to self and
4. through your Pas - sion - tide, For - ev - er - more, in
5. suf - fer - ing once past, An East - er of un -



1. mourn our sins And close by you to stay.
2. you to fight, In you to con - quer sin.
3. on - ly live By your most ho - ly Word.
4. life and death, O Lord, with us a - bid.
5. end - ing joy We may at - tain at last.

O Lord, Who Showed Us

Michael Gannon, alt.

Holland, 1539



1. O Lord, who showed us in your
2. O Lord, we leave be - hind our
3. O Lord, may for - ty days re -

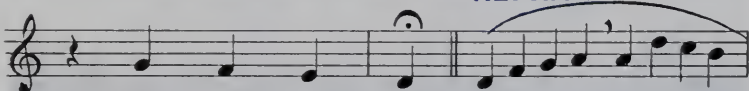


1. fast - ing How we may
2. pleas - ure And in the
3. pent - ance Ful - fill in

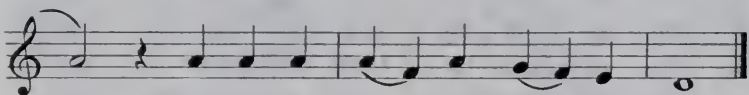


1. gain life ev - er - last - ing,
2. des - ert seek our treas - ure,
3. part our right - ful sen - tence,

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1. Your love we know!
2. May our hearts grow! O _____
3. May your grace flow!



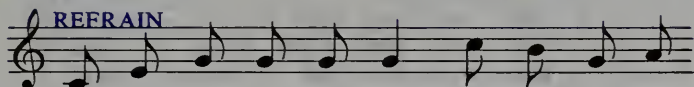
_____ be - ne - di - ca - mus Do - mi - no.

Draw Near, O Lord

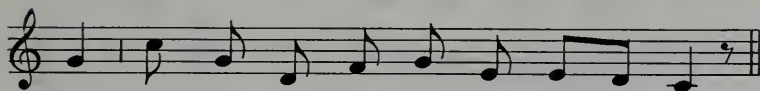
Attende Domine

Tr. Melvin Farrell, S. S.

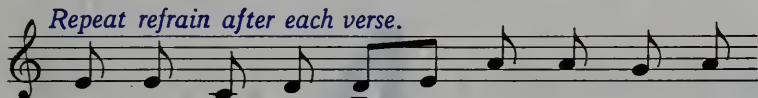
Paris Processional of 1824



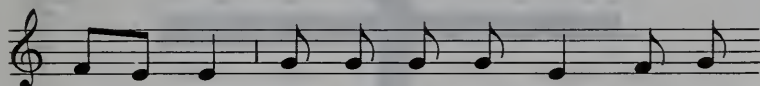
Draw near, O Lord our God, gra-cious-ly hear



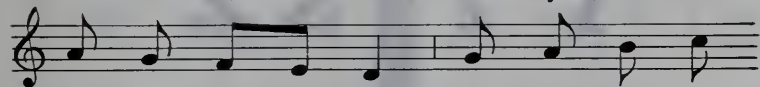
us, guilt - y of sin - ning be - fore you.



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| 1. O King | ex - alt - ed, | Sav - ior of all |
| 2. Might of | the Fa - ther, | Key - stone of God's |
| 3. We pray | you, O God, | throned in strength and |
| 4. Hum - bly | con - fess - ing | count - less sins com - |
| 5. In - no - cent | cap - tive, | un - re - sist - ing |



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|-----------------|---------------------------|------------|
| 1. na - tions, | see how our griev - ing | lifts our |
| 2. tem - ple, | Way of sal - va - tion, | Gate to |
| 3. splen - dor, | hear from your king - dom | this, our |
| 4. mit - ted, | our hearts are brok - en, | lay - ing |
| 5. vic - tim, | li - ars de-nounced you, | sen-tenced |

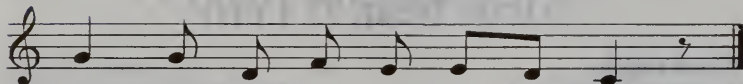


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| 1. eyes to | heav - en; | hear us, | Re - deem - |
| 2. heav - en's | glo - - ry; | sin has | en - slaved |
| 3. song of | sor - row; | show us | your mer - |
| 4. bare their | se - - crets; | cleanse us, | Re - deem - |
| 5. for the | guilt - y; | once you | re - deemed |

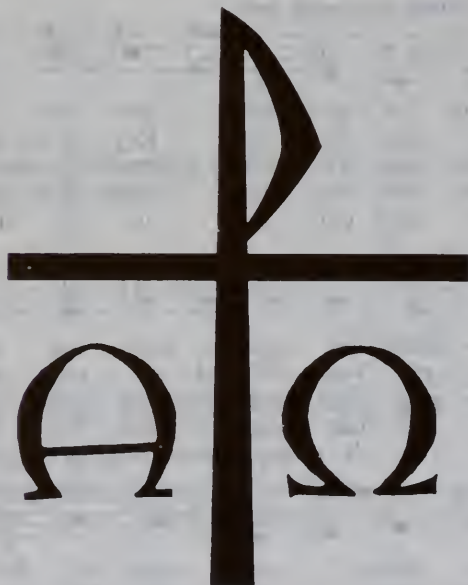
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Draw Near, O Lord (*cont.*)



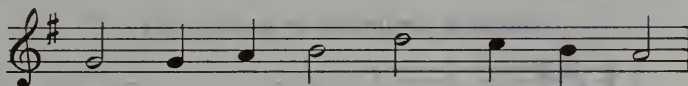
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| 1. | er, | as | we | beg | for - | give | - | ness. |
| 2. | us; | free | your | sons | from | bond | - | age. |
| 3. | cy, | par - | don | our | of - | fen | - | ses. |
| 4. | er, | bound - | less | in | com - | pas | - | sion. |
| 5. | us: | now | re - | new | us, | Je | - | sus. |



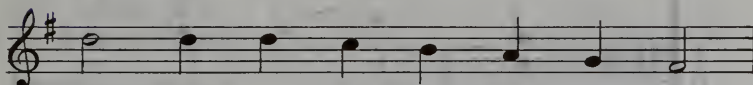
Father in Highest Heaven Above

P.M.A.

Uhlenburg's Psalter, 1582



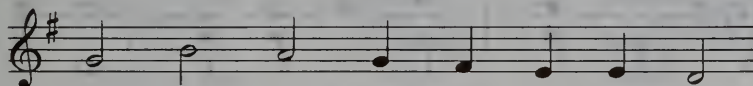
1. Fa - ther in high - est heav'n a - bove,
 2. Chas - ten our hearts; draw them to thee:



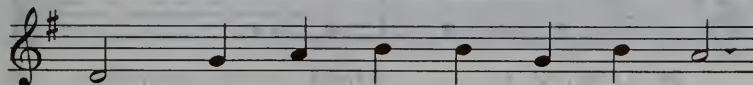
1. Who didst send down thy Son in love
 2. Turn them to seek e - ter - ni - ty:



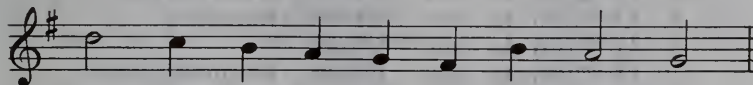
1. To be our life and our pro - tec - tion:
 2. Grant us to know and love thee on - ly.



1. Let this not be our shame and loss,
 2. All crea - tures take from thee their worth;



1. But, one with his re - deem - ing Cross,
 2. Thy beau - ty in them shin - eth forth:



1. May we now share his Res - ur - rec - tion.
 2. Grant they may lead us to thee on - ly.

Have Mercy, O Lord

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Antiphon for unison or mixed voices

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Have mer - cy, O

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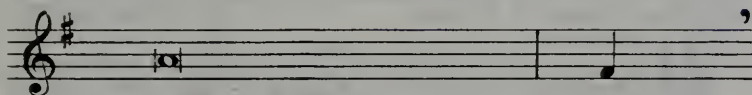
Lord. Have mer - cy on us!

Lord. Have mer - cy on us!

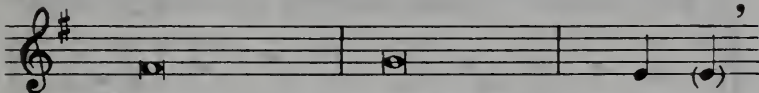
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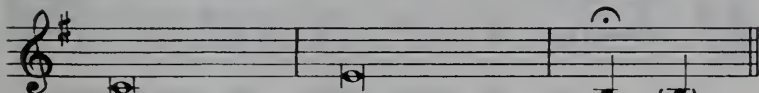
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| 1. O Lord Je - sus | Christ. At prayer in the |
| 2. O Lord Je - sus | Christ, Betrayed by the |
| 3. O Lord Je - sus | Christ, Buffeted. |
| 4. O Lord Je - sus | Christ, Scourged and |
| 5. O Lord Je - sus | Christ, Burdened |
| 6. O Lord Je - sus | Christ, |
| 7. O Lord Je - sus | Christ. Forgiving your |
| 8. O Lord Je - sus | Christ. Breathing |

Have Mercy, O Lord (*cont.*)

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| 1. Garden of | Olives, |
| 2. Kiss of | Judas, |
| 3. Covered with | spittle, |
| 4. Crowned with | thorns, |
| 5. With your | cross, |
| 6. Stripped of your | garments, |
| 7. Ex - e - | cutioners, |
| 8. Forth your | spirit |



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|-------------------|---------------|------------|
| 1. Weeping with | sadness and | fear, |
| 2. Abandoned | by your a | - postles, |
| 3. Bruised by the | blows of | soldiers, |
| 4. Clothed in a | robe of | purple, |
| 5. Mounting | even to | Calvary, |
| 6. Given | gall in your | thirst, |
| 7. Confiding your | holy | Mother |
| 8. Into the | hands of your | Father, |



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|-----------------|---------------|----------|
| 1. Comforted | by an | Angel. |
| 2. Delivered | over to | sinner. |
| 3. Condemned to | die on the | cross. |
| 4. Covered with | scorn and | shame. |
| 5. Bearing the | weight of our | sins. |
| 6. Crucified | with | thieves. |
| 7. To your be | - loved dis | - ciple. |
| 8. Dying for | all | sinner. |

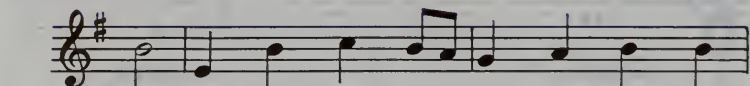
Out of the Depths I Cry, O Lord

Psalm 129

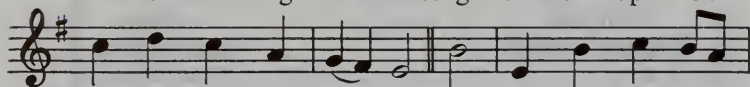
Walther's

English Text by John Francis Cunningham, O. P. *Geistliche Gesangbuchlein*

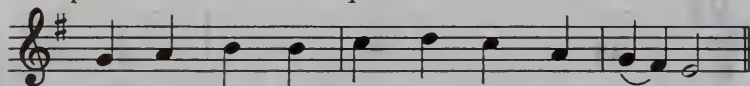
Wittenberg, 1524



1. Out of the depths I cry, O Lord, To
2. But with you is for - give - ness, Lord, Your
3. His lov - ing kind - ness gives us hope Of



1. you I cry for mer - cy. Hear me, O Lord, hear
2. law, which gives sal - va - tion. And in that word my
3. plen - te - ous re - demp - tion. The Lord shall free his



1. now my voice And grant my prayer for mer - cy.
2. soul stands firm And hopes for its sal - va - tion.
3. Is - ra - el, From sin he brings re - demp - tion.



1. For if you num - ber sins and shame,
2. Though days be long from dawn's first light
3. Now glo - ry be to God the Lord



1. If you re - cord each sin - ner's name,
2. Un - to the watch which guards the night,
3. Most ho - ly Trin - i - ty a - dored



1. What man dare stand be - fore you?
2. The Lord shall be our help - er.
3. Of Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it.

From the Depths Do I Cry

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.
From *Psalms* 130 (129)

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.

Antiphon for unison or mixed voices

S
A

If you keep our trans-gres-sions be-fore your

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eyes, O Lord, O Lord, who shall sur-vive?

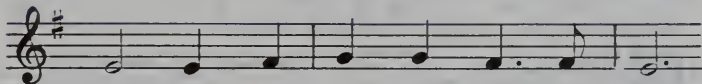
With These Our Lenten Prayers, O Lord

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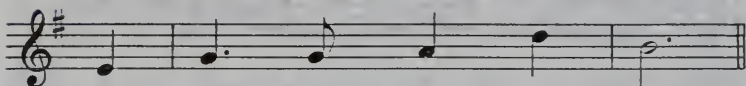
Ascr. to St. Gregory the Great, c. 540-604

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Este's Psalter, 1592



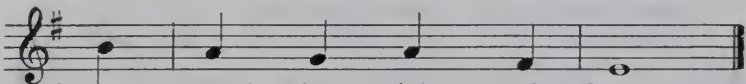
1. With these our lent - en prayers, O Lord,
2. You know the weak - ness of our wills,
3. To us who now ad - mit our sins
4. And may our out - ward pen - anc - es
5. Now grant, O Bless - ed Trin - i - ty,



1. We add our pen - i - tence,
2. You search the hearts of men,
3. Of thought and word and deed,
4. Take such ef - fect with - in,
5. And splen - did U - ni - ty,



1. Our fast - ing seeks to calm your wrath
2. And so we beg your mer - cy, Lord,
3. Be pleased to grant for - give - ness, Lord,
4. That mind and heart may now ab - stain
5. That we may prof - it from this fast



1. A - roused by sin's of - fense.
2. Re - pent - ant once a - gain.
3. The par - don that we need.
4. And flee from ev' - ry sin.
5. And from all ills be free.

All Glory, Praise, and Honor

Gloria, Laus, et Honor

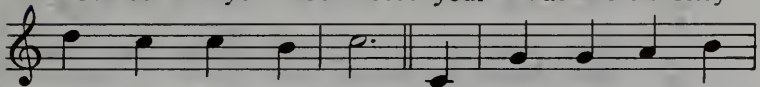
St. Theodulph of Orleans, c. 820

Tr. John Mason Neale, 1851, alt.

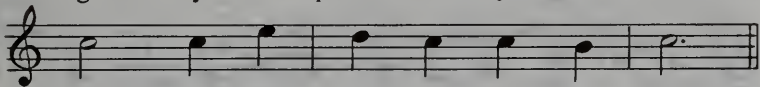
Melchior Teschner, pub. 1615



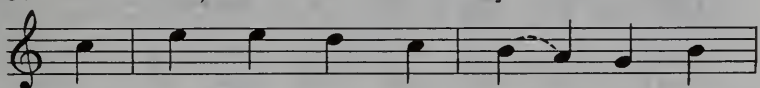
1. All glo - ry, praise, and hon - or To
 2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels Are
 3. To you be - fore your Pas - sion They



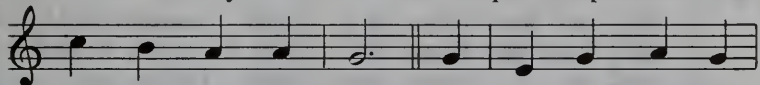
1. you Re - deem - er, King! To whom the lips of
 2. prais - ing you on high; And mor - tal men and
 3. sang their hymns of praise: To you, now high ex -



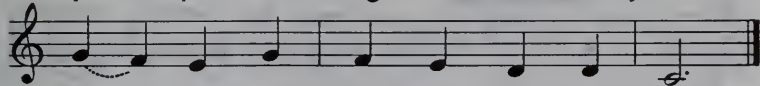
1. chil - dren Made glad ho - san - nas ring.
 2. all things Cre - a - ted make re - ply.
 3. alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.



1. you are the King of Is - ra - el, And
 2. The peo - ple of the He - brews With
 3. As once you did ac - cept their praise, Ac -



1. Da - vid's roy - al Son, Who in the Lord's Name
 2. palms be - fore you went: Our praise and prayer and
 3. cept this praise we sing, You who re - joice in



1. comes to us The King and Bless - ed One.
 2. an - thems Be - fore you we pre - sent.
 3. ev - ry good, Our good and gra - cious King.

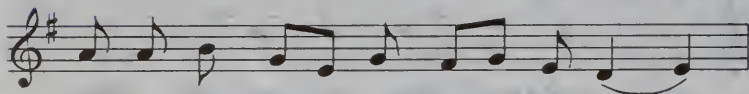
Sunset to Sunrise

St. Clement of Alexandria, c. 170-220
 Para. by Howard C. Robbins, 1939, alt.

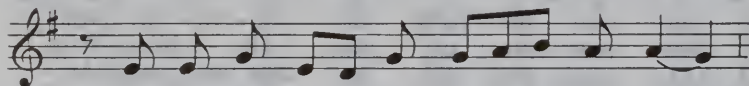
Chant



1. Sun - set - to sun - rise chang-es now, —
2. E'en though the sun — with - holds its light —
3. Here in — o'er - whelm - ing fi - nal strife —



1. For God doth make — his world a - new; —
2. Lo! a more heav'n - ly lamp shines here; —
3. The Lord of life — has vic - to - ry; —



1. On the Re - deem - er's thorn - crowned brow —
2. And from the Cross on Cal - vary's height —
3. And sin is slain, and death — brings life, —



1. The won - ders of that dawn we view.
2. Gleams of — e - ter - ni - ty ap - pear.
3. And sons — of earth hold heav-en's key.

O Sacred Head, Surrounded

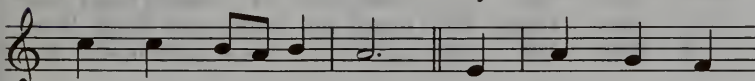
Verse 1: Sir H. W. Baker, 1821-77, alt.

Verse 2: Melvin Farrell, S. S.

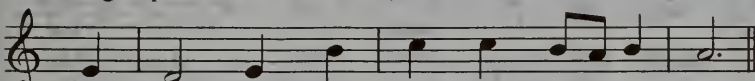
Hans Leo Hassler, 1601



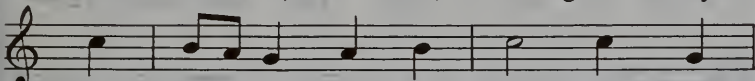
1. O Sa - cred Head, sur - round - ed By
2. The Lord of ev - ery na - tion Was



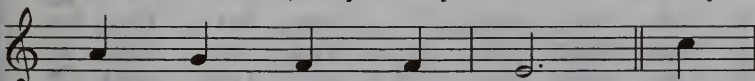
1. crown of pierc - ing thorn. O Bleed - ing Head,
2. hung up - on a tree; His death was our



1. so wound - ed Re - viled and put to scorn.
2. sal - va - tion, Our sins, his ag - o - ny.



1. Our sins have marred the glo - ry Of
2. O Je - sus, by thy Pas - sion, Thy



1. thy most ho - ly Face, Yet
2. Life in us in - crease; Thy



1. an - gel hosts a - dore thee,
2. death for us did fash - ion

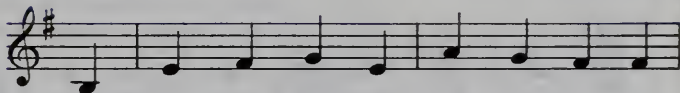


1. And trem - ble as they gaze.
2. Our par - don and our peace.

When I Behold the Wondrous Cross

Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

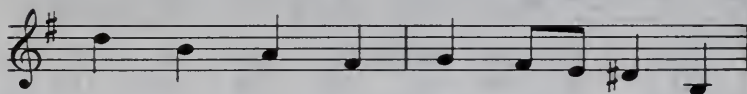
Mohr, 1881



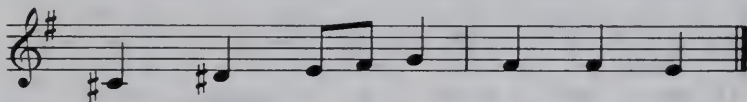
1. When I be - hold the won - drous Cross On
2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save
3. See! from his head, his hands, his feet, What
4. Were all the realm of na - ture mine, It



1. which the Prince of Glo - ry died, My
2. in the death of Christ, my God: The
3. grief and love flow min - gled down; Did
4. would be of - f'ring far too small; Love



1. rich - est gain I count but loss, And
2. vain things that at - tract me most, I
3. e'er such love and sor - row meet, Or
4. so a - maz - ing, so di - vine, De -

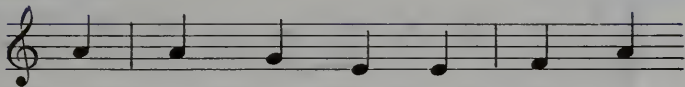


1. pour con - tempt on all my pride.
2. sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
3. thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
4. mands my soul, my life, my all.

All Praise to Thee

F. Bland Tucker

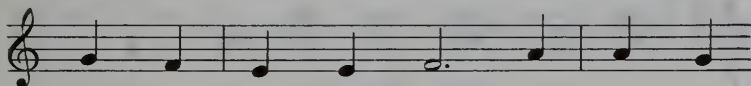
Jan Kern



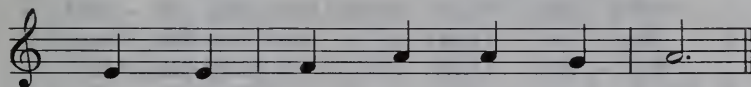
1. All praise to thee, for thou, O
2. Thou camest to us in low - li -
3. Let this mind be in us which
4. Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal
5. Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with



1. King di - vine, Didst yield the glo - ry
2. ness of thought; By thee the out - cast
3. was in thee, Who wast a serv - ant
4. pur - pose, thou Art high ex - alt - ed
5. one ac - cord In heav'n and earth that



1. that of right was thine, That in our
2. and the poor were sought, And by thy
3. that we might be free, And hum - bled
4. o'er all crea - tures now, And giv'n the
5. Je - sus Christ is Lord; And God the



1. dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine.
2. death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.
3. un - to death on Cal - va - ry.
4. Name to which all knees shall bow.
5. Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

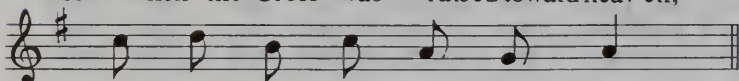
Now in Joy We Sing Thy Praises

Melvin Farrell, S.S.

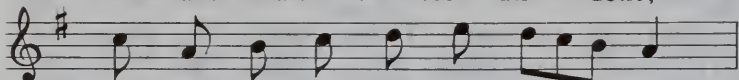
Sarum melody



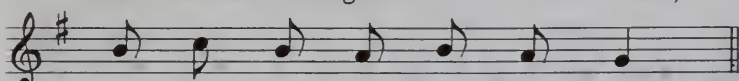
1. Now in joy we sing thy prais - es,
2. By a tree our race was van-quished;
3. When the Cross was raised toward heav-en,



1. Sa - cred Cross of Cal - va - ry!
2. Ad - am ate its fruit and fell.
3. Shame and weak - ness were un - done;



1. When the chains of Sa - tan bound us,
2. By a tree man-kind was res - cued;
3. Blood and death brought life e - ter - nal;



1. It was thou that set us free:
2. From its fruit all grac - es well:
3. Man's un - dy - ing love was won:



1. Won - drous wood that bore our Sav - ior,
2. Ho - ly Cross of our re - demp - tion,
3. Roy - al Cross thy tri - umph makes us



1. All thanks-giv - ing be to thee!
2. Thou hast burst the bonds of hell!
3. Broth - ers of God's on - ly Son!

Sing, My Tongue, the Ageless Story

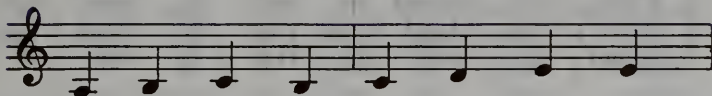
Pange Lingua Gloriosi

Venantius Honorius Fortunatus, 569

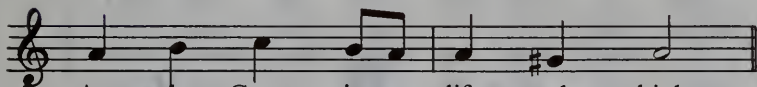
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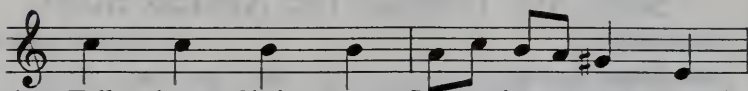
Darmstadt, 1698



1. Sing, my tongue, the age - less sto - ry
2. Man first tast - ed sin and sor - row
3. In his mer - cy with - out meas - ure
4. Si - lence cloaks the earth and heav - ens
5. See the sign of man's re - demp - tion
6. Cross tri - um - phant, Cross trans - form - ing
7. Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther,



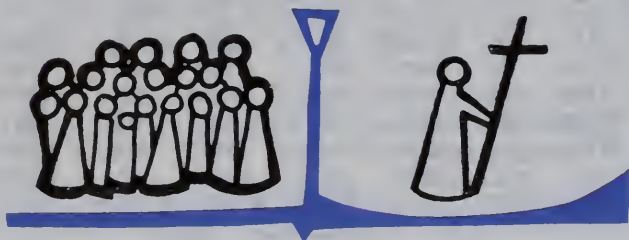
1. As the Cross is lift - ed high
2. When he ate of Sa - tan's tree,
3. God the Son has come to earth,
4. Round the hill of Cal - va - ry;
5. Which pro - claims God's lov - ing plan,
6. In - stru - ment of man's re - lease,
7. Hon - or to his on - ly Son,

Sing, My Tongue, the Ageless Story (*cont.*)

1. Tell how Christ our Sav - ior con - quered
2. God's great love un - does that e - vil
3. Seek - ing by his life and pas - sion
4. Fixed u - pon the tree of glo - ry
5. Christ, en - throned up - on a cross, has
6. Christ's own blood from you de - scend - ing
7. Reign - ing with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



1. When for us he came to die.
2. By a tree he sets men free.
3. To give us di - vine re - birth.
4. Christ en - dures his ag - o - ny.
5. Lib - er - at - ed cap - tive man.
6. Wins for us e - ter - nal peace.
7. Per - sons three in God - head one.



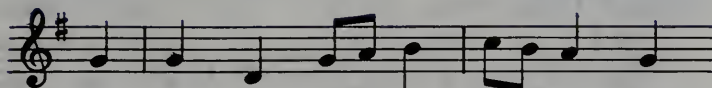
Behold the Royal Cross on High

Vexilla Regis Prodeunt

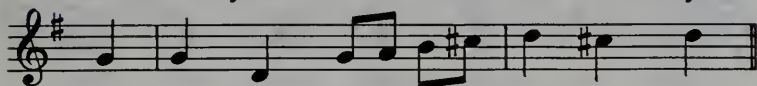
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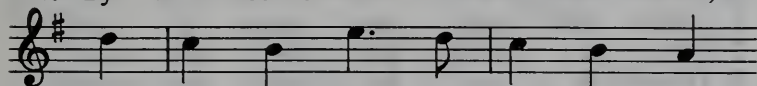
J. Bishop, c. 1665-1737



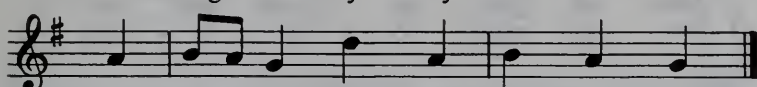
1. Be - hold the roy - al Cross on high
2. From nails which bound his feet and hands
3. But when his sa - cred side was pierced
4. O ho - ly Tree and beau - ti - ful,
5. O ho - ly Cross in whom a - lone
6. And may the Bless - ed Trin - i - ty



1. Re - splend - ent in its mys - ter - y,
2. His tor - tured bod - y hung in pain.
3. A sym - bol of his love was seen:
4. Once wa - tered by that pre - cious flood
5. The world's sal - va - tion is as - sured,
6. By all those souls be now a - dored,



1. The Cross on which the Lord of men
2. Thus was the vic - tim sac - ri - ficed
3. His blood with wa - ter is - sued forth
4. Which blessed your trunk and col - ored it
5. May Christ im - part to us the grace
6. Who through the mys - t'ry of the Cross



1. Once suf - fered hu - man ag - o - ny.
2. Who for the sins of man was slain.
3. To purge our souls and wash us clean.
4. The pur - ple hue of king - ly blood.
5. Which by his pas - sion he pro - cured.
6. From death to life have been re - stored.

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Victimae Paschali Laudes

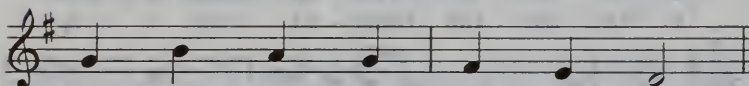
Wipo, 11th cent.

Tr. Jane E. Leeson, 1807-82, alt.

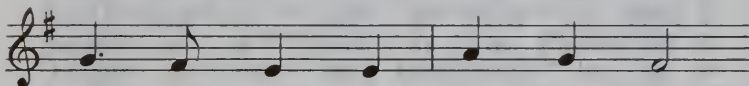
Traditional, alt.



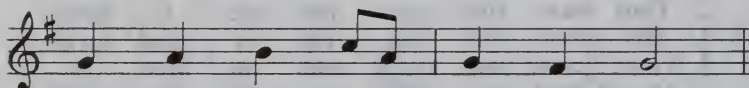
1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day;
2. Christ, the Vic - tim un - de - filed,
3. Christ, who once for sin - ners bled,



1. Chris - tians, haste your vows to pay;
2. Man to God has rec - on - ciled;
3. Now the first - born from the dead,



1. Of - fer now your prais - es meet
2. When in strange and aw - ful strife
3. Throned in end - less might and power,



1. At the Pas - chal Vic - tim's feet.
2. Met to - geth - er death and life;
3. Lives and reigns for - ev - er - more.

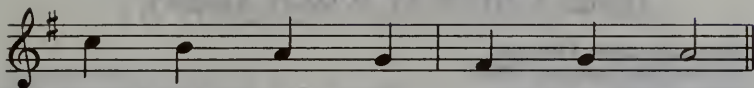


1. For the sheep the Lamb has bled,
2. Christ - ians, on this hap - py day
3. Hail, e - ter - nal Hope on high!

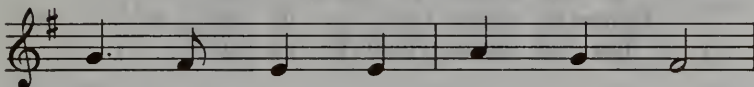
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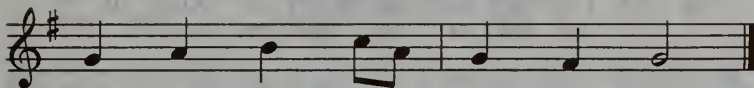
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (*cont.*)



1. Sin - less in the sin - ner's stead;
2. Haste with joy your vows to pay.
3. Hail, you King of Vic - to - ry!



1. Christ the Lord is ris'n on high,
2. Christ the Lord is ris'n on high,
3. Hail, you Prince of life a - dored!



1. Now he lives no more to die!
2. Now he lives no more to die!
3. Help and save us, gra - cious Lord.

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Bohemian carol, 14th cent.

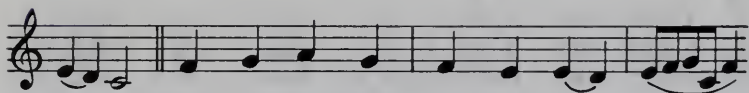
Tr. in *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

Verses 2 and 3: 1749, alt.

Altered, 1749, from *Lyra Davidica*, 1708



1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day,
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, al - le -
3. But the pains which he en-dured,



Our tri-umph-ant ho - ly day,
lu - ia! Un - to Christ, our heav'n-ly King, al -
Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured,



Who did once up - on the cross,
le - lu - ia! Who en - dured the cross and grave,
Now he rules, e - ter - nal King,



Suf - fer to re -
al - - le - lu - ia! Sin - ners to re -
Where the an - gels

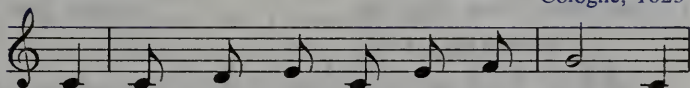


1. deem our loss,
2. deem and save, al - - le - lu - ia!
3. ev - er sing,

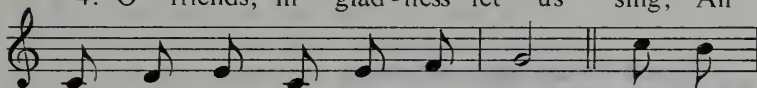
Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

Athelstan Riley, 1906

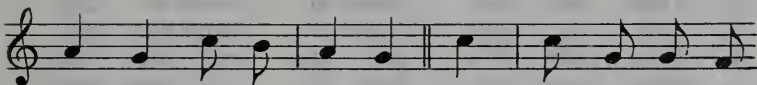
Auserlesene ... Kirchengesäng
Cologne, 1623



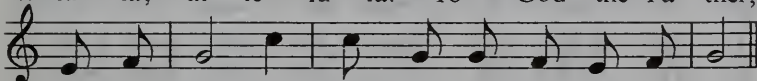
1. Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, Bright
2. O high - er than the cher - u - bim, More
3. Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, Ye
4. O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, All



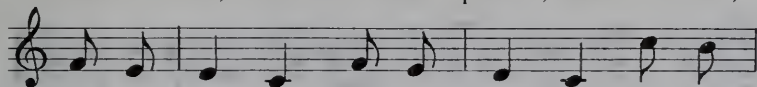
1. ser - aphs, cher - u - bim, and thrones, Raise the
2. glo - rious than the ser - a - phim, Lead their
3. pa - tri - archs and proph - ets blest, Al - le -
4. heav - en's an - thems ech - o - ing, Al - le -



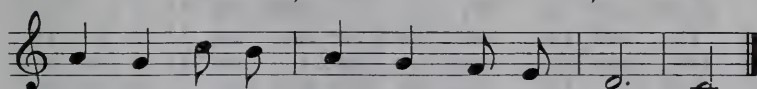
1. glad strain, al - le - lu - ia! Cry out, do - min - ions,
2. prais - es, al - le - lu - ia! Thou Moth - er of th'e -
3. lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye ho - ly twelve, ye
4. lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To God the Fa - ther,



1. prince - doms, powers, Vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels' choirs,
2. ter - nal Word, Most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the Lord,
3. mar - tyrs strong, All saints, tri - umph - ant, raise the song:
4. God the Son, And God the Spir - it, Three in One,



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ye Sons and Daughters

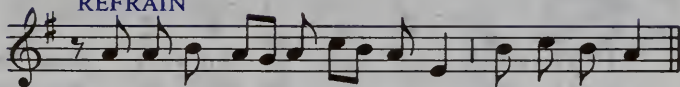
O Filii et Filiae

Jean Tisserand, d. 1494

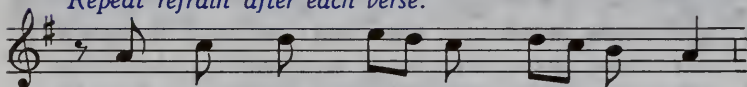
Tr. John Mason Neale, 1851, alt.

1st pub. Paris, 1623

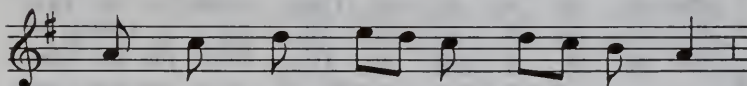
REFRAIN



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Repeat refrain after each verse.

1. Ye sons and daugh-ters, let us sing!
2. That Eas - ter morn, at break of day,
3. An an - gel clothed in white they see,
4. That night the'a - pos - tles met in fear;
5. When Thom - as first the ti - dings heard,



1. The King of heav'n, our glo - rious King,
2. The faith - ful wo - men went their way
3. Who sat and spoke un - to the three,
4. And Christ did in their midst ap - pear,
5. How they had seen the ris - en Lord,



1. From death to - day rose tri-umph-ing. Al-le-lu-ia!
2. To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay. Al-le-lu-ia!
3. "Thy Lord has gone to Gal - i - lee." Al-le-lu-ia!
4. And said, "My peace be with thee here." Al-le-lu-ia!
5. He doubt-ed the dis - ci - ples' word. Al-le-lu-ia!

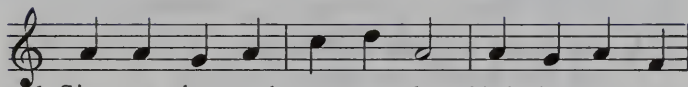
Ye Sons and Daughters (*cont.*)

6. "My wounded side, O Thomas, see;
My hands, my feet, I show to thee;
Not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia!
7. No longer Thomas then denied,
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia!
8. How blest are they who have not seen,
And yet whose faith has constant been,
For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!
9. On this most holy day of days,
To God thy hearts and voices raise,
In laud, and jubilee, and praise. Alleluia!

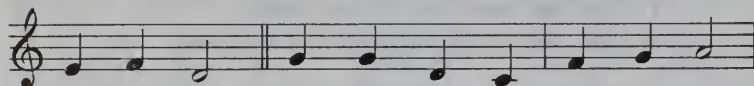
Singers, Sing

Michael Gannon, alt.

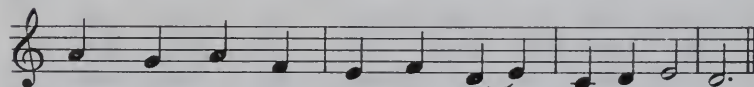
Germany, 12th cent.



1. Sing-ers, sing, and trumpets, play! Christ has conquered
2. An- gels, sing, and swell our hymn! Join with us, you
3. Ho- ly, ho - ly, ris - en Lord; Man-kind ral - lies



1. death to - day. Think what he has done for men:
2. ser - a - phim. Christ has ris - en where he died:
3. to your sword; You are our tri - umph-ant King,



1. Made them sons and heirs a - gain!
2. Walked a - mong us glo - ri - fied! Al - le - lu - ia.
3. And your joy - ful sub-jects sing!

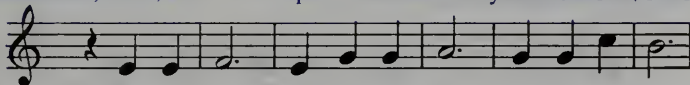


Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

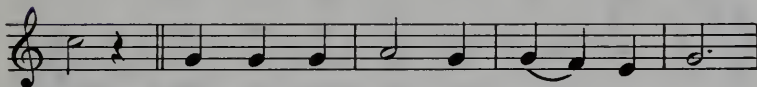
Alleluia! The Strife Is O'er

1st pub. Cologne, 1695
Tr. Francis Pott, 1861, alt.

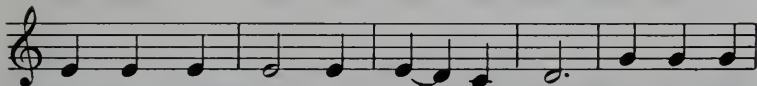
From G. P. da Palestrina, 1588
Adapted with alleluias by W. H. Monk, 1861



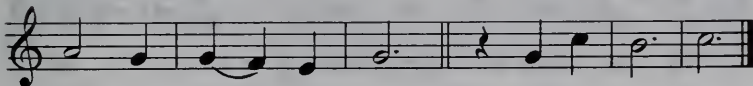
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu -



1. The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done;
ia! 2. On the third morn he rose a - gain,
3. O ris - en Lord, all praise to thee,



1. Now is the vic - tor's tri - umph won; O let the
2. Glor - ious in maj - es - ty to reign; O let us
3. Who from our sin hast set us free, That we may



1. song of praise be sung:
2. swell the joy - ful strain: al - le - lu - ia!
3. live e - ter - nal - ly:

O Queen of Heaven

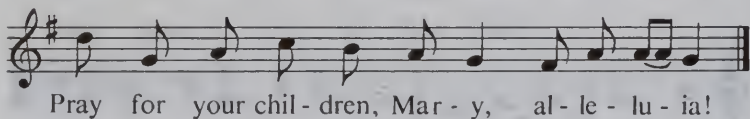
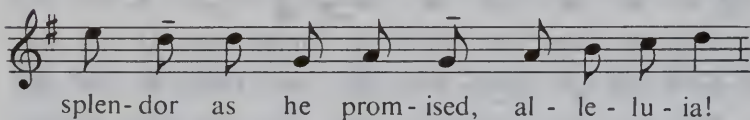
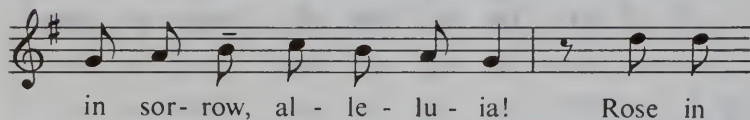
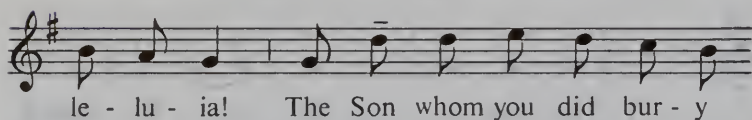
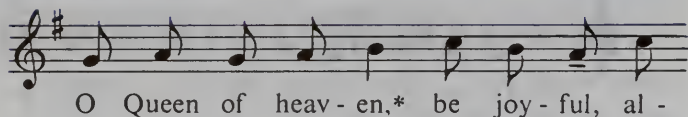
Regina Caeli

Rome, 12th cent. (?)

17th cent. simplification of 13th (?)

Para. by Melvin Farrell, S. S.

cent. melody



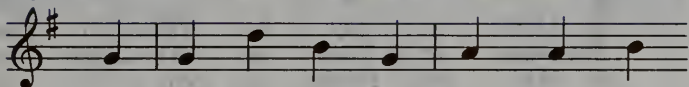
Be Joyful, Mary, Heavenly Queen

Regina Caeli, Jubila

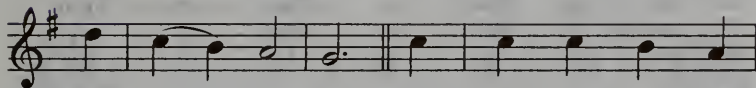
Anon., 17th cent.

Trad. English version, alt.

Leisentritt's *Gesangbuch*, 1584, alt.



1. Be joy - ful, Mar - y, heav'n - ly Queen,
2. The Son you bore by heav - en's grace,
3. The Lord has ris - en from the dead,
4. Then pray to God, O Vir - gin fair,



- Al - le - lu - ia! Your Son who died was
Did all our guilt and
He rose with might as
That he our souls to



1. liv - ing seen,
2. sin ef - face, al - le - lu - ia!
3. he had said,
4. heav - en bear,



- Re - joice with us, O Mar - y.

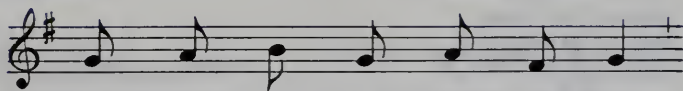
E-9

EASTER - BLESSED VIRGIN

One in Joyful Songs of Praise

Concordi Laetitua
William Koninx

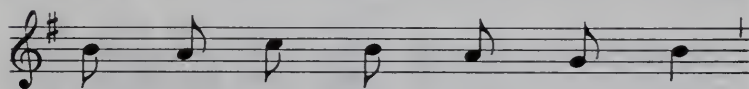
Pierre de Corbeil, d. 1222



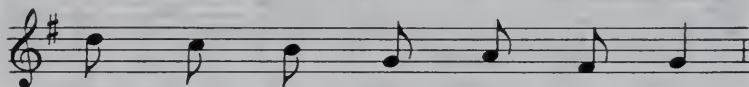
1. One in joy - ful songs of praise,
2. Now re - joice we at the sight
3. All the earth and heav - ens vie
4. Ev - er Bless - ed Trin - i - ty,



1. let us pass from mourn - ful days
2. of thy Son in East - er light;
3. to re - ech - o Mar - y's joy:
4. un - di - vid - ed U - ni - ty,



1. to thy Pas - chal mys - te - ry:
2. Moth - er, let thy ris - en King,
3. we are crowned with thee in grace,
4. let thy grace through Mar - y flow



1. "God a - rose who lived in thee!"
2. rise in us a liv - ing Spring,
3. sin - less flow - er of our race,
4. on God's chil - dren here be - low.



1. O Vir - gin Mar - y.
2. O Vir - gin Mar - y.
3. O Vir - gin Mar - y.
4. O Vir - gin Mar - y.

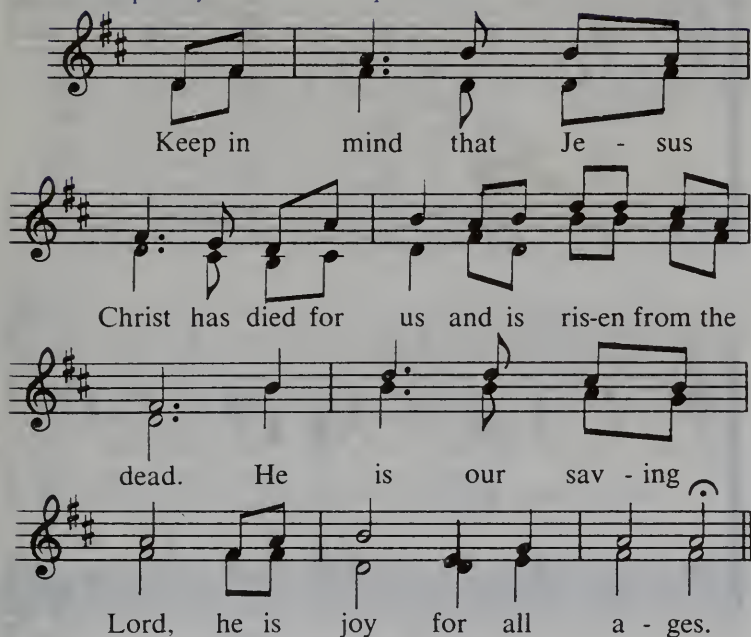
EASTER Keep in Mind

E-10

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.
From *II Tm 2, 8-11*

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.

Antiphon for unison or equal voices



Keep in mind that Je - sus
Christ has died for us and is ris-en from the
dead. He is our sav - ing
Lord, he is joy for all a - ges.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four lines of music. The first line contains the lyrics 'Keep in mind that Je - sus'. The second line contains 'Christ has died for us and is ris-en from the'. The third line contains 'dead. He is our sav - ing'. The fourth line contains 'Lord, he is joy for all a - ges.' The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests and ties.

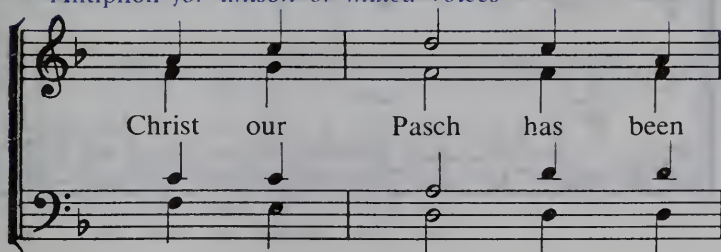
Pasch of the New Law

E-11

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.
From *Communion of the Mass of Easter*

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.

Antiphon for unison or mixed voices



Christ our Pasch has been

The musical score is written on a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) in one sharp key signature. It consists of two lines of music. The first line contains the lyrics 'Christ our Pasch has been'. The second line contains 'Christ our Pasch has been'. The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests and ties.

Pasch of the New Law (*cont.*)

slain, al - le - lu - ia!

This system consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. It contains a melody with a half note, a quarter note, and a half note, followed by a half note and a quarter note. The bass staff has a key signature of one flat and a common time signature. It contains a melody with a half note, a quarter note, and a half note, followed by a half note and a quarter note. The lyrics 'slain, al - le - lu - ia!' are written below the treble staff.

Christ him - self, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

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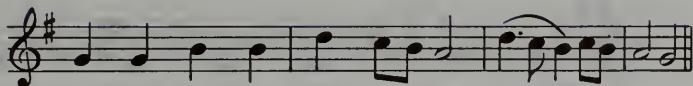
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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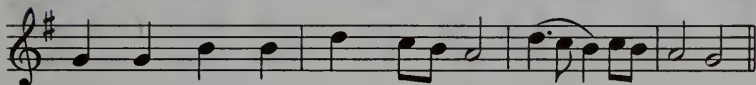
Let the Earth Rejoice and Sing

Melvin Farrell, S. S.

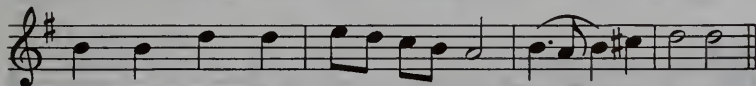
Robert Williams, 1817



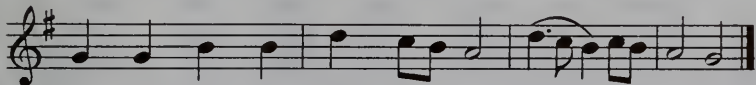
1. Let the earth re - joice and sing,
2. He who died up - on a tree,
3. Je - sus, Lord, all hail to thee, al - le - lu - ia!
4. Je - sus, Vic - tor, hear our prayer,
5. While in heav - en thou dost gaze,



1. At the tri - umph of our King,
2. Now shall reign e - ter - nal - ly,
3. On this day of vic - to - ry, al - le - lu - ia!
4. In thy tri - umph let us share,
5. On thy Church who sings thy praise,



1. He as - cends from mor - tal sight,
2. He who saved our fal - len race,
3. Thou didst shat - ter Sa - tan's might, al - le - lu - ia!
4. Lift our minds and hearts a - bove,
5. Fas - ten all our hope in thee,



1. Reigns now at our Fa - ther's right,
2. Takes in heav'n his right - ful place,
3. Ris - ing glo - rious from the fight, al - le - lu - ia!
4. Strengthen all men in thy love,
5. Till thy face un - veiled we see,

G-1

JESUS OUR

To Jesus

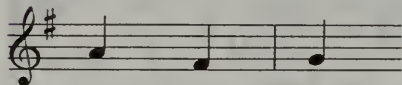
Michael Gannon, alt.



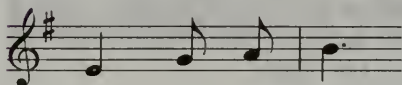
1. To Je - sus ho
2. Let us a - dore



1. low - ly Sing out our
2. fore him, Re - turn his



1. rais - es Song
2. hold us! May

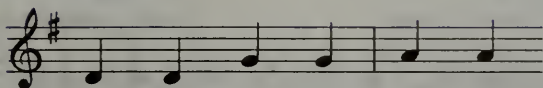


SACRED HEART

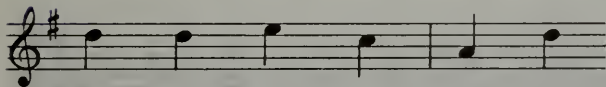
Heart of Christ

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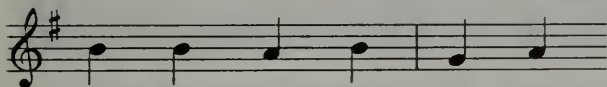
C. F. Witt's *Psalm*



1. Heart of Christ, we sing thy p
2. Heart of Christ, thou dost em - b
3. Heart of Christ, who bring - est h



1. Well - spring of e - ter - nal
2. All the won - der of God's
3. To the low - ly and the



1. Through the sor - rows of thy F
2. Thou dost tell the ten - der n
3. Let us know thy lov - ing k

O Heart of Christ

Melvin Farrell, S. S.

Marius Monnikendam



1. O Heart of Christ, in thee we see
2. Tri - umph - ant Heart, re - new thy might!
3. O Sa - cred Heart of Je - sus, hear!



1. A joy - ful har - bor from our cares;
2. Let not thy Church to Sa - tan yield;
3. With trust we send our prayers a - bove:



1. Thy Fa - ther makes us all in
2. Turn back the dark - ness by thy
3. Our sins have marked thee with a

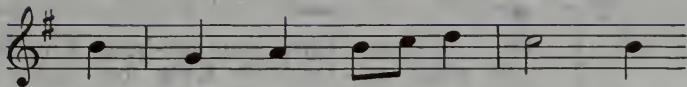


1. thee His chil - dren and be - lov - ed heirs!
2. light, Pour forth thy Spir - it as our shield!
3. spear, Yet thou en - fold - est us with love!

O Sacred Heart All Holy

Eugene Lindusky, O.S.C.

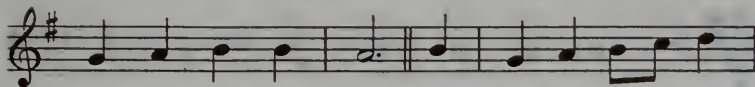
Heinrich Isaak, c.1450- c.1527



1. O Sa - cred Heart all ho - ly,
 2. Thy Heart for love is yearn - ing,



1. That Heart so meek and low - ly, O
 2. While man to sin is turn - ing, Un -



1. make our hearts like thine, For in thy Heart is
 2. mind - ful of thy love, But in thy gra - cious



1. treas - ure Of good - ness with - out meas -
 2. kind - ness, Lord, cure us of our blind -

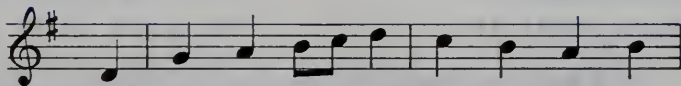


1. ure, Of mer - cy, grace, and love di - vine.
 2. ness, And lead us to thy throne a - bove.

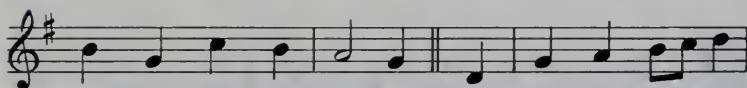
To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King

Msgr. Martin B. Hellriegel, alt.

Mainz, 1900, alt.



1. To Je - sus Christ, our sov-'reign King, Who
2. Your reign ex - tend, O King be - nign, To
3. To you and to your Church, great King, We

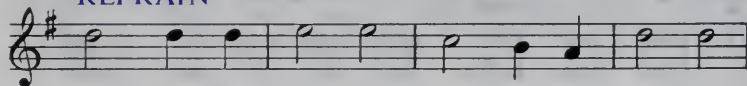


1. is the world's Sal - va - tion, All praise and hom-age
2. ev - 'ry land and na - tion; For in your king-dom,
3. pledge our hearts' ob - la - tion; Un - til be - fore your



1. do we bring And thanks and ad - o - ra - tion.
2. Lord di - vine, A - lone we find sal - va - tion.
3. throne we sing In end - less ju - bi - la - tion.

REFRAIN



Christ Je - sus, Vic - tor! Christ Je - sus, Rul - er!



Christ Je - sus, Lord and Re - deem - er!

Crown Him With Many Crowns

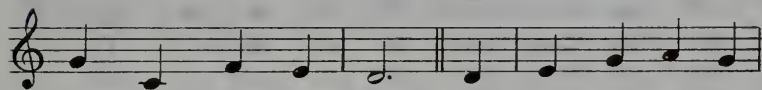
Matthew Bridges, 1804-94

Revised by Melvin Farrell, S. S.

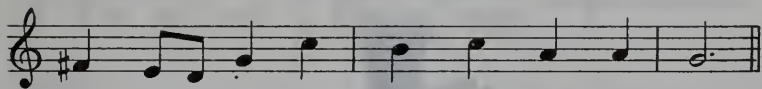
G. J. Elvey, 1816-93



1. Crown him with man - y crowns, The
2. Crown him the Lord of life, Who
3. Crown him, O Maid - en fair, And
4. Crown him the King of kings; All



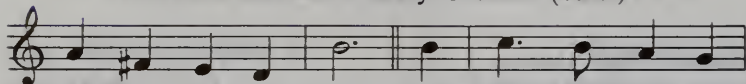
1. Lamb up - on his throne; His re - gal scep - ter
2. tri - umphed o'er the grave: In death he bore our
3. Moth - er of our race; The roy - al Son whom
4. na - tions give ac - claim! His Church on earth in



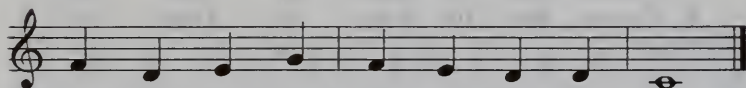
1. knows no bounds, All king - doms are his own.
2. ev - 'ry strife And hope to sin - ners gave.
3. thou didst bear Has made thee full of grace.
4. glad - ness sings The gran - deur of his name.



1. All Chris - tians, come and sing To
2. Our hom - age now we sing To
3. Crown him, all saints a - bove; All
4. His rule shall nev - er cease; All

Crown Him With Many Crowns (*cont.*)

1. him who died for thee, And hail him as thy
 2. him who rose on high: He came e - ter - nal
 3. an - gels, praise the Lord: His won - drous gift of
 4. thrones be - fore him fall: Crown him the gen - tle



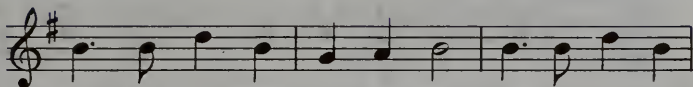
1. Sav - ior King For all e - ter - ni - ty.
 2. life to bring And now no more to die.
 3. self - less love Has peace to man re - stored.
 4. Prince of Peace And might - y Lord of all!



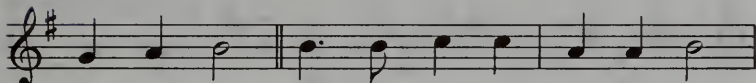
Hail, Redeemer, King Divine

P. Brennan, C.S.S.R., alt.

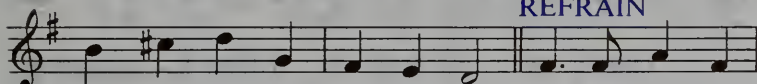
G. J. Elvey, 1816-93



1. Hail, Re-deem-er, King di-vine! Priest and Lamb, the
 2. Christ, thou King of truth and might, Be to us e-

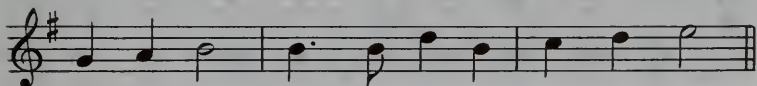


1. throne is thine; King whose reign shall nev-er cease,
 2. ter-nal light, Till in peace each na-tion rings



REFRAIN

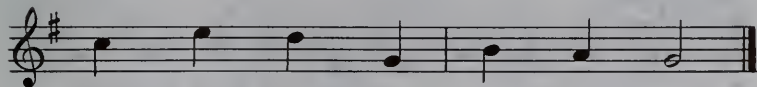
1. Prince of ev-er-last-ing peace. An-gels, saints, and
 2. With thy prais-es, King of kings.



na-tions sing: "Praised be Je-sus Christ, our King;



Lord of earth and sky and sea,



King of love on Cal-va-ry."

G-13 Hail Christ, Our Master

Ambrosian chant

REFRAIN All



The musical notation for the Refrain is written on a single staff. It begins with a treble clef and a 7/8 time signature. The melody consists of the following notes: a quarter note G4, an eighth note A4, a quarter note B4, an eighth note A4, a quarter note G4, an eighth note F#4, a quarter note E4, an eighth note D4, a quarter note C4, and an eighth note B3. The notes G4, A4, B4, A4, and G4 are beamed together. The notes E4, D4, and C4 are beamed together. The note B3 is a single eighth note. The staff ends with a double bar line.

Repeat refrain.

For the Church:
Choir

All

Choir All

Ch. 

The first staff of music for 'The Rose Tree' is written on a single five-line staff with a treble clef. It begins with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of the following notes: D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter). The staff ends with a double bar line.

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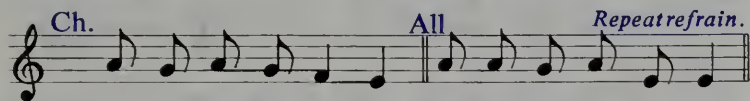
CHRIST THE KING

(G-13)

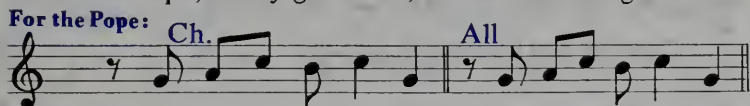
Hail Christ, Our Master (*cont.*)



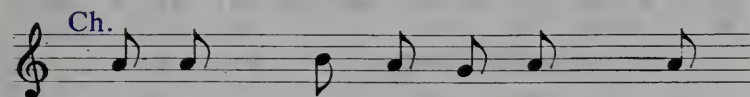
bless-ed Moth - er, O come and strength-en her!



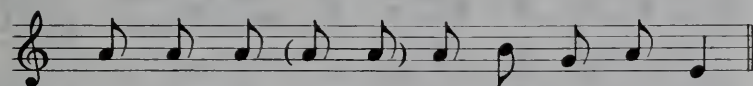
Jo-seph, ho - ly guard-ian, O come and strengthen her!



Christ Je - sus, hear us. Christ Je - sus, hear us.



Life and health and all bless - ings



to Pope N., our Ho - ly Fa - ther.



Re-deem-er, Sav-ior, O come and strength-en him!



Bless-ed Pe - ter, shep-herd, O come and strength-en him!



Bless-ed Paul, a - pos - tle, O come and strength-en him!

(G-13)

CHRIST THE KING

Hail Christ, Our Master (*cont.*)

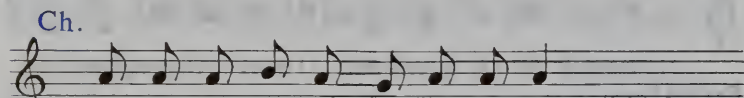
For the Bishop:

Ch. All

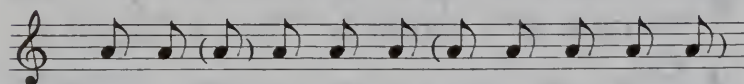


Christ Je - sus, hear us. Christ Je - sus, hear us.

Ch.



Con-tin-ued health and pros-per-i - ty



to our (arch) bish-op N. . . . *Bishop's Name* . . . ,



and to all the cler-gy as - sist - ing him.

Ch. All



E - ter-nal Shep-herd, O come and strength-en him!

Ch. All



O Mar-y, bless-ed Moth-er, O come and strengthen him!

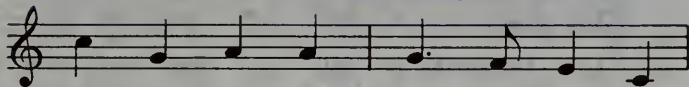
Ch. *Name of Bishop's Patron:* All *Repeat refrain.*



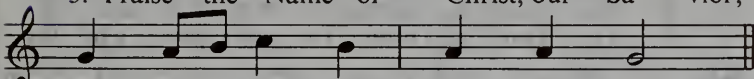
(e.g.: St. Fran-cis,) ho - ly pa-tron. O come and strengthen him!

Christians, Sound the Name That Saved Us

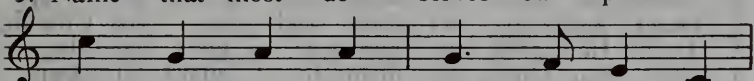
Melvin Farrell, S. S.

Geistreiches Gesangbuch, Darmstadt, 1698

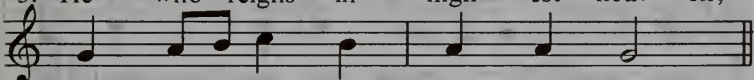
1. Chris - tians, sound the Name that saved us,
2. Chris - tians, sing the Name of Je - sus:
3. Praise the Name of Christ, our Sa - vior,



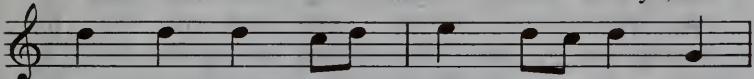
1. Proud - ly let our voic - es swell:
2. He has tri - umphed in his fight!
3. Name that most de - serves our praise:



1. Je - sus Christ, the Name all - ho - ly,
2. All who march be - neath his ban - ner
3. He who reigns in high - est heav - en,



1. Name whose splen - dor none can tell,
2. Share with him his won - drous might:
3. Leads us on - ward all our days;



1. Je - sus Christ, the Name al - might - y,
2. We shall shat - ter Sa - tan's dark - ness
3. One day we shall dwell be - side him,



1. Name that crushed the gates of hell!
2. By the Name that is our light!
3. Joy - ful in his lov - ing gaze!

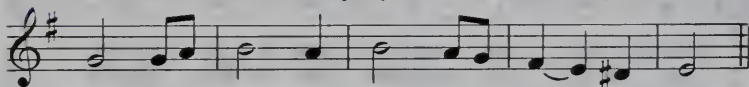
The Earth Is Full of the Goodness of Christ

Michael Gannon, alt.

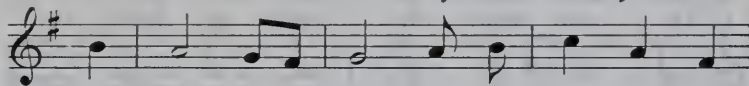
Hendrik Andriessen



1. The earth is full of the good-ness of
2. We know the Lord in the break-ing of
3. We know the voice of our Pas - tor, the
4. When dan - ger comes all the hire - lings will
5. We shall not want, for our Pas - tor is
6. O Lord, we pray for your sheep who are



1. Christ, He feeds his lambs and guards his sheep,
2. bread, And in his Faith and in his Church,
3. Lord, He calls our names e - ter - nal - ly,
4. flee, But Christ re - mains to guard our sleep,
5. Christ, He makes us lie in fields of Grace.
6. lost. Who wan-dered from your on - ly fold:



1. He walks a - broad as the Shep-herd of
2. We know him walk - ing the pas - tures of
3. Our hearts re - joice at the words that he
4. When e - vil comes the Good Shep-herd of
5. Where shorn of sin and re-freshed by his
6. Search out our friends and our broth - ers a -



1. souls, And gath - ers all in - to his keep.
2. earth, In watch-ful care, in lov - ing search.
3. speaks: "And I know mine and mine know me."
4. souls Lays down his life to save his sheep.
5. love, We gaze in prayer up - on his face.
6. stray. Re - turn them to the Faith of old.

The Lord Is My True Shepherd

Based on *Psalms* 22

Eugene Lindusky, O.S.C.

Joseph Mohr

1. The Lord is my true Shep - herd, no
2. He sets for me a ban - quet be -

1. want or fear I know; Through pas -
2. fore my watch - ing foes, A - noints

1. tures green he leads me, where liv - ing
2. my head with glad - ness, my cup, it

1. wa - ters flow; Though I should walk in
2. o - ver - flows; His mer - cy shall pur -

1. dark - ness, no dan - ger will I
2. sue me, his good - ness calm my

1. fear — His rod and staff, my com - fort,
2. fears; His house shall be my dwell - ing

1. when Christ my Lord is near.
2. through ev - er - last - ing years.

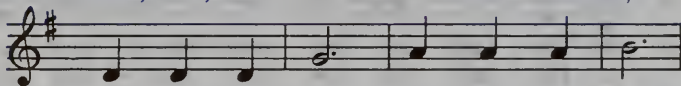
Come, Holy Ghost

Veni Creator Spiritus

Rabanus Maurus, 776-856 (?)

Tr. Edward Caswall, 1849, alt.

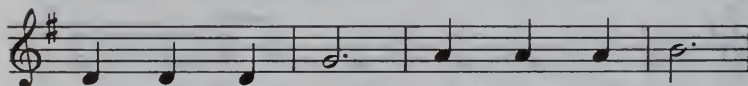
Louis Lambillotte, S. J.



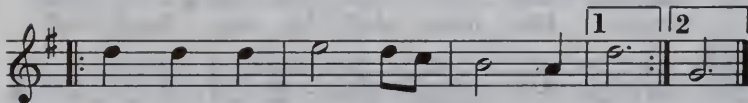
1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor blest,
2. O Com-fort blest, to thee we cry,
3. Praise be to thee, Fa - ther and Son,



1. And in our hearts take up thy rest;
2. Thou heav'n - ly Gift of God most High;
3. And Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One;



1. Come with thy grace and heav'n - ly aid
2. Thou Font of life, and Fire of love,
3. And may the Son on us be - stow



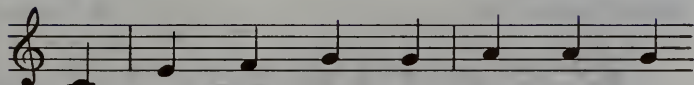
1. To fill the hearts which thou hast made. made.
2. And sweet A - noint - ing from a - bove. bove.
3. The gifts that from the Spir - it flow. flow.



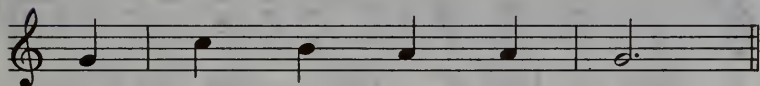
Holy Spirit, Come to Us

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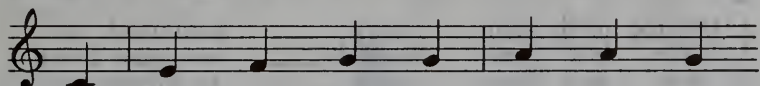
T. Tallis, c. 1505-85



1. O Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us,
2. Thou art our Source of strength and might,
3. We thank thee for thy gifts of grace,
4. Then come, Great Spir - it, to thy sons;
5. O Might - y Coun - sel, hear our prayer:
6. Show us the Fa - ther and the Son,



1. The chil - dren thou hast made:
2. Great gift from God a - bove:
3. O Prom - ised One of God:
4. Our hearts make pure and strong.
5. And teach us trust in thee;
6. O Spir - it, we im - plore,



1. In - flame our hearts and rule our minds
2. Thou art the Font of Truth and Light,
3. Thy won - drous Life be - comes our own,
4. Di - rect our wea - ry steps to thee,
5. For in thy love we place our hope
6. That in the God - head we may live

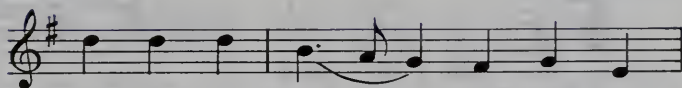


1. With thine un - fail - ing aid.
2. The Flame of hope and love.
3. Thy strength, our staff and rod!
4. And turn our wills from wrong.
5. To live e - ter - nal - ly.
6. Both now and ev - er - more.

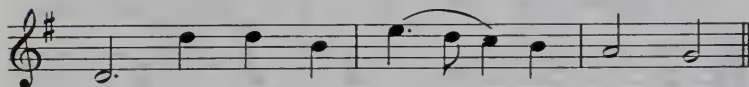
Into Our Hearts, O Spirit, Come

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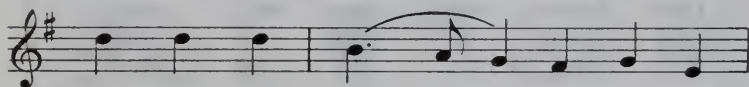
M. Vulpus, 1609



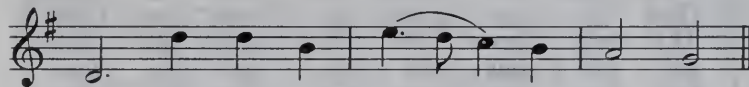
1. In - to our hearts, — O Spir - it,
2. How good and wise — your lights to
3. O come re - new — the face of



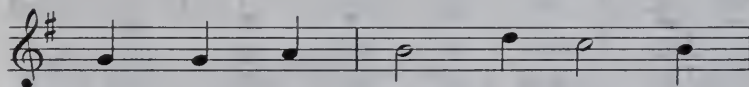
1. come, O Love of God — most ho - ly;
2. us, how kind your con - so - la - tion;
3. earth with love be - yond — all tell - ing,



1. Breathe forth your fire, — send winds of
2. We hear you speak — our heart's own
3. And give your joy — to breasts of

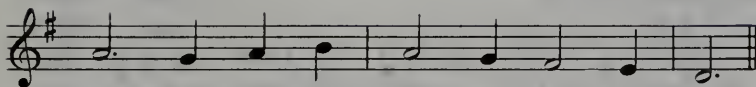


1. flame, and kin - dle all — that's low - ly;
2. tongue and fill with ad - mi - ra - tion;
3. those in whom you make — your dwell - ing;

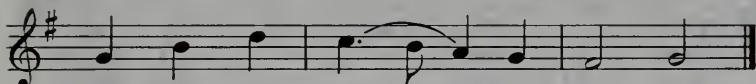


1. Our hearts are rest - less till they
2. By you our na - ture's wounds are
3. Trans - form us by your liv - ing

Into Our Hearts, O Spirit, Come (*cont.*)



1. burn on fire with you for whom they yearn;
2. nursed, your liv - ing wa - ters cool our thirst;
3. flame; come, strengthen us to praise your Name.



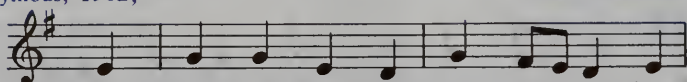
1. Come, give us light _____ and wis - dom.
2. Come, give us light _____ and wis - dom.
3. Come, give us light _____ and wis - dom.



O Love, Who Drew From Jesus' Side

Anonymous, 1962, alt.

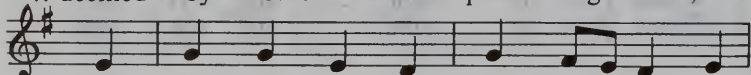
Noel Goemanne



1. O Love, who drew from Je - sus' side, One
2. Round Pe - ter's throne may all u - nite; From
3. While Chris-tians pray for u - ni - ty, Pour
4. Spoiled chil - dren, we, so blest withsight, Re -



1. Bod - y, freed from Ad - am's shame,
2. blind - ed eyes the veil with - draw;
3. forth the light your saints have seen;
4. deemed by love sur - pass - ing all;



1. One Church sent forth to rule and guide, One
2. The minds of rul - ers set a - right Who
3. Dis - pel the dark of en - mi - ty: Make
4. Lest we who glo - ry in your light Share



1. faith con - firmed by gifts of flame:
2. bind your Church be - neath their law;
3. known to all what love can mean;
4. not our gift, heed not your call;



1. When world-ly schemes our hopes as - sail,
2. Where faith grows dim and hearts are frail,
3. Where brood-ing minds old wounds be - wail, Your
4. In Christian hearts that faint and fail,

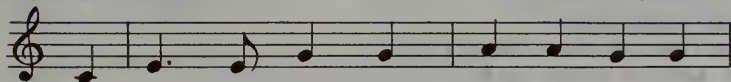


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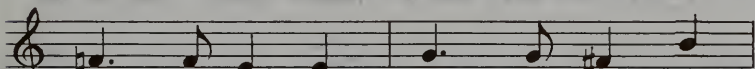
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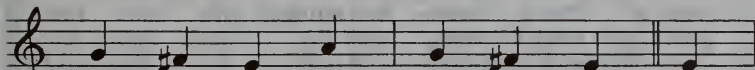
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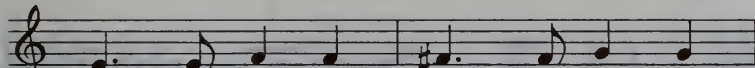
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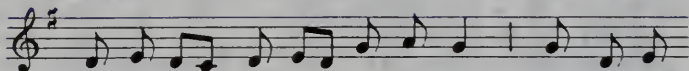
Creator - Spirit, All-Divine

Veni Creator Spiritus

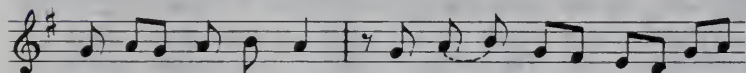
Latin ascr. to Rabanus Maurus († 856)

Tr. James A. Aylward, O.P.

Chant



1. Cre - a - tor - Spir-it, all di - vine, Come, vis - it
2. O gift of God, thine is the sweet Con - sol - ing
3. The mys-tic sev'n-fold gifts are thine, Fin - ger of
4. Kin-dle with fire brought from a - bove Each sense, and
5. Drive far a - way our dead-ly foe, And grant us
6. To us, through thee, the grace be shown To know the
7. To Sire and Son be prais-es meet, And to the



1. ev - 'ry soul of thine, And fill with thy ce -
2. name of Par - a - clete— And spring of life and fire
3. God's right hand di - vine; And Fa - ther's prom-ise
4. fill our hearts with love; And grant our flesh, so
5. thy true peace to know; So we led by thy
6. Fa - ther and the Son; And Spir-it of them both,
7. Ho - ly Par - a - clete; And may Christ send us



1. les - tial flame The hearts which thou thy - self didst frame.
2. of love And unc - tion flow-ing from a - bove.
3. sent to teach The tongue a rich and heav'n-ly speech.
4. weak and frail, The strength of thine which can-not fail.
5. guid-ance still, May safe - ly pass through ev'ry ill.
6. may we For - ev - er rest our faith in thee.
7. from a - bove That Ho - ly Spir-it's gift of love. A-men.

Priestly People

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.
From *I Pt. 2, 9*

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.

Antiphon for unison or mixed voices

S
A

Priest - ly peo - ple, King - ly peo - ple.

T
B

Ho - ly peo - ple, God's cho - sen

peo - ple. Sing praise to the Lord.

There Is One Lord

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From Eph. 4, 4-6

Antiphon for unison or mixed voices

The musical score is written for unison or mixed voices. It consists of three systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are written below the notes.

There is one Lord, there is one
faith, there is one bap - tism,
one God, who is Fa - ther.

There Is One Lord (*cont.*)

Verses:

1. We were called to be one in the
Spir - it of God, in the bond of peace, We
sing and we pro - claim. 2. we were
called to form one bod - y in one
spir - it, We sing and we pro-claim.

3. We were called in the same hope
in Christ the Lord, We
sing and we pro - claim.

Behold Among Men

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From *Ap. 21, 3**Antiphon for unison or mixed voices*

Be - hold, a - mong men the

The first system of musical notation for the antiphon. It consists of a treble and a bass staff joined by a brace on the left. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics 'Be - hold, a - mong men the' are written below the treble staff, aligned with the notes.

dwel - ling place of God; they

The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics 'dwel - ling place of God; they' are written below the treble staff.

shall be his peo - ple

The third system of musical notation, concluding the antiphon. The lyrics 'shall be his peo - ple' are written below the treble staff.

HOLY SPIRIT — PENTECOST

(H-8)

Behold Among Men (*cont.*)

and he shall be their Lord and God!

This musical score is for a two-part setting. The top part is written on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The bottom part is written on a bass clef staff with the same key signature. The lyrics are 'and he shall be their Lord and God!'. The music features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some rests.

Song of Joy

H-9

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.
From *Psalm 122 (121)*

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.

Antiphon for unison or mixed voices

Re-joyce al - ways in the Lord; let your

This musical score is for the Soprano (S) and Alto (A) parts of the 'Song of Joy'. It is written in a key signature of three flats (Bb, Eb, Ab) and uses a common time signature (C). The lyrics are 'Re-joyce al - ways in the Lord; let your'. The music consists of eighth and sixteenth notes.

heart be filled with joy, For the Lord is near.

This musical score is for the Tenor (T) and Bass (B) parts of the 'Song of Joy'. It continues the same key signature and time signature as the previous part. The lyrics are 'heart be filled with joy, For the Lord is near.'. The music consists of eighth and sixteenth notes.

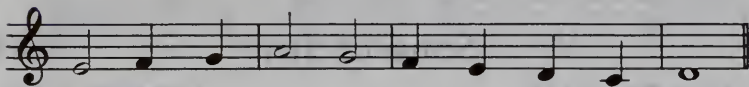
The New Jerusalem, Abode of Joy

Urbs Jerusalem Beata, c. 6th - 7th cent.

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Genevan Psalter, 1551

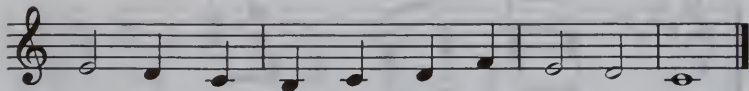
1. The new Je - ru - sa - lem, a - bode of joy,
2. Her streets and walls are made of pur - est gold;
3. The cor - ner-stone of this bright realm is Christ;
4. Through-out the ci - ty songs of joy are heard;
5. O God, be pres - ent in this earth - ly church,



1. Where peace and love hold un - dis - put - ed sway,
2. Her gates of pearl bring joy to ev - 'ry eye.
3. Its cit - i - zens, the saints, a priest - ly race,
4. Its tow - ers ech - o with this lit - ur - gy,
5. This im - age of our last - ing home a - bove.



1. De-scends from heav - en like a bride a - dorned
2. Here en - ter all the loy - al sons of God
3. Ex - ult - ing to pro - claim the Fa - ther's praise,
4. Re-sound - ing to the far - thest ends of space
5. Bring all who en - ter here to par - a - dise

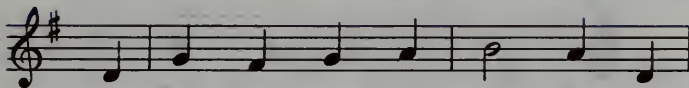


1. And ea - ger for the long a - wait - ed day.
2. Who, while on earth, had placed their hopes on high.
3. In ad - o - ra - tion fall be - fore his face.
4. In praise of God, the Ho - ly Trin - i - ty.
5. That they may wor - ship you in end - less love.

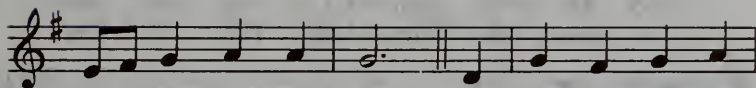
Sing Praise to Our Creator

Paul Francis

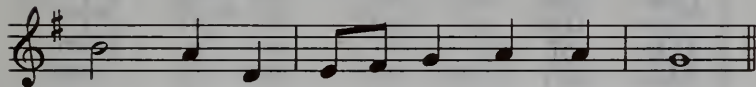
Mainz, 1833



1. Sing praise to our Cre - a - tor, O
2. To Je - sus Christ give glo - ry, God's
3. Now praise the Ho - ly Spir - it Poured

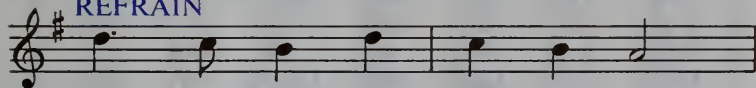


1. sons of Ad - am's race; God's chil - dren by a -
2. co - e - ter - nal Son; As mem - bers of his
3. forth up - on the earth; Who sanc - ti - fies and

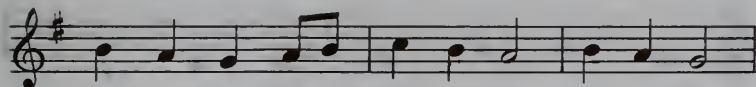


1. dop - tion, Bap - tized in - to his grace.
2. Bod - y We live in him as one.
3. guides us, Con - firmed in our re - birth.

REFRAIN



Praise the ho - ly Trin - i - ty,



Un - di - vid - ed U - ni - ty; Ho - ly God,



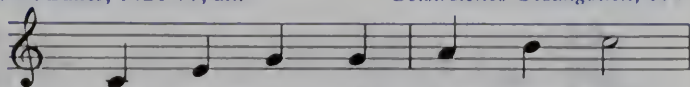
Might - y God, God Im - mor - tal, be a - dored.

On This Day, the First of Days

Le Mans Breviary, 1748

Tr. H. W. Baker, 1821-77, alt.

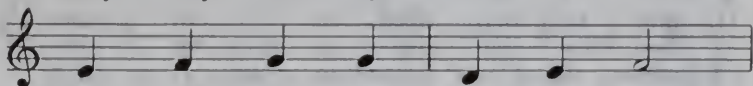
J. A. Freylinghausen's

Geistreiches Gesangbuch, 1704

1. On this day, the first of days,
2. On this day th'e - ter - nal Son
3. Fa - ther, who didst fash - ion man
4. Word - made - flesh, all hail to thee!
5. Ho - ly Spir - it, you im - part
6. God, the bless - ed Three in One,



1. God the Fa - ther's name we praise;
2. O - ver death his tri - umph won;
3. God - like in thy lov - ing plan,
4. Thou from sin hast set us free;
5. Gifts of love to ev - 'ry heart;
6. May thy ho - ly will be done;



1. Who, cre - a - tion's Lord and Spring,
2. On this day the Spir - it came
3. Fill us with that love di - vine,
4. And with thee we die and rise
5. Give us Light and Grace, we pray,
6. In thy word our souls are free,

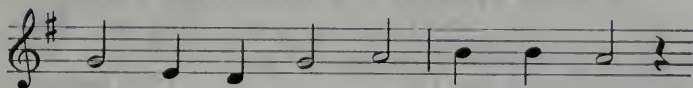


1. Did the world from dark - ness bring.
2. With his gifts of liv - ing flame.
3. And con - form our wills to thine.
4. Un - to God in sac - ri - fice.
5. Fill our hearts this ho - ly day.
6. And we rest this day with thee.

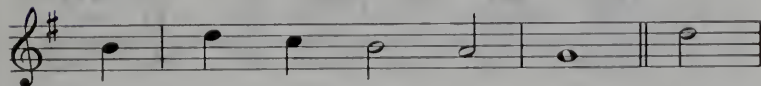
Praise to the Holy Trinity

Melvin Farrell, S. S.

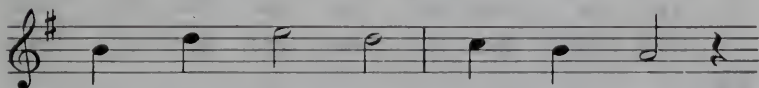
Johann Crüger, 1653



1. Praise to the Ho - ly Trin - i - ty,
2. Praise to the Fa - ther, God of all:
3. Praise God the Son, our Sav - ing Lord:
4. Praise to the Ho - ly Par - a - clete:
5. Praise to the Fa - ther and the Son,



1. Cre - a - tor ev - er - blest; Reign -
2. Thy ho - ly will be done; Thou
3. Hail, Lamb of sac - ri - fice! Thy
4. Con - sol - er, Friend, thou art; Has -
5. And to the Spir - it, praise! May



1. ing su - preme in maj - es - ty,
2. hast for - giv - en Ad - am's fall
3. life on high is our re - ward,
4. ten thy won - ders to com - plete,
5. we, O God - head, Three in One,



1. Dwell - ing with - in our breast!
2. Through thy be - lov - ed Son!
3. Thy home, our par - a - dise!
4. Form Christ in ev - ery heart!
5. Serve thee through - out our days!

BLESSED TRINITY

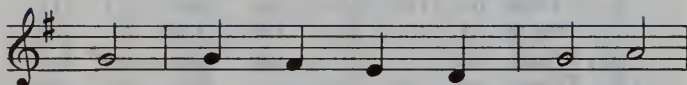
I-5 All Hail, Adored Trinity

I-5 a Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Verses 1, 2, 3: Anglo Saxon, 11th cent.

Praise God: Thomas Ken, 1709

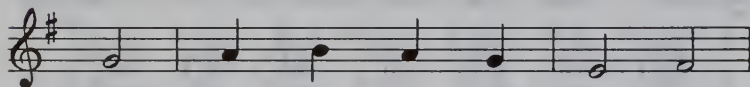
Louis Bourgeois, 1551



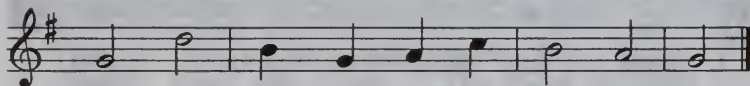
1. All hail, a - dor - ed Trin - i -
 2. Three Per - sons praise we ev - er -
 3. O Trin - i - ty, O U - ni -
- Praise God, from whom all bless - ings



1. ty; All praise, e - ter - nal U - ni - ty:
 2. more, And thee the E - ter - nal One a - dore:
 3. ty, Be pres - ent as we wor - ship thee;
- flow; Praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;



1. O God the Fa - ther, God the
 2. In thy sure mer - cy ev - er
 3. And to the an - gels' songs in
- Praise him a - bove, ye heav - 'nly

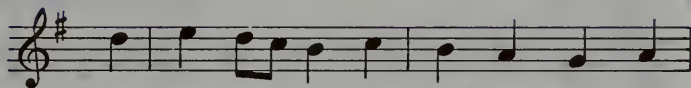


1. Son, And God the Spir - it, ev - er One.
 2. kind, May we our true pro - tec - tion find.
 3. light Our prayers and prais - es now u - nite.
- host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

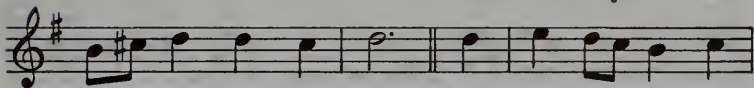
To God Almighty We Confess

Melvin Farrell, S. S., alt.

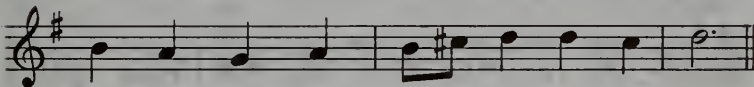
Koch's *Choralbuch*, 1816, alt.



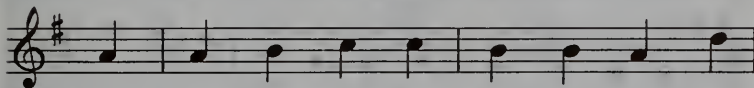
1. To God Al-might-y we con-fess That
2. O God the Fa-ther, grant our prayer And



1. we are sin-ners all. To Ma-ry now we
2. take our sins a-way. We do not ask you



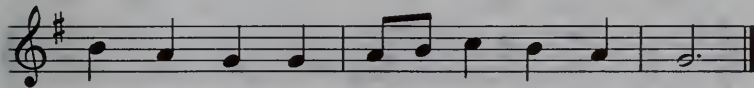
1. send our prayer: Bend low and hear our call.
2. of our-selves, But through your Son we pray.



1. You saints and an-gels, aid our plea: Be-
2. For he has died to heal our shame: We



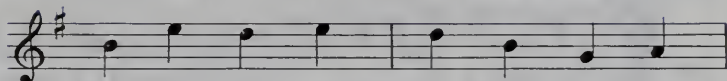
1. seech the Lord to make us free, That we may join this
2. beg for-give-ness in his Name. O Lord, pre-pare us



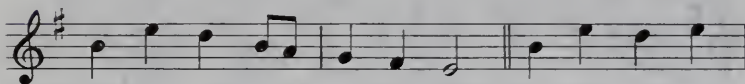
1. sac-ri-fice And praise him wor-thi-ly.
2. for your gifts, And cleanse our hearts of blame.

Lord, We Gather at Your Altar

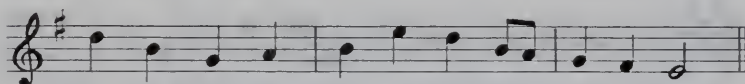
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Welsh melody
From *Aberth Moliant*, 1873

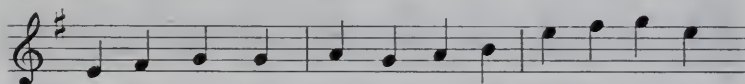
1. Lord, we gath - er at your al - tar
2. For the guilt of Ad - am's chil - dren



1. Of-f'ring sac - ri - fice of praise, Just as A - bra -
2. Who but Je - sus can a - tone, Who ap-peace a



1. ham and Mo - ses Of-fered in those an-cient days;
2. God of-fend-ed But the Son of God a - lone?



1. But we of - fer now, O Fa-ther, Not the blood of
2. So, with Christ, our-selves we of-fer To our Fa-ther



1. goat or ram; Here the Son of God we of - fer
2. throned a - bove, As the sac - ri - fice of Cal-vary



1. As our sac - ri - fic - ial Lamb.
2. We re - new with grate - ful love.

O Holy Lord, by All Adored

Traditional version, alt.

Bohemian Brethren's *Kirchengesang*, 1566

1. O ho - ly Lord, by all a - dored,
2. To God on high, be thanks and praise,

1. Our tres - pass - es con - fess - ing,
2. Who deigns our bonds to sev - er;

1. To you this day your chil - dren pray, Our
2. His care shall guide us all our days, And

1. ho - ly Faith pro - fess - ing!
2. harm shall reach us nev - er.

1. Ac - cept, O King, the gifts we bring, Our
2. On him we rest with faith as - sured: Of

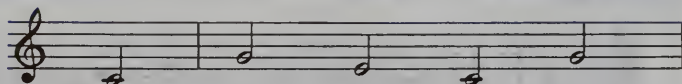
1. songs of praise, the prayers we raise; And
2. all that live he is the Lord, For -

1. grant us, Lord, your bless - ing.
2. ev - er and for - ev - er.

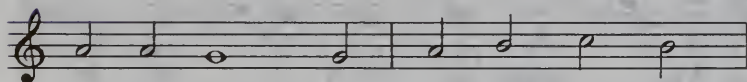
God's Holy Mountain We Ascend

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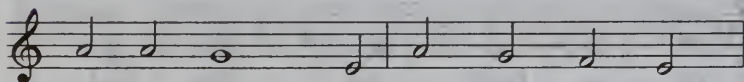
Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608, alt.



1. God's ho - ly moun - tain
2. Up - on God's moun - tain,
3. Christ leads us to his



1. we as - cend, Where truth and love to -
2. fair - est heights, His chos - en peo - ple
3. ho - ly hill Where he ful - fills his



1. geth - er blend; How fair God's ho - ly
2. God in - vites To en - ter here his
3. Fa - ther's will In per - fect ex - pi -

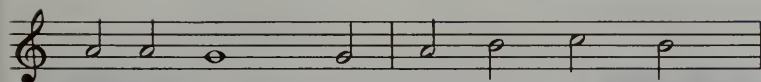


1. dwell - ing! God's peo - ple, we as -
2. dwell - ing. Where once the loaves were
3. a - tion. Here we re - call that

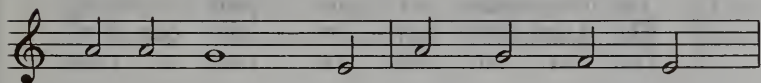
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God's Holy Mountain We Ascend (cont.)

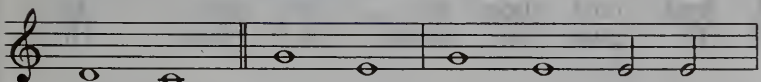


1. sem-ble here In ho - ly love and
2. mul - ti - plied, Where heav - en's man - na
3. fes-tive meal That Christ his mys - t'ries

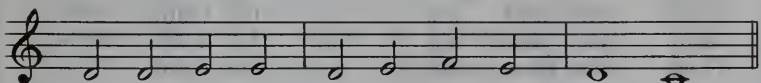


1. childlike fear, All clouds of hate dis -
2. God sup-plied, All loves his love ex -
3. may re - veal In joy - ful cel - e -

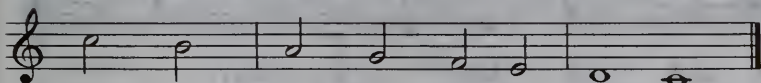
REFRAIN



1. pel - ling.
2. cel - ling. With Christ, in Christ, In - ter -
3. bra - tion.



ced-ing, ev - er pleading Our sal - va - tion.

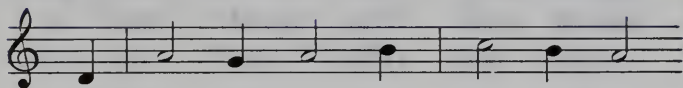


Fa - ther, hear our sup-pli - ca - tion.

O Christians, Let Us Join in Song

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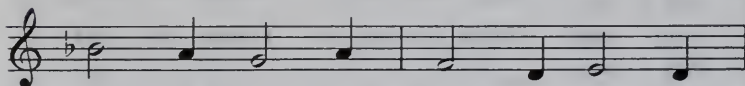
Oswald Jaeggi



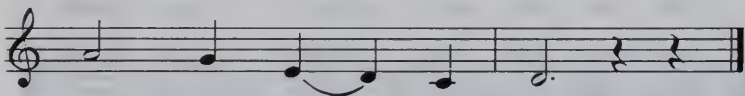
1. O Chris-tians, let us join in song
2. The Lord shall gath - er all our cares
3. Our Sav - ior will pre - pare a feast



1. To wel - come Christ this day; He
2. And hold them as his own; In
3. To guide our souls a - bove: His



1. shall im - part his liv - ing truth, And
2. him our plead - ing shall be heard Be -
3. Flesh and Blood will be our food, U -

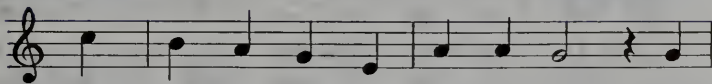


1. wash our sins a - way.
2. fore the Fa - ther's throne.
3. nit - ing us in love.

Hail Christ, Our Royal Priest and King

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Leisentritt, 1567



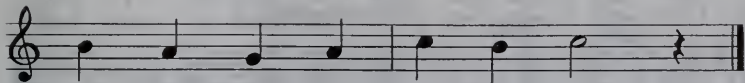
1. Hail Christ, our roy - al Priest and King, The
 2. Hail Christ's true rep - re - sent - a - tives, The
 3. Greet Christ and men of Christ or-dained, Greet



1. High Priest of this of - fer - ing, The
 2. priests of God whom Je - sus gives The
 3. all in char - i - ty un-feigned, And



1. vic - tim of this sac - ri - fice, Whose
 2. power to of - fer all their days This
 3. lift our souls and minds in prayer, For



1. death is our re - demp-tive price.
 2. act of wor - ship and of praise.
 3. we Christ's roy - al priest-hood share.

O God, Who Called the Hebrews

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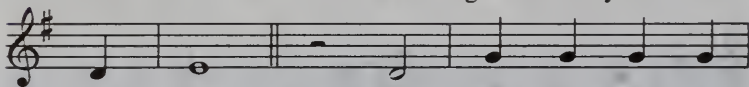
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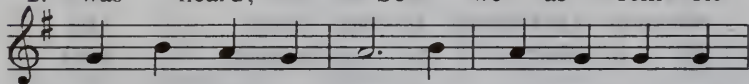
1. O God, who called the He - brews once of
 2. On Si - nai Mo - ses held a sa - cred



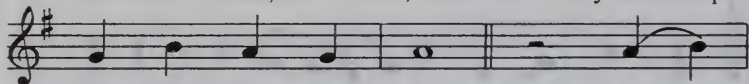
1. old To fol - low Mo - ses to the prom -
 2. feast To of - fer hom - age when your voice



1. ised land, This day you gath - er
 2. was heard; So we as - sem - ble



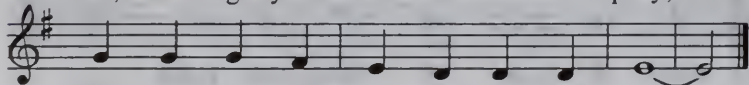
1. us, your chos - en fold, To lead us heav - en -
 2. here with Christ, our Priest, That we may wor - ship



1. ward in Christ's com - mand: As
 2. and em - brace your Word: O



1. then you saved your race from slav - er - y, So
 2. God, who taught your chos - en flock to pray, Look



1. now from Sa - tan's bond - age make us free.
 2. kind - ly on our sac - ri - fice to - day.

I Want To Sing

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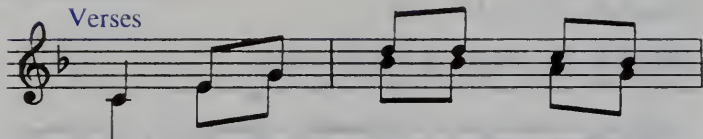
From *Psalms* 57 (56), 8-9 (9-10)*Antiphon for unison or equal voices*

The musical score is written for unison or equal voices in a 2/4 time signature with one flat (B-flat). It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The melody is simple and repetitive, using eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are: 'I want to sing, I want to shout your praise, O Lord! A - wake and sing my soul; A - wake and play, my harp and zith - er! Let the dawn-ing day join in praise.'

I want to sing, I want to
shout your praise, O Lord! A - wake and
sing my soul; A - wake and
play, my harp and zith - er!
Let the dawn-ing day join in praise.

I Want to Sing (*cont.*)

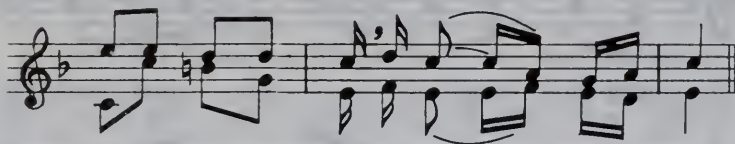
Verses



1. My heart is read - y now to
2. For great and won - der - ful your
3. Lord, your — mer - cy o - ver -



1. praise you, O Lord, To bless you, God of
2. glo - ry, my God; Your name is great a -
3. shad - ows the earth, Your glo - ry lights the



1. my sal - va - tion, al - le - lu - ia!
2. bove the heav - ens, al - le - lu - ia!
3. fir - ma-ment on high, al - le - lu - ia!

Trust in God and Come Before Him

from *Psalms* 145

Bernard C. Mischke, O.S.C.

Jan Vermulst

Antiphon

Trust in God and come be - fore Him,

Praise the Lord, my soul, a - dore Him!

Verses

1. Praise the Lord, my soul, a - dore him!

2. Trust not man, whose plan must per - ish,

3. Hap - py man, whose help is ev - er

4. God works jus - tice for the hum - ble,

5. Praise the Lord, who shows us mer - cy,

1. I will praise him while I live! Place no oth - er

2. Cast your care be - fore the Lord. Hope in God, his

3. From the Lord, who made all things: God will keep his

4. Sets the wretch - ed cap - tive free, Saves the blind man,

5. God, the poor man's treas - ure store; Praise his jus - tice

1. gods be - fore him, Life and grace they can - not give.

2. pres - ence cher - ish, He shall be your true re - ward.

3. word for - ev - er, He the faith - ful King of kings.

4. lest he stum - ble, Hears the suf - f'ring ser - vant's plea.

5. and his boun - ty, He shall reign for - ev - er more!

O Sing to God With Joy

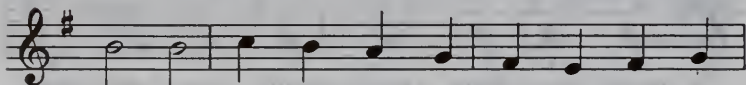
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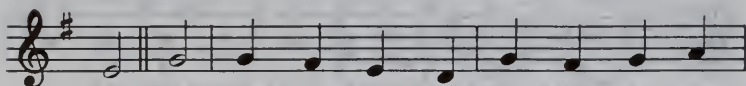
Verses (CHOIR)



1. O sing to God with joy and praise his
2. All earth is shak - en at the sight of
3. Be - fore the tem - ple stands a joy - ous



1. name, His glo - ry rides the clouds of heav-en's
2. God, The Lord re - stores his peo - ple to their
3. throng, Pro - ces - sions com - ing to the ho - ly



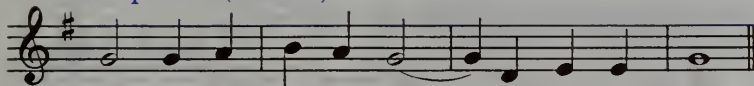
1. dome, The Fa - ther of the poor, his love pro -
2. land; A kind - ly rain he show - ers on the
3. place, And min - strels pluck - ing strings break out in



1. claim, He gives the need - y and the lost a home.
2. sod, And lifesprings up re - newed at his com - mand.
3. song: Come, bless the Lord, the liv - ing fount of grace!

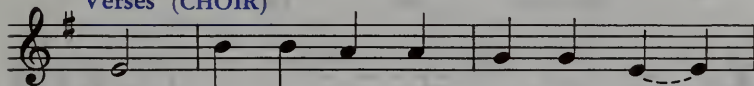
O Sing to God with Joy (*cont.*)

Antiphon 1 (PEOPLE)

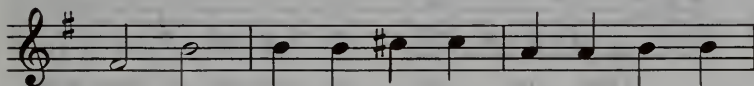


We come be - fore the Lord, — a joy - ous throng!

Verses (CHOIR)



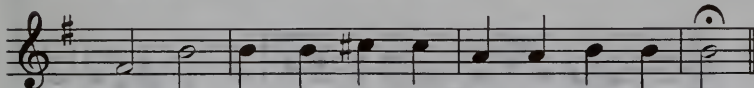
1. He frees the cap - tive from the ty - rant's
2. All praise to God whose might as - cends on
3. O choirs, praise the Lord with heart and —



1. hand, He leads his peo - ple through the wil - der -
2. high, For he is our sal - va - tion day by
3. voice! He makes his peo - ple strong, the Lord of

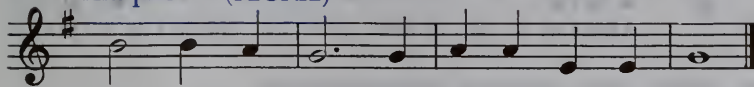


1. ness, He march - es with them to the prom - ised
2. day. He holds the pas - sage ways of earth and
3. might! How of - ten has he caused us to re -



1. land, From heav - en com - forts them in their dis - tress.
2. sky, Let all that live his lov - ing voice o - bey!
3. joice, His glo - ry floods the earth from heav - en's height!

Antiphon 2 (PEOPLE)

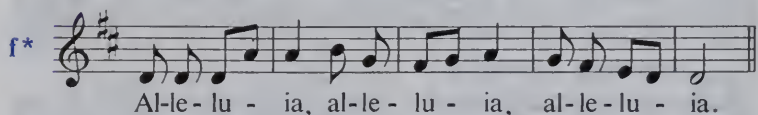
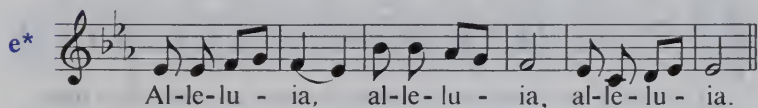
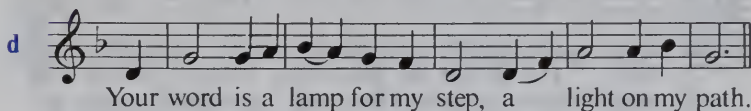
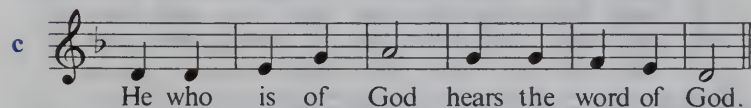
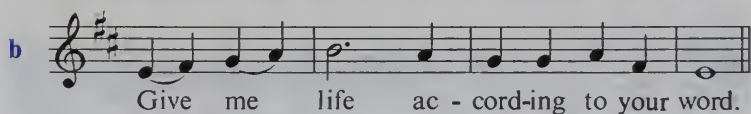
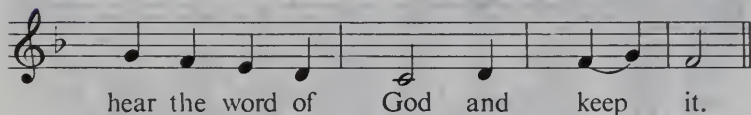
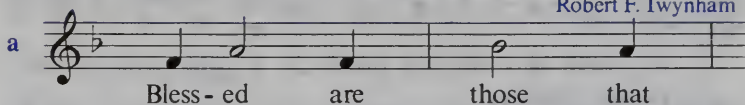


Our hearts with praise are lift - ed up in song!

Epistle or Gospel Responses

The choir or leader intones the response; all repeat it twice.

Robert F. Twynham



* The alleluias are not sung during Septuagesima or Lent.

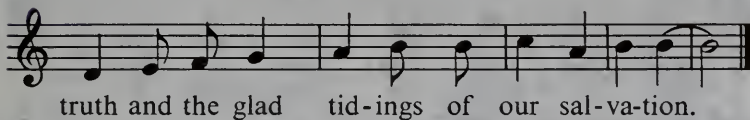
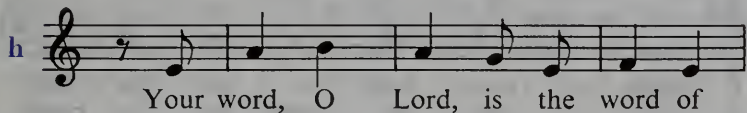
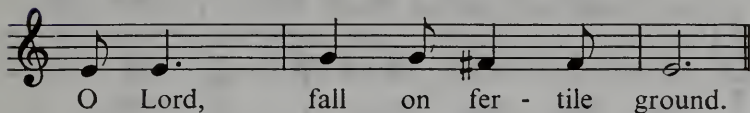
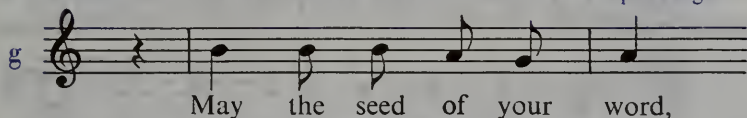
EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

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Epistle or Gospel Responses (*cont.*)

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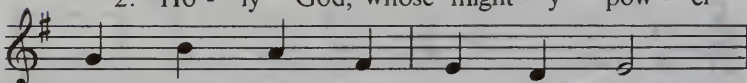
Father, While This Bread Is Readied

Melvin Farrell, S. S.

Noel Goemanne



1. Fa - ther, while this bread is read - ied
 2. Ho - ly God, whose might - y pow - er



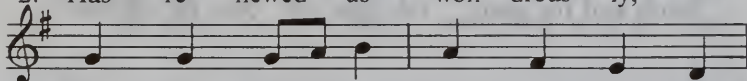
1. For the mys - ter - y of love,
 2. Framed man - kind in mys - ter - y,



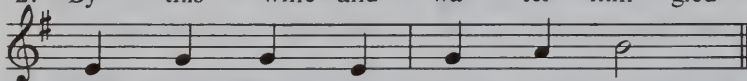
1. Cleanse our souls from sin and ha - tred,
 2. And in man - ner more mys - te - rious



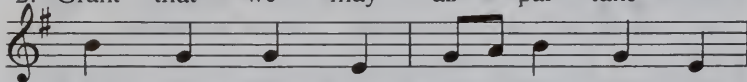
1. Send your heal - ing from a - bove.
 2. Has re - newed us won - drous - ly,



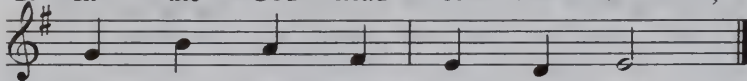
1. Make our minds and hearts u - nit - ed
 2. By this wine and wa - ter min - gled



1. As these grains of wheat are one;
 2. Grant that we may all par - take



1. One in the Christ, whose flesh will feed us
 2. In the God - head of our Sav - ior,

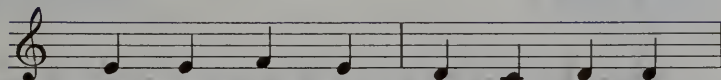


1. When his Sac - ri - fice is done.
 2. Shar - ing man - hood for our sake.

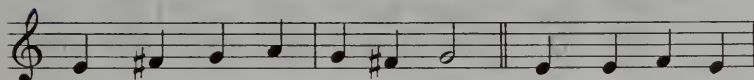
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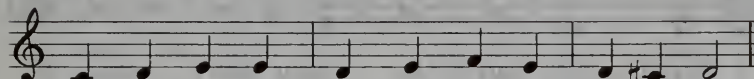
James Burns, S.S.



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2. Ho - ly God, whose might - y pow - er



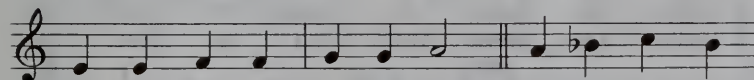
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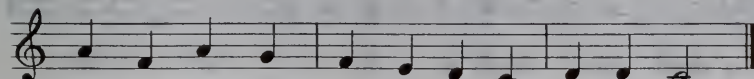
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2. more mys - te - rious Has re - newed us won - drously,



1. Make our minds and hearts u - nit - ed
2. By this wine and wa - ter min - gled



1. As these grains of wheat are one; One in Christ, whose
2. Grant that we may all par - take In the God - head



1. flesh will feed us When his Sac - ri - fice is done.
2. of our Sav - ior, Shar - ing manhood for our sake.

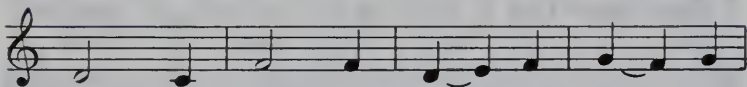
Behold, O God, This Lowly Bread

Melvin Farrell, S. S.

Camil van Hulse



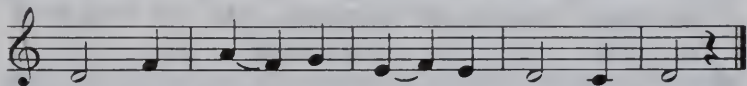
1. Be - hold, O God, this low - ly
2. Be - hold this chal - ice, Lord, a
3. O lov - ing Fa - ther, hear our



1. bread pre - pared for your Son's sac - ri -
2. sign Of man - y voic - es joined in
3. call: For - give our works of sin and



1. fice; For - ev - er ris - en from the
2. prayer; As man - y grapes be - come one
3. strife; Send down your Son to feed us



1. dead He leads us on to Par - a - dise!
2. wine, So we u - nite to ask your care.
3. all The Bread of ev - er - last - ing life.

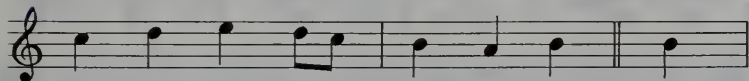
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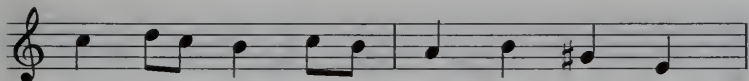
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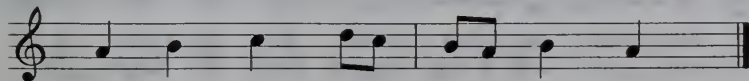
1. Be-hold, O God; this low - ly bread Pre-
2. Be-hold, this chal - ice, Lord, a sign of
3. O lov - ing Fa - ther, hear our call: For -



- 1 pared for your Son's sac - ri - fice For -
2. man - y voic - es joined in prayer; As
3. give our works of sin and strife; Send



1. ev - er ris - en from the dead He
2. man - y grapes be - come one wine, So
3. down your Son to feed us all The



1. leads us on to Par - a - dise.
2. we u - nite to ask your care.
3. Bread of ev - er - last - ing life.

Father, See Your Children

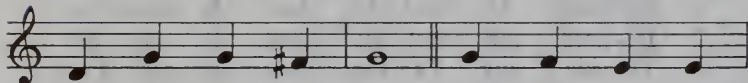
Melody of *Adoro te*

W. H. Jervois, 1852-1905, alt.

as given by Canon van Damme



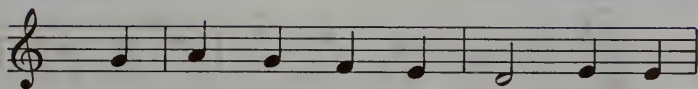
1. Fa - ther, see your chil - dren
2. Not for our wants on - ly



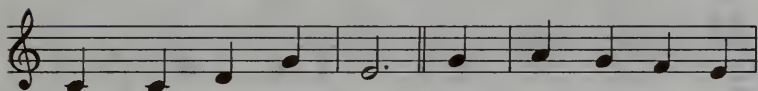
O King of Might and Splendor

Dom Gregory Murray, O.S.B.

J. Crüger, 1598-1662



1. O King of might and splen - dor, Cre -
2. Thy Bod - y thou hast giv - en, Thy



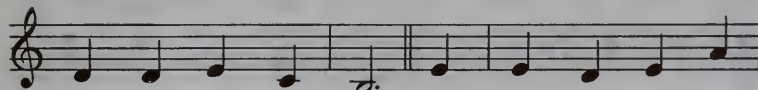
a - tor most a - dored, This sac - ri - fice we
Blood thou hast out-poured That sin might be for-



ren - der To thee as sov' - reign Lord. May
giv - en, O Je - sus, lov - ing Lord. As



these our gifts be pleas - ing Un -
now with love most ten - der Thy



to thy Maj - es - ty, Man-kind from sin re-
death we cel - e - brate, Our lives in self - sur-

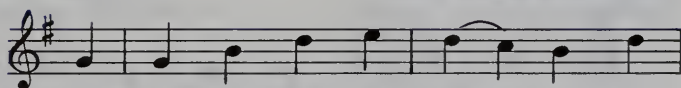


leas - ing Who have of - fend - ed thee.
ren - der To thee we con - se - crate.

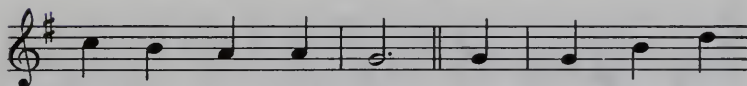
Accept, Almighty Father

Anonymous

17th cent., alt.



1. Ac - cept, Al - might - y Fa - ther, This
 2. O God, by this com - ming - ling Of



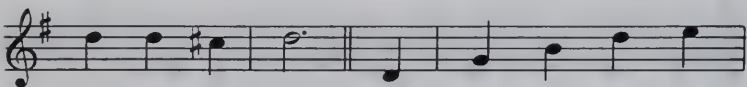
1. gift of bread and wine Which now thy priest
 2. wa - ter and of wine, May he who took



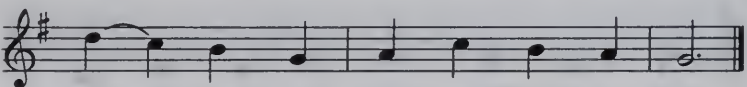
1. does of - fer To thee, O God be - nign,
 2. our na - ture Give us his life di - vine.



1. In hum - ble rep - a - ra - tion For sins
 2. Come, thou who mak - est ho - ly, And bless



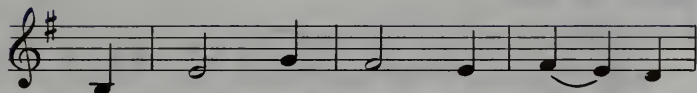
1. and fail - ings dread, To win life ev - er -
 2. this sac - ri - fice; Then shall our gift be



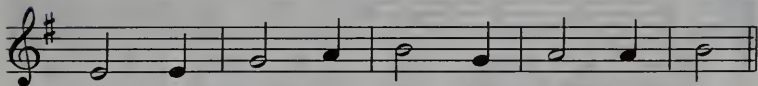
1. last - ing For liv - ing and for dead.
 2. pleas - ing To thee a - bove the skies.

Accept, O Father, in Thy Love

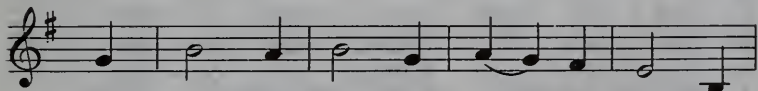
J. Clifford Evers

Poitiers Antiphoner, 1746

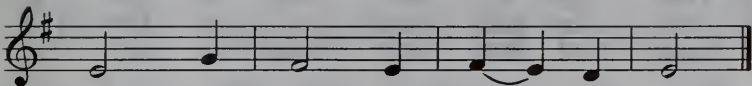
1. Ac - cept, O Fa - ther, in thy
2. Thy Son, the Vic - tim and the
3. Be - hold this host and chal - ice,
4. In - to thy Pre - cious Blood, O
5. No earth - ly claim to grace is



1. love These hum - ble gifts of bread and wine,
2. Priest, Through hu - man hands doth here re - new
3. Lord, To thee on high the gifts we raise;
4. Lord, The priest - ly word will change the wine;
5. ours Save what thy Sac - ri - fice has won;



1. That with our - selves we of - fer thee, Re -
2. The per - fect Sac - ri - fice of love To
3. Through them may we our hon - or pay, Our
4. O may our sins be washed there-in, Our
5. Grant then thy grace, ful - fill our needs, And



1. turn - ing gifts al - read - y thine.
2. ren - der God our wor - ship due.
3. ad - o - ra - tion, and our praise.
4. hearts be made like un - to thine.
5. may thy will in ours be done.

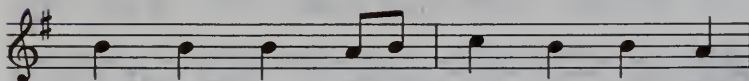
What Thou Gavest for the Taking

Tua Munera Fuerunt

English: John Ryan



1. What thou gav - est for the tak - ing
2. These our gifts, by Christ made roy - al
3. May this bread and may this wine, then,
4. So may foods that quench and nour - ish



1. Now as works of hu - man mak - ing
2. Come from hearts con - trite and loy - al
3. Born of earth, be made di - vine, when
4. Change to make the spir - it flour - ish



1. Let us, Lord, give back to thee.
2. Take them, Fa - ther, with our love.
3. They be - come Christ's sa - cri - fice.
4. Pledge of heav - en's feast of joy.

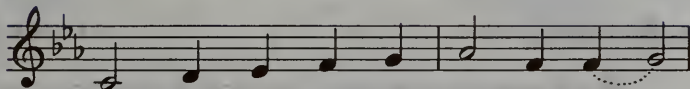


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Gift of Wheat From Thy Teeming Fields

J.J. Gallagher

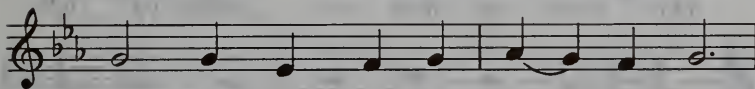
Robert J. Schaffer



1. Gift of wheat from thy teem-ing fields,
2. Now we bring, each of each the neigh-bor,
3. On this al - tar be - hold now ly - ing
4. Think of Christ, strick-en Vine who bleeds thus,
5. Nour - ished then by our own ob - la - tion



1. Gift of grape that thy ripe Vine yields.
2. To - kens deep of our life and la - bor;
3. Deep - er signs of thy dear Son's dy - ing.
4. Him, pure Grain, who by dy - ing feeds us:
5. May we too mer - it trans - for - ma - tion;



1. Men have changed these to bread and wine
2. Back to thee bring we them trans-formed,
3. Signs no less of thy feed - ing grace
4. Then trans - form these our gifts a - fresh,
5. May love change us to Christ, our Head,

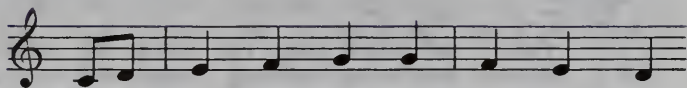


1. With their own hands, made by thine.
2. Gifts from hearts thy life has warmed.
3. Christ has pur - chased for our race.
4. Change them to his Blood, his Flesh.
5. Man - y grains in one pure Bread.

We Come Before Our God and King

Eugene Lindusky, O.S.C.

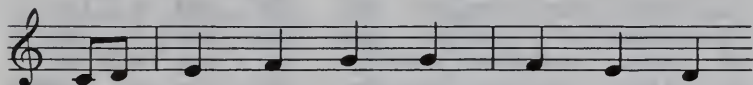
J. H. Schein, 1628



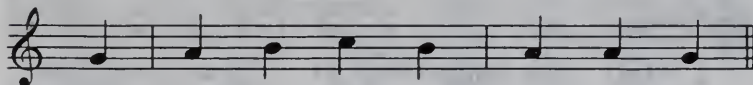
1. We come be - fore our God and King,
 2. We place our - selves be - fore your throne:



1. Our hum - ble bread and wine we bring;
 2. Take all we are and all we own.



1. Though now the fruit of field and vine,
 2. Our hearts, our lives are yours by right,



1. They soon shall be a gift di - vine;
 2. Then make them pleas - ing in your sight,



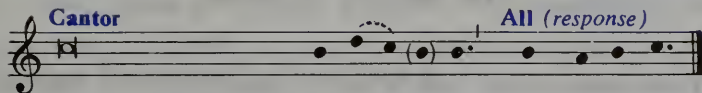
1. For when the sa - cred words are done,
 2. U - nite them all with Christ, your Son,



1. Our gift will be your on - ly Son.
 2. That he and we may be as one.

Prayer of the Faithful

Robert J. Snow



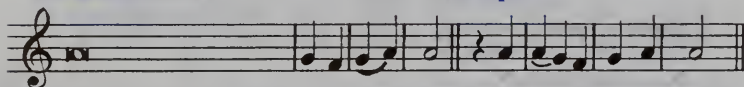
Prayer of the Faithful

(for ordinary occasions)

We have heard of God's love for us. We make bold now to speak our requests, humbly asking his favor:

Cantor:

People:



1. For the Church,Hear us, O Je-sus Christ
God's holy family,
that she may faithfully
proclaim the Gospel,
2. For the intentions of Pope N.____, our holy Father,
3. That our civil and political leaders fulfill their mission with integ-
rity, dedication, and prudence,
4. That we grow in awareness of our duty to all in need and mis-
funne,
5. That this assembly receive a fulness of the gifts of your Holy Spirit,
6. For N.____, who died this week and all the faithful departed,
7. That we may learn to live our days in communion with Christ,

Let it be your mercy, O Lord, that listens to the requests we make to you, and guide us that we desire only what you desire. We ask this in the name of your Son, Christ, our Lord.

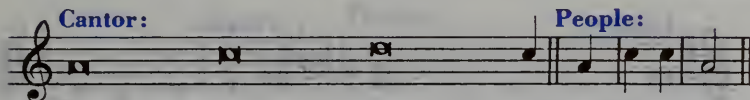
Prayer of the Faithful

(for Advent)

Fr. Charles Rehling

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.

To prepare for Christ's coming is our chief concern. Let us make known to him our needs and beg his help:



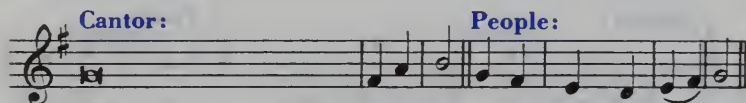
1. That the dawn
of your Truth may light the Church, Lord Jesus, come
2. That the fire of your Love may warm the world.
3. That you may be our only Hope,
4. That you may heal the sick and the poor,
5. That you may be the Wisdom for those who govern us,
6. That you may dawn on those of us who sit in the shadow of death,

May your gifts come to gladden the hearts of your people, O Lord, and may each one whom you inspire with trust, gain the reward of that trust. We ask this of you through Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Prayer of the Faithful

(for Christmas)

We are conscious of our poverty which must be filled with the riches of this season. Humbly, we beg Christ's grace for our needs and those of all men:



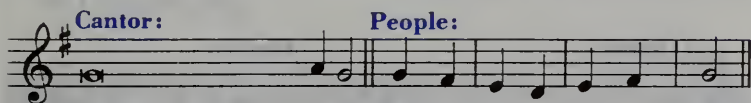
1. That we find room We be-seech you, hear us.
for the Christ Child in our hearts,
2. That, as Mary brought Christ to us, we may — by our example of
Christian love — bring others back to Christ,
3. That through your Son we may have peace on earth for all men
of good will,
4. That we may profit from the example given us by the Child Jesus
to be poor,
5. That the members of this parish cooperate fully with the graces
given during Christmas-tide,
6. That our lives be filled with true Christian joy, so that we can sing
with the angels, “Glory in the highest to God!”

All powerful, eternal Father, ruler of all things visible and invisible, listen in your kindness to the requests of your people: grant your peace to our times because of your Son, Christ, our Lord.

Prayer of the Faithful

(for Lent)

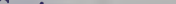
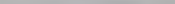
We have heard the saving word of God. Let us open our hearts and lips in humble petitions to our merciful Saviour:



Prayer of the Faithful

(for Easter)

This is the day of the Lord. As we share in the joy of Christ's Resurrection let us beg his grace that we may share his glory;

Cantor:  **People:** 

1. That our bodies too will We beseech you, hear us.
one day rise
and reflect your glory, O Lord,
2. That we may stand before you, O Lord, as sharers in your victory
over sin,
3. That the new fire of this paschal season may be for us the signal
to start a new life,
4. That your word, O Lord, may always be a light to our path,
5. That the Holy Spirit give us the wisdom to make judgments that
are right,
6. That, strengthened by the Eucharist, we may go forth as true
Christ-bearers in our daily lives.
7. That we realize our part in the mission of the Church to the suffer-
ing and poor,
8. That our tongues may always know how to sing praises to you, O
Lord, Almighty God,

All powerful, eternal Father, we know that you keep all men safe and that you want no man to perish. Father, hear the prayers of your people and grant that all men may follow your plan, so that the world may be at peace and your Church may praise you undisturbed by factions. We ask you this through your Son, Christ, our Lord.

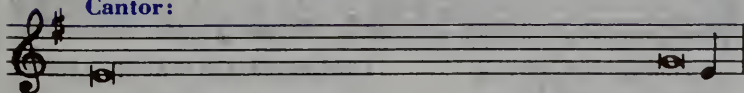
Prayer of the Faithful

(for Pentecost)

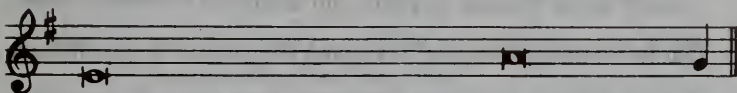
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Cantor:

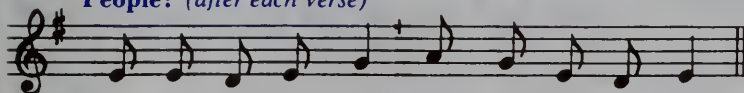


1. Let us pray for our Holy Father Paul, and for our bishops,
2. Let us pray for all gathered here in the name of the Lord,
3. Let us pray for all who suffer in body or in mind,
4. O Lord, enthroned in your glory,



1. that God may give them his Spirit of Wisdom and truth,
2. that God may give us his Spirit of Joy / that we may sing his praises,
3. that God may give the healing of his Spirit.
4. make us one in your Spirit,

People: *(after each verse)*



Spir - it of the Lord, come and live in us.

Prayer of the Faithful

(for weddings)

We have witnessed the joining together in marriage of these two members of our family or community. Let us offer to the Lord our prayers for them and for all Christians:

Cantor:

People:

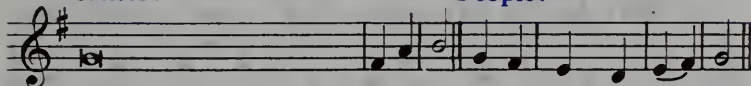
1. That this man and _____ Lord, we ask you in Christ's name.
wife, N.____ and N.____,
may enjoy the fulness
of the graces given by
this sacrament
throughout their married life,
2. That this sacrament of physical and spiritual union strengthen that
bond which through Baptism and Eucharist is already theirs,
3. That this husband and wife be granted the blessing of parenthood,
4. That all married Christians assembled here today be given the
grace to renew their spirit of union and gift of self,
5. That all married Christians throughout the world may serve as
living symbols of the intimate union of Christ and his Church,

Look with kindly eye upon our petitions, O Lord. Let no plea be in vain, let no request be made void. Answer our trusting prayers, made in the name of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Prayer of the Faithful

(for funerals)

We share the hope of eternal life in Christ. Let us join in prayer for the departed and for ourselves:

Cantor:**People:**

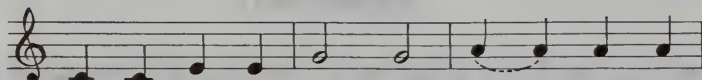
1. That your friend and faithful servant N.____ may enjoy the blessedness of the company of the saints,
We be-seech you, hear us.
2. That your family, sorrowing at the loss of a loved one, not forget the ultimate purpose of death,
3. That we may see your holy will in all things and may accept it with love,
4. That we who live may profit from this experience of death and may be inspired to lead holy lives,
5. That we may be given sufficient grace to bear the death of a loved one in a truly Christ-like way,
6. That your faithful servant N.____ and all the faithful departed may find eternal rest in you,

Stretch out your strong right hand, O Lord. Come to the aid of your people who ask your help. Dash down the terrors we suffer. Give us peace in this life, and share with us your joy in the next. Grant us this favor because of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

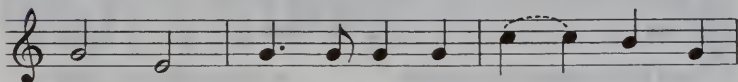
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Reginald Heber, 1826

John B. Dykes, 1861



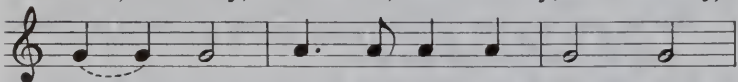
1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al-
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a -
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness
4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al-



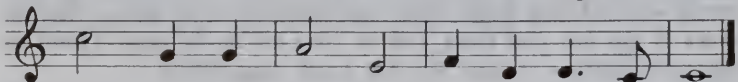
1. might - y! Ear - ly in the morn - ing our
2. dore thee, Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a -
3. hide thee, Though the eye of sin - ful man thy
4. might - y! All thy works shall praise thy name in



1. song shall rise to thee: Ho - ly, ho - ly,
2. round the glass - y sea; Cher - u - bim and
3. glo - ry may not see, On - ly thou art
4. earth, and sky, and sea; Ho - ly, ho - ly,



1. ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
2. ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
3. ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
4. ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,



1. God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
2. Which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
3. Per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
4. God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

*For another Sanctus hymn, see T-6.

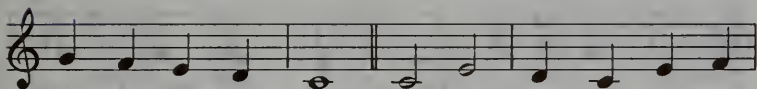
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Christopher Wordsworth, 1862, alt.

Genevan Psalter, 1562



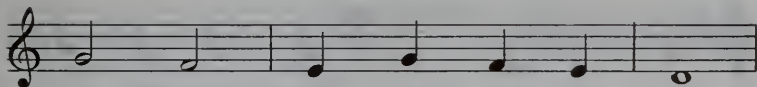
1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of
2. Since by thee were all things made, And in
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, to thee, Fa - ther,



1. Hosts, e - ter - nal King, By the heav'n's and earth a -
2. thee do all things live, Be to thee all hon - or
3. Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Three in One, and One in



1. dored; An - gels and arch - an - gels sing,
2. paid, Praise to thee let all things give,
3. Three, Join we with the heav'n - ly host,



1. Prais - ing ev - er - last - ing - ly
2. Sing - ing ev - er - last - ing - ly
3. Sing - ing ev - er - last - ing - ly

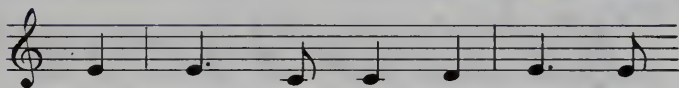


1. The most bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
2. To the bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
3. To the bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Lord, Who at Thy First Eucharist Didst Pray

William Harry Turton, 1881, alt.

William H. Monk, 1875, alt.



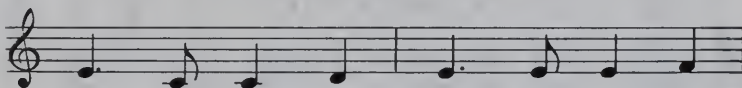
1. Lord, who at thy first Eu - cha -
2. For all thy Church, O Lord, we
3. We pray thee, too, for wan - d'ers
4. So, Lord, at length when sac - ra -



1. rist didst pray That all thy Church might
2. in - ter - cede; Make thou our lack of
3. from thy fold, O bring them back, good
4. ments shall cease, May we be one with



1. be for - ev - er one, Grant
2. char - i - ty to cease; Draw
3. Shep - herd of the sheep, Back
4. all thy Church a - bove, One



1. us at ev - 'ry Eu - cha - rist to
2. us the near - er each to each, we
3. to the faith which saints be - lieved of
4. with thy saints in one un - end - ing

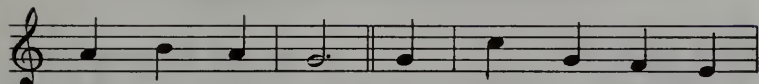


1. say With long - ing heart and soul,
2. plead, By draw - ing all to thee,
3. old, Back to the Church which still
4. peace, One with thy saints in one

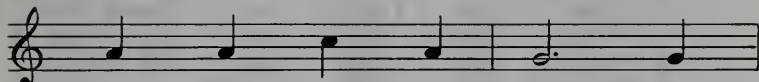
COMMUNION

(L-21)

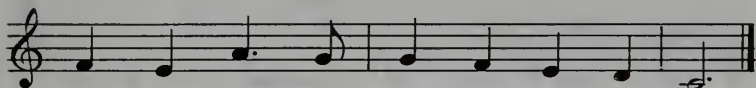
Lord, Who at Thy First Eucharist Didst Pray (*cont.*)



1. "Thy will be done." O may we all one
2. O Prince of Peace; Thus may we all one
3. that faith doth keep; Soon may we all one
4. un- bound - ed love; More bless - ed still in



1. bread, one bod - y be, Through
2. bread, one bod - y be, Through
3. bread, one bod - y be, Through
4. peace and love to be One



1. this blest Sac - ra - ment of U - ni - ty.
2. this blest Sac - ra - ment of U - ni - ty.
3. this blest Sac - ra - ment of U - ni - ty.
4. with the Trin - i - ty in U - ni - ty.

Eucharistic Acclamation **L-21a**

(Simple Form)

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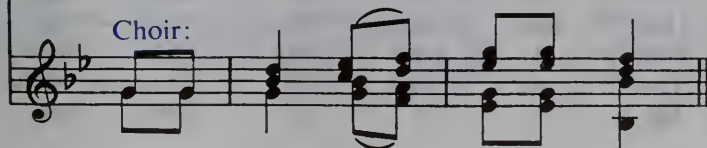
Harmonization for unison or equal voices

Congregation:



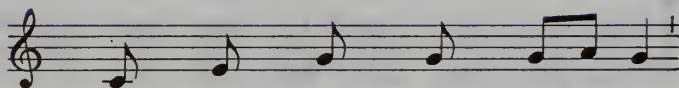
God be praised for - ev - er - more!

Choir:

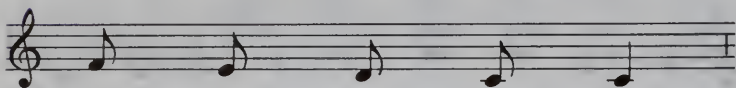


Humbly We Adore Thee

Melvin Farrell, S.S.

1st pub. *Paris Processional*, 1697

1. Hum - bly we a - dore thee,
2. Je - sus, Lord, we thank thee
3. Thou who died to save us
4. Christ, our God and Broth - er,
5. Hail, thou Word In - car - nate,
6. Faith a - lone re - veals here
7. Christ, at his Last Sup - per,
8. Now with glad thanks - giv - ing,

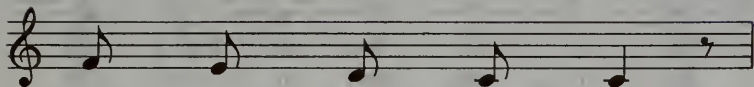


1. Christ, Re - deem - er King;
2. for this wond - rous Bread;
3. liv - est as our Light;
4. hear our hum - ble plea:
5. born from Mar - y's womb;
6. Bread of par - a - dise;
7. break - ing bread, de - creed:
8. praise Christ glo - ri - fied,

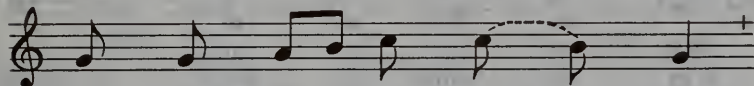


1. Thou art Lord of heav - en,
2. In our land thou dwell - est,
3. Though our eyes are blind - ed,
4. By this ho - ly ban - quet
5. Hail, thou Strength im - mor - tal,
6. Faith a - lone may wit - ness
7. "This, my Bod - y, take and eat"—
8. He in us is pres - ent;

Humbly We Adore Thee (*cont.*)



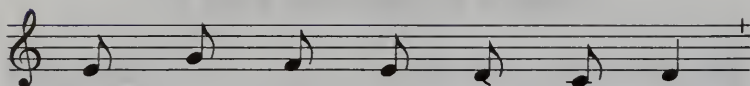
1. thou to whom we sing.
 2. by thee we are fed.
 3. yet our Faith gives sight.
 4. keep us joined to thee.
 5. ris - en from the tomb.
 6. Je - sus' sac - ri - fice.
 7. heav - 'nly Food in - deed!
 8. we in him a - bide.



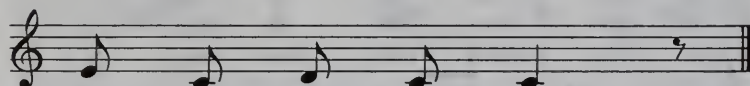
1. God, the Might - y, thou hast come,
 2. We who share this Mys - te - ry
 3. Christ, do thou be mer - ci - ful,
 4. Make us one in lov - ing thee,
 5. Share with us thy vic - tor - y,
 6. There - fore, Lord, as once of old
 7. Then he blessed the cup of wine -
 8. Mem - bers of his Bod - - y,



1. bear - ing gifts of grace;
 2. in thee are made one:
 3. Lamb for sin - ners slain,
 4. one in mind and heart,
 5. Sav - ior ev - er blest:
 6. Thom - as gained his sight,
 7. "Take ye this," he said:
 8. we in him are One;

Humbly We Adore Thee (*cont.*)

1. Son of Ad - am still thou art:
2. Ev - 'ry act we of - fer thee
3. We in grief con - fess our guilt:
4. Till in heav - en we are thine,
5. Live more ful - ly in our hearts;
6. Now in - crease our fee - ble faith:
7. "Drink the chal - ice of my Blood,
8. Hail this sa - cred Un - - ion,



1. Sav - ior to our race.
2. in thy Name is done.
3. cleanse our souls of stain.
4. nev - er - more to part.
5. be our con - stant Guest.
6. shed thy heal - ing light.
7. soon for sin - ners shed."
8. heav'n on earth be - gun!



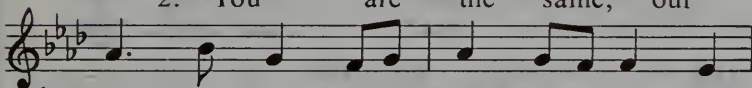
O Lord, With Wondrous Mystery

Michael Gannon, alt.

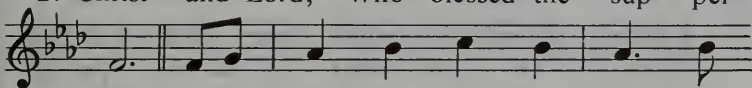
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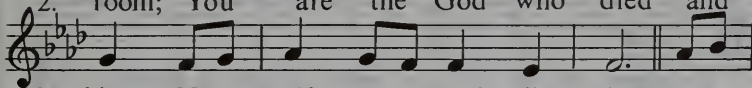
1. O Lord, with won - drous
2. You are the same, our



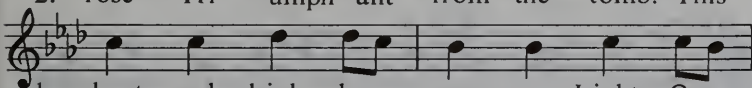
1. mys - ter - y You take our bread and
2. Christ and Lord, Who blessed the sup - per



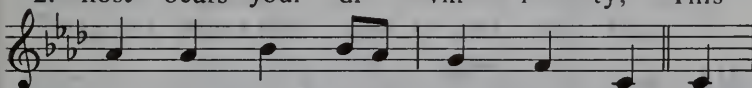
1. wine, And make of these two hum - ble
2. room; You are the God who died and



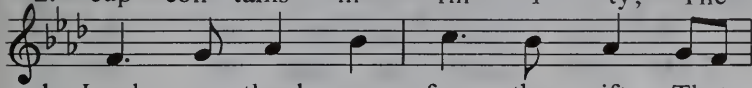
1. things Your - self, our Lord di - vine. Our
2. rose Tri - umph - ant from the tomb. This



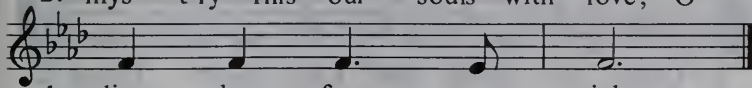
1. wheat and drink be - come our Light, Our
2. host bears your di - vin - i - ty, This



1. al - tar bears your aw - ful might; O
2. cup con - tains in - fin - i - ty; The



1. Lord, we thank you for the gift That
2. mys - t'ry fills our souls with love, O



1. lies be - fore our sight.
2. Ho - ly Maj - es - ty.

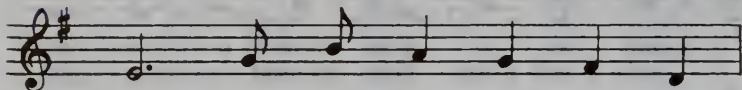
Cup of Blessing That We Share

Bernard Mischke, O.S.C.

Henry Papale



1. Cup of bless - - ing that we
2. Is it not — one bread we



1. share, Does it not our faith de -
2. break? Of his Bod - y all par -



1. clare? Is it not the Blood —
2. take. Cast - ing out dis - - trust —



1. — of Christ, Who for us — was sac - ri - ficed?
2. — and fear, Let us love — with hearts sin - cere!



1. As one bod - y, we are fed,
2. One by God's de - sign are we:

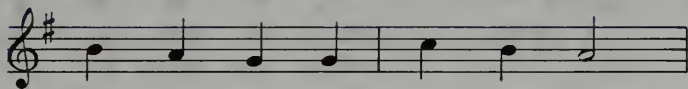


1. Christ we share, one Cup, one Bread.
2. Let us live in u - ni - ty.

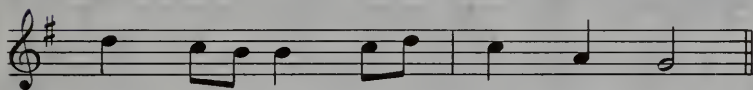
Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed

J. Conder, 1789-1855, alt.

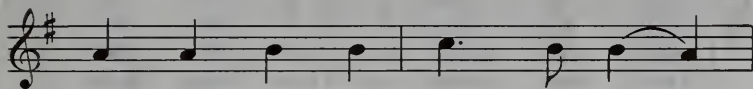
Verspöt's *Gesangbuch*, 1833



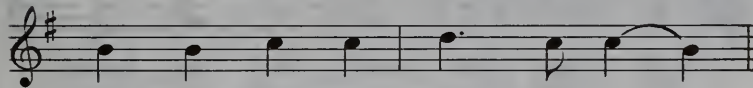
1. Bread of heav'n, on thee we feed,
2. Vine of heav'n, thy Blood sup - plies



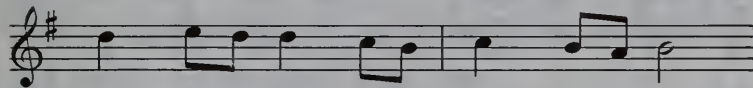
1. For thy Flesh is food in - deed;
2. This blest cup of sac - ri - fice;



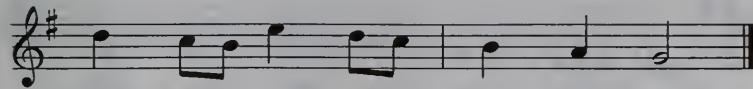
1. Ev - er may our souls be fed
2. Lord, thy wounds our heal - ing give;



1. With this true and liv - ing Bread,
2. To thy Cross we look and live;



1. Day by day with strength sup - plied,
2. Je - sus, may we ev - er be

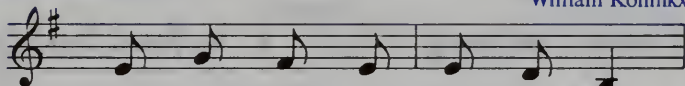


1. Through the life of him who died.
2. Graft - ed, root - ed, built in thee.

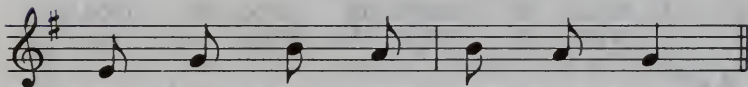
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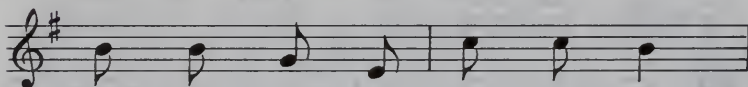
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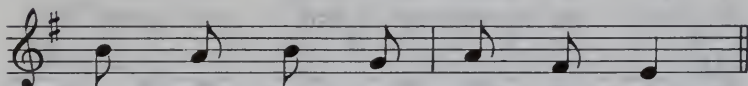
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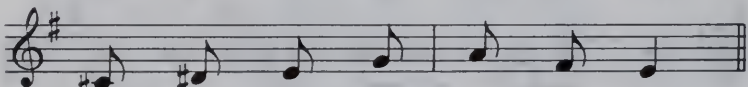
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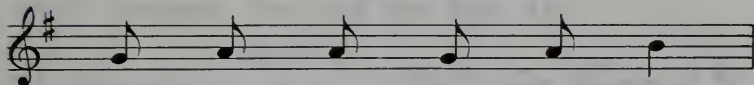
Where Charity and Love Prevail

J. Clifford Evers

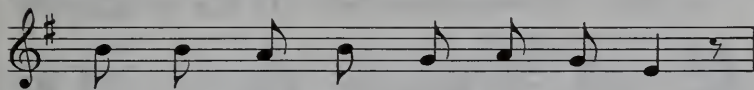
Dom Paul Benoit, O.S.B.



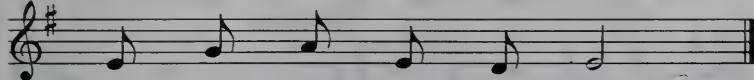
1. Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail
2. With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear
3. For - give we now each oth - er's faults
4. Let strife a - mong us be un - known,
5. Let us re - call that in our midst
6. No race nor creed can love ex - clude



1. There God is ev - er found;
2. His char - i - ty we learn;
3. As we our faults con - fess;
4. Let all con - ten - tion cease;
5. Dwells God's be - got - ten Son;
6. If hon - ored be God's Name;



1. Brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love
2. Let us with heart and mind and soul
3. And let us love each oth - er well
4. Be his the glo - ry that we seek,
5. As mem - bers of his Bod - y joined
6. Our broth - er - hood em - brac - es all



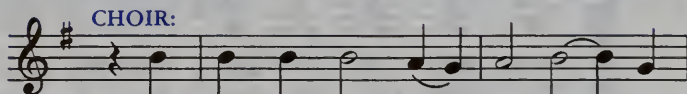
1. By love are we thus bound.
2. Now love him in re - turn.
3. In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
4. Be ours his ho - ly peace.
5. We are in him made one.
6. Whose Fa - ther is the same.

We Come to You With Longing

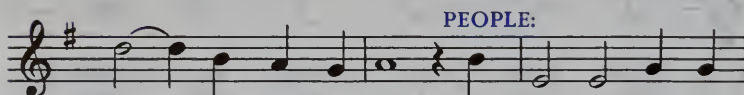
paraphrase from *Cologne Hymnal*

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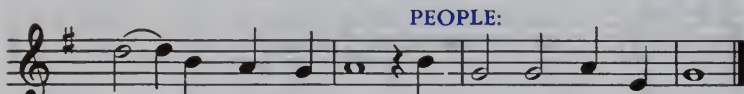
1. We come to you with long-ing, O
2. It was your in - vi - ta - tion that
3. Un - wor - thy guests are we, Lord, though
4. But you have dared to take us in -
5. We thank you for your kind-ness, with



1. Bread by Heav-en sent: O Sac - ra - ment of
2. won our meek consent O Sac - ra - ment of
3. we de - sire to be O Sac - ra - ment of
4. to your fam - i - ly: O Sac - ra - ment of
5. all our heart and mind: O Sac - ra - ment of



1. Love! We would em-brace your good-ness, our
2. Love! To come with - in your pres-ence con -
3. Love! Your ser-vants by your grace, Lord; we
4. Love! Your sons you chose to make us: su -
5. Love! And praise your name for - ev - er, O

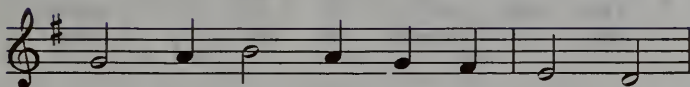


1. soul's true nour-ish-ment. O Ban-quet of the Lord!
2. trite and con - fi - dent. O Ban-quet of the Lord!
3. rose from pov - er - ty. O Ban-quet of the Lord!
4. preme your char - i - ty! O Ban-quet of the Lord!
5. Sav - ior of man-kind! O Ban-quet of the Lord!

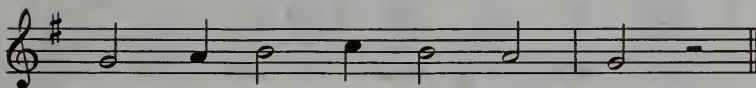
Father, God of All Things Living

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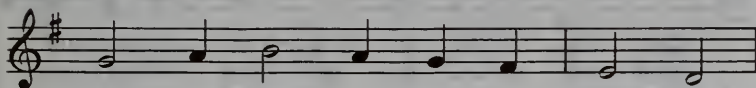
Genevan Psalter, 1551



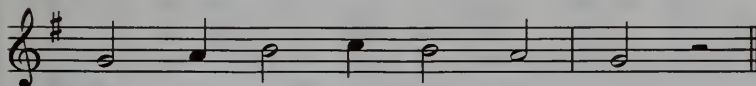
1. Fa - ther, God of all things liv - ing,
2. Lo, a ban - quet lies be - fore us,
3. Fa - ther, take a - way all ma - lice



1. Give us now our dai - ly Bread;
2. Flesh and Blood of Christ, our King;
3. As we hold your ho - ly Son;



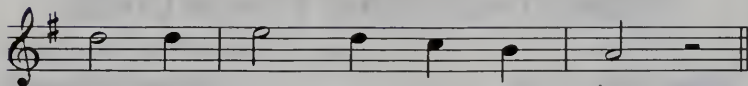
1. You have tak - en our thanks - giv - ing
2. Here is pow - er to re - store us,
3. We who feed from Je - sus' chal - ice,



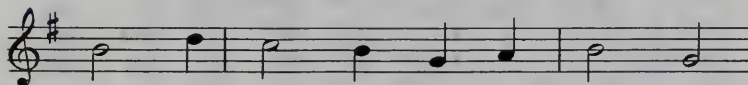
1. Through your Son, whose Blood was shed.
2. Strength when we are wa - ver - ing.
3. Joined in him, be - come as one.



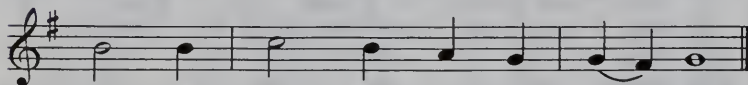
1. Je - sus, come to us a - gain;
2. Je - sus bids us take and eat;
3. Wel - come Christ, our roy - al Guest!

Father, God of All Things Living (*cont.*)

1. You are Life and Light to men:
2. Taste and see the Lord is sweet:
3. Reign su - preme in ev' - ry breast!



1. Let us eat the Food you gave us
2. Do you, Christ, in lov - ing kind - ness,
3. Share with us your love and pow - er;

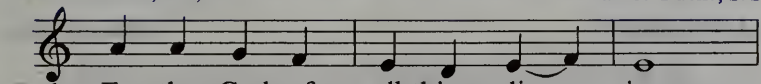


1. On the night you deigned to save us.
2. Bind our wounds and heal our blind - ness.
3. Strength-en us in our last hour.

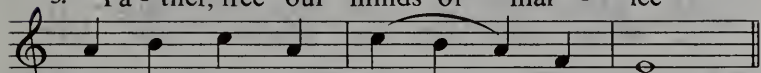
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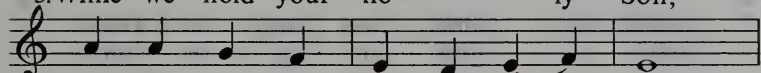
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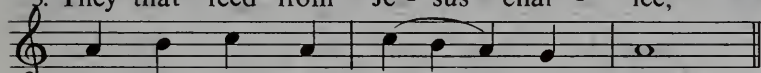
1. Fa - ther, God of all things liv - ing,
2. Lo, a ban-quet lies be - fore us,
3. Fa - ther, free our minds of mal - ice



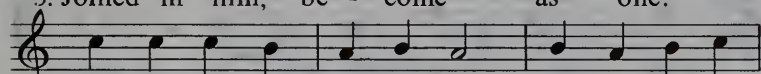
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2. Flesh and Blood of Christ, our Lord;
3. While we hold your ho - ly Son;



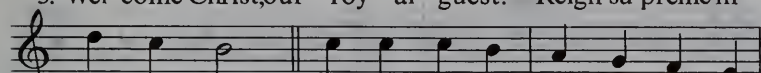
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2. Here is pow - er to re - store us,
3. They that feed from Je - sus' chal - ice,



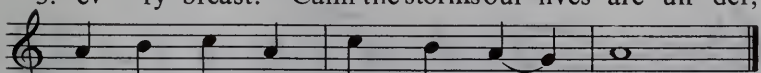
1. Through your Son, whose Blood was shed.
2. Wealth the poor - est can af - ford.
3. Joined in him, be - come as one.



1. Je - sus, come to us a - gain; You are Life and
2. Je - sus bids us take and eat; Taste and see the
3. Wel - come Christ, our roy - al guest! Reign su - preme in



1. Light to men: Let us eat the Food you gave us
2. Lord is sweet: Do you, Christ, in lov - ing kind - ness,
3. ev - 'ry breast! Calm the storms our lives are un - der;



1. On the night you deigned to save us.
2. Bind our wounds and heal our blind - ness.
3. Break our bonds of sin a - sun - der.

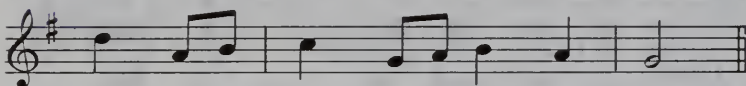
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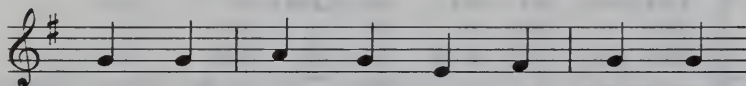
Holland, 1609



1. Mem - bers of one Mys - tic Bod - y,
 2. Wheat and wine as gifts we of - fered



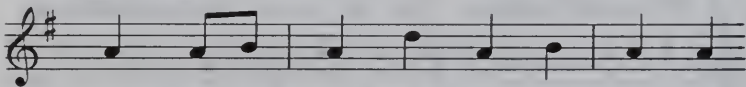
1. Joined in Christ, our Lord and Head,
 2. Now as gifts to us re - turn;



1. Come be - fore your ho - ly al - tar,
 2. God him - self as gift is giv - en:



1. Seek - ing life through liv - ing Bread.
 2. Food for which our spir - its yearn.



1. Make us, Lord, our sins con - fess - ing,
 2. Lord, our hearts in trust be - lieve you;

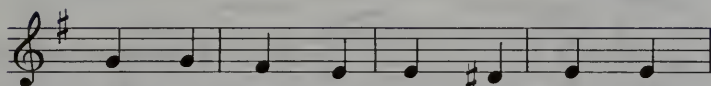


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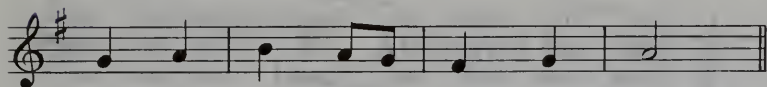
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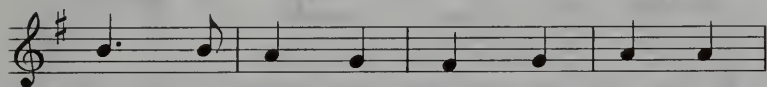
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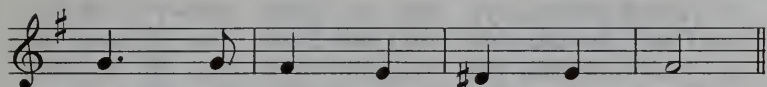
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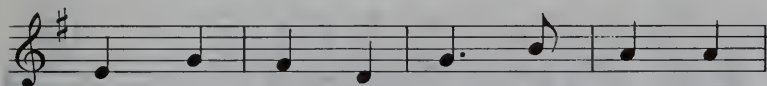
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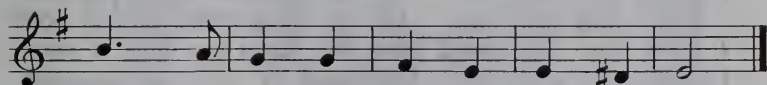
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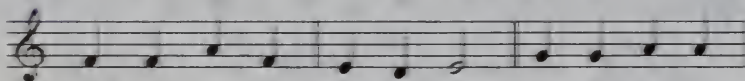
See Us, Lord, About Thine Altar

J. Greally, S.J., alt.

Edward Elgar, 1857-1934



1. See us, Lord, a - bout thine al - tar,
2. Hear our prayers, O lov - ing Fa - ther,
3. Once were seen the blood and wa - ter:
4. Wheat and grape con - tain the mean - ing:
5. Hear us yet: so much is need - ful
6. Mem - bers of his Mys - tic Bod - y



1. Though so man - y we are one: Man - y souls by
2. Hear in them thy Son, our Lord; Hear him speak our
3. Now are seen but bread and wine; Once in hu - man
4. Food and drink he is to all: One in him, we
5. In our frail, dis - or - dered life; Stay with us and
6. Now we know our prayer is heard, Heard by thee be -



1. love u - nit - ed In the heart of Christ, thy Son.
2. love and wor - ship As we sing with one ac - cord.
3. form he suf - fered, Now his form is but a sign.
4. kneel a - dor - ing, Gath - ered by his lov - ing call.
5. tend our weak - ness Till that day of no more strife.
6. cause thy chil - dren Have re - ceived the eter - nal Word.

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Longing For God

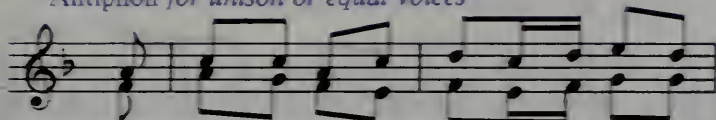
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From Psalm 63 (62)

Antiphon for unison or equal voices



With joy - ful lips. O Lord. I will sing your

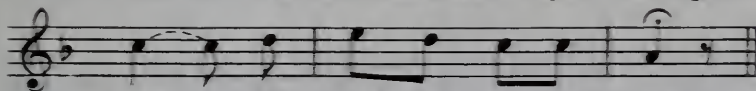


praise: you are a feast for my soul.

Verses:



1. O God. you are my God. and my
2. Your glo-ry I be - hold in the
3. More beau - ti - ful than life is your
4. So all my life I bless you. O
5. As one that you have called to your
6. The shad - ow of your wings is my
7. My thoughts have turned to you in the
8. For you have been the light of my
9. To Fa - ther. Son. and Spir - it give



hope: My soul thirsts af - ter you.
 tem - ple. Your maj - es - ty en - throned.
 glo - ry: My lips shall sing your praise.
 Lord: To you I lift my hands.
 feast. My heart gives thanks to you.
 shel - ter. My soul clings fast to you.
 night: At dawn I sing your praise.
 soul: In you I put my trust.
 glo - ry Both now and ev - er - more.

Longing for God (*cont.*)*Antiphon for unison or mixed voices*

With joy - ful lips, O Lord, I will sing your

The first system of music consists of two staves, treble and bass, in G major (one flat). The melody is written in a unison style with some intervals. The lyrics are: "With joy - ful lips, O Lord, I will sing your".

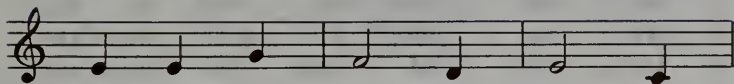
praise: you are a feast for my soul.

The second system of music continues the melody on two staves. The lyrics are: "praise: you are a feast for my soul." The music concludes with a double bar line.

Shepherd of Souls, in Love Come, Feed Us

J.Clifford Evers

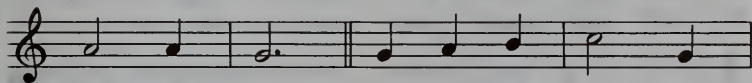
George Joseph, 1657

From *Aus Heilige Seelenlust*, Breslau, 1657

1. Shep- herd of souls, in love come,
2. Life - giv - ing vine, come, feed and
3. Sin - ful is man who kneels be -
4. Fol - low - ing you, O Lord, who
5. Fa - ther, who fed the He - brew
6. Help us, dear Lord, pre - pare a



1. feed us, Life - giv - ing Bread for
2. nour - ish, Strength-en each branch with
3. fore you, Wor - thy of you are
4. led them, Mul - ti - tudes thronged the
5. na - tion, Giv - ing them man - na
6. dwell - ing Wor - thy of you who



1. hun - gry hearts! To those re - fresh - ing
2. life di - vine; Ev - er in you O
3. you a - lone; Yet in your name do
4. moun- tain - side; Filled with com - pas - sion,
5. from the sky, Give now the Bread of
6. made us all; Cleanse then our hearts, our

Shepherd of Souls, in Love Come, Feed Us (*cont.*)



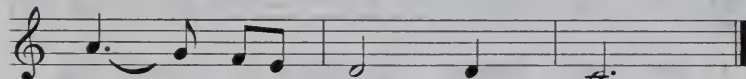
1. wa - ters lead us Where dwells that
2. may we flour - ish, Fruit - ful the
3. we im - plore you, Rich are the
4. Lord, you fed them, Fed them with
5. our sal - va - tion That we who
6. guilt dis - pel - ling, Pur - i - fy



1. peace your grace im - parts. May we, the
2. branch - es on the vine. Lord, may our
3. mer - cies you have shown. Say but the
4. loaves you mul - ti - plied. Come, feed us
5. eat shall nev - er die. We are your
6. us who heed your call. "Take this and



1. way - ward in your fold, By your for -
2. souls be pur - i - fied So that in
3. word, O Lord di - vine, Then are our
4. now, O Lord, we pray; Life - giv - ing
5. peo - ple, God, in need; May we on
6. eat" were words you said; So do we



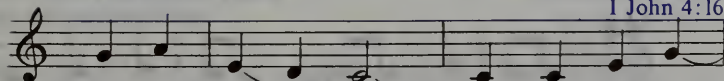
1. give - ness rest con - soled.
2. Christ may we a - bide.
3. hearts made pure like thine.
4. Bread give us this day.
5. liv - ing Bread now feed.
6. gath - er for this Bread.

God Is Love

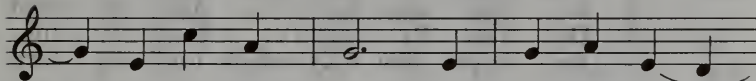
Clarence J. Rivers

REFRAIN (*Cantors sing refrain; people repeat it.*)

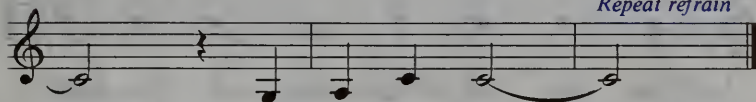
I John 4:16



God is love, _____ and he who



a - bides in love a - bides in God _____



Repeat refrain

_____ and God in him. _____

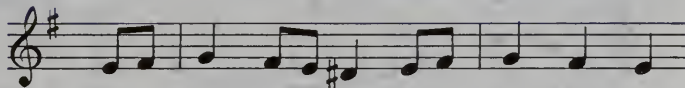
Cantors sing verses. People repeat refrain after each verse.

VERSES:

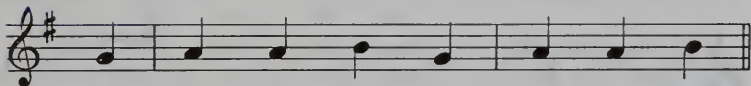
1. The love of Christ has gathered us together.
Let us rejoice in him and be glad.
2. By this shall all know that we are his disciples,
If we have love one for another.
3. Owe no man anything except to love one another.
For he who loves his neighbor will fulfill the whole law.
4. O carry one another's burdens
And so you will fulfill the law of Christ.
5. The cup of blessing which we bless,
Is it not fellowship in the blood of Christ?
6. The Bread which we break,
Is it not fellowship in the body of Christ?
7. We many are one bread, one body,
For we all partake of the one Bread.
8. This is the Bread that came down from heaven;
He who eats this Bread shall live forever.
9. We who eat his flesh and drink his blood have life everlasting,
And he will raise us up on the last day.
10. He is the vine, we the branches;
We who abide in him shall bear fruit.

NO Bread of Angels

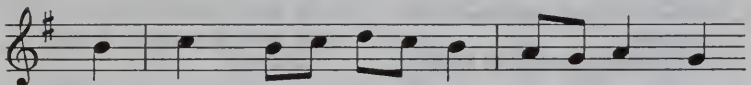
Michael Gannon

J. Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

1. O Bread of an - gels, Lord of love,
2. In this most ho - ly Sac - ra - ment
3. Di - vine Re - deem - er, Lord of life,
4. Re - ceive these eyes which look on thee,



1. Give us the strength that is thy Light,
2. Thy sa - cred man - hood we re - vere;
3. Teach us to choose the bet - ter part:
4. Re - ceive our hear - ing and our voice:



1. For thou art Christ, the liv - ing God,
2. O God made man, we bow to see,
3. To choose thy - self, the last - ing Bread,
4. That these may serve thy ho - ly will,

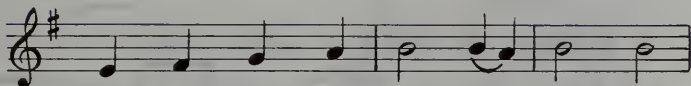


1. And in thy grace we find our might.
2. O Word made flesh, we kneel to hear.
3. Our on - ly need of mind and heart.
4. That in thy word we may re - joice.

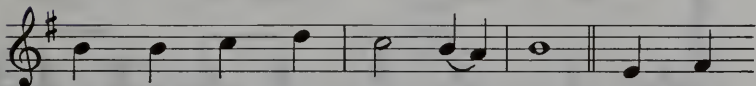
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Gerard Moultrie, 1864

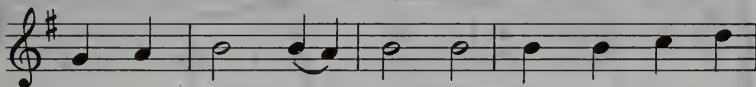
France, 17th cent.



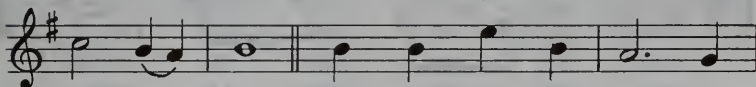
1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence,
2. King of kings, yet born of Mar - y,
3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en
4. At his feet the six - winged ser - aph,



1. and with fear and trem - bling stand; Pon - der
2. as of old on earth he stood, Lord of
3. spreads its van - guard on the way, As the
4. cher - u - bim with sleep - less eye, Veil their



1. noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing
2. lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the Bod - y
3. Light of Light de - scend - eth from the realms of
4. fac - es to the Pres - ence, as with cease - less



1. in his hand Christ, our God, to earth de -
2. and the Blood He will give to all the
3. end - less day, That the powers of hell may
4. voice they cry, "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



1. scend - eth, our full hom - age to de - mand.
2. faith - ful his own self for heav'n - ly food.
3. van - ish as the dark - ness clears a - way.
4. lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

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My Soul Is Longing For Your Peace

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From *Ps. 131 (130)*

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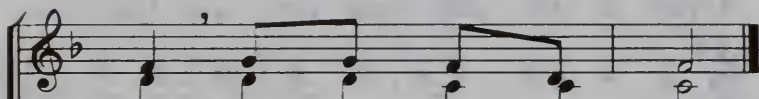
Antiphon for unison or mixed voices

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My soul is long - ing for your

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peace, near to you, my God!



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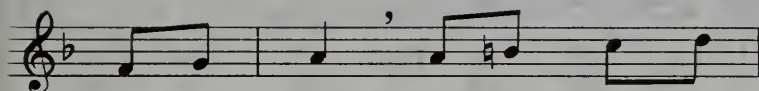
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My Soul Is Longing for Your Peace (*cont.*)

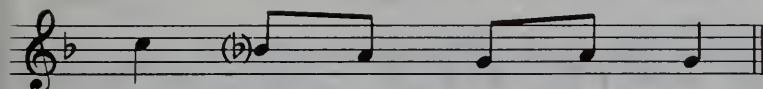
Verses:



1. Lord, you know that my heart
2. Loft - y thoughts have nev - er
3. In your peace I have main -
4. As a child rests on his
5. Is - ra - el, put all your



1. is not proud, and my eyes are
2. filled my mind, Far be - yond my
3. tained my soul, I have kept my
4. moth - er's knee, So I place my
5. hope in God, Place your trust in



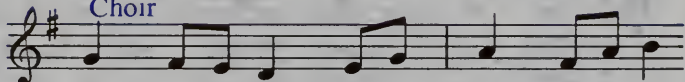
1. not lift - ed from the earth.
2. sight all am - bi - tious deeds.
3. heart in your qu - iet peace.
4. soul in your lov - ing care.
5. him, now and ev - er - more.

Lo, Our Savior King Is Here

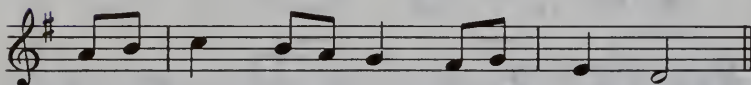
Melvin Farrell, S. S., alt.

R. F. Twynham

Choir



1. Lo, our Sav - ior King is here:
2. Christ, be swift to reign in peace!



1. Let all in faith a - dore him.
2. Bring heal - ing to our sor - row.



1. The font of last - ing Life is near:
2. From Sa - tan's bonds grant us re - lease!



1. With hope let us im - plore him.
2. Of your might let us bor - row.



1. He comes to free our hearts of fear:
2. O Bread of heav - en, nev - er cease



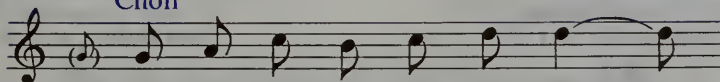
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2. To feed us on the mor - row!

Lo, Our Savior King Is Here

Melvin Farrell, S.S.

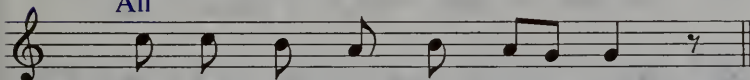
James Burns, S.S.

Choir



1. Lo, our Sav - ior King is here: _____
2. O Christ, be swift to reign in peace! _____

All



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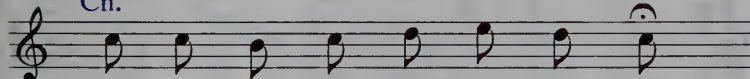
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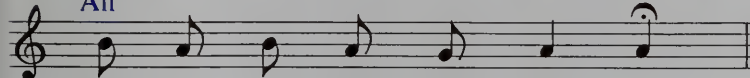
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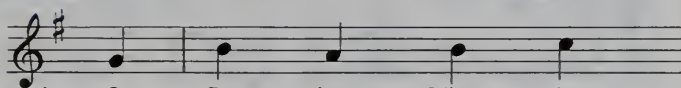
O Saving Victim, Opening Wide

O Salutaris Hostia

St. Thomas Aquinas, 1227-74

Tr. E. Caswall, 1814 - 78

Abbé Duguet, d. c. 1767



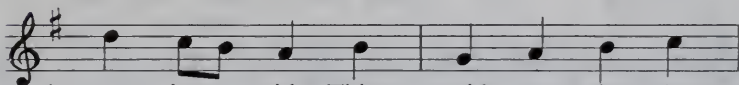
1. O Sav - ing Vic - tim,
2. To thy great name be



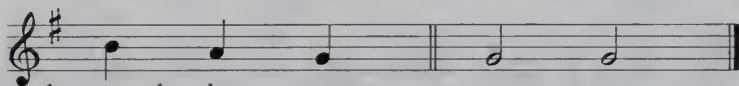
1. o - pening wide The gate of heav'n to
2. end - less praise, Im - mor - tal God-head,



1. man be - low! Our foes press on from
2. One in Three; Oh, grant us end - less



1. ev - 'ry side: Thine aid sup - ply, thy
2. length of days In our true na - tive



1. strength be - stow.
2. land with thee. A - men.

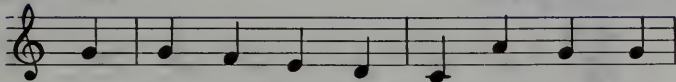
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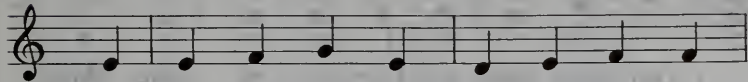
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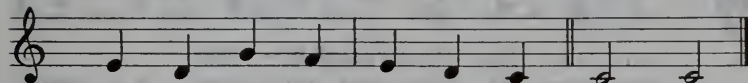
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 2. To thy great name be end-less praise, Im-



1. gate of heav'n to man be - low!
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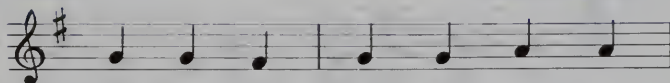
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Tr. E. Caswall, 1814-78

Tallis' Canon, 1561



1. O Sav - ing Vic - tim, o - pening
 2. To thy great name be end - less



1. wide The gate of heav'n to man be - low!
 2. praise, Im - mor - tal God - head, One in Three;



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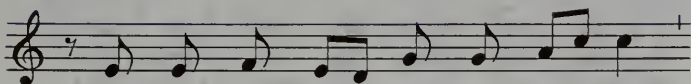
Praise We Christ's Immortal Body

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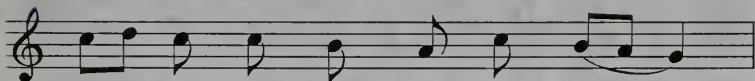
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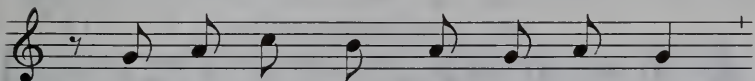
Chant



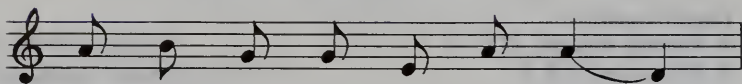
1. Praise we Christ's im - mor - tal Bod - y,
2. Com - ing forth from spot - less Vir - gin,
3. On the eve of that Last Sup - per,
4. By a word, the Word em - bod - ied
5. Hum - bly let us voice our hom - age
6. Glo - ry, hon - or, ad - o - ra - tion



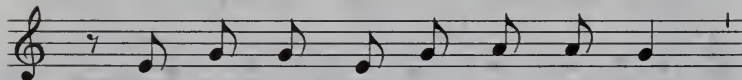
1. And his Pre - cious Blood we praise:
2. He for us was born a Man!
3. Break - ing bread with cho - sen friends,
4. Chang - es com - mon bread and wine:
5. For so great a sac - ra - ment:
6. Let us sing with one ac - cord!



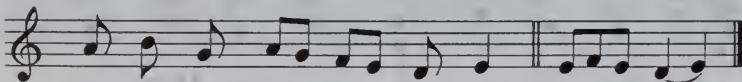
1. Born of roy - al vir - gin Moth - er,
2. Sow - ing seeds of truth a - mong us,
3. He o - beys the Law's di - rec - tions
4. Bread be - comes his ho - ly Bod - y,
5. Let all for - mer rites sur - ren - der
6. Praised be God, al - might - y Fa - ther;

Praise We Christ's Immortal Body (*cont.*)

1. He shall reign for end - less days!
2. He ful - filled the Fa - ther's plan;
3. Ev - en as the Old Law ends.
4. Wine is made his Blood di - vine!
5. To the Lord's New Tes - ta - ment;
6. Praised be Christ, his Son, our Lord;



1. Dy - ing once to save all na - tions,
2. Then his fi - nal night up - on him,
3. Now he hands the twelve a new Bread:
4. Though this truth e - vades the sen - ses,
5. What our sen - ses fail to fath - om
6. Praised be God the Ho - ly Spir - it;

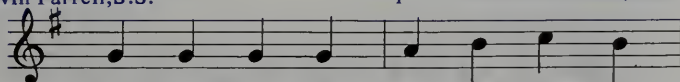


1. Ev - er - more he wins our praise!
2. Won - drous - ly that night be - gan!
3. His own Flesh with their flesh blends!
4. Faith un - veils the sa - cred sign!
5. Let us grasp through faith's con - sent!
6. Tri - une God - head be a - dored! A - men.

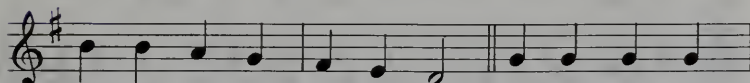
Humbly Let Us Voice Our Homage

Tantum Ergo Sacramentum

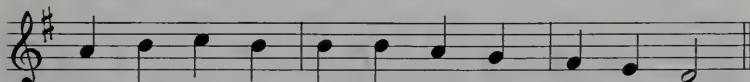
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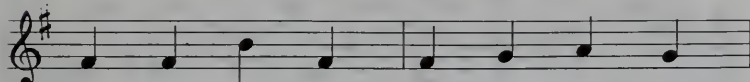
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 2. Glo - ry, hon - or, ad - o - ra - tion



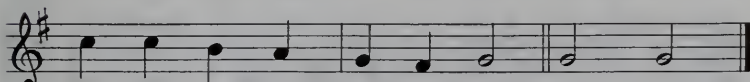
1. For so great a sac - ra - ment: Let all form - er
 2. Let us sing with one ac - cord! Praised be God, al -



1. rites sur - ren - der To the Lord's New Tes - ta - ment;
 2. might - y Fa - ther; Praised be Christ, his Son, our Lord;



1. What our sen - ses fail to fath - om
 2. Praised be God the Ho - ly Spir - it;



1. Let us grasp through faith's con - sent!
 2. Tri - une God - head be a - dored! A - men.

Priest: You have given them bread from heaven.

People: Containing in itself all delight.

Priest: Let us pray . . . forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Humbly Let Us Voice Our Homage

Tantum Ergo Sacramentum

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J. F. Wade, c. 1740 - 43



1. Hum-bly let us voice our hom-age
2. Glo-ry, hon-or, ad-o-ra-tion



1. For so great a sac-ra-ment: Let all form-er
2. Let us sing with one ac-cord! Praised be God, al-



1. rites sur-ren-der To the Lord's New Tes-ta-ment;
2. might-y Fa-ther; Praised be Christ, his Son, our Lord;



1. What our sen-ses fail to fath-om
2. Praised be God the Ho-ly Spir-it;



1. Let us grasp through faith's con-sent!
2. Tri-une God-head be a-dored! A-men.

Priest: You have given them bread from heaven.

People: Containing in itself all delight.

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People: Amen.

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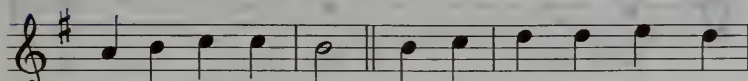
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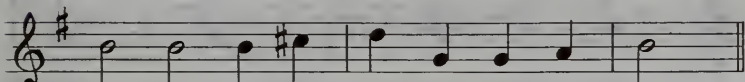
France, 16th cent., alt.



1. Hum-bly let us voice our hom-age For so
 2. Glo-ry, hon-or, ad-o-ra-tion Let us



1. great a sac-ra-ment: Let all form-er rites sur-
 2. sing with one ac-cord! Praised be God, al-might-y



1. ren-der To the Lord's New Tes-ta-ment;
 2. Fa-ther; Praised be Christ, his Son, our Lord;



1. What our sen-ses fail to fath-om Let us
 2. Praised be God the Ho-ly Spir-it; Tri-une



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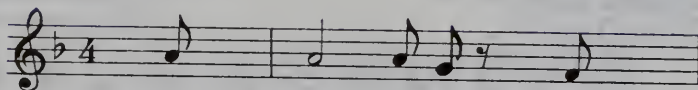
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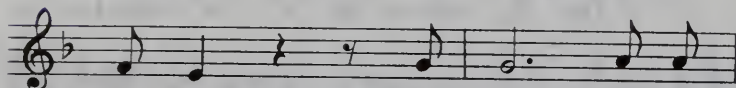
The Lord Bless Thee

Negro spiritual

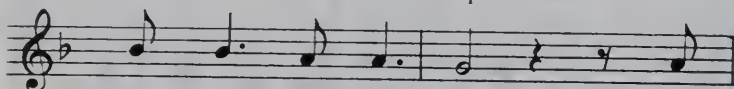
The Jubilee Singers



The Lord bless thee, and



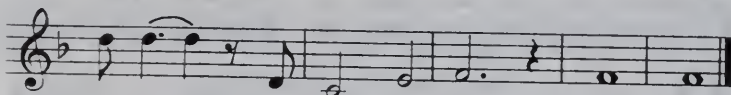
Keep thee, The Lord and be
make his
face to shine
upon thee



gra - cious un - to thee; The



Lord lift up his coun - te - nance up -

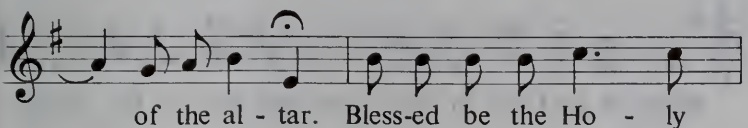
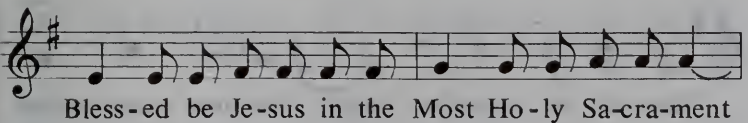
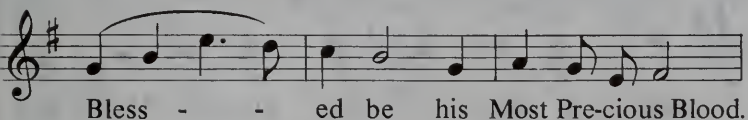
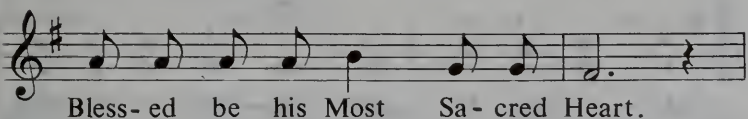
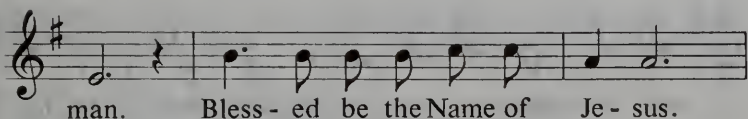
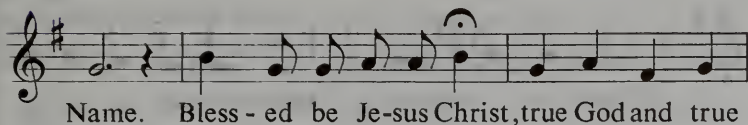
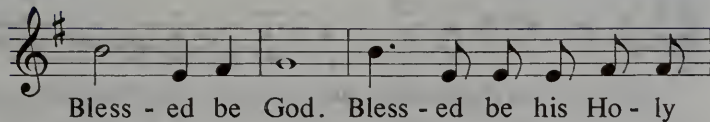


on thee, and give thee peace. A - men.

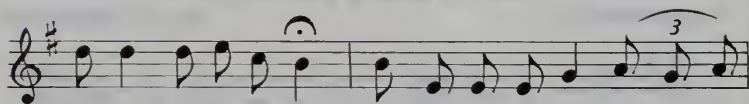
Divine Praises

The Raccolta

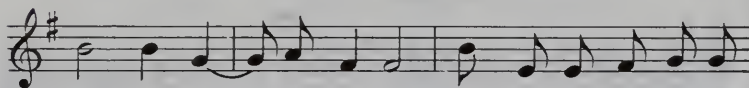
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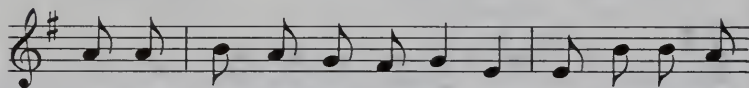
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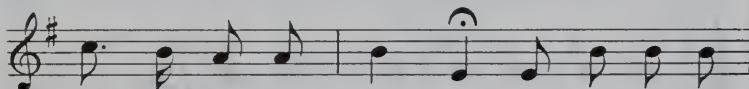
Spir-it, the Para-a-clete. Bless-ed be the great moth-er of



God, Mar - y most ho-ly. Bless - ed be her ho - ly



and Im - mac - u - late Con-cep-tion. Bless-ed be her



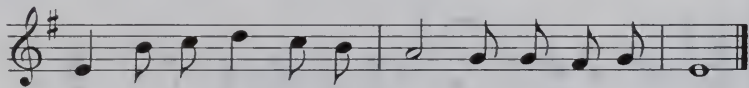
glo - ri - ous As - sump- tion. Bless-ed be the



name of Mar - y, Vir - gin and Moth - er.



Bless-ed be Saint Jo - seph, her most chaste spouse.



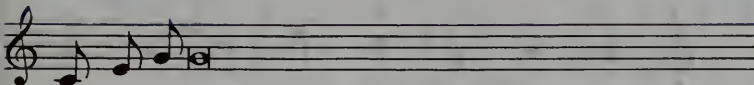
Bless-ed be God in his an - gels and in his saints.

Praise the Lord, All You Nations

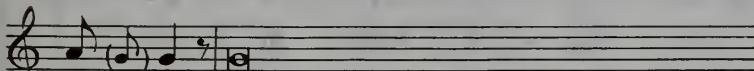
Psalm 116

Tr. Joseph Nolan, alt.

Chant



1. Praise the Lord, all you
2. For great is his merciful
3. Glory be to the Father and
4. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever



1. na - tions, * praise him,
2. kind - ness,* and the truth of the Lord is abid - - -
3. to the Son * and to the
4. shall be, * world with - - - - -



1. all you peo - - - ples.
2. ing for - - - ev - - - er.
3. Ho - ly Spir - - - it.
4. out end. A - - - men.

O Sacrament Most Holy

The Raccolta

Marinus de Jong

The musical score is written on four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, using quarter and half notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The first staff ends with a repeat sign, and the fourth staff ends with a double bar line.

O Sac - ra - ment most ho - ly,

O Sac - ra - ment di - vine!

All praise and all thanks - giv - ing

be ev - 'ry mo - ment thine.

God's Blessing Sends Us Forth

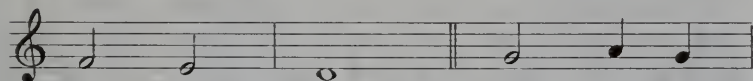
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A. H. Hoffman von Fallersleben's
Schlesische Volkslieder, 1842

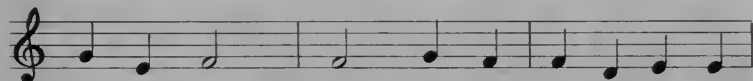
1. God's bless-ing sends us forth, Strengthened for our
2. God's news in spo-ken word Joy-ful - ly our
3. We by one liv-ing Bread As one bod-y
4. Grant in this age of space Tri-umph of your



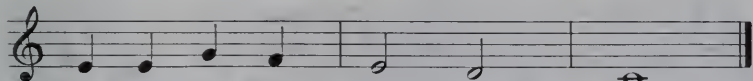
1. task on earth, Re - freshed in soul, re -
2. hearts have heard; O may the seed of God's
3. have been fed, So we are one in true
4. truth and grace; Lord, you a - lone are un -



1. newed in mind. May God with
2. love now grow. May we in
3. broth - er - hood; How gra - cious
4. chang - ing Truth. Pre - serve and



1. us re - main, Through us his spir - it reign That
2. fruit-ful deeds Glad - ly serve oth - ers' needs That
3. to be - hold All breth - ren of one fold Who
4. ev - er guide As your fair spotless Bride, Your

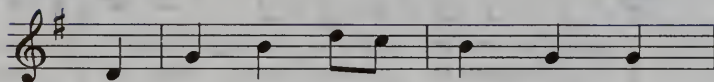


1. Christ be known to all man - kind.
2. faith in ac - tion we may show.
3. ev - er seek each oth - er's good.
4. an - cient Church in age - less youth.

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

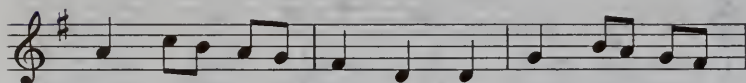
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Welsh melody



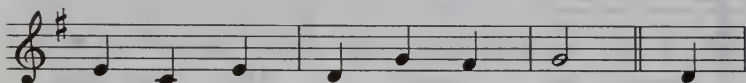
1. Sent forth by God's bless - ing, Our

2. With praise and thanks - giv - ing To



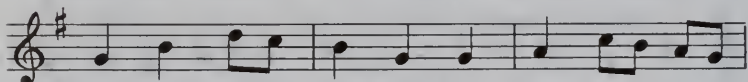
1. true faith con - fess - ing, The peo - ple of

2. God who is liv - ing, The tasks of our



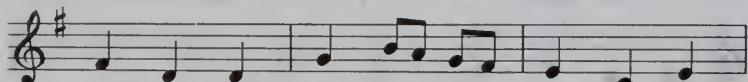
1. God from his dwell - ing take leave. God's

2. ev - 'ry - day life we em - brace. Our



1. sac - ri - fice end - ed, O now be ex -

2. faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er



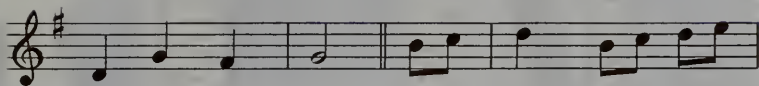
1. tend - ed The fruits of this Mass in all

2. car - ing, We claim as our broth - ers all

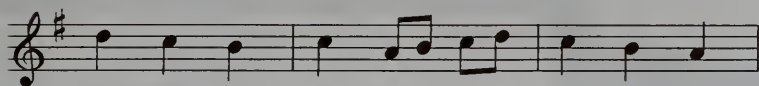
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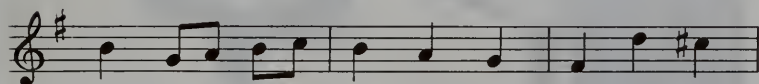
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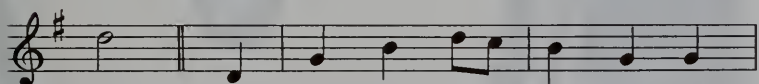
1. hearts who be - lieve. The seed of his
2. men of each race. One bread that has



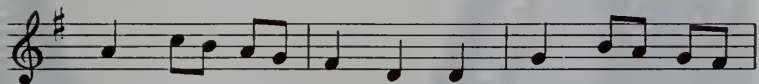
1. teach - ing, Our in - ner souls reach - ing, Shall
2. fed us, One light that has led us U -



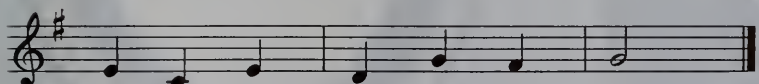
1. blos - som in ac - tion for God and for
2. nite us as one in his life that we



1. man. His grace shall in - cite us, His
2. share. Then may all the liv - ing With

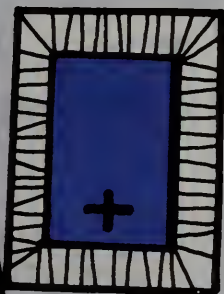
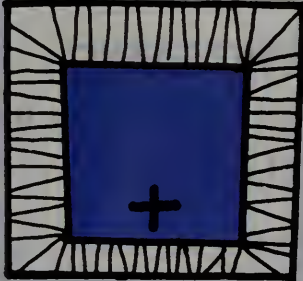


1. love shall u - nite us To fur - ther his
2. praise and thanks - giv - ing Give hon - or to



1. king - dom by God's ho - ly plan.
2. Christ and his name that we bear.

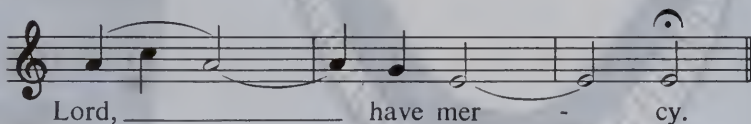
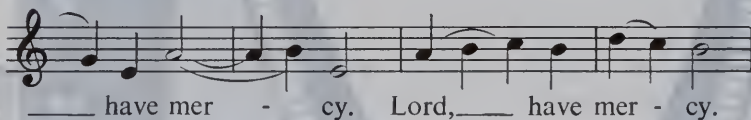
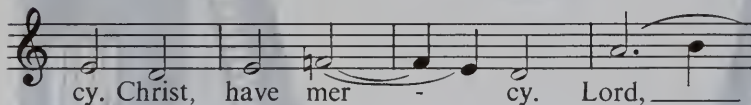
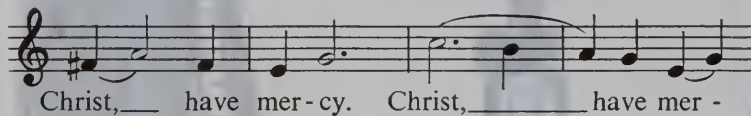
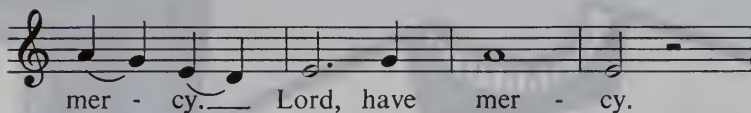
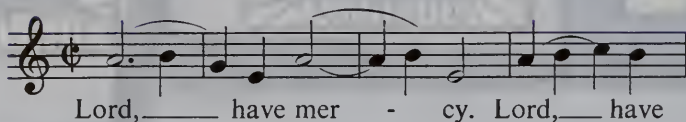




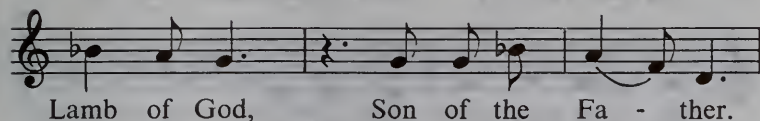
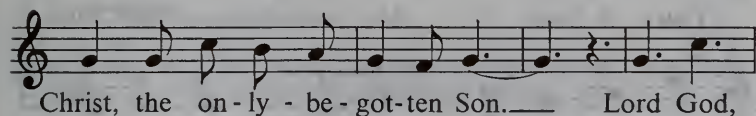
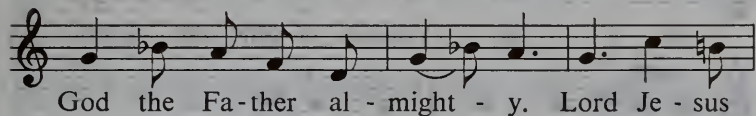
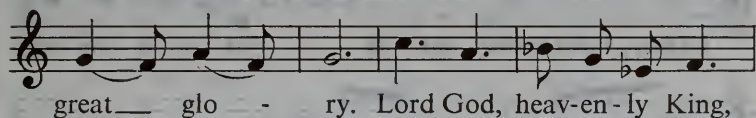
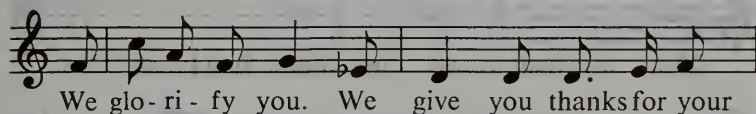
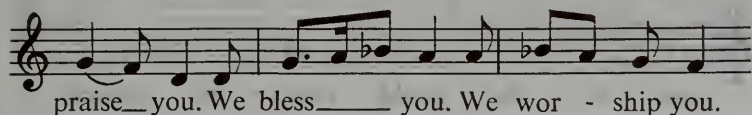
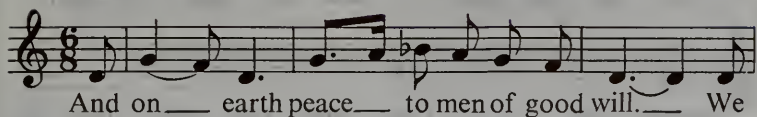
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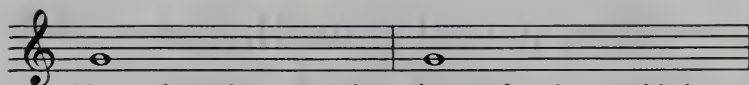
Henry Papale

Lord, Have Mercy

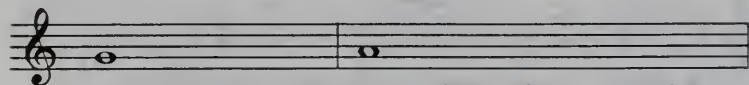
Glory to God in the Highest M-2



MELODIC MASS



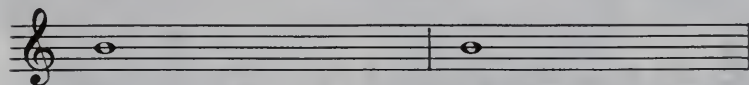
You, who take away the sins of the world, have



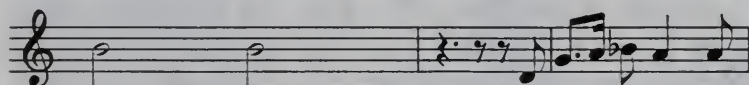
mercy on us. You, who take away the



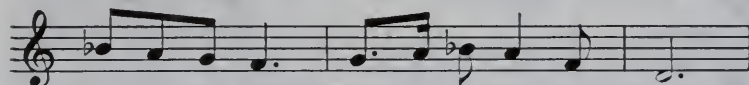
sins of the world, receive our prayer.



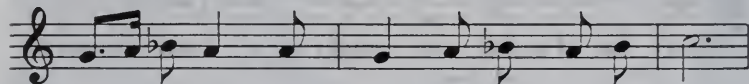
You, who sit at the right hand of the



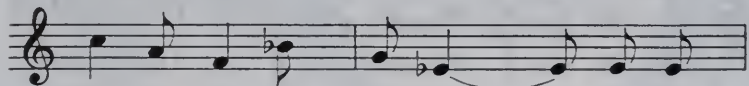
Father, have mercy on us. For you, a-lone are



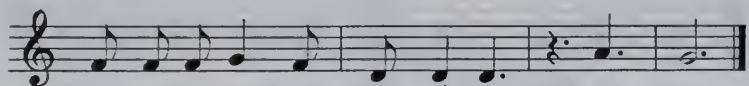
ho - ly. You— a-lone are Lord.



You— a-lone, O Je - sus Christ, are most high,



With the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the

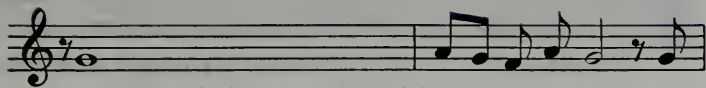


glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.— A - men.

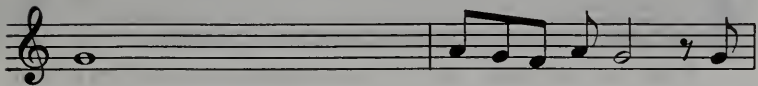
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The Creed

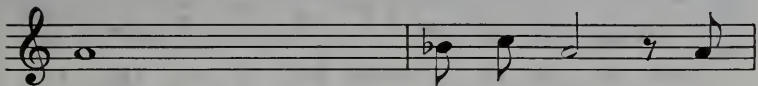
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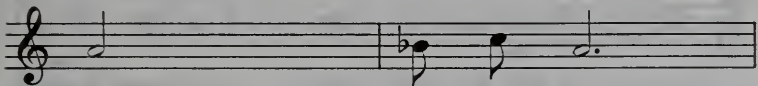
The Father almighty, maker of heav - en and earth, and



of all things visible and in - vis - i - ble. And



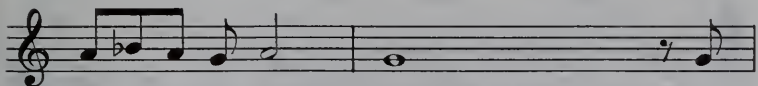
I believe in one Lord, Je - sus Christ, the



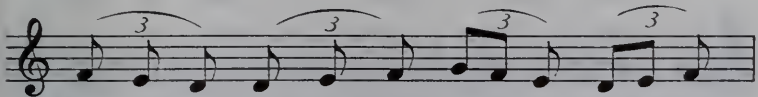
only - begotten Son of God.



Born of the Father before all ages. God of God,

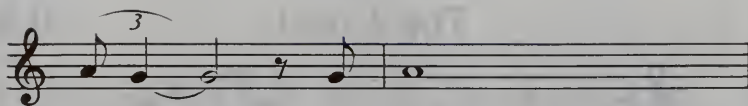


Light_____ of Light, true God of true God. Be -



got-ten not made, of one sub-stance with the

MELODIC MASS

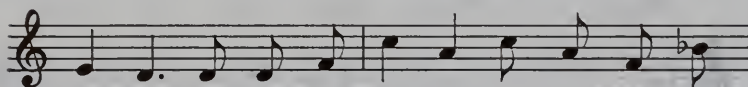


Fa-ther.____

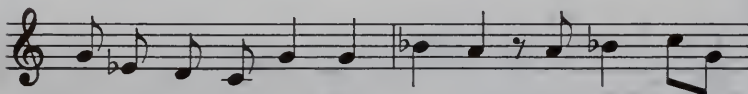
By whom all things were made.



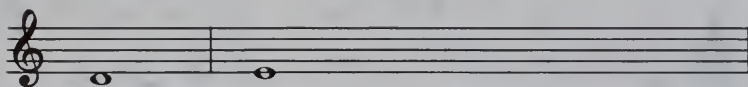
Who for us men and for our salvation came down from



heav-en. And he be-came flesh by the Ho - ly



Spir-it of the Vir - gin Mar - y: and was made

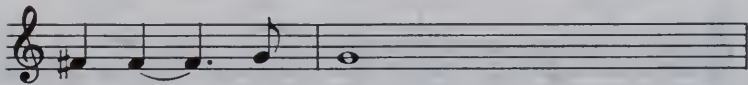


man.

He was also crucified for us,

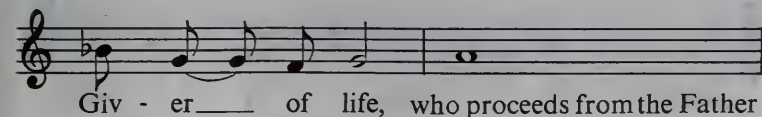
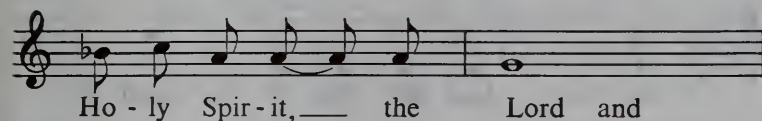
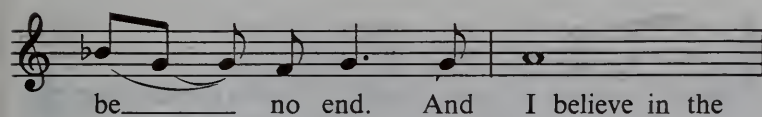
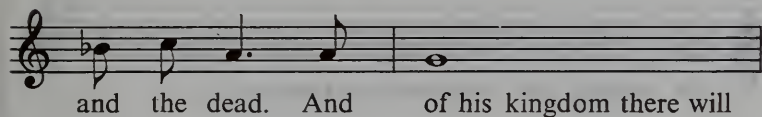
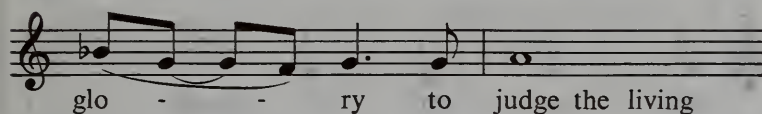
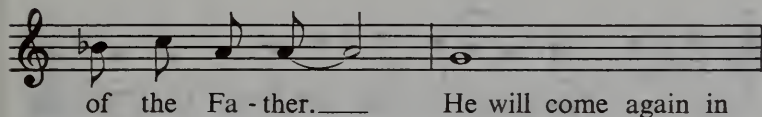
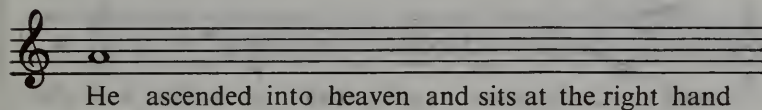
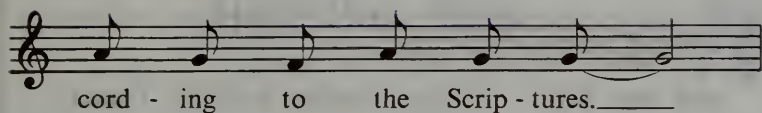


suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was



bur - ied.____ And on the third day he rose again,ac-

MELODIC MASS



MELODIC MASS

and the Son. Who together with the Father

and _____ the Son is adored and glo-ri-fied, and who

spoke through the proph-ets. And one holy, Cath'-lic, and

Ap - os - tol - ic Church.

I confess one baptism for the for -

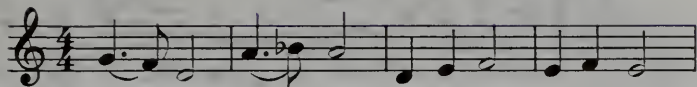
give - ness of sins. And I await the resurrection

of the dead. And the life of the world to

come. A - men. A - men.

Holy, Holy, Holy

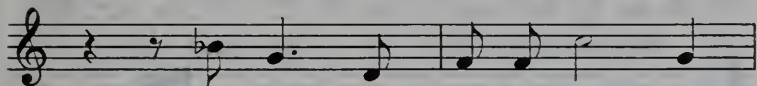
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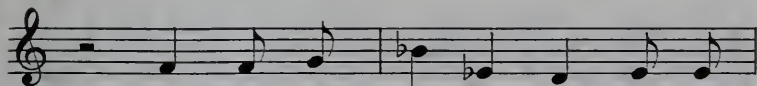
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly Lord God of hosts.



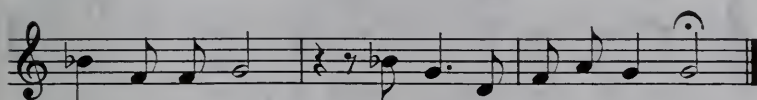
Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the

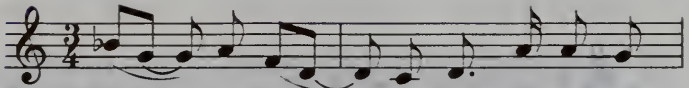


name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

MELODIC MASS

M-5

Lamb of God



Lamb____ of God,____ who take a - way the



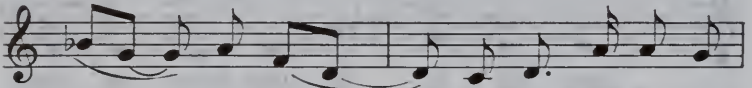
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.____



Lamb____ of God,____ who take a - way the



sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.



Lamb____ of God,____ who take a - way the



sins of the world, grant us peace.____

MASS TO HONOR SAINT GREGORY

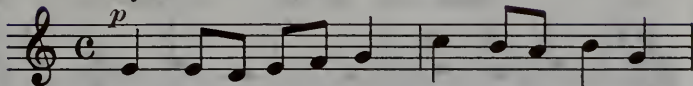
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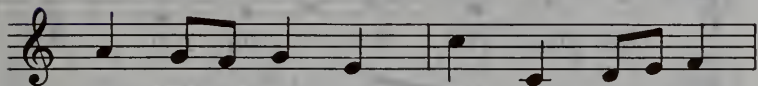
Lord, Have Mercy

M-6

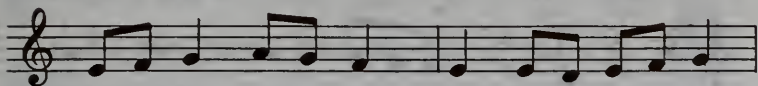
Slowly



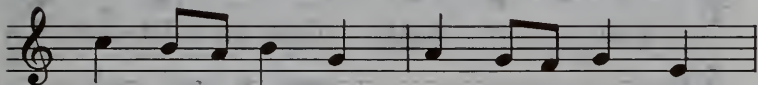
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



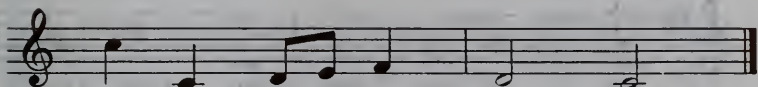
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



Lord, have mer - - cy.

MASS TO HONOR SAINT GREGORY

M-7 Glory to God in the Highest

Allegro

And on earth peace to
men of good will. We praise you. We
bless you. We wor - ship you. We
glo - ri - fy you. We give you thanks
for your great glo - ry. Lord God,
heav - en - ly King, God the Fa - ther al -
might - y. Lord Je - sus Christ, the
on - ly - be - got - ten Son. Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther.

MASS TO HONOR SAINT GREGORY

Slower

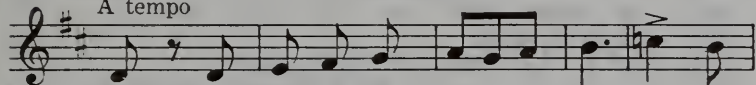


1. You, who take a - way the
2. You, who take a - way the

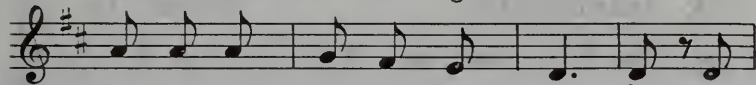


sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.
sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

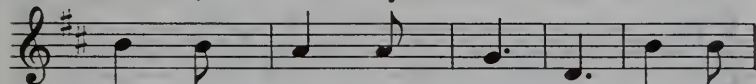
A tempo



You, who sit at the right hand of the



Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us. For



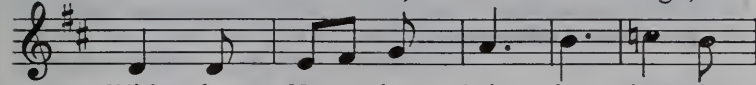
you a - lone are ho - ly. You a -



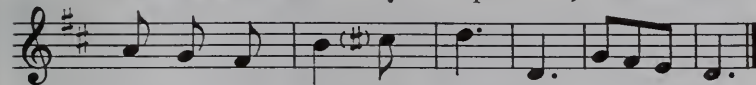
lone are Lord. You a - lone,



O Je - sus Christ, are most high,



With the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the



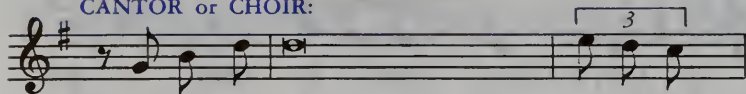
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

MASS TO HONOR SAINT GREGORY

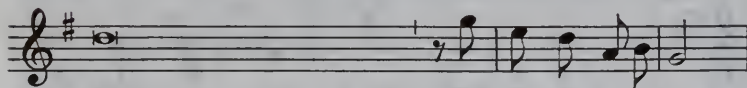
M-8

The Creed

CANTOR or CHOIR:



- | | | | |
|-----|--------------------------------------|-------------------|----|
| 1. | The Fa-ther almighty, maker of | heav-en and | 1 |
| 3. | Born of _____ the | Fa - | 3 |
| 5. | Be-got - ten, | not _____ | 5 |
| 7. | And he be - came flesh / by the | Vir - gin | 7 |
| | Holy Spirit / of the | for _____ | 8 |
| 8. | He was al - so crucified | | |
| 10. | He as-cend-ed | in - to | 10 |
| 13. | And I be - lieve in the Holy Spirit, | | |
| | the Lord and Giv-er of | | 13 |
| 15. | and who spoke | through _____ the | 15 |
| 17. | And I a - wait the | res - ur - | 17 |



- | | | |
|-----|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. | earth, and of all things visible | and in - vis - i - ble. |
| 3. | ther | be-fore all a - ges. |
| 5. | made, of one substance | with _____ the Fa - ther. |
| 7. | Mary: | and was _____ made man. |
| 8. | us, suffered under Pontius | |
| | Pilate, | and was _____ bur - ied. |
| 10. | heaven and sits at the | right hand of the _____ Father. |
| 13. | life, who proceeds from the | Fa - ther and the _____ Son. |
| 15. | prophets. And one holy, | |
| | Catholic, | and Ap - os - tol - ic Church. |
| 17. | rection | of the _____ dead. _____ |

MASS TO HONOR SAINT GREGORY

PEOPLE:



2. And I be - lieve in _____ one Lord, Je - 2
 4. _____ God of God, Light _____ of Light, 4
 6. By whom all things were _____ made. Who for us men 6
 9. And on the third day he _____ rose a - gain, 9
 11. _____ He will come a - gain in glo - ry 11
 12. _____ And of his king - dom there will be no end. 12
 14. _____ Who to - geth - er with the Fa - ther and the Son 14
 16. _____ I con - fess one bap - ti - sm 16
 18. _____ And the life of the world to come. 18



2. sus _____ Christ, the on - ly - be - got - ten Son of God.
 4. true _____ God of true _____ God.
 6. and for our sal - va - tion came down from heaven.
 9. ac - cord - ing to the _____ Scrip - tures.
 11. to _____ judge the liv - ing and the dead.
 12. *verse 13: choir*
 14. is a - dored and glo - - - ri - fied,
 16. for _____ the for - give - ness of _____ sins.
 18. A - men, A - - - men.

The people sing alternately with choir, with the exception of verses 11 and 12 which are sung in immediate succession.

MASS TO HONOR SAINT GREGORY

M-9

Holy, Holy, Holy

Maestoso
ff

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo -
ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is
he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.

M-10

Lamb of God

Repeat 3 times

Lamb of God, who take a-way the sins of the
world, have mer-cy on us. world,grant us peace.

PEOPLE'S MASS

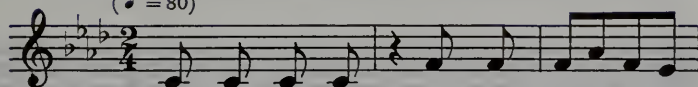
Lord, Have Mercy

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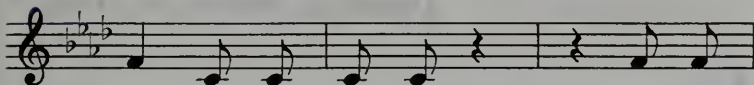
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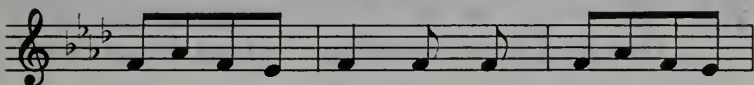
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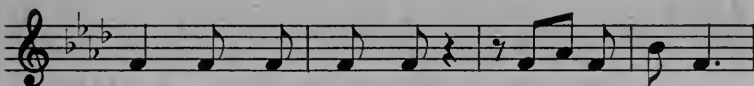
Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer -



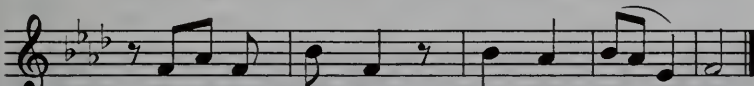
cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have



mer - cy. Christ, have mer -



cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer-cy.



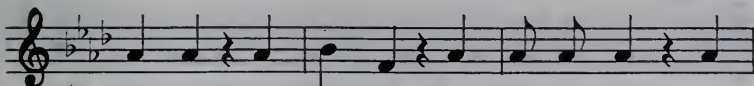
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Glory to God in the Highest **M-12**

(♩ = 69)

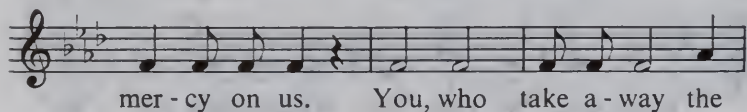
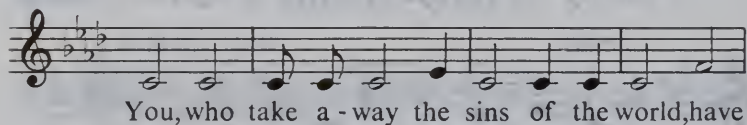
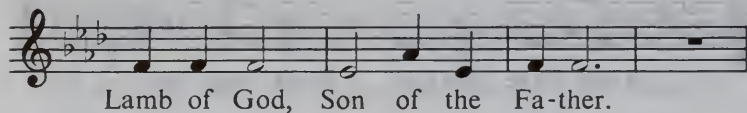
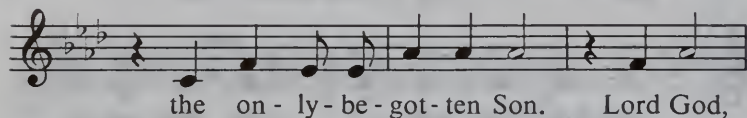
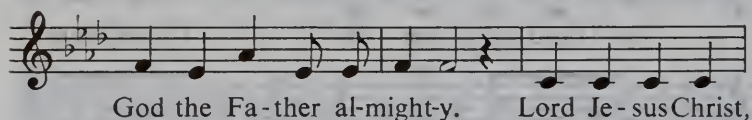
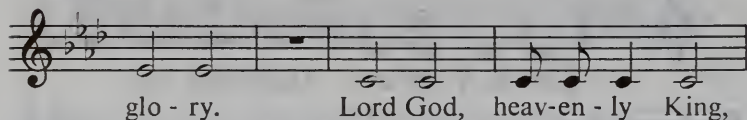
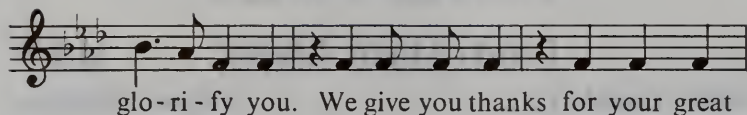


And on earth peace to men of good will. We

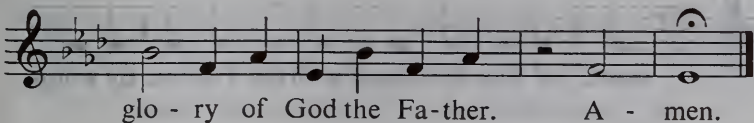
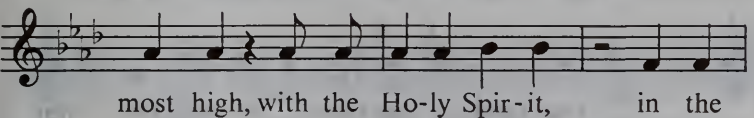
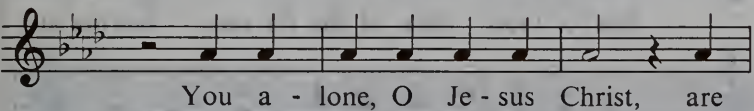
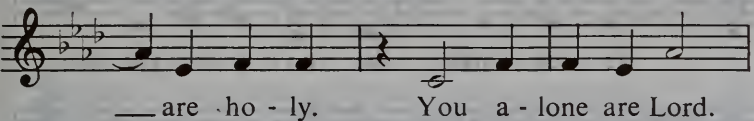
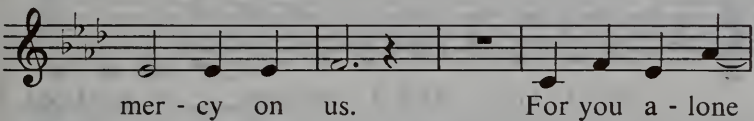
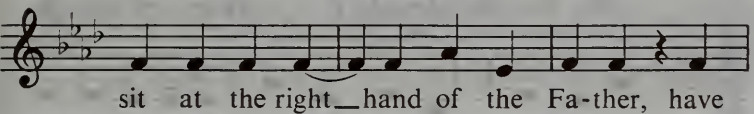
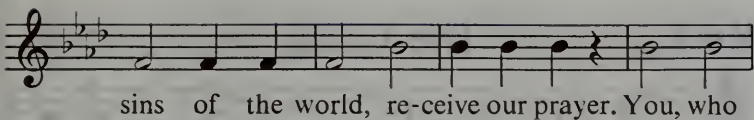


praise you. We bless you. We wor-ship you. We

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The Creed

(♩ = 69)

The Fa-ther al-might-y, mak-er of heav-en

— and earth, and of all things vis-i-ble and in-

vis-i-ble. And I be-lieve — in one Lord,

Je-sus Christ, the on-ly-be-got-ten

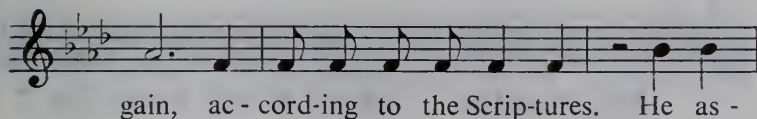
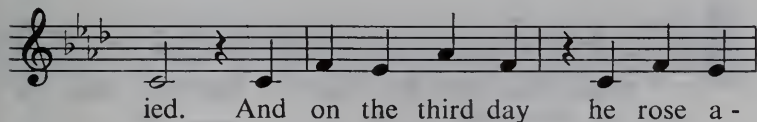
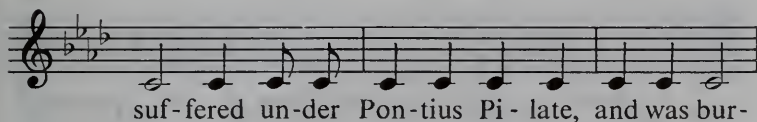
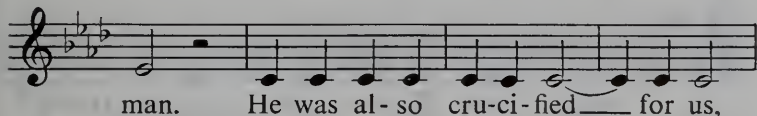
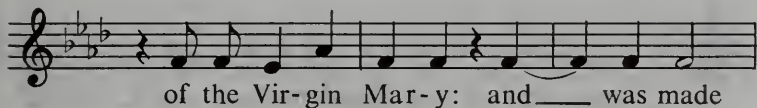
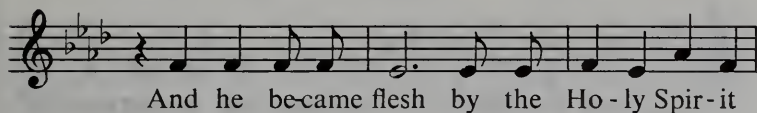
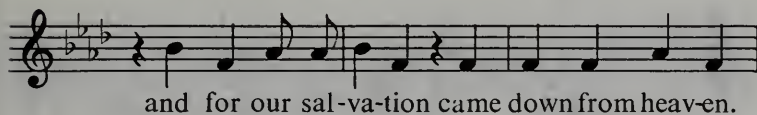
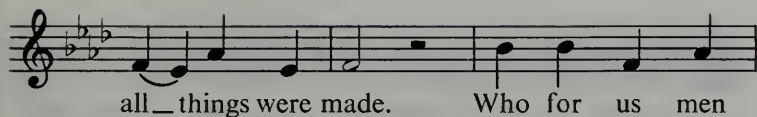
Son of God. Born of the Fa-ther be-fore all

a-ges. God of God, Light of Light,

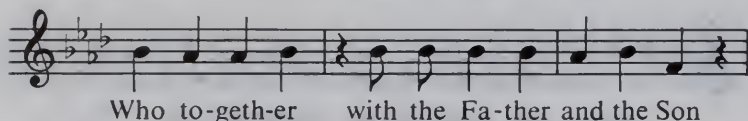
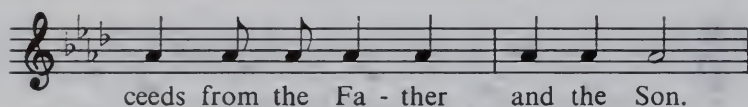
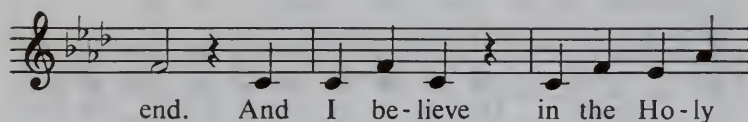
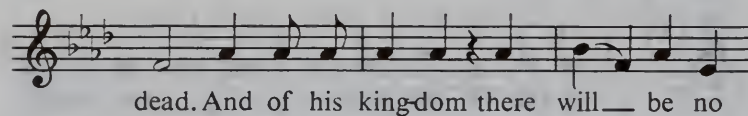
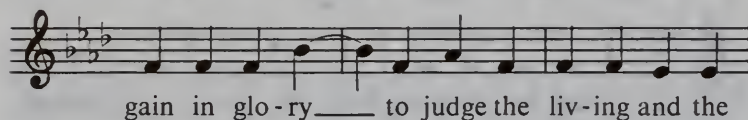
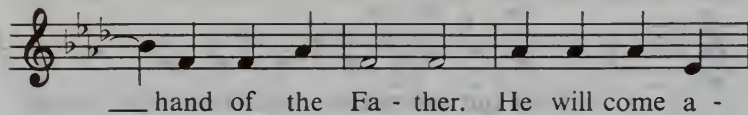
true God of true God. Be-got-ten, not

made, of one sub-stance with the Fa-ther. By whom

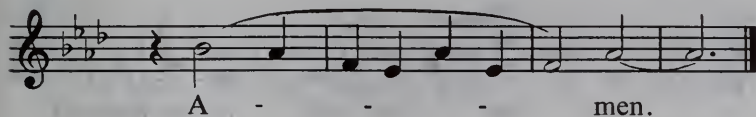
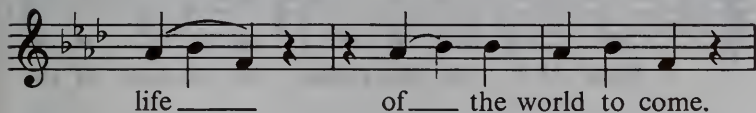
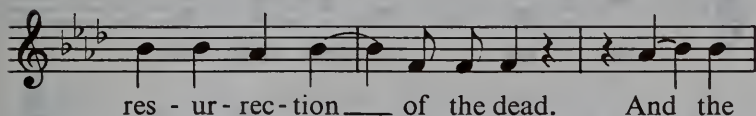
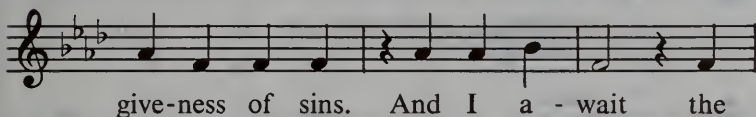
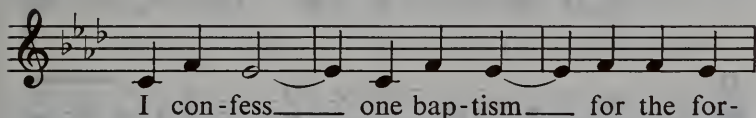
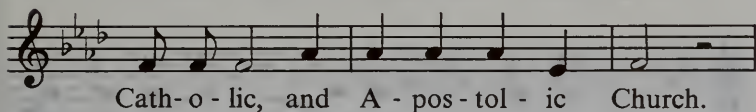
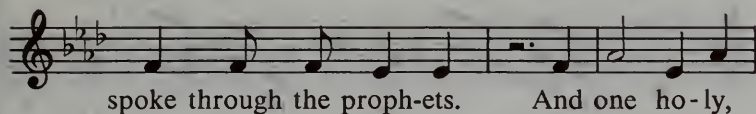
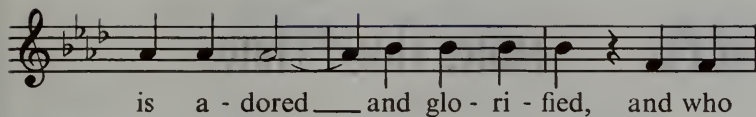
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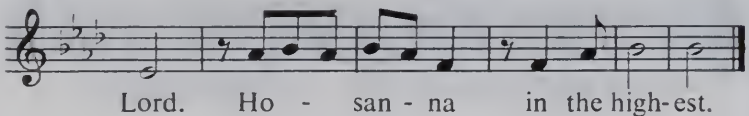
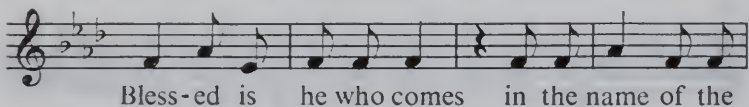
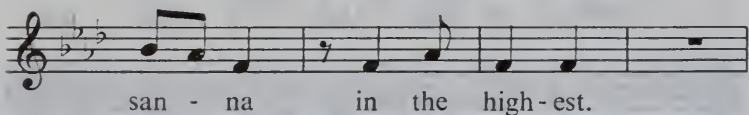
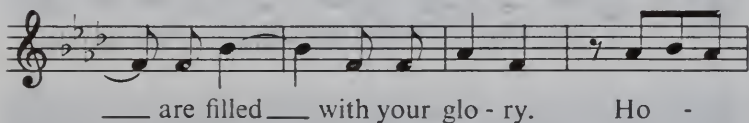
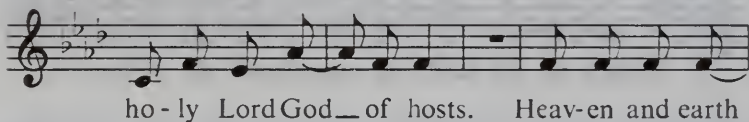
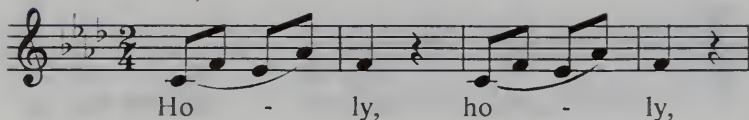
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M-14 Holy, Holy, Holy

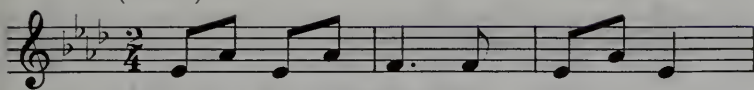
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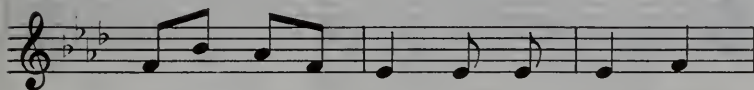
Lamb of God

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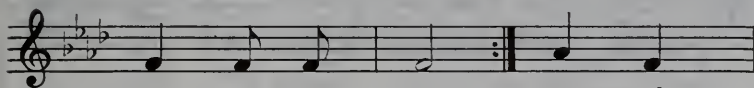
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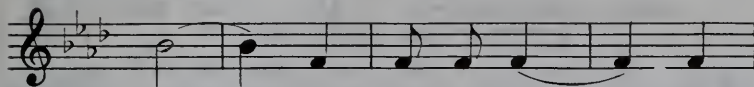
Lamb of God, who take a -



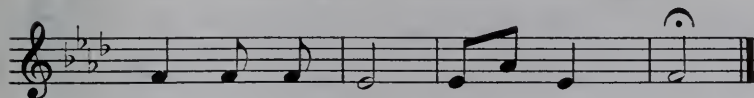
way the sins of the world, have



mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, who take a - way the



sins of the world, grant us peace.

M-16 MASS TO HONOR DAVID, AUTHOR OF PSALMS

Official English Text

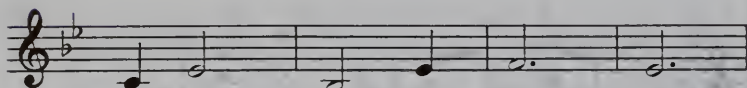
James A. Frankus

Lord, Have Mercy

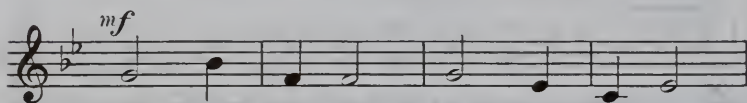
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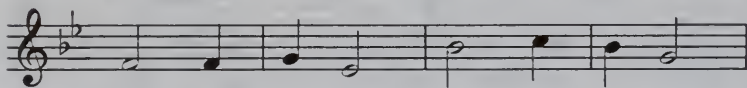
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have



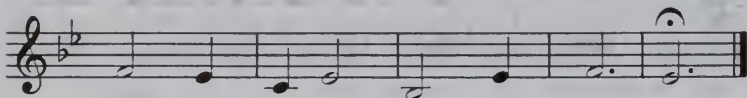
mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



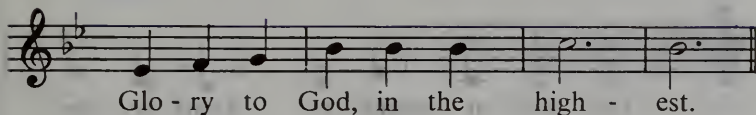
Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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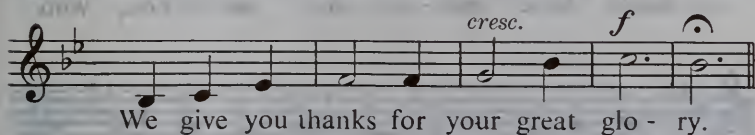
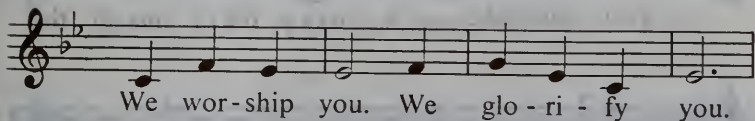
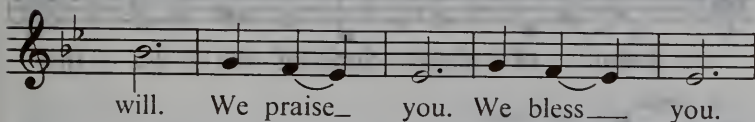
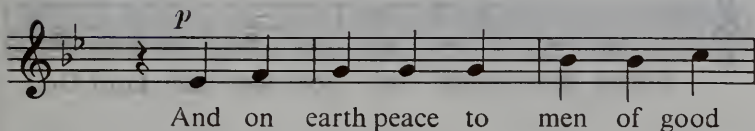
Glory to God in the Highest **M-17**

(♩ = ca. 60)

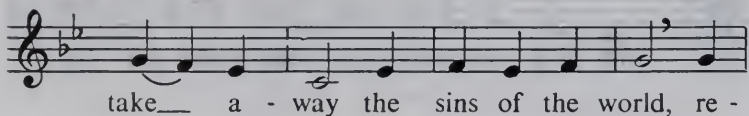
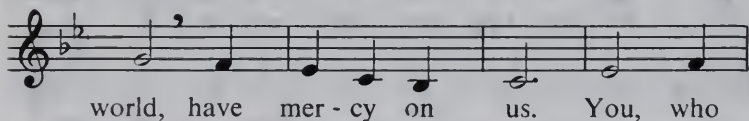
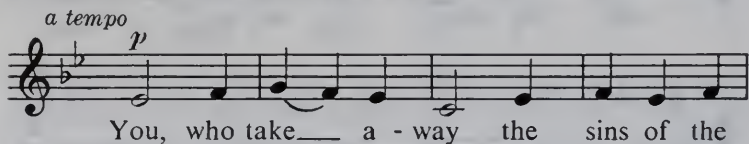
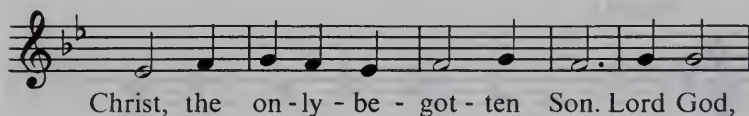
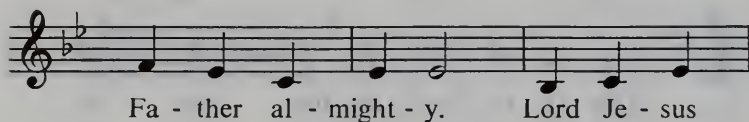
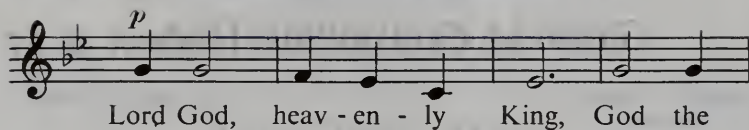
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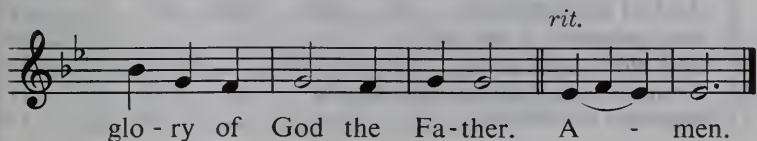
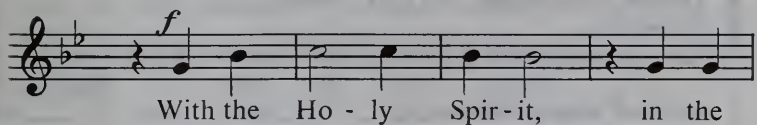
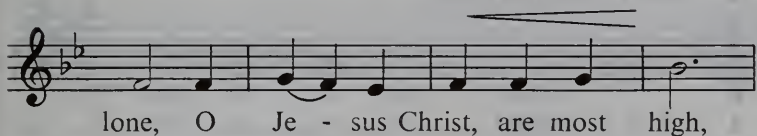
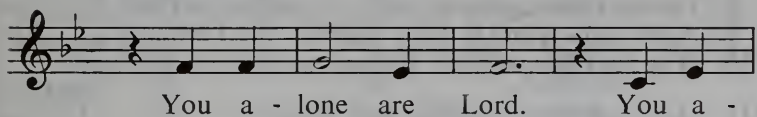
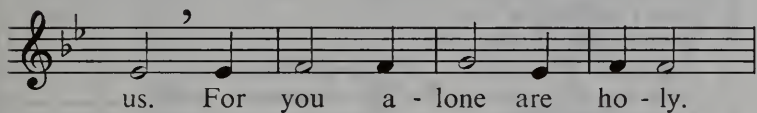
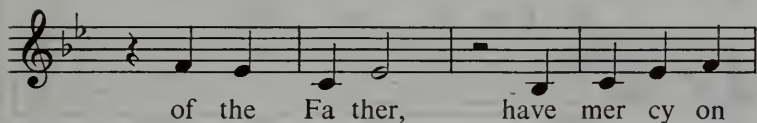
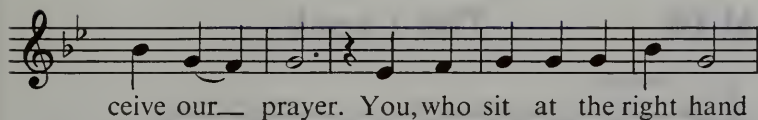
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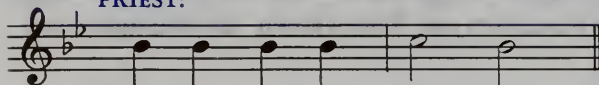
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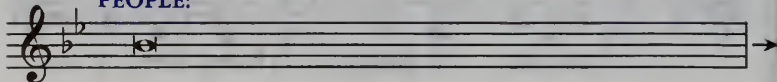
The Creed

PRIEST:



I be - lieve in one God.

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1. The Father almighty, maker of _____ 1
2. And I believe in one _____ 2
3. Born of the Father be - - - - 3
4. Begotten, not made, / of one substance _____ 4
5. Who for us men and for our salvation / came _____ 5
6. He was also cruci - - - - - 6
7. And on the third day he rose again, / according _____ 7
8. He will come again in glory / to judge the living _____ 8
9. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the Lord and _____ 9
10. Who together with the Father and the Son is adored _____ 10
11. And one holy, Catholic, and Apos - - - 11
12. And I await the resur - - - - 12

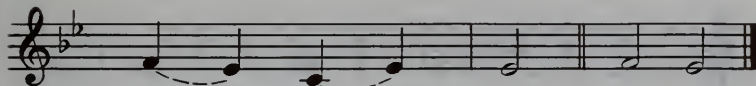


1. and of all things _____ 1
2. the only - be - - - - - 2
3. God of God, Light of Light, / true _____ 3
4. By whom _____ 4
5. And he became flesh by the Holy Spirit of the Vir-gin Mary: 5
6. suffered under Pontius _____ 6
7. He ascended into heaven / and sits at the _____ 7
8. And of his kingdom _____ 8
9. who proceeds from the _____ 9
10. and who _____ 10
11. I confess one baptism for the for - - - 11
12. And the life of the _____ 12

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|-----|-------|---|------|------|-------------|----|
| 1. | heav | - | en | and | earth, | 1 |
| 2. | Lord, | | Je | - | sus | 2 |
| 3. | fore | | all | | ages. | 3 |
| 4. | with | | | the | Father. | 4 |
| 5. | down | | | from | heaven. | 5 |
| 6. | fied | | | for | us, | 6 |
| 7. | to | | | the | Scriptures. | 7 |
| 8. | and | | | the | dead. | 8 |
| 9. | Giv | - | er | of | life, | 9 |
| 10. | glo | - | | ri | - | 10 |
| 11. | tol | - | | ic | Church. | 11 |
| 12. | rec | - | tion | of | the | 12 |



- | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|-------|--------|-------|---------|---------|-----------|----------|----|
| 1. | visi | - | ble | and | in | - | visible. | 2 |
| 2. | got | - | ten | Son | of | | God. | 3 |
| 3. | God | | | of | true | | God. | 4 |
| 4. | all | things | were | | made. | | | 5 |
| 5. | and | | was | made | | man. | | 6 |
| 6. | Pi | - | late, | and | was | buried. | | 7 |
| 7. | right | hand | of | the | Father. | | | 8 |
| 8. | there | will | be | no | end. | | | 9 |
| 9. | Fa | - | ther | and | the | Son. | | 10 |
| 10. | spoke | | | through | the | prophets. | | 11 |
| 11. | give | - | ness | of | | sins. | | 12 |
| 12. | world | | | to | | come. | | |

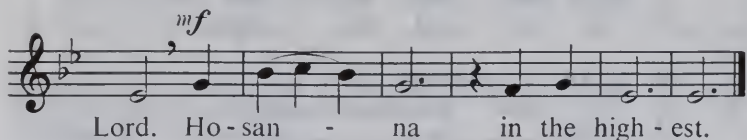
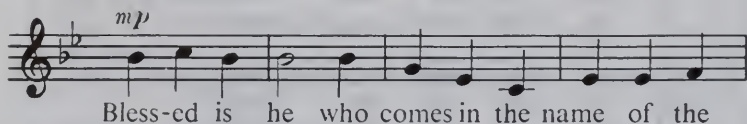
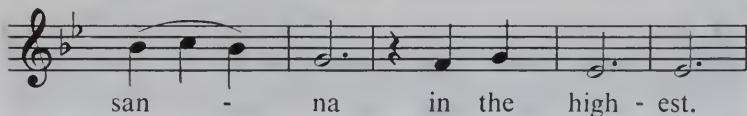
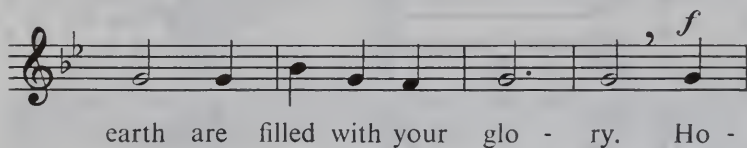
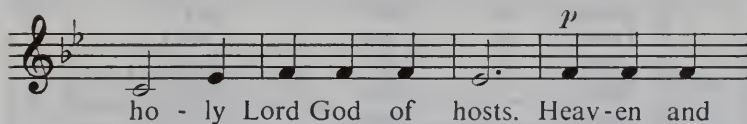
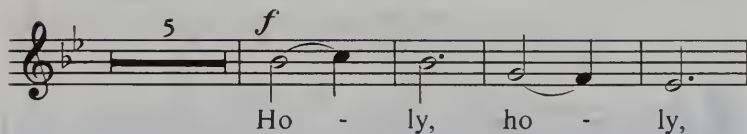
A - men.

MASS TO HONOR DAVID

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Holy, Holy, Holy

(♩. = ca. 50)

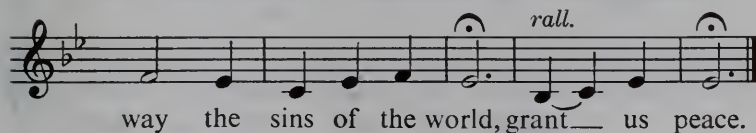
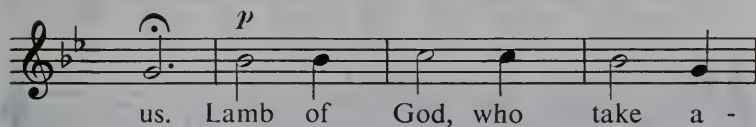
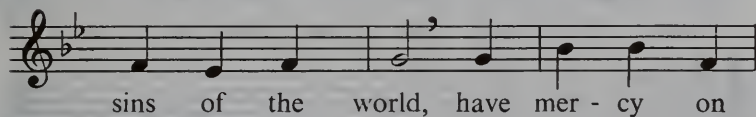
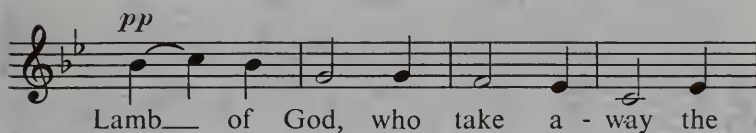
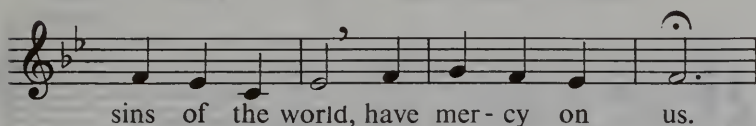
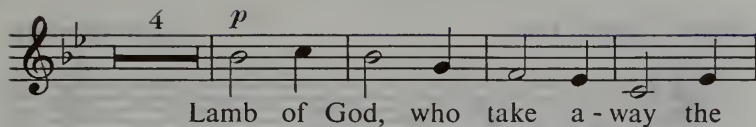


MASS TO HONOR DAVID

Lamb of God

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(♩. = ca. 58)



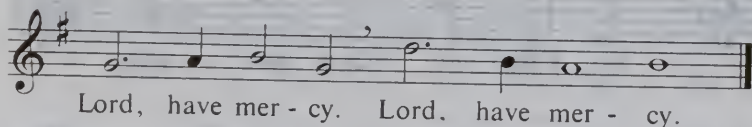
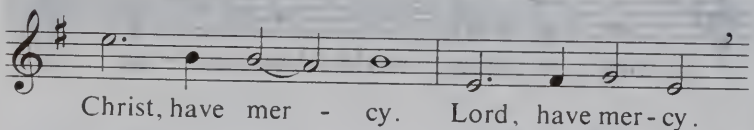
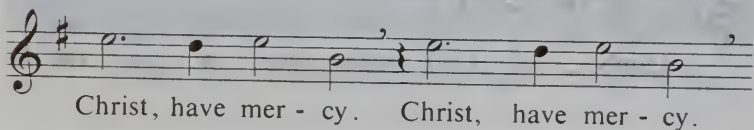
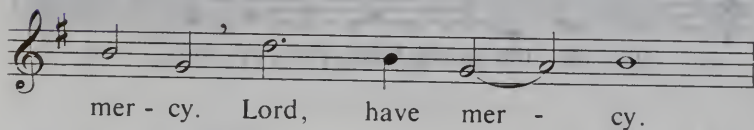
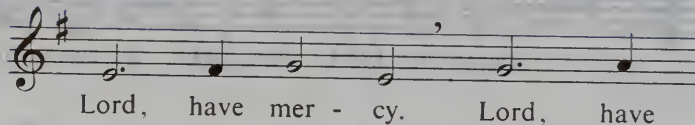
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Lord, Have Mercy

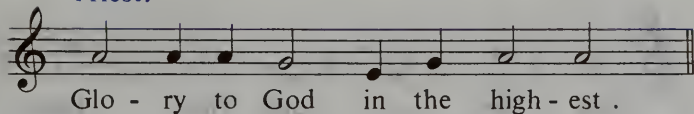
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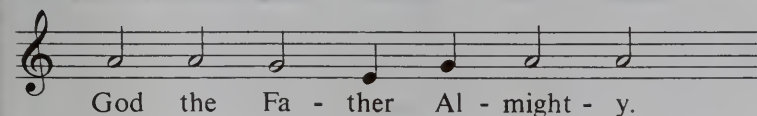
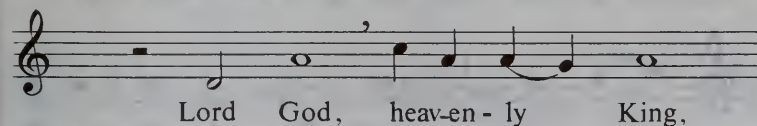
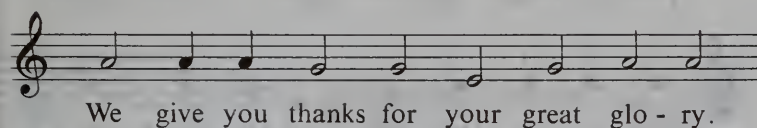
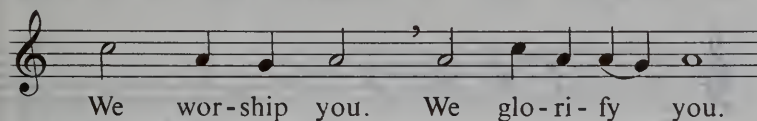
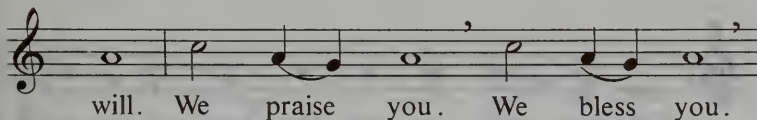
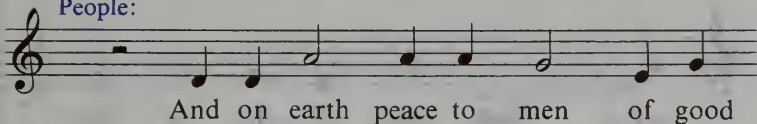


Glory to God in the Highest **M-22**

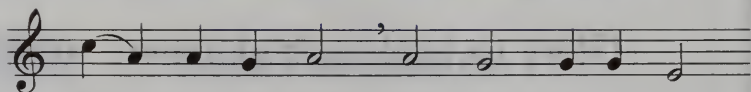
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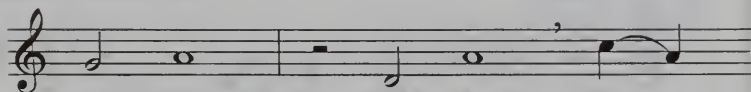
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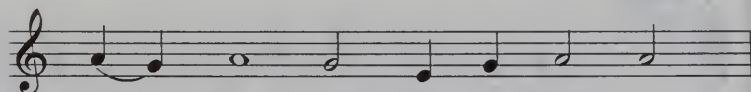
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Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly - be - got -



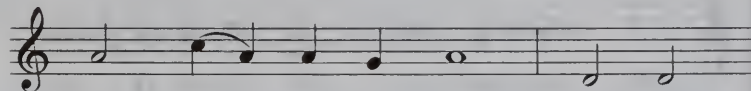
ten Son. Lord God, Lamb



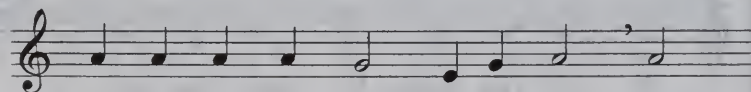
of God, Son of the Fa - ther.



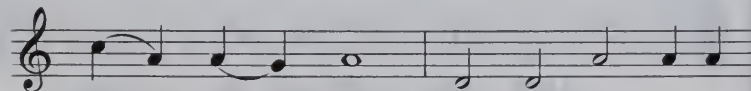
You, who take a - way the sins of the world,



have mer - cy on us. You, who

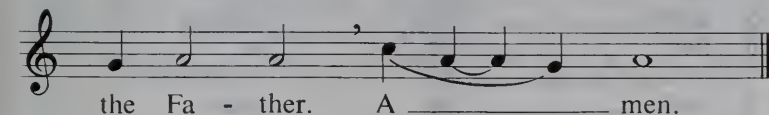
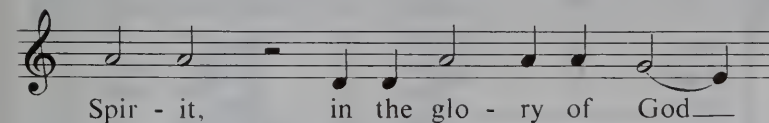
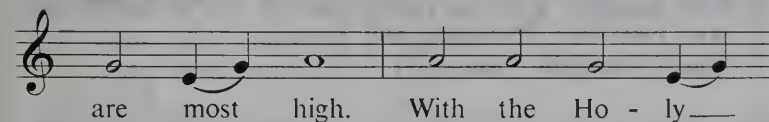
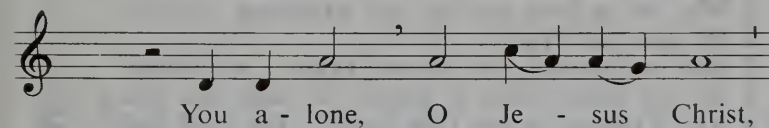
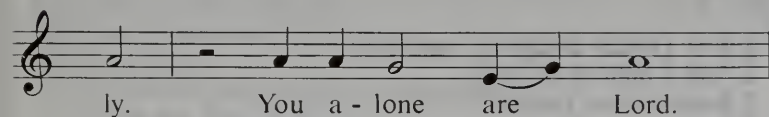
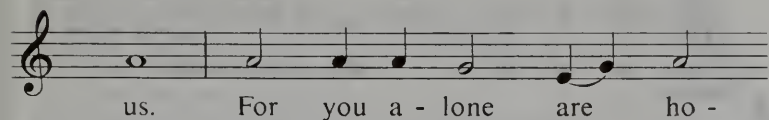
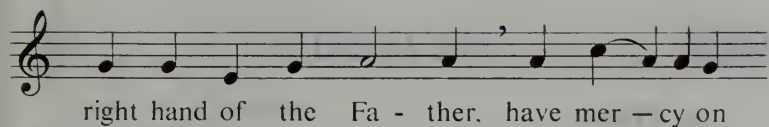


take a - way the sins of the world, re -



ceive our prayer. You, who sit at the

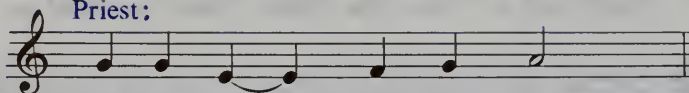
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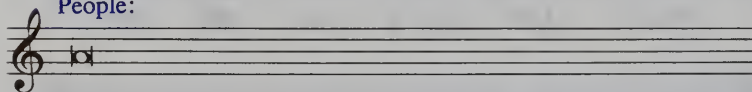
The Creed

Priest:



I be - lieve in one God.

People:

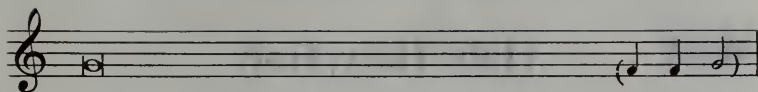


1. The Father almighty, maker of
2. And I believe in one
3. Born of the Father be -
4. Begotten, not made, / of one substance
5. Who for us men and for our salvation / came
6. He was also cruci -
7. And on the third day he rose again, / according
8. He will come again in glory / to judge the living
9. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the Lord and
10. Who together with the Father and the Son is adored and
11. And one holy, Catholic, and Apos -
12. And I await the resur -

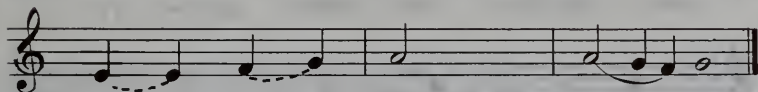


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|-------------------|--------|-------------|
| 1. heav - en | and | earth, |
| 2. Lord, Je - sus | | Christ, |
| 3. fore _____ | all | ages. |
| 4. with _____ | the | Father. |
| 5. down _____ | from | heaven. |
| 6. fied _____ | for | us, |
| 7. to _____ | the | Scriptures. |
| 8. and _____ | the | dead. |
| 9. giv - er | of | life, |
| 10. glo - | ri - | fied, |
| 11. tol - | ic | Church. |
| 12. rec - tion | of the | dead. |

MASS FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



1. and of all things
2. the only-be -
3. God of God, Light of Light, / true
4. By whom
5. And he became flesh by the Holy Spirit of the Vir-gin Mary:
6. suffered under Pontius
7. He ascended into heaven and sits at the
8. And of his kingdom
9. who proceeds from the
10. and who
11. I confess one baptism for the for -
12. And the life of the



1. visi - ble and in - visible.
2. got - ten Son of God.
3. God — of true God.
4. all things were — made.
5. and was made — man.
6. Pi - late, and was buried.
7. right hand of the Father.
8. there will be no end.
9. Fa - ther and the Son.
10. spoke through the Prophets.
11. give- ness of — sins.
12. world — to — come. A - men.

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Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord.

God of hosts. Heav - en and earth

are filled with your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the

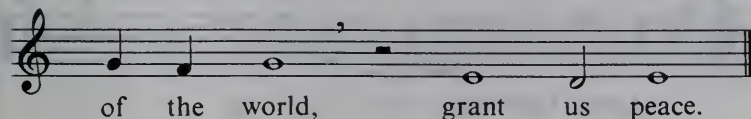
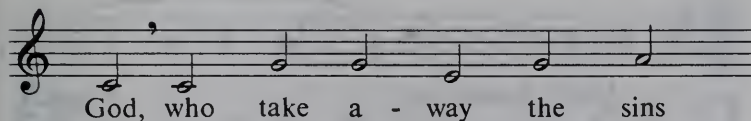
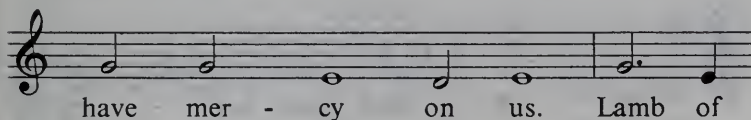
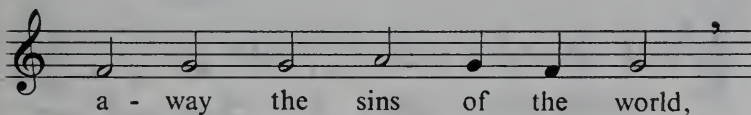
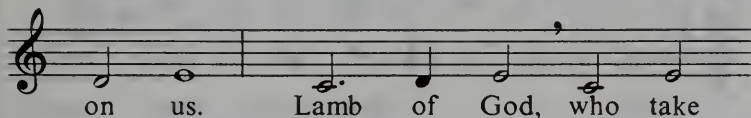
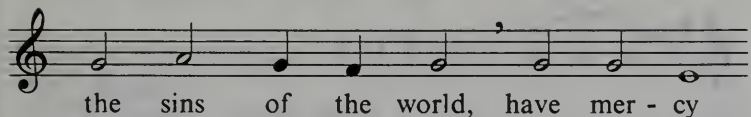
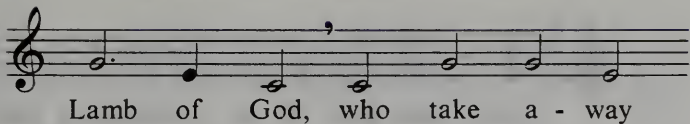
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est.

Lamb of God

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M-26 MASS IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION

Official English Text

Sister Mary Margaret, C. S. J.

Lord, Have Mercy

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer -

- - cy. Lord, have mer -

cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer -

cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - - - cy.

Lord, have mer - - - cy.

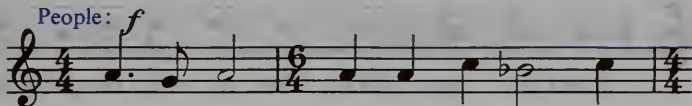
Glory to God in the Highest M-27

Priest:



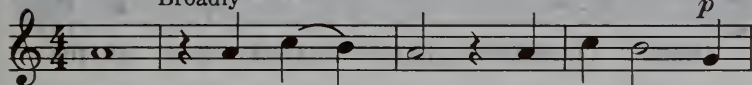
Glo - ry to God in the high-est.

People: *f*

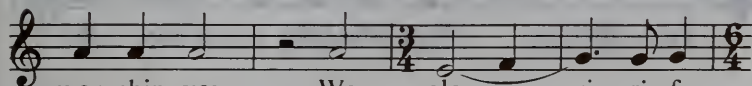


And on earth peace to men of good

Broadly



will. We praise you. We bless you. We

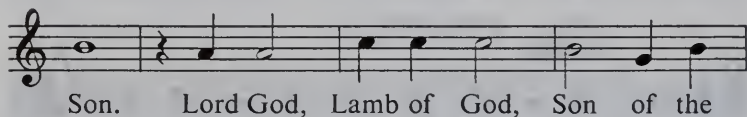
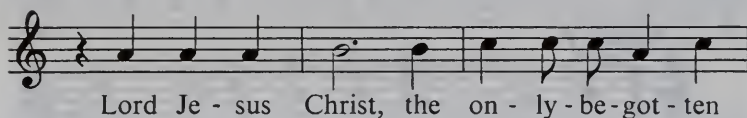
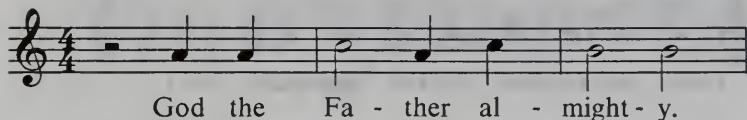
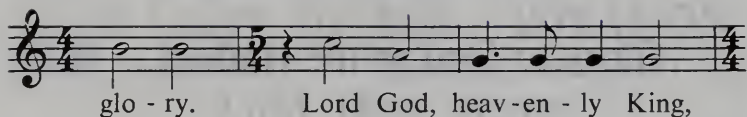


wor-ship you. We glo - ri - ri - fy

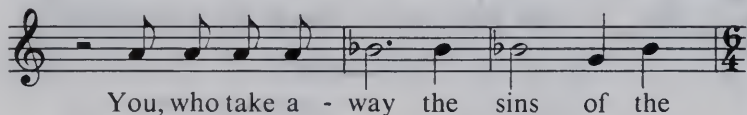
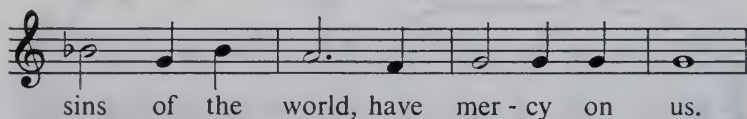
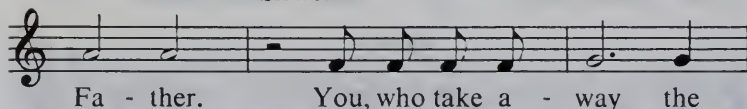


you. We give you thanks for your great

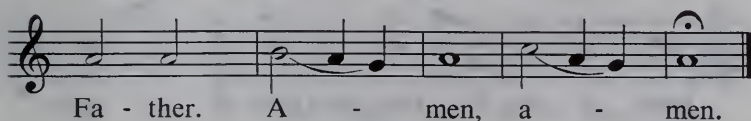
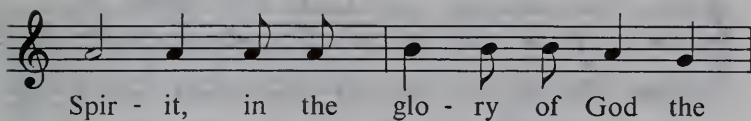
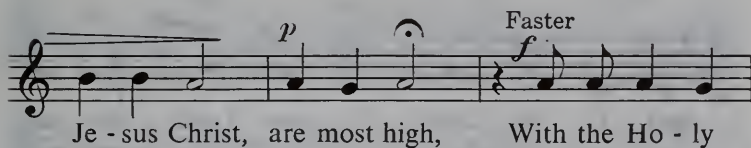
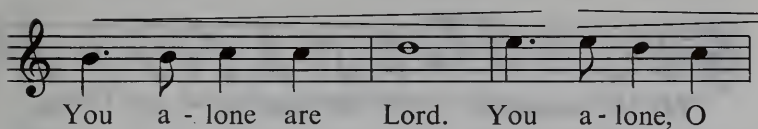
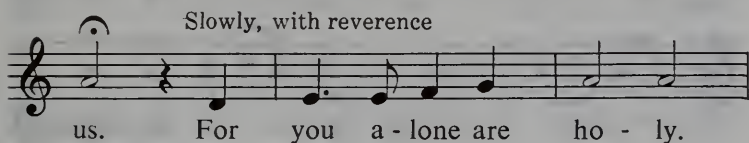
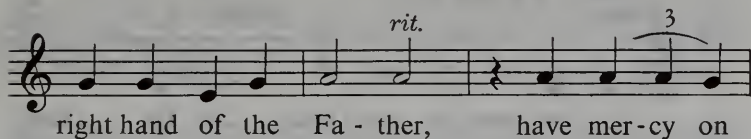
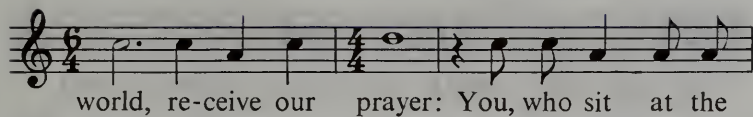
MASS IN HONOR OF OUR LADY



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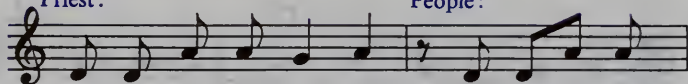
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The Creed

Freely, in Chant Style

Priest :

People:



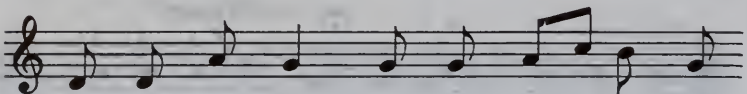
I be - lieve in one God. The Fa - ther



al - might - y, mak - er of heav - en and earth, and



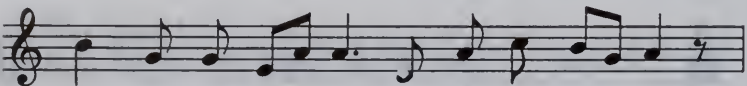
of all things vis - i - ble and in - vis - i - ble.



And I be - lieve in one Lord, Je - sus



Christ, the on - ly be - got - ten Son of God.

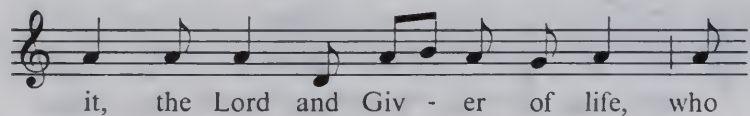
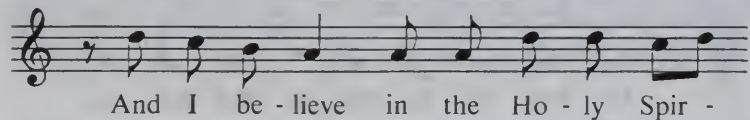
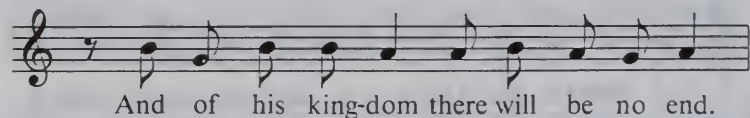
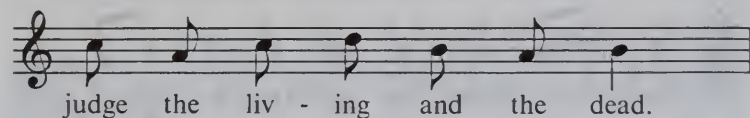
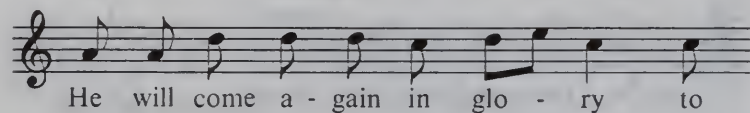
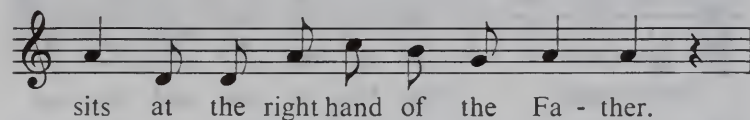
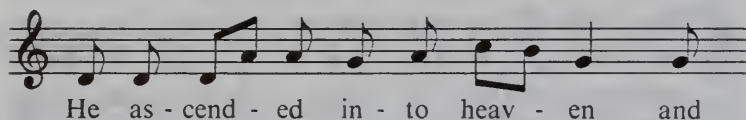
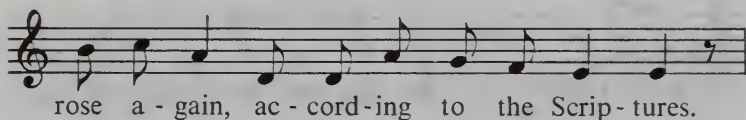
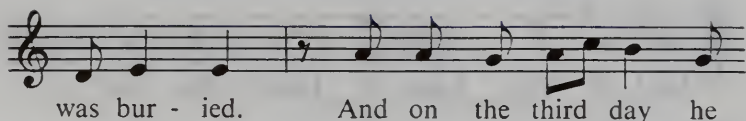


Born of the Fa - ther be - fore all a - ges.

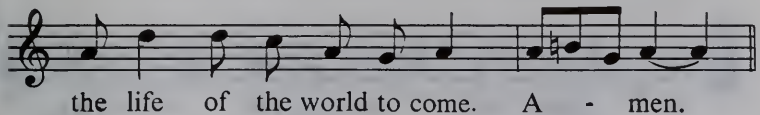
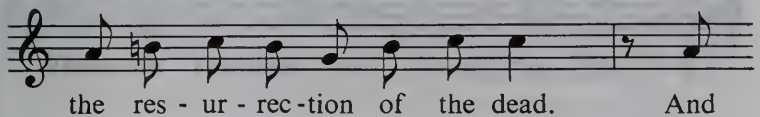
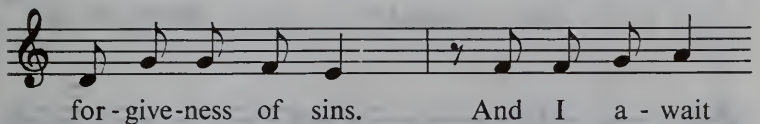
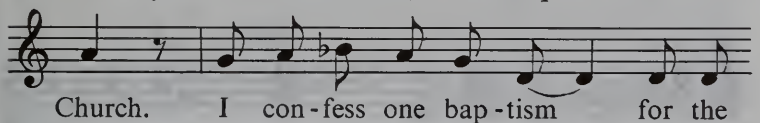
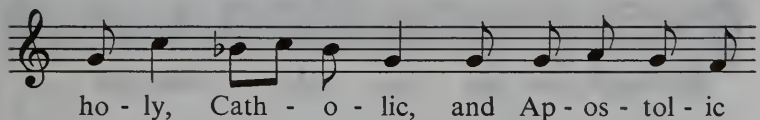
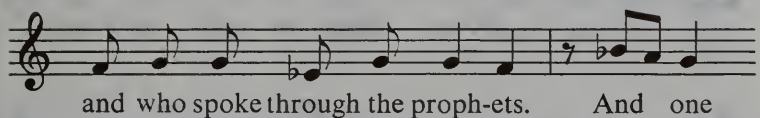
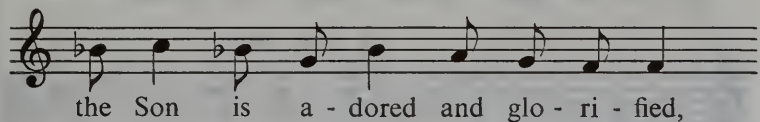
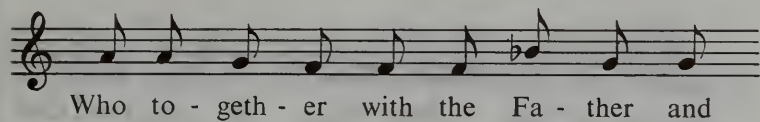
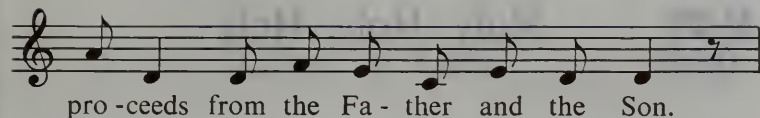
MASS IN HONOR OF OUR LADY

God of God, Light of Light, true God of
true God. Be - got - ten, not made, of one
sub-stance with the Fa - ther. By whom all things
were made. Who for us men and for our
sal - va - tion came down from heav-en. And he
be - came flesh by the Ho - ly Spir - it
of the Vir - gin Mar - y: and was made man.
He was al - so cru - ci - fied for us,
suf - fered un - der Pon - tius Pi - late, and

MASS IN HONOR OF OUR LADY



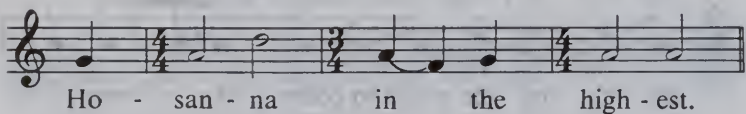
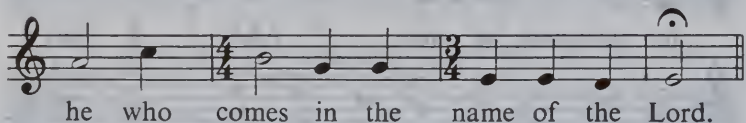
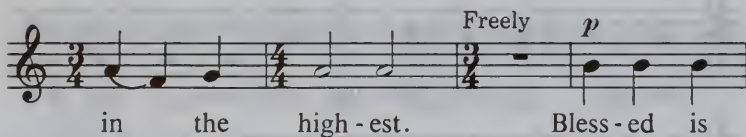
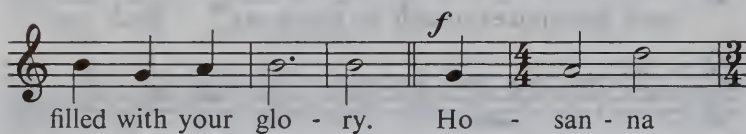
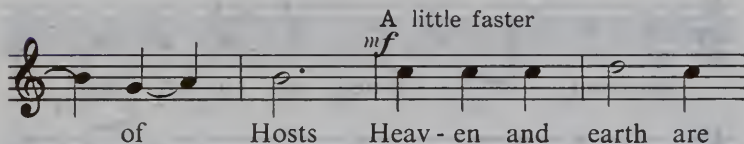
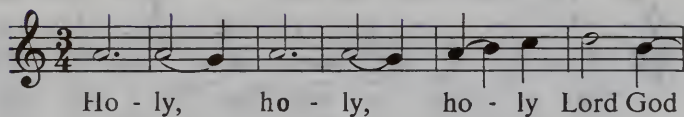
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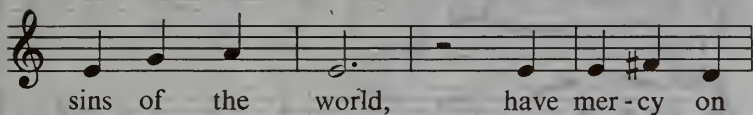
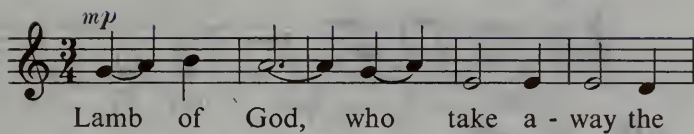
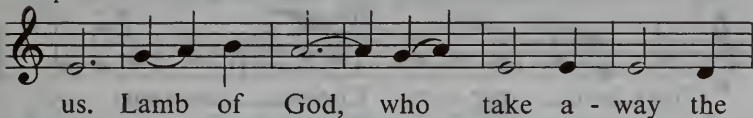
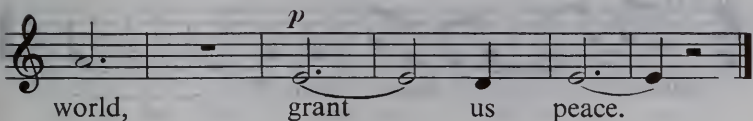
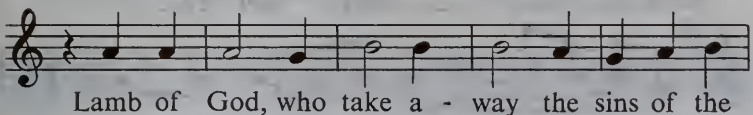
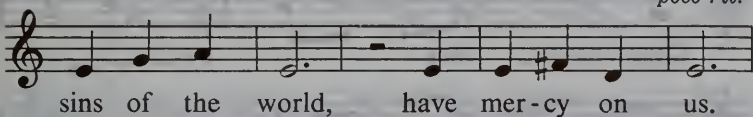
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Holy, Holy, Holy



Lamb of God

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*poco rit.**poco rit.*

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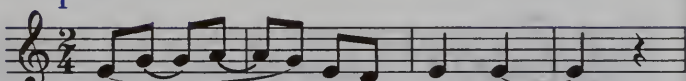
MASS FOR PEACE

Lord, Have Mercy

Official English Text

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I



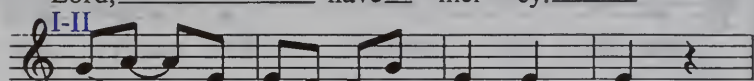
Lord, _____ have mer - cy. _____

II



Lord, _____ have _____ mer - cy. _____

I-II



Lord, _____ have _____ mer - cy. _____

I **II**



Christ, have _____ mer - cy. Christ, _____ have mer - cy.

I-II



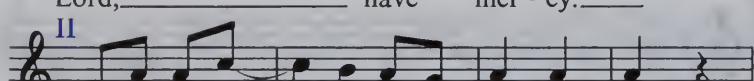
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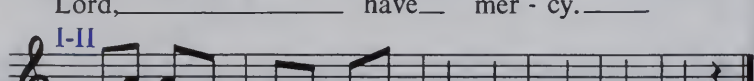
Lord, _____ have mer - cy. _____

II



Lord, _____ have _____ mer - cy. _____

I-II

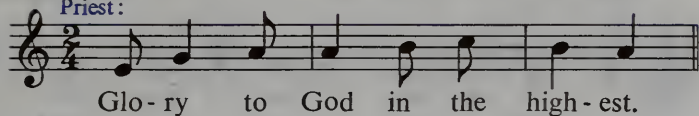


Lord, _____ have _____ mer-cy. _____

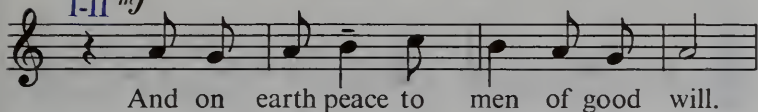
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Glory to God in the Highest **M-32**

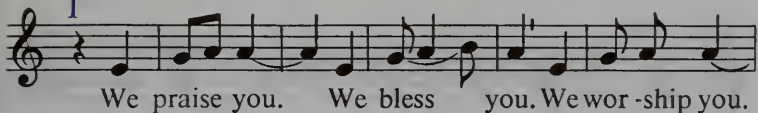
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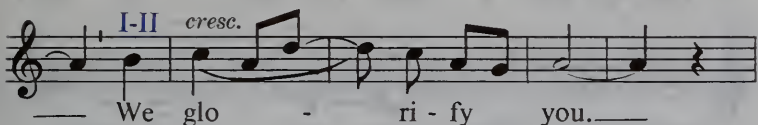
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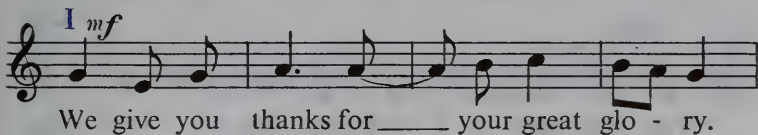
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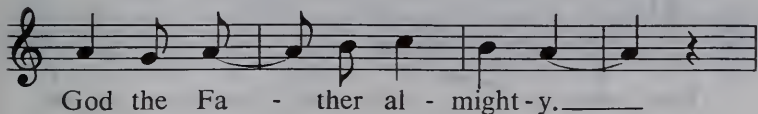
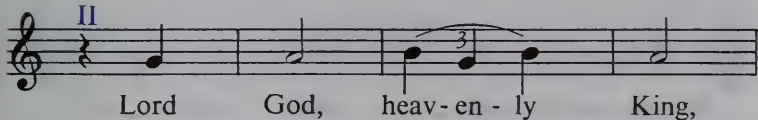
I-II *cresc.*



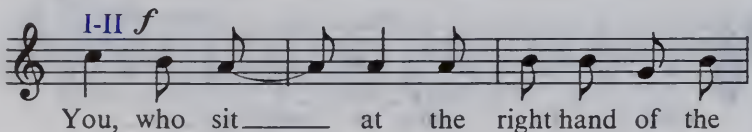
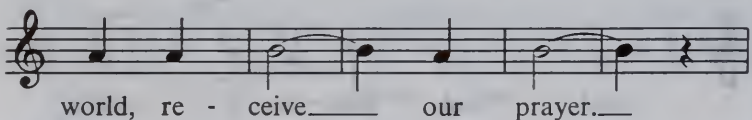
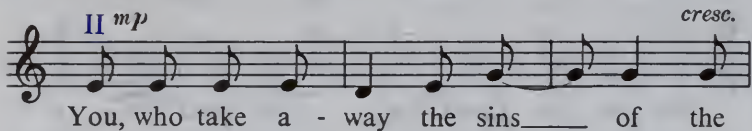
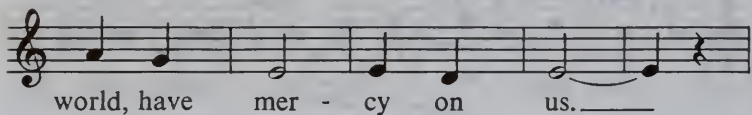
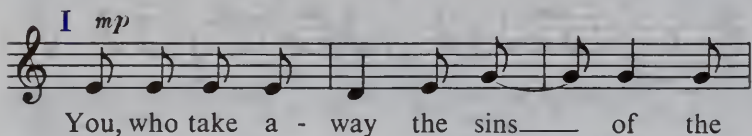
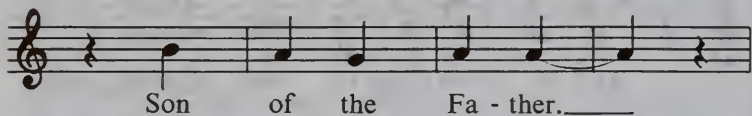
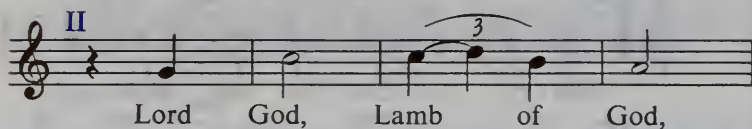
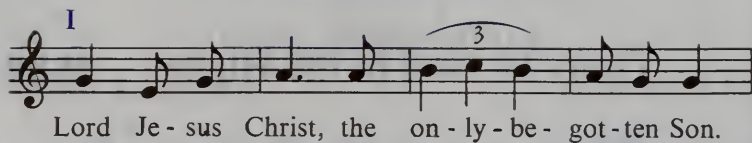
I *mf*



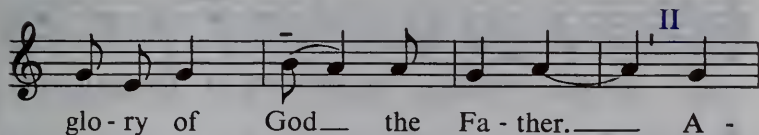
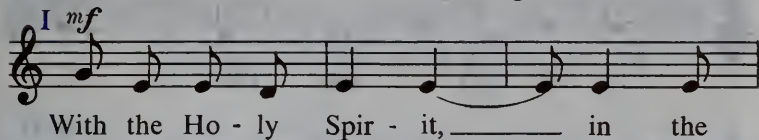
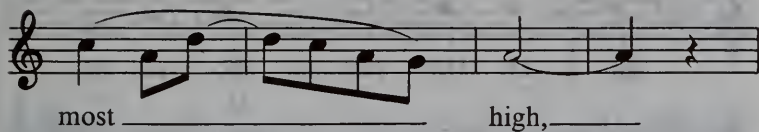
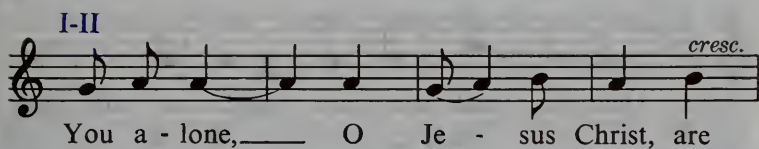
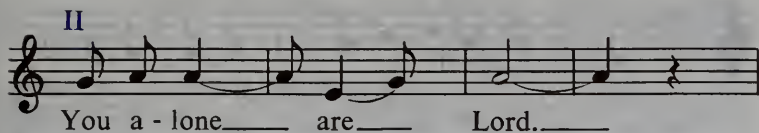
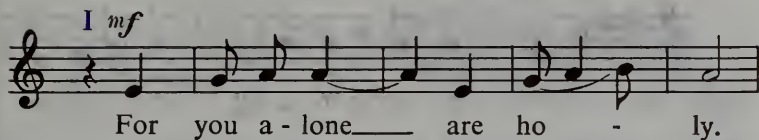
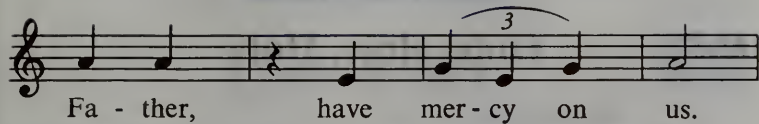
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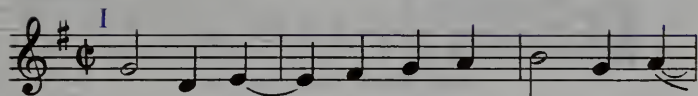
Joyously I-II

san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Lamb of God

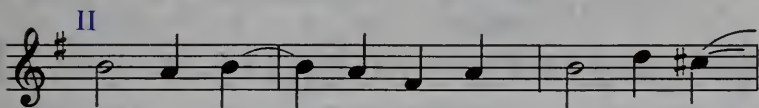
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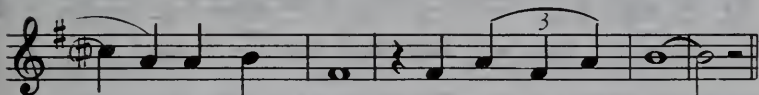
Lamb of God, — who take a - way the sins



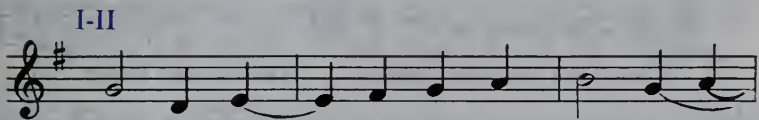
— of the world, have mer-cy on us. —



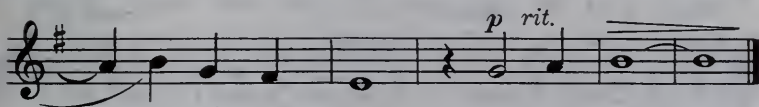
Lamb of God, — who take a - way the sins



— of the world, have mer-cy on us. —



Lamb of God, — who take a - way the sins



— of the world, grant us peace. —

M-35 MASS FOR THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Official English Text

Camil van Hulse, Op.135

Lord, Have Mercy

Choir: People:

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have

All:

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Choir: People: All:

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have

Choir: People:

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - - cy. Lord, have

All:

mer - - cy. Lord, have mer - - - cy.

M-36 Glory to God in the Highest

Priest: Choir:

Glo-ry to God in the high-est. And on earth peace to

People:

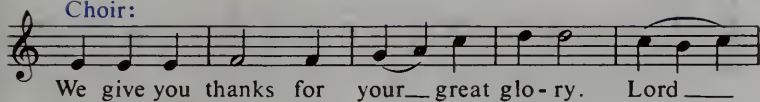
men of good will. We praise — you. We bless — you.

Choir: People:

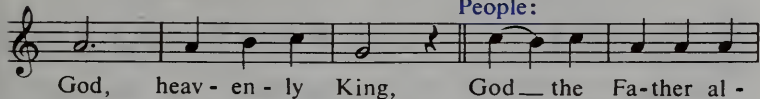
We wor - ship you. We glo - ri - fy - you.

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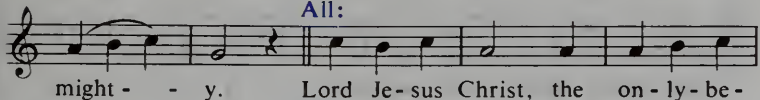
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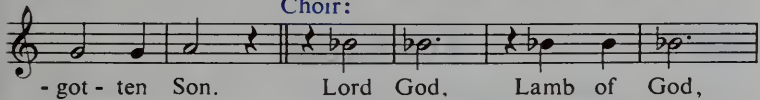
People:



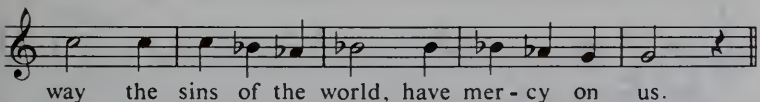
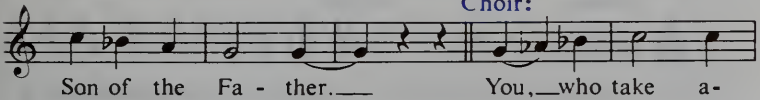
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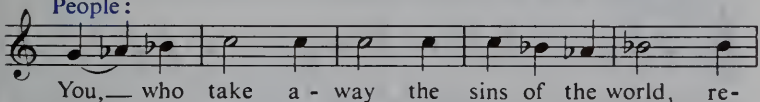
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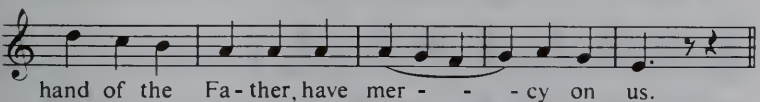
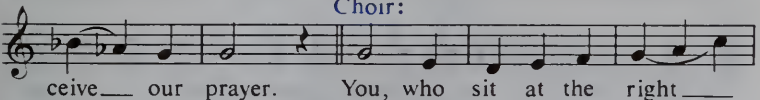
Choir:



People:

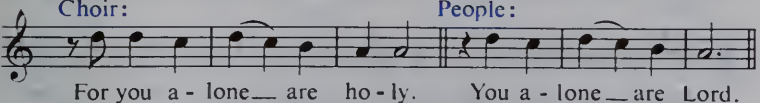


Choir:



Choir:

People:



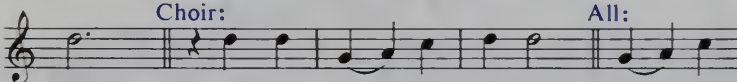
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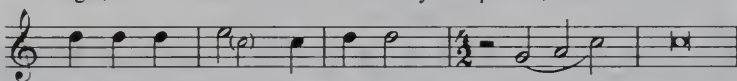


You a - lone, O Je - sus Christ, are most

Choir: **All:**



high, With the Ho - - ly Spir - it, in the

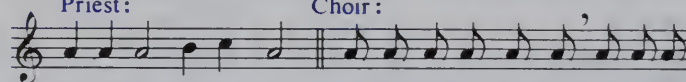


glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

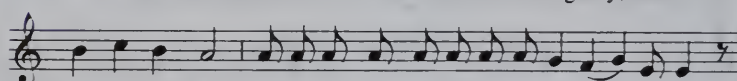
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The Creed

Priest: **Choir:**

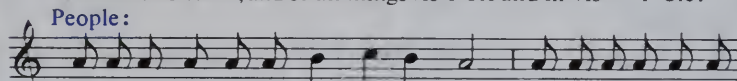


I be-lieve in one God. The Fa-ther al-might-y, mak-er of



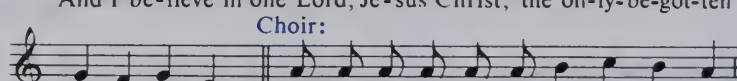
heav-en and earth, and of all things vis-i-ble and in-vis - i-ble.

People:

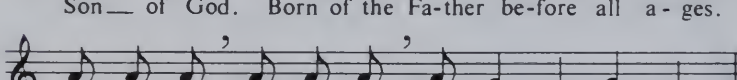


And I be-lieve in one Lord, Je-sus Christ, the on-ly-be-got-ten

Choir:

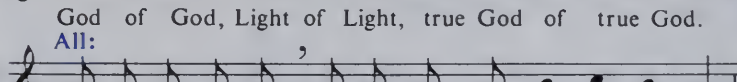


Son of God. Born of the Fa-ther be-fore all a - ges.



God of God, Light of Light, true God of true God.

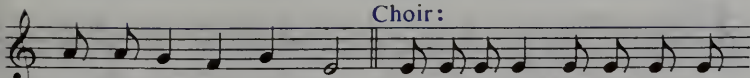
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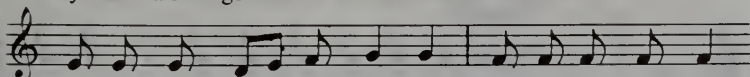
Be-got-ten, not made, of one sub-stance with the Fa - ther.

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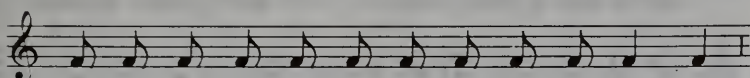
slower
Choir:



By whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our sal-

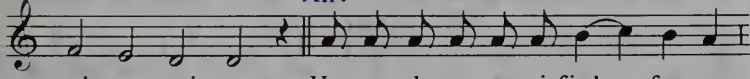


-va-tion came down—from heav-en. And he be-came flesh

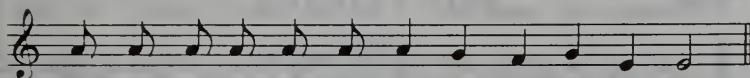


by the Ho-ly Spir-it of the Vir-gin Mar-y:

All:

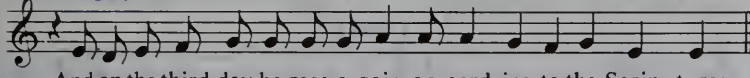


and was made man. He was al-so cru-ci-fied—for us,



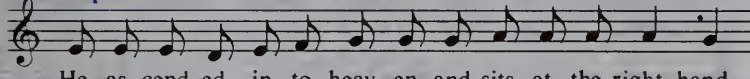
suf-fered un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, and was bur-ied.

Choir:



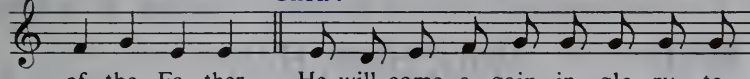
And on the third day he rose a-gain, ac-cord-ing to the Scrip-tures.

People:



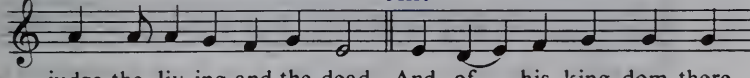
He as-cend-ed in-to heav-en and sits at the right hand

Choir:



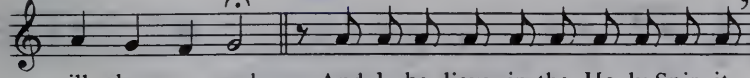
of the Fa-ther. He will come a-gain in glo-ry to

All:



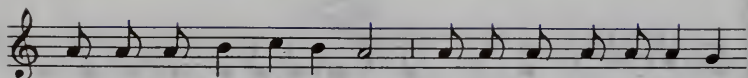
judge the liv-ing and the dead. And of—his king-dom there

Choir:



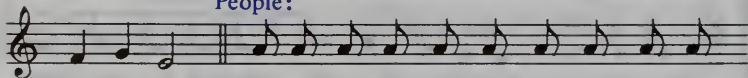
will be no end. And I be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spir-it,

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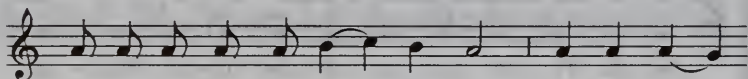


the Lord and Giv - er of life, who pro - ceeds from the Fa - ther

People:

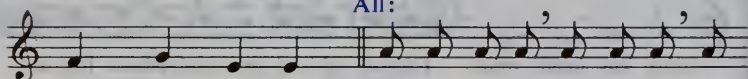


and the Son. Who to - geth - er with the Fa - ther and the



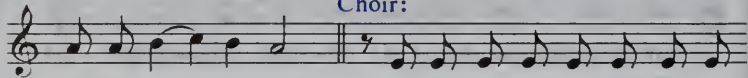
Son is a - dored and glo - ri - fied, and who spoke —

All:



through the proph - ets. And one ho - ly, Cath - o - lic, and

Choir:



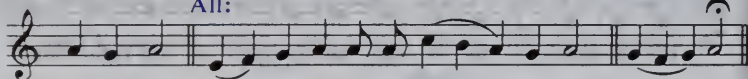
Ap - os - tol - ic Church. I con - fess one bap - tism for the

Choir:



for - give - ness of sins. And I a - wait the res - ur - rec - tion

All:



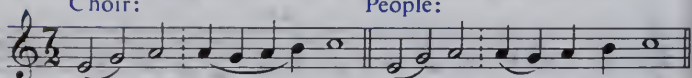
of the dead. And — the life of the world — to come. A - - men.

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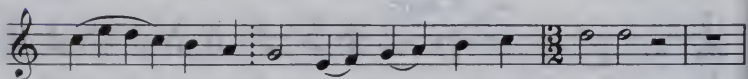
Holy, Holy, Holy

Choir:

People:



Ho - ly, ho - - - ly, ho - ly Lord — God of hosts.



Heav - - en and earth are — filled — with your glo - ry.

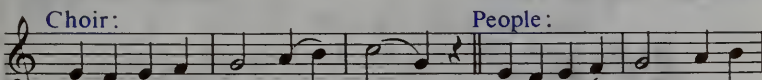
MASS FOR THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

All:



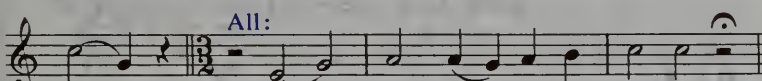
Ho - - san - na in the high - est.

Choir: **People:**



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

All:

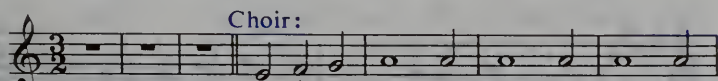


Lord. Ho - - san - na in the high - est.

Lamb of God

M-39

Choir:

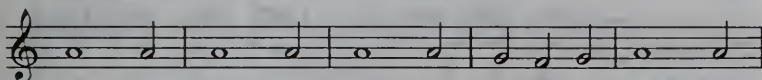


Lamb of God, who take a - way the

People:

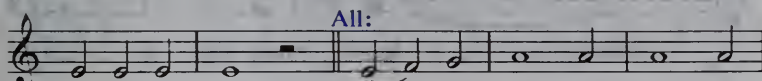


sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of

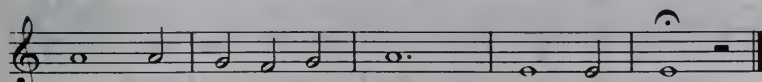


God, who take a - way the sins of the world, have

All:



mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, who take a -



way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

MASS DEDICATED TO CHILDREN

M-40

Lord, Have Mercy

Official English Text

Robert E. Kreutz

Slow and easy (♩ = 46)
2 *mp*

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#), and the time signature is 2/2. The tempo and dynamics are indicated as 'Slow and easy' and 'mp' (mezzo-piano). The score consists of five staves of music. The first staff begins with a whole rest followed by a half note G4, then a half note F#4, and continues with a series of half notes: E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F3, E3. The lyrics 'Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.' are written below the notes. The second staff continues with half notes D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F3, E3, followed by a whole rest, then half notes G4, F#4, E4, D4. The lyrics 'Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy.' are written below. The third staff begins with a half note G4, then half notes F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F3, E3. The lyrics 'Christ, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy.' are written below. The fourth staff starts with a whole rest, then half notes G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F3, E3. The lyrics 'Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.' are written below. The fifth staff begins with a half note G4, then half notes F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F3, E3, followed by a whole rest. The lyrics 'Lord, have mer-cy.' are written below. The score concludes with a double bar line and a final 2/2 time signature.

Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy.

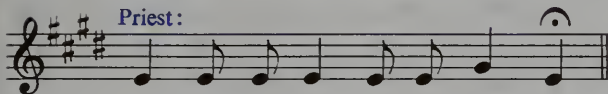
Christ, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy.

Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord, have mer-cy.

Glory to God in the Highest **M-41**

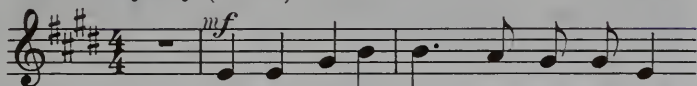
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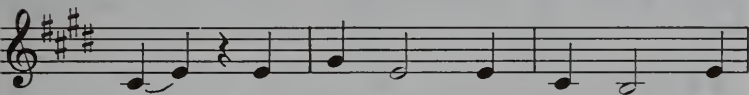
Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

People:

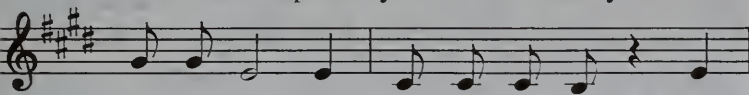
Joyfully (♩ = 92)



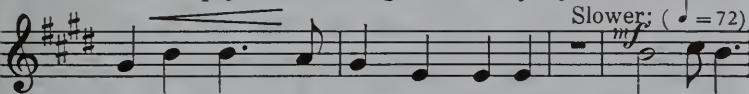
And on earth peace to men of good



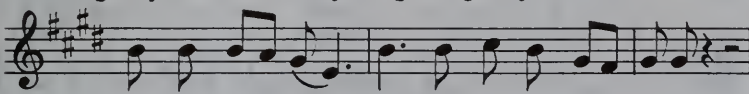
will. We praise you. We bless you. We



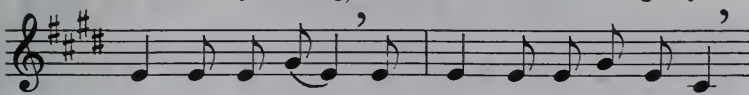
wor-ship you. We glo - ri - fy you. We



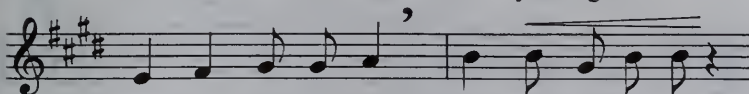
give you thanks for your great glo-ry. Lord God,



heav-en - ly King, God the Fa-ther al-might-y.



Lord Je-sus Christ, the on - ly be-got-ten Son.



Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther.

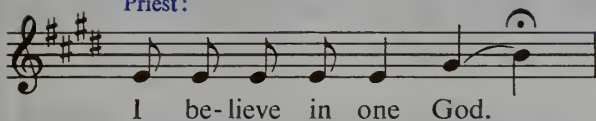
MASS DEDICATED TO CHILDREN

You, who take a-way the sins of the world, have
mer-cy on us. You, who take a-way the
sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer.
You, who sit at the
hold back
right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on
..... Original time (♩=92)
us. For you a-lone are ho-ly.
You a-lone are Lord. You a-lone, O
Je-sus Christ, are most high, With the Ho-ly
Spir-it in the glo-ry of God the
broaden
Fa-ther. A - men.

The Creed

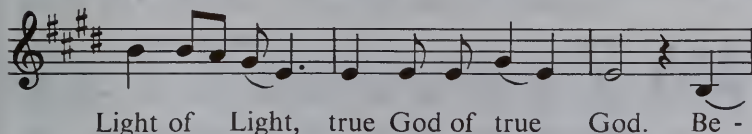
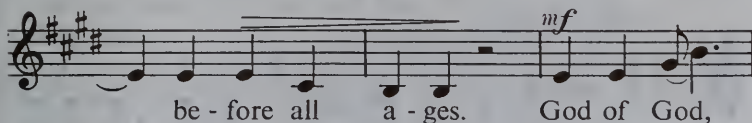
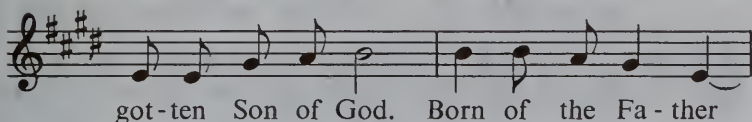
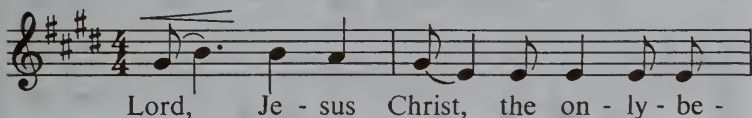
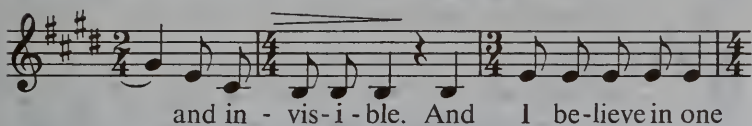
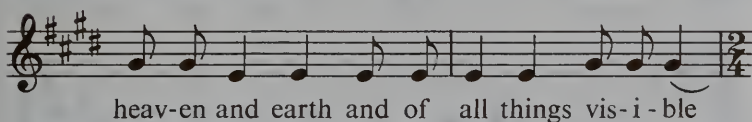
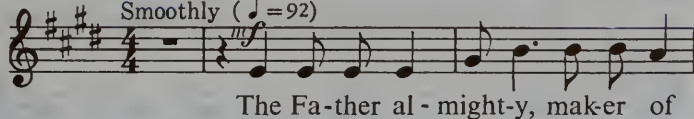
M-42

Priest:



People:

Smoothly (♩ = 92)



MASS DEDICATED TO CHILDREN

got - ten, not made, of one

sub-stance with the Fa - ther. By whom all things were

mp
made. Who for us men and for

our sal - va - tion came down from heav - en. And

he be - came flesh by the Ho - ly Spir - it of the

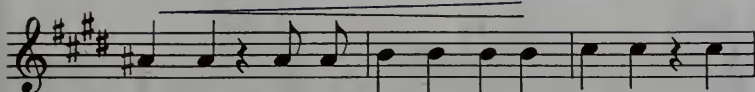
Vir - gin Mar - y: and was made man. He was

al - so cru - ci - fied for us, suf - fered un - der
retard slightly *back in time*

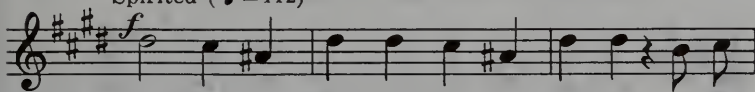
Pon - tius Pi - late, and was bur - ied, And on the
mf *gradually build*

third day he rose a - gain, ac - cord - ing to the

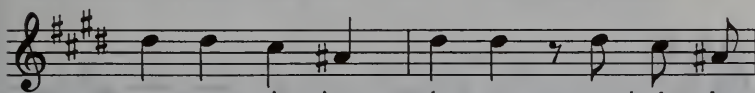
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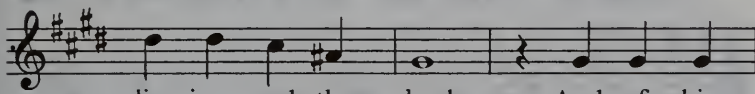
Scrip - tures. He as - cend - ed in - to heav - en and
Spirited ($\text{♩} = 112$)



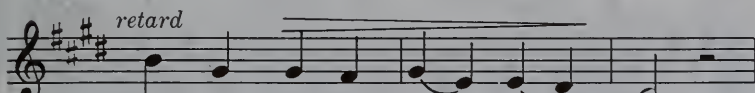
sits at the right hand of the Fa - ther. He will



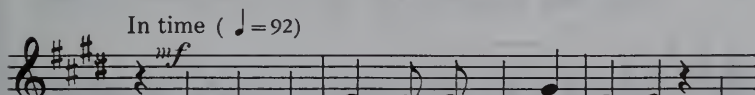
come a - gain in glo - ry to judge the



liv - ing and the dead. And of his



king - dom there will be no end.



In time ($\text{♩} = 92$)
And I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spir - it, the

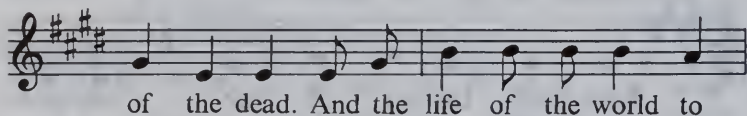
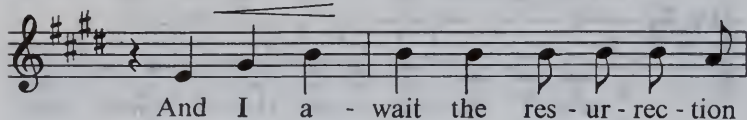
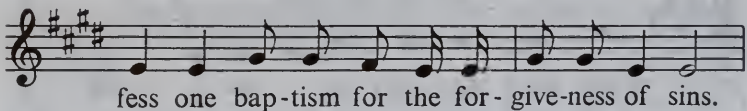
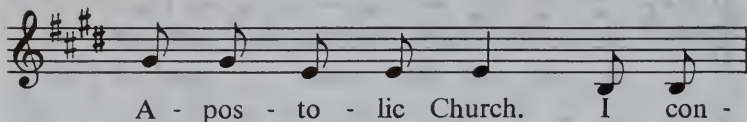
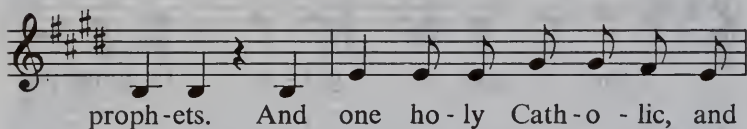
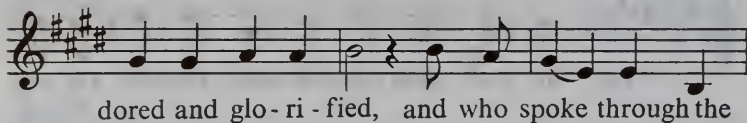
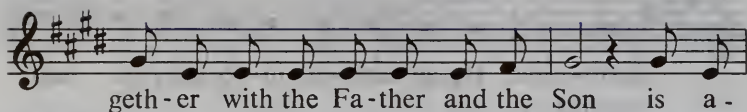


Lord and Giv - er of life, who pro -



ceeds from the Fa - ther and the Son. Who to -

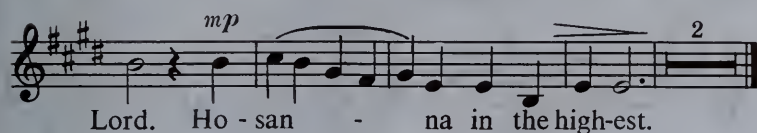
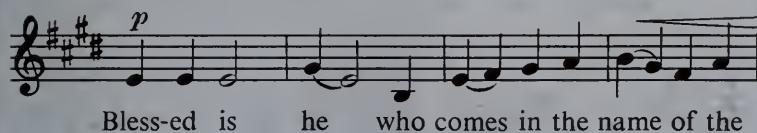
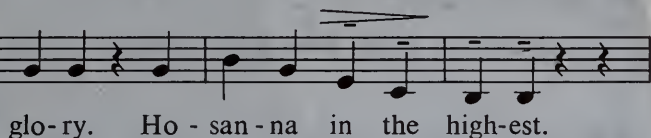
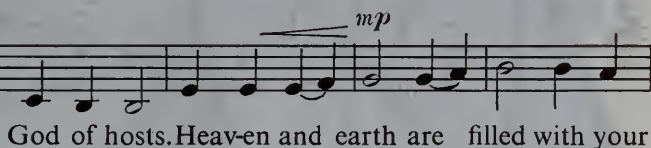
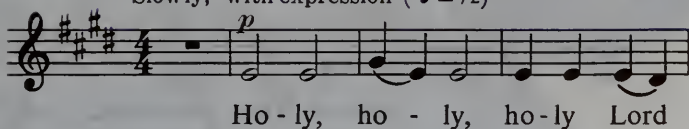
MASS DEDICATED TO CHILDREN



Holy, Holy, Holy

M-43

Slowly, with expression (♩ = 72)



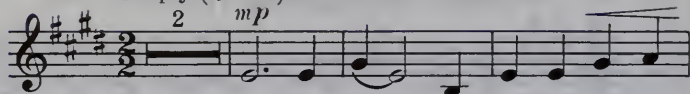
M-44

Lamb of God

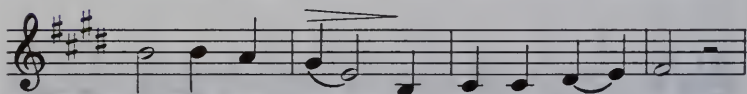
Simply (♩ = 46)

2

mp



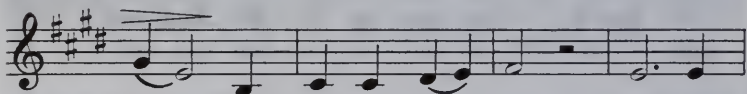
Lamb of God, who take a-way the



sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, who take a-way the sins of the



world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of



God, who take a-way the sins of the world,



grant us peace.



and

BURIAL SERVICE FOR ADULTS

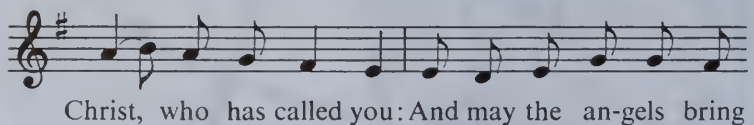
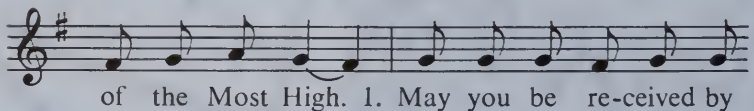
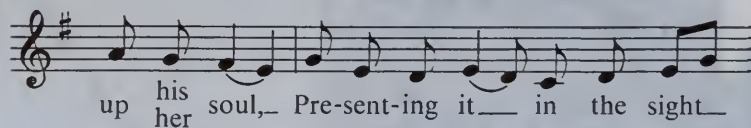
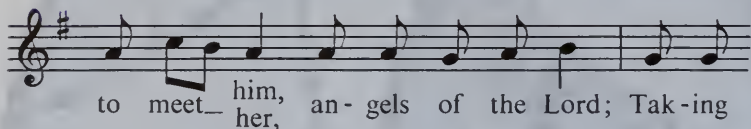
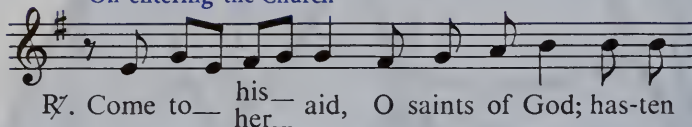
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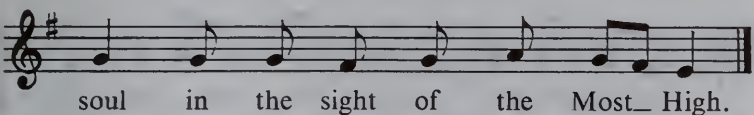
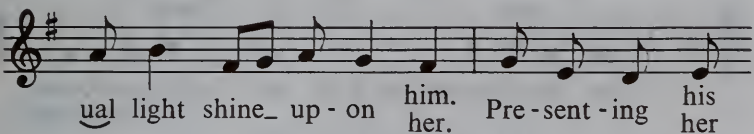
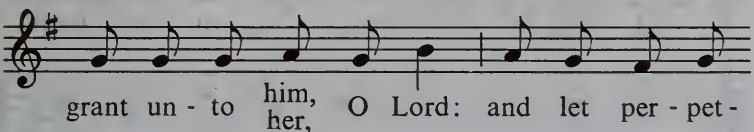
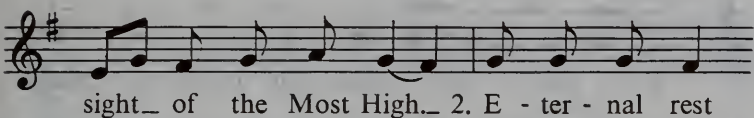
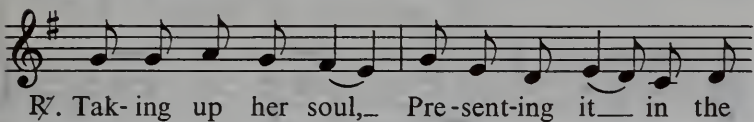
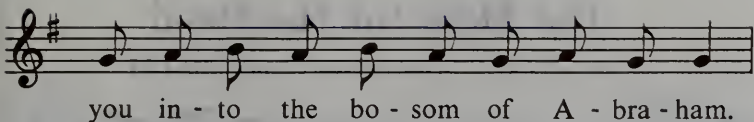
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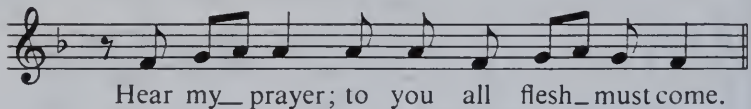
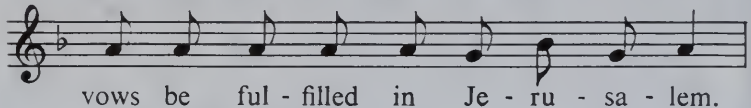
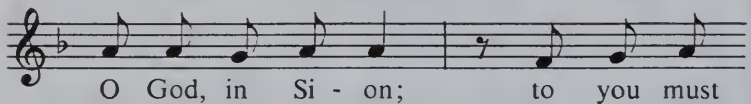
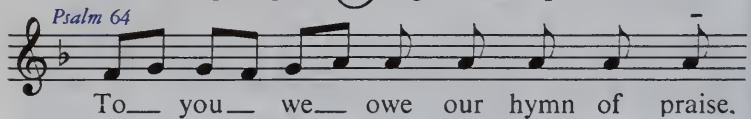
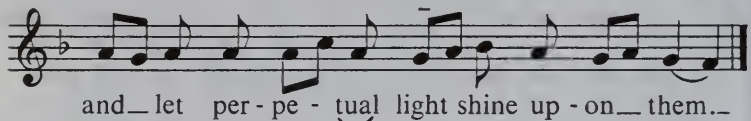
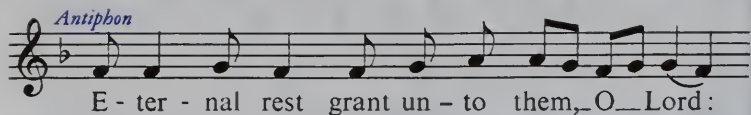
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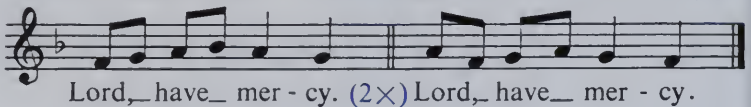
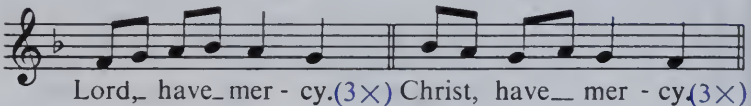
The Mass for the Dead

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON and PSALM



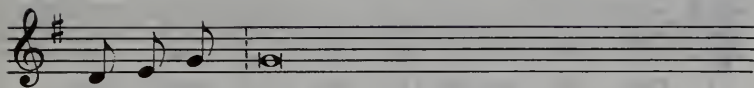
Repeat the Antiphon.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

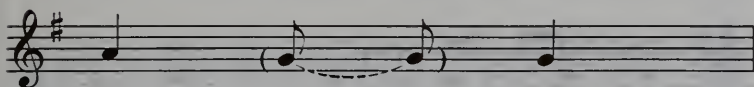


MASS FOR THE DEAD

GRADUAL and TRACT



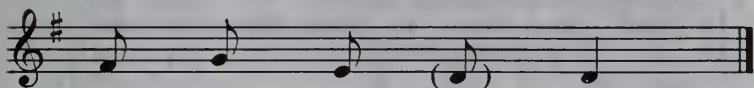
1. E - ter - nal rest grant unto _____
2. _____ The just man shall be in everlasting re -
3. Ab-solve, O Lord, the souls of all the faithful de -
4. _____ And by the _____
5. _____ And to enjoy the _____



1. them O _____ Lord:*
2. mem - - - brance;*
3. part - - - ed*
4. help of your grace*
5. bless - ed - ness*



1. and let perpetual light _____
2. an evil re - - - - -
3. from _____
4. may they deserve to escape the judg- - -
5. of _____

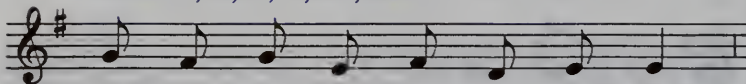


1. shine up - on them.
2. port he shall not fear.
3. ev - ry bond of sin.
4. ment of ven - geance.
5. light e - ter - nal.

MASS FOR THE DEAD

SEQUENCE

Verses 1, 2, 7, 8, 13, 14



1. Day of wrath! O day of mourn - ing!
2. O what fear man's bos - om rend - eth
7. What shall I, frail man, be plead - ing?
8. King of maj - es - ty tre - men - dous,
13. Thou the sin - ful wom - an sav - edst;
14. Worth - less are my prayers and sigh - ing,



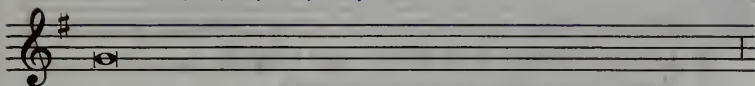
1. See ful - filled the proph - ets' warn - ing,
2. When from heav'n the judge de - scend - eth,
7. Who for me be in - ter - ced - ing,
8. Who dost free sal - va - tion send us,
13. Thou the dy - ing thief for - gav - est;
14. Yet, good Lord, in grace com - ply - ing,



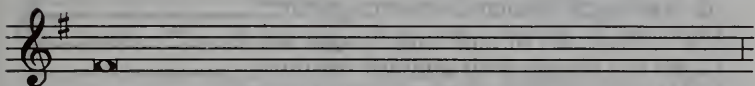
1. Heav'n and earth in ash - es burn - ing! 2
2. On whose sen - tence all de - pend - eth! 3
7. When the just are mer - cy need - ing? 8
8. Fount of pit - y, then be - friend us! 9
13. And to me a hope vouch - saf - est. 14
14. Res - cue me from fires un - dy - ing! 15

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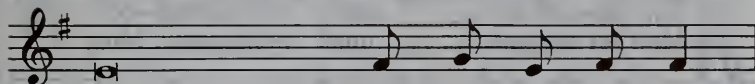
Verses 3, 5, 9, 11, 15, 17



- 3. Wondrous sound the trumpet flingeth; _____
- 5. Lo! the book, exactly worded, _____
- 9. Think, good Jesus, my salvation _____
- 11. Righteous judge! for sin's pollution _____
- 15. With thy favored sheep O place me, _____
- 17. Low I kneel, with heart submission: _____



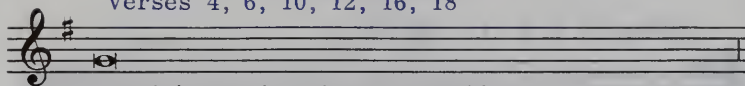
- 3. Through earth's sepulchers it ringeth; _____
- 5. Wherin all hath been recorded: _____
- 9. Cost thy wondrous incarnation; _____
- 11. Grant thy gift of absolution, _____
- 15. Nor among the goats abase me, _____
- 17. See, like ashes, my contrition; _____



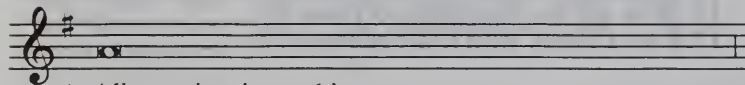
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|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|----|
| 3. All before | the throne | it bring - eth. | 4 |
| 5. Thence shall judg - ment | be a - ward - ed. | | 6 |
| 9. Leave me not | to rep - ro - ba - tion! | | 10 |
| 11. Ere the day | of ret - ri - bu - tion. | | 12 |
| 15. But to thy | right hand up - raise me. | | 16 |
| 17. Help me in | my last con - di - tion. | | 18 |

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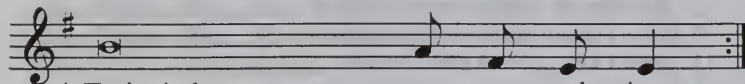
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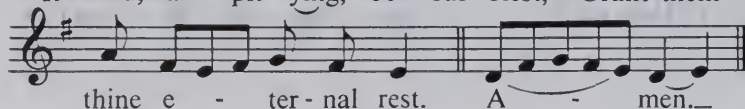
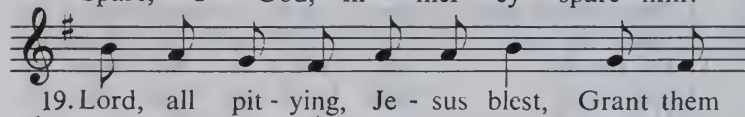
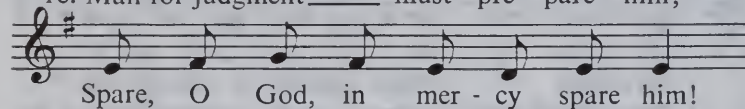
- 4. Death is struck and nature quaking, _____
- 6. When the judge his seat attaineth _____
- 10. Faint and weary, thou hast sought me, _____
- 12. Guilty, now I pour my moaning, _____
- 16. While the wicked are confounded, _____
- 18. Ah! that day of tears and mourning! _____



- 4. All creation is awaking, _____
- 6. And each hidden deed arraigneth, _____
- 10. On the cross of suff'ring bought me. _____
- 12. All my shame with anguish owning; _____
- 16. Doomed to flames of woe unbounded, _____
- 18. From the dust of earth returning, _____

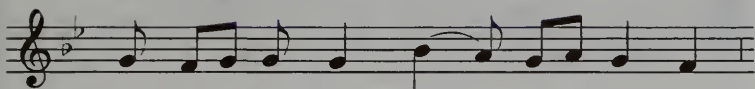


- 4. To its judge an _____ an - swer mak - ing. 5
- 6. Nothing una _____ venged re - main - eth. 7
- 10. Shall such grace be _____ vain - ly brought me? 11
- 12. Spare, O God, thy _____ sup - pliant groan - ing! 13
- 16. Call me with thy _____ saints sur - round - ed. 17
- 18. Man for judgment _____ must pre - pare him;

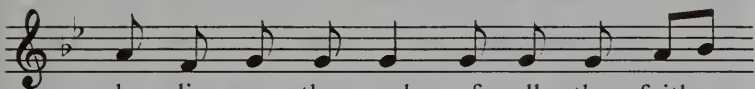


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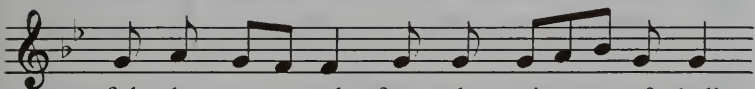
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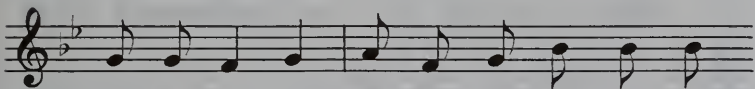
Lord Je - sus Christ, King — of — glo - ry,



de - liv - er the souls of all the faith -



ful de - part - ed from the pains — of hell



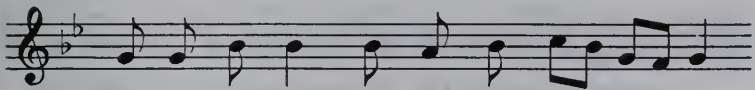
and the deep pit; de - liv - er them from the



li - on's mouth, may hell not swal - low them

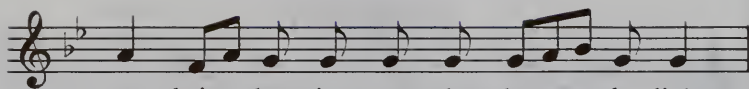


up, nor may they fall — in - to dark - ness,

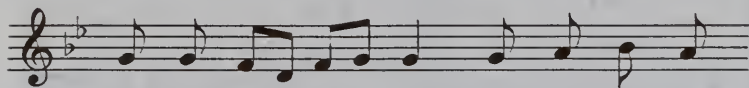


but may Mi-chael, the ho - ly stand-ard - bear -

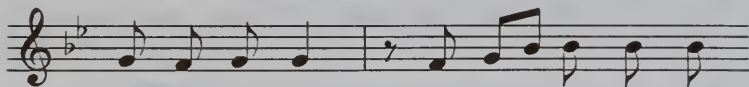
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er, bring them in - to the ho - ly light:



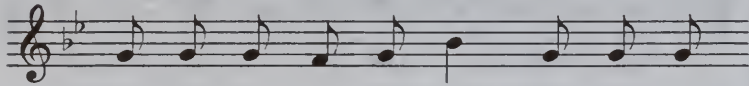
Which you once pro - mised to A - bra - ham



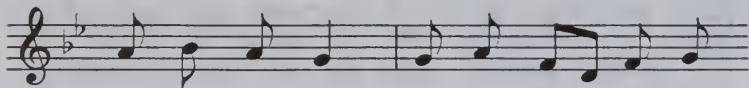
and to his seed. We of - fer you, O



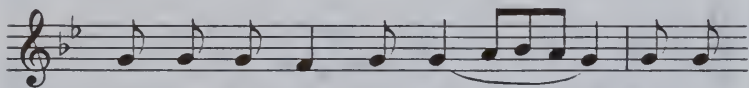
Lord, sac - ri - fi - ces and prayers of praise;



re - ceive them for the souls whom we re -



mem - ber this day. Grant, O Lord, that they



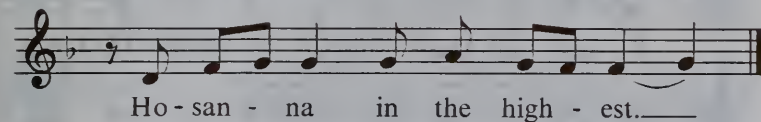
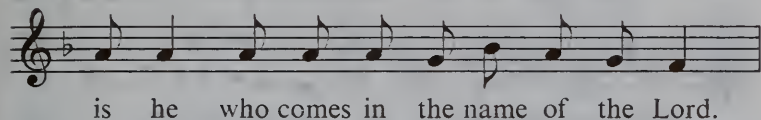
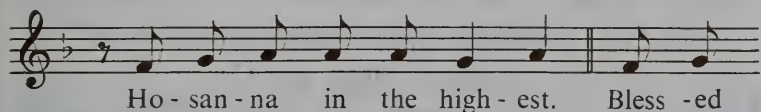
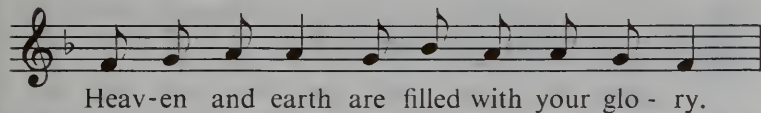
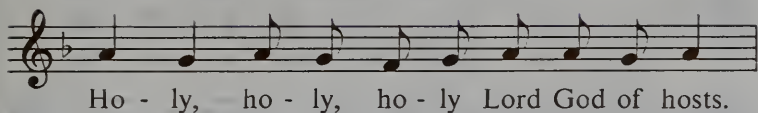
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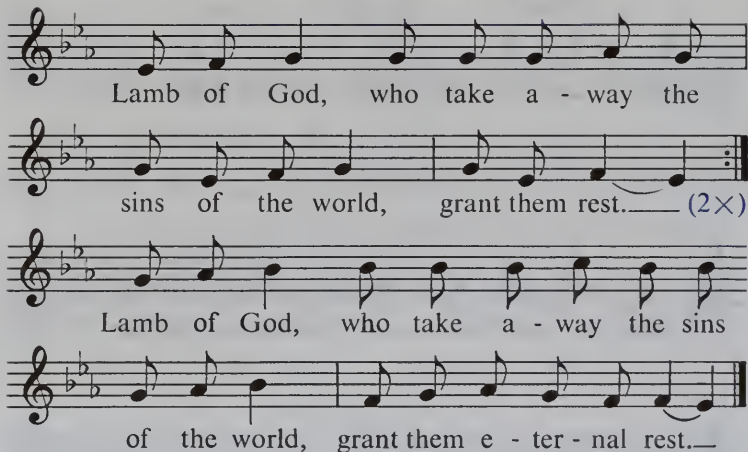
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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



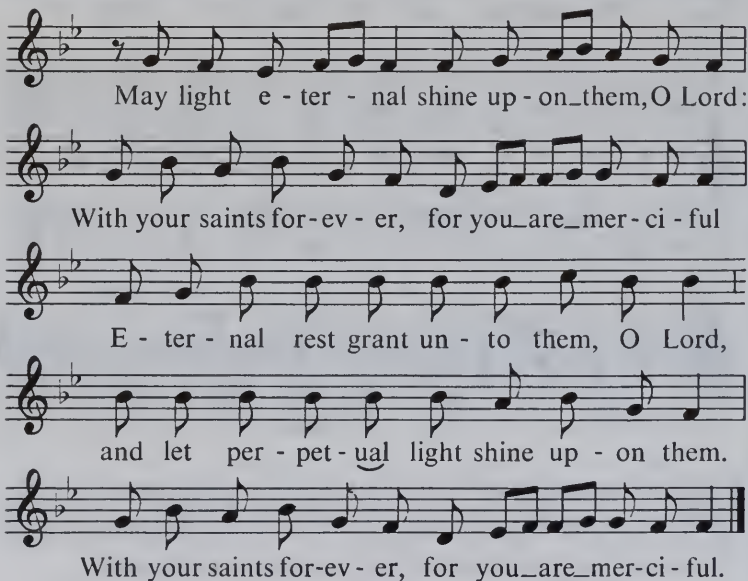
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LAMB of GOD



Lamb of God, who take a - way the
sins of the world, grant them rest. — (2×)
Lamb of God, who take a - way the sins
of the world, grant them e - ter - nal rest. —

COMMUNION SONG



May light e - ter - nal shine up - on them, O Lord:
With your saints for - ev - er, for you are mer - ci - ful
E - ter - nal rest grant un - to them, O Lord,
and let per - pet - ual light shine up - on them.
With your saints for - ev - er, for you are mer - ci - ful.

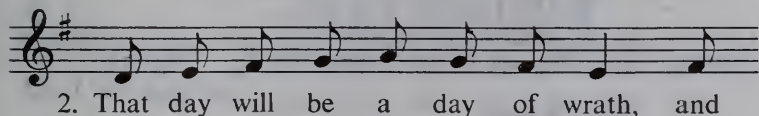
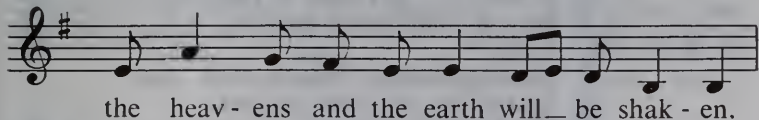
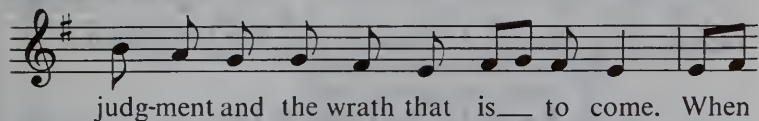
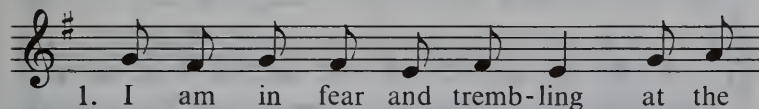
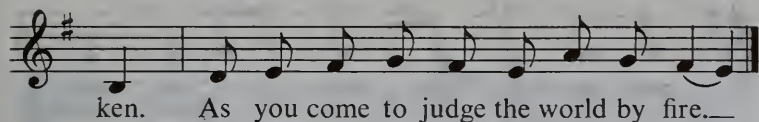
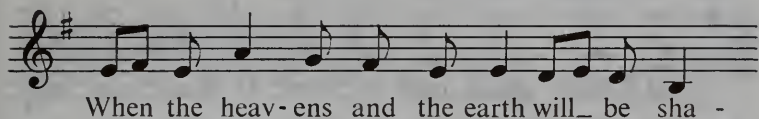
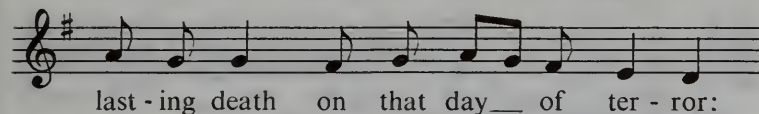
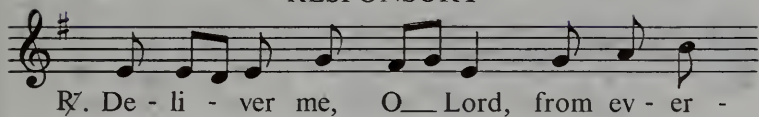
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The Absolution

PRIEST: O Lord,... forever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

RESPONSORY



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mis - er - y, and of ru - in: a day
of gran-deur and great hor - ror: As you
come to judge the world by fire. — 3. E - ter -
nal rest grant un - to them, O Lord, and let
per - pet - ual light — shine up - on them.
Repeat the Responsory.
Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

PRIEST: Our Father...And lead us not into temptation.

R. But deliver us from evil.

V. From the gate of hell.

R. Rescue his (her) soul, O Lord.

V. May he (she) rest in peace.

R. Amen.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come to you.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

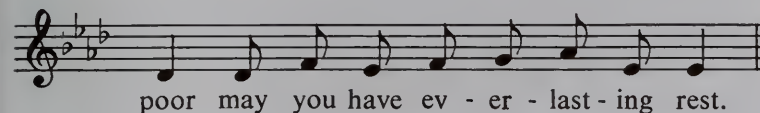
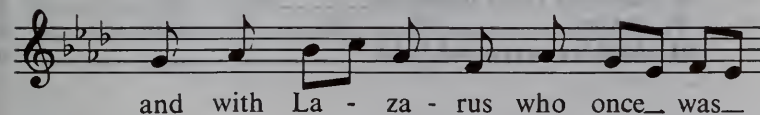
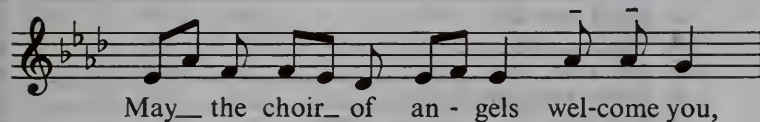
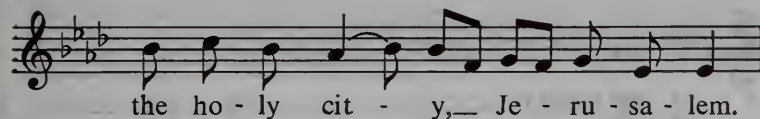
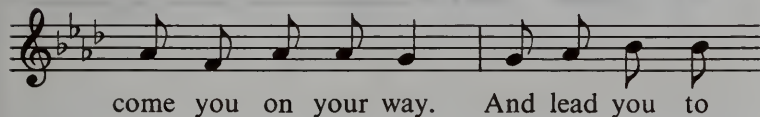
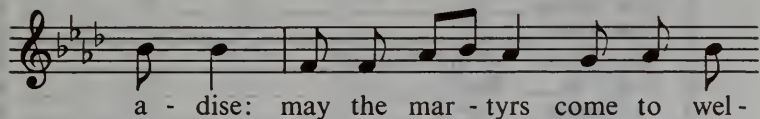
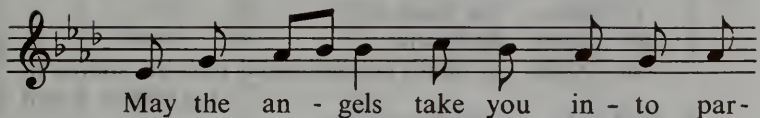
PRIEST: Let us pray. O God, who alone... Through
Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

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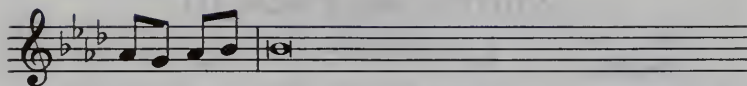
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Antiphon

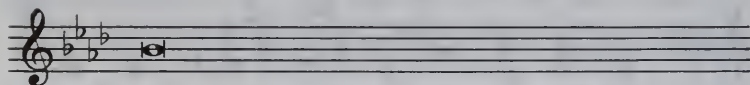


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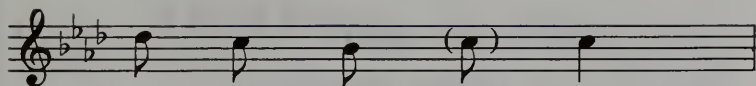


1. I love the Lord be - - - - 1
2. Be - cause he has in - - - - 2
3. The cords of death encompassed me; the snares of
the nether world 3
4. And I called upon the 4
5. Gra - cious 5
6. The Lord 6
7. Re - turn, O my soul, to 7
8. For he has 8
9. I shall 9
10. E - ter - nal rest 10

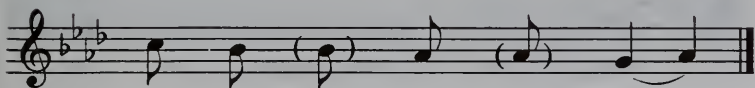


1. my voice in 1
2. 2
3. I fell into dis - - - - 3
4. 4
5. yes, our 5
6. I was brought 6
7. For the 7
8. my eyes from tears, my 8
9. in the 9
10. And let perpetual light 10

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- | | | | | | |
|-----|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|----|
| 1. | cause | he | has | heard | 1 |
| 2. | clined | his | ear | to me | 2 |
| 3. | seized | up - | on | me; | 3 |
| 4. | name | of | the | Lord, | 4 |
| 5. | is | the | Lord | and just; | 5 |
| 6. | keeps | the | lit - tle | ones; | 6 |
| 7. | your | tran - | quil - | li - ty, | 7 |
| 8. | freed | my | soul | from death, | 8 |
| 9. | walk | be - | fore | the Lord, | 9 |
| 10. | grant | un-to | him, | O Lord. | 10 |
| | | | her, | | |



- | | | | | | |
|-----|-------|-------|--------|-------------------|----|
| 1. | sup - | pli - | ca - | tion. ____ | 2 |
| 2. | the | day | I | called. ____ | 3 |
| 3. | tress | and | sor - | row. ____ | 4 |
| 4. | "O | Lord, | save | my life!" ____ | 5 |
| 5. | God | is | mer - | ci - ful. ____ | 6 |
| 6. | low | and | he | saved me. ____ | 7 |
| 7. | Lord | has | been | good to you. ____ | 8 |
| 8. | feet | from | stum - | bling. ____ | 9 |
| 9. | lands | of | the | liv - ing. ____ | 10 |
| 10. | shine | up - | on | { him. ____ | |
| | | | | { her. ____ | |

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BURIAL SERVICE FOR ADULTS

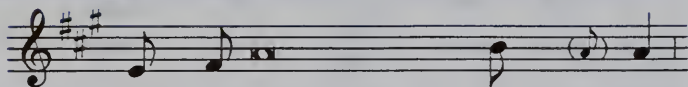
The Burial Service

At the Entrance of the Church

Official English Text

Rev. William A. Bauman

As the funeral procession enters the church, the choir sings:



1. COME TO his (her) aid, O SAINTS of God;*



hasten to meet him (her), angels of the Lord;

2. Taking UP his (her) soul,*
presenting it in the sight of the *Most* High.
3. May you be received by Christ, who has CALLED you:
and may the angels bring you into the bosom of A-bra-ham.
4. Taking UP his (her) soul,*
presenting it in the sight of the *Most* High.
5. Eternal rest grant unto HIM (HER), O Lord:*
and let perpetual light shine up-on him (her).
6. Presenting HIS (HER) soul*
in the sight of the *Most* High.

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The Mass for the Dead

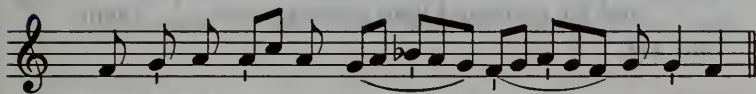
Entrance Song

As the priest prepares to begin Mass the choir sings the following:

Antiphon 4 Esd. 2, 34, 35



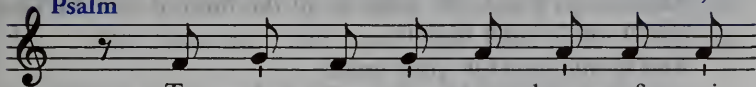
E - ter - nal rest grant un - to them, O Lord:



and let per-pet - ual light _____ shine _____ up-on them.

Psalm

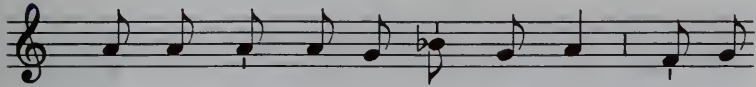
Ps. 64, 2-3



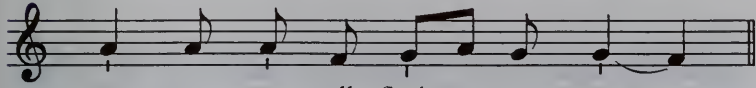
To you we owe our hymn of praise,



O God, in Si - on; to you must vows



be ful - filled in Je - ru - sa - lem. Hear my



prayer; to you all flesh _____ must come. _____

Repeat Antiphon.

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Meditation Song

Gradual and Tract

4 Esd. 2, 34, 35

CHOIR:

1. E - TER - nal rest grant unto THEM, O Lord: *

and let perpetual light shine up - on — them.

Ps. 111, 7

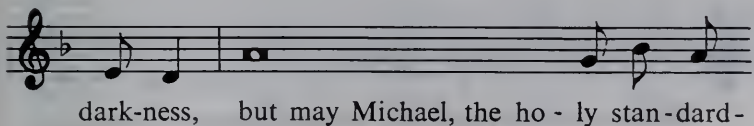
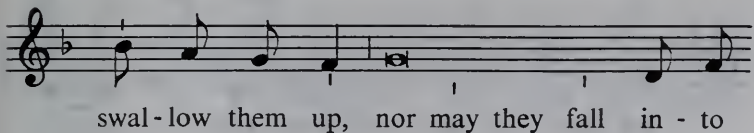
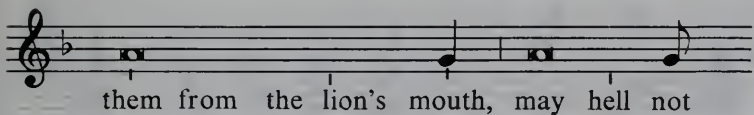
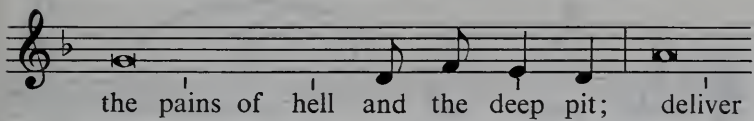
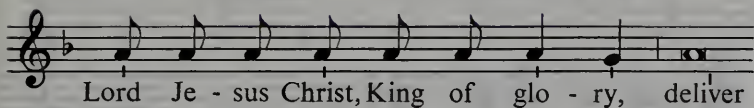
2. The just man shall be in everlasting re-MEM-brance;*
an evil report he *shall* not fear.
3. Ab-solve, O Lord, the souls of all the faithful de-PART-ed
*from every *bond* of sin.
4. And by the help OF your grace
may they deserve to escape the judgment of *venge-ance*.
5. And to en-joy*
the blessedness of light e-ter-nal.

Sequence

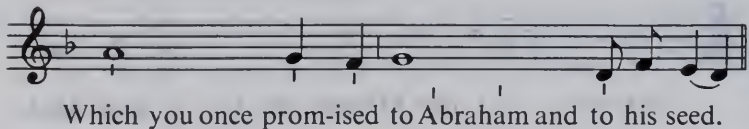
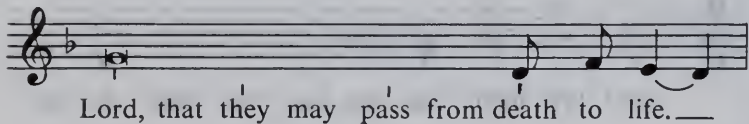
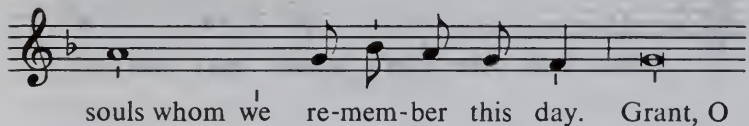
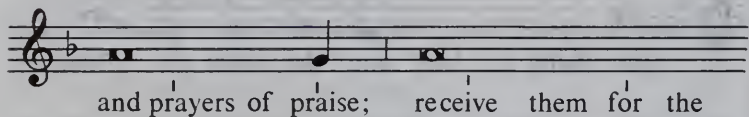
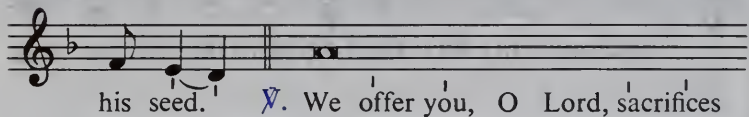
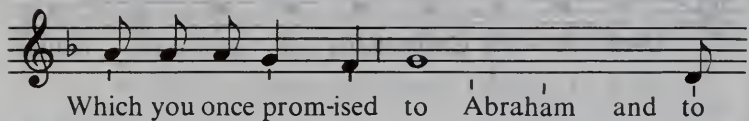
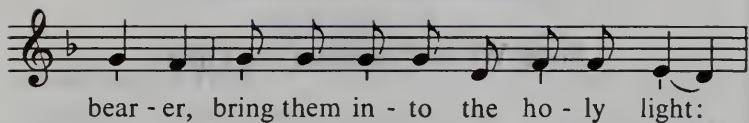
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Song While Preparing the Gifts



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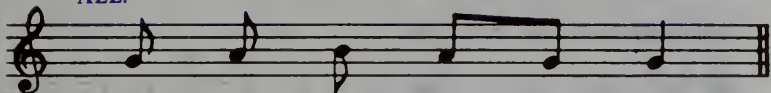
At the Preface

PRIEST:



The Lord be with you.

ALL:



And with your spir - it.

PRIEST:



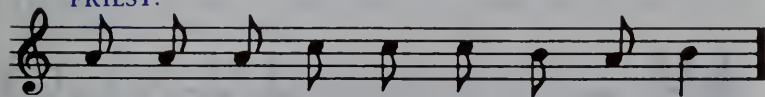
Lift up your hearts.

ALL:



We have lift - ed them up to the Lord.

PRIEST:



Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God.

ALL:



It is right and just.

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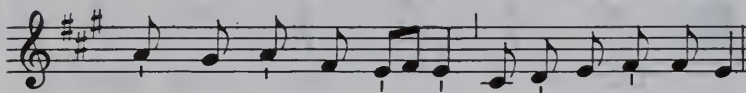
Communion Song

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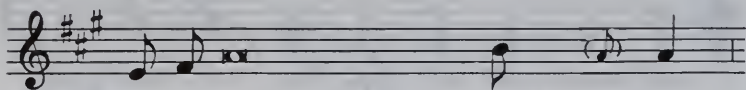
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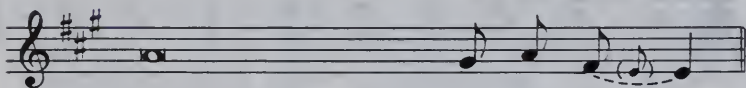
May light e - ter - nal shine up-on them, O Lord:



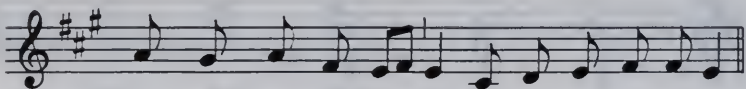
With your saints for-ev - er, for you are mer-ci-ful.



∞. E - ter - nal rest grant unto THEM, O Lord;



and let perpetual light shine up - on them.



With your saints for-ev - er, for you are mer-ci-ful.

1. The Lord is my SHEPherd;*
I shall not want.
2. In verdant pastures he gives ME re-pose;*
beside restful waters he leads me;/ he *refreshes* my soul.

Repeat Antiphon: "May light . . . merciful."

3. He guides me in RIGHT paths*
for his name's sake.
4. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no E-vil;*
for you are at my side / with your rod and your staff that
give me cour-age.

Repeat Antiphon:

5. You spread the table before me in the sight of MY foes;
*you anoint my head with oil; / my *cup o-ver-flows.*
6. Only goodness and kindness FOL-low me*
all the *days* of my life;
7. And I shall dwell in the house of THE Lord*
for years to come.

Repeat Antiphon:

(When the distribution of Holy Communion is completed the psalm concludes with "Eternal rest grant unto THEM, O Lord . . ." as above, and the Antiphon is repeated.)

The Rite of Absolution

The priests vests in a black cope and stands at the feet of the dead person. He chants:

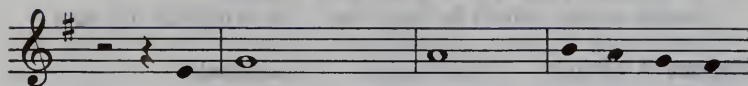
O Lord, do not bring your servant to trial, for no man becomes holy in your sight unless you grant him forgiveness of all his sins. We implore you, therefore, do not let the verdict of your judgment go against him (her), whom the loyal prayer of Christian faith is commending to your mercy. Rather, by the help of your grace, may he (she) escape the sentence which he (she) deserves, for during his (her) earthly life, he (she) was signed with the seal of the Holy Trinity. You who live and reign forever and ever.

ALL: A-men.

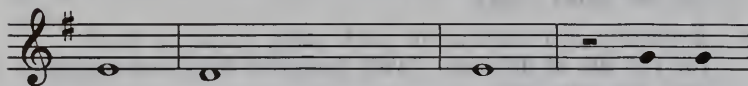
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Responsory

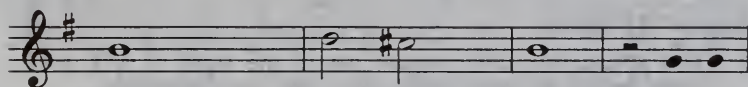
The choir immediately begins:



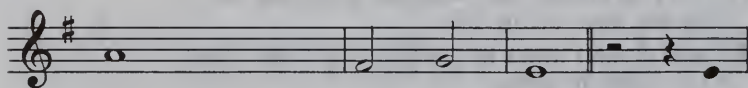
De - liver me, O Lord, from ev - er - last - ing



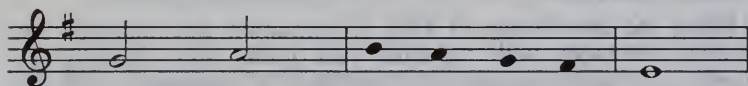
death on that day of terror: when the



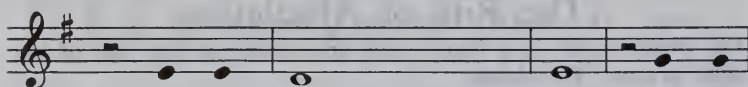
heavens and the earth will be shaken. As you



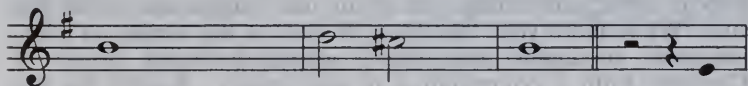
come to judge the world by fire. I



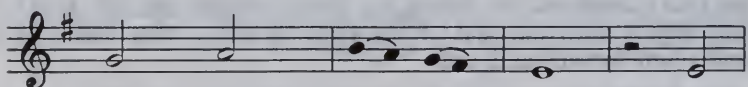
am in fear and trem - bling at the judgment



and the wrath that is to come. When the



heavens and the earth will be shaken. That



day will be a day of wrath, of

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mis'ry, and of ruin, a day of
 grandeur and great horror: As you come
 to judge the world by fire. E - ter-nal
 rest grant un - to them, O Lord,
 and let per - petual light shine up-on them.
 De - liver me, O Lord, from e-ver-last-ing
 death on that day of terror: When the
 heavens and the earth will be shaken. As you
 come to judge the world by fire.

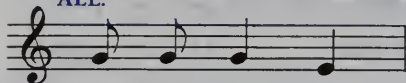
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CHOIR (or CHANTER):



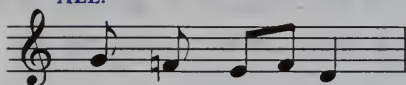
Lord, have mer - cy.

ALL:



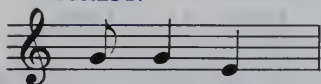
Christ, have mer - cy.

ALL:



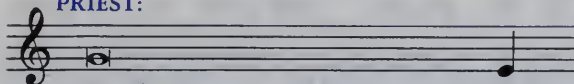
Lord, have mer - cy.

PRIEST:



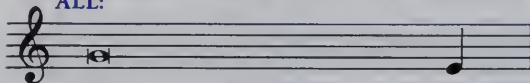
Our Fa - ther. *(all continue silently)*

PRIEST:



And lead us not into tempta - tion.

ALL:



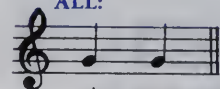
But deliver us from e - vil.

PRIEST: From the gate of hell.

ALL: Rescue his (her) soul, O Lord.

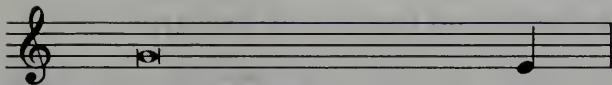
PRIEST: May he (she) rest in peace.

ALL:

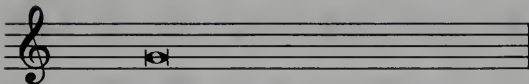


A - men.

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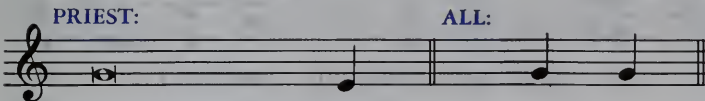


PRIEST: O Lord, hear my *prayer.*
 ALL: And let my cry come to *you.*



PRIEST: The Lord be with you.
 ALL: And with your spirit.

Priest: Let us pray. O God, who alone are ever merciful and sparing of punishment, humbly we pray you in behalf of the soul of your servant, N., whom you have commanded to go forth today from this world. Do not hand him (her) over to the power of the enemy and do not forget him (her) forever; but command that this soul be taken up by the holy angels and brought home to paradise, so that, since he (she) hoped and believed in you, he (she) may not undergo the punishments of hell, but rather possess everlasting joys.



Through Christ our *Lord.*

A - men.

If the body of the deceased is to be taken from the church, the choir sings the hymn May the angels take you as the procession moves down the aisle.

If the body is not to be taken, this hymn and The Benedictus are said in the church.

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Antiphon and Canticle of Zachary

Antiphon

May the an - gels take you in - to par - a -

dis; may the mar - tyrs come to wel - come you

on your way, and lead you in - to the ho - ly

cit - y, Je - ru - sa - lem. May the choir of

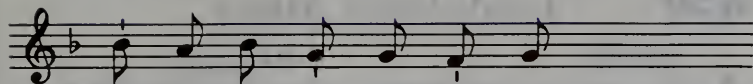
an - gels wel - come you, and with La - za -

rus who once was poor may you

have ev - er - last - ing rest.

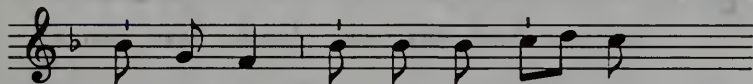
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PRIEST:

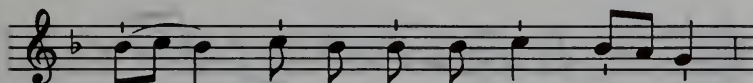


I am the res - ur - rec - tion*

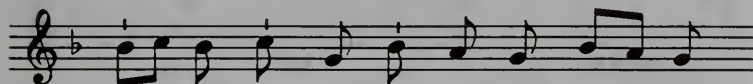
CHOIR:



and the life; he who be - lieves in



me, — e - ven if he die, shall live;



and who - ev - er lives and be - lieves in



me, shall — nev - er die.

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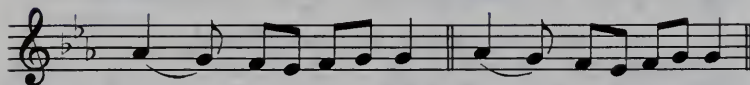
Rev. William A. Bauman

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Lord, Have Mercy

CHOIR:

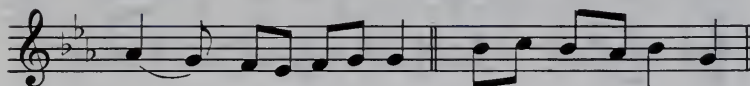
ALL:



Lord, — have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

CHOIR:

ALL:



Lord, — have mer - cy. Christ, have — mer - cy.

CHOIR:

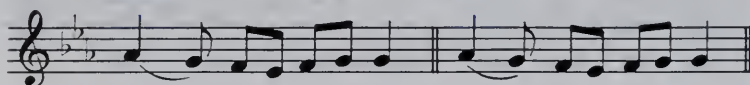
ALL:



Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

CHOIR:

ALL:



Lord, — have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

ALL:



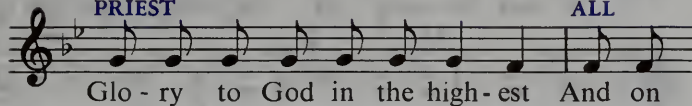
Lord, — have mer - cy.

Glory to God in the Highest **M-51**

(Ambrosian Gloria)

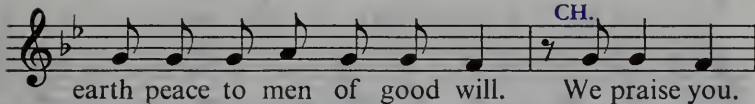
PRIEST

ALL



Glo - ry to God in the high - est And on

CH.



earth peace to men of good will. We praise you.

ALL

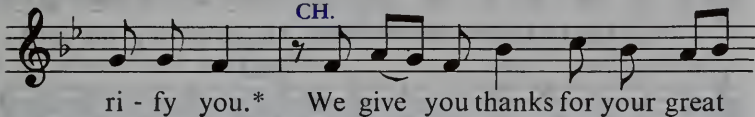
CH.

ALL



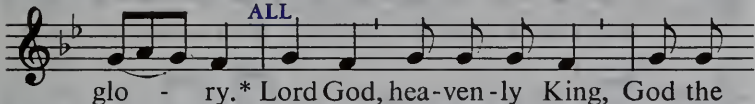
We bless you. We wor-ship you. We glo -

CH.



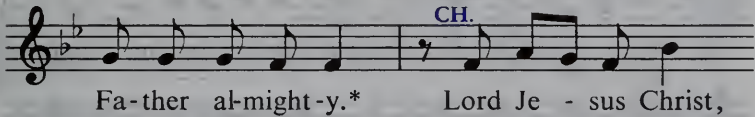
ri - fy you.* We give you thanks for your great

ALL



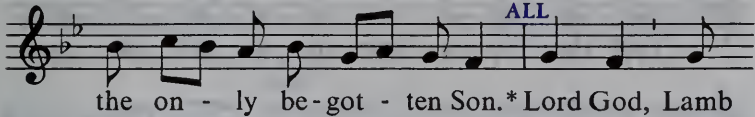
glo - ry.* Lord God, hea-ven - ly King, God the

CH.



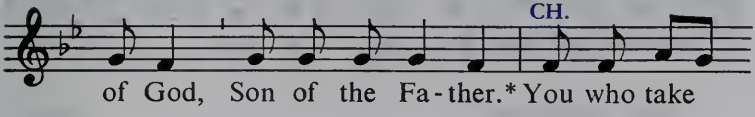
Fa-ther al-might-y.* Lord Je - sus Christ,

ALL



the on - ly be-got - ten Son.* Lord God, Lamb

CH.



of God, Son of the Fa-ther.* You who take

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a - way the sins of the world,* have mer-cy

ALL
on us.* You, who take a - way the sins of

CH.
the world,* re - ceive our prayer.* You, who sit at

the - right hand of the Fa - ther,* have mer-cy on us.*

CH.
For you a - lone are ho - ly.* You a - lone are Lord.*

ALL
You a - lone, O Je - sus Christ, are most high,*

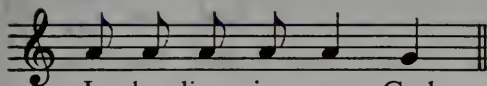
CH.
With the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry

ALL
of God the Fa - ther. A - men. _____

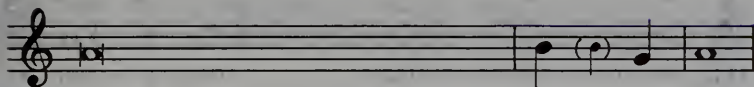
The Creed

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PRIEST



I be - lieve in one God.



CH: 1. The Father Almighty maker of heav-en and earth* 1

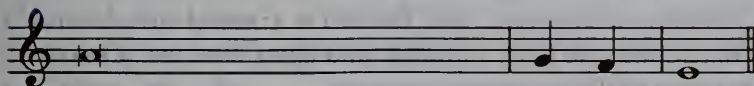
ALL: 2. And I believe in one Lord Je - sus Christ,* 2

CH: 3. Born of the Father be - fore all ages.* 3

ALL: 4. Begotten, not made,* of one substance with the Father* 4

CH: 5. Who for us men and for our sal- vation 5

ALL: 6. And he became flesh by the Holy Spirit of the Vir - gin Mary:* 6



1. and of all things visible and in - visible.* 2

2. the only begotten son of God.* 3

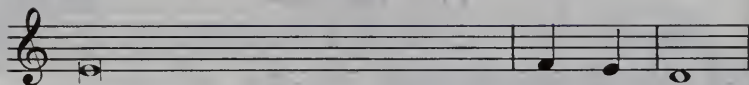
3. God of God, light of light, true God of true God.* 4

4. By whom all things were made.* 5

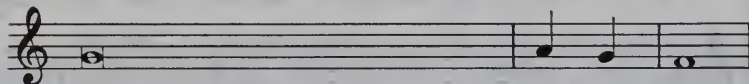
5. came down from heaven.* 6

6. and was made man. 7

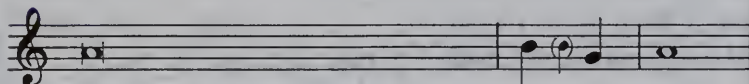
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CH: 7. He was also cruci - - fied for us,* 7



ALL: 8. And on the third day He a - rose a - gain 8



CH: 9 . He ascended in - to heaven 9

ALL: 10. He will come in glory to judge
the living and the dead.* 10

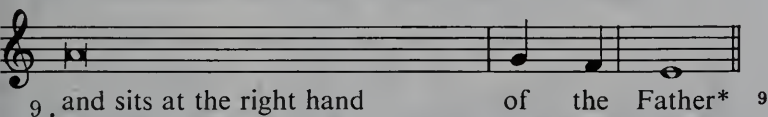
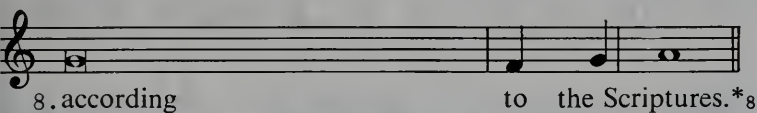
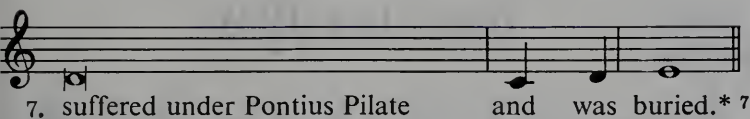
CH: 11 . And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life* 11

ALL: 12. Who together with the Father
and the Son is a - dored and glorified* 12

CH: 13. And one holy, Catholic, and apo - sto - lic Church* 13

ALL: 14. And I await the resurrection of the dead* 14

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10. And of his kingdom there will be no end.* 10

11. who proceeds from the Father and the Son.* 11

12. and who spoke through the prophets* 12

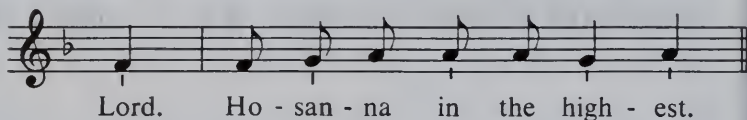
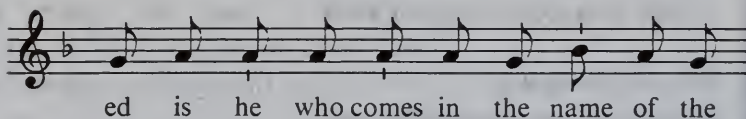
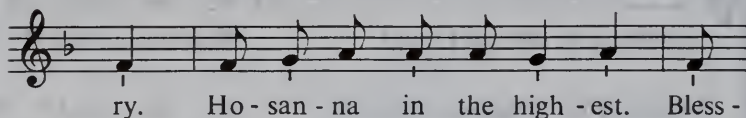
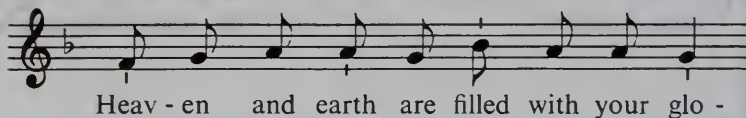
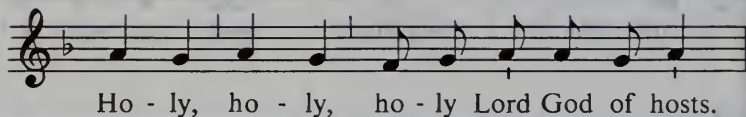
13. I confess one baptism for the
forgive - ness of sins.* 13

14. And the life of the world to come. A - men. 14

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Holy, Holy, Holy

ALL:



Lamb of God

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ALL:

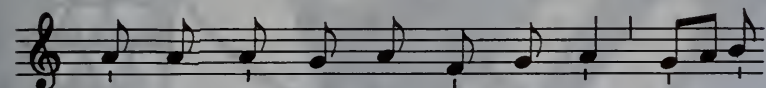


Lamb of God, who take a - way the sins of the



world, have__mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, who
(grant__them rest.__)

(grant___ them rest.___)



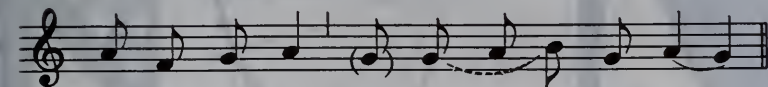
take a - way the sins of the world, have_mer-
(grant_

(grant _____)



-cy on us. Lamb of God, who take a-way the
them rest.____)

them rest.____)



sins of the world, grant _____ us peace._____

grant them e - ter - nal rest.____)

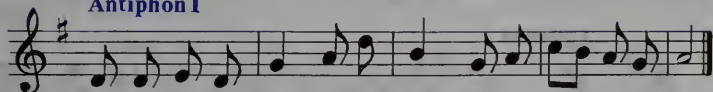


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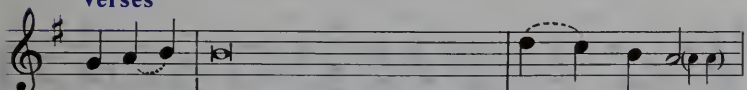
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Antiphon 1

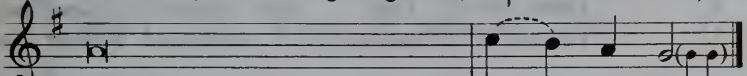


Bless-ed is the man who de-lights in the law of the Lord.

Verses

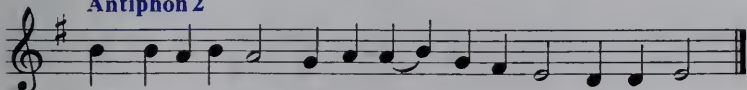


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|------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|----|
| 1. Hap-py the | man who | fol - lows not | 1 |
| 2. Nor walks | in the | way of sin-ners, | 2 |
| 3. But de - | lights in the | law of the Lord | 3 |
| 4. He is | | like a tree | 4 |
| 5. That yields | its fruit in due season, and whose | leaves nev-er fade. | 5 |
| 6. Not so | the | wick-ed, not so; | 6 |
| 7. There-fore in | judgment the wicked | shall not stand, | 7 |
| 8. For the | Lord watches over the | way of the just, | 8 |
| 9. Glo-ry | be to the Father | and to the Son, | 9 |
| 10. As it | was in the beginning, is now, and | ev - er shall be, | 10 |



- | | | |
|---|----------------------|----|
| 1. the counsel | of the wick - ed | 2 |
| 2. nor sits in the company | of the in - so-lent, | 3 |
| 3. and meditates on his | law day and night. | 4 |
| 4. planted near | run-ning wa - ter, | 5 |
| 5. What ever he | does pros-pers. | 6 |
| 6. they are like chaff which the | wind drives a - way. | 7 |
| 7. nor shall sinners, / in the assembly | of the just. | 8 |
| 8. but the way of the | wick-ed van-ish-es. | 9 |
| 9. and to the | Ho-ly Spir-it, | 10 |
| 10. world with - | out end. A - men. | |

Antiphon 2

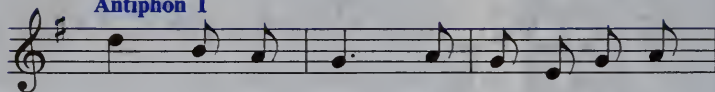


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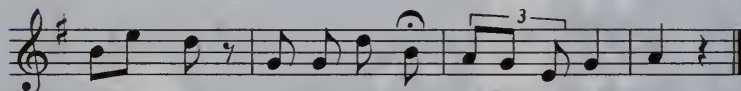
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Antiphon 1

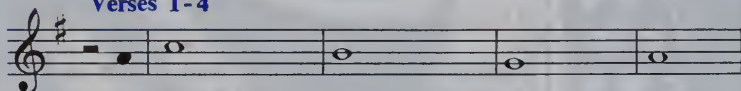


Know that the Lord does won-ders for his

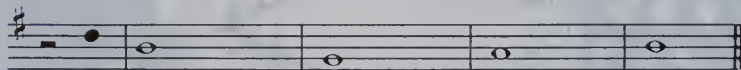


loved ones; he will hear me when I call him.

Verses 1-4



1. When I call to you, answer me, O God of justice! 1
2. O men how long will you be dull of heart? 2
3. Know that the Lord does wonders for his loved ones; 3
4. Fear him and sin no more; lie a-wake and re-flect. 4



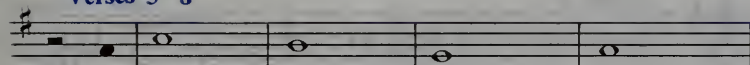
1. You have helped me in dis-tress; now pity me and hear me. 2
2. Why do you love what is vain and seek what is false? 3
3. he will hear me when-ever I call him. 4
4. Offer just sacrifice and trust in the Lord. 5

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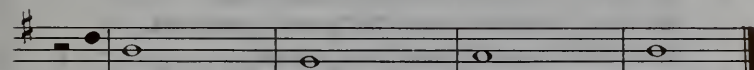
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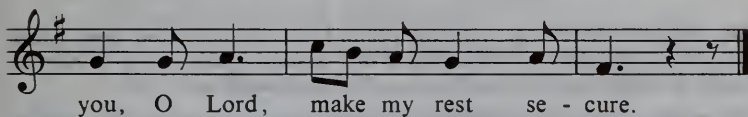
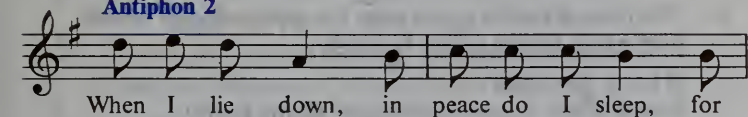


5. — Many ask “What can bring us happiness?” 5
 6. You have put in my heart a greater joy 6
 7. When I lie down, in peace do I sleep, 7
 8. Give glory to the Father, to the Son, and Holy Spirit 8

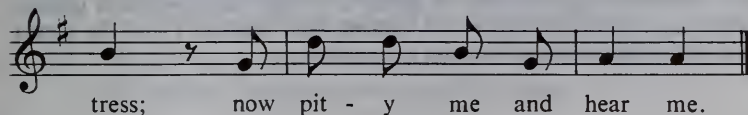
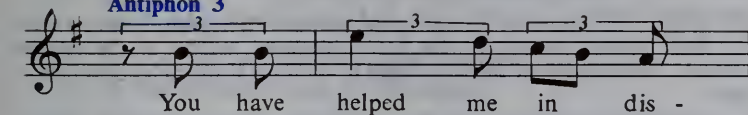


5. But only let your countenance shine on us, O Lord. 6
 6. than they have when wheat and wine a - bound. 7
 7. for you alone, O Lord, make my rest se - cure. 8
 8. as in a - ges past; so in a - ges un - ending.

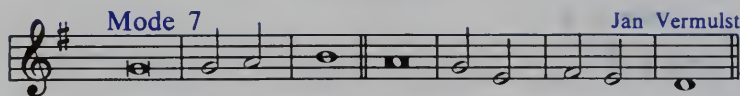
Antiphon 2



Antiphon 3



Psalm 8



1. O Lord, our Lord,
how glorious is your name over all the earth!
You have exalted your majesty above the heavens.
2. Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings
you have fashioned praise because of your foes,
to silence the hostile and the vengeful.
3. When I behold your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars which you set in place —
4. What is man that you should be mindful of him,
or the son of man that you should care for him?
5. You have made him little less than the angels,
and crowned him with glory and honor.
6. You have given him rule over the works of your hands,
putting all things under his feet:
7. O Lord, our Lord,
how glorious is your name over all the earth!

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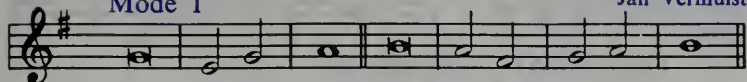
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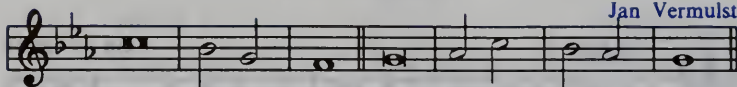
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Psalm 17

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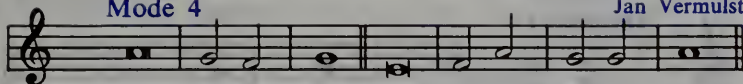


1. I love you, O Lord, my strength,
O Lord, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer.
2. My God, my rock of refuge,
my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold!
3. Praised be the Lord, I exclaim,
and I am safe from my enemies.
4. The breakers of death surged round about me,
the destroying floods overwhelmed me;
5. The cords of the nether world enmeshed me,
the snares of death overtook me.
6. In my distress I called upon the Lord
and cried out to my God;
7. From his temple he heard my voice,
and my cry to him reached his ears.
8. He rescued me from my mighty enemy
and from my foes, who were too powerful for me.
9. For I kept the ways of the Lord
and was not disloyal to my God;
10. The Lord live! And blessed be my Rock!
Extolled be God my savior.
11. O God, who granted me vengeance,
who made peoples subject to me
and preserved me from my enemies,
12. Truly above my adversaries you exalt me
and from the violent man you have rescued me.
13. Therefore will I proclaim you, O Lord, among the nations,
and I will sing praise to your name,
14. You who gave great victories to your king
and showed kindness to your anointed,
to David and his posterity forever.

Psalm 18

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1. The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
2. The law of the Lord is perfect,
refreshing the soul;
3. The decree of the Lord is trustworthy,
giving wisdom to the simple.
4. The precepts of the Lord are right,
rejoicing the heart;
5. The command of the Lord is clear,
enlightening the eye;
6. The fear of the Lord is pure,
enduring foreever;
7. The ordinances of the Lord are true,
all of them just;
8. They are more precious than gold,
than a heap of purest gold;
9. Sweeter also than syrup
or honey from the comb.
10. Though your servant is careful of them,
very diligent in keeping them,
11. Yet who can detect failings?
Cleanse me from my unknown faults!
12. From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant;
let it not rule over me.
13. Then shall I be blameless
and innocent of serious sin.
14. Let the words of my mouth and the thought of my heart
find favor before you.
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

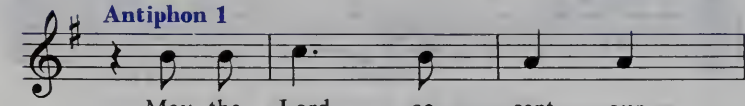
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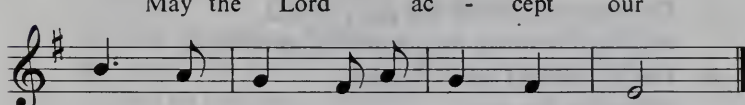
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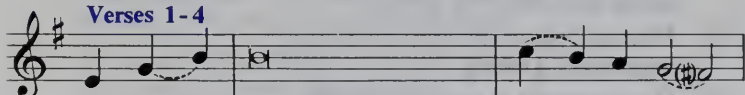


May the Lord ac - cept our

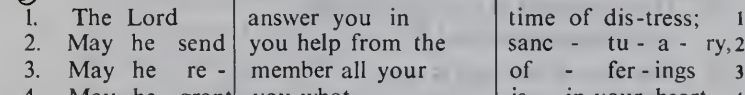


of - fer - ings and our sac - ri - fice.

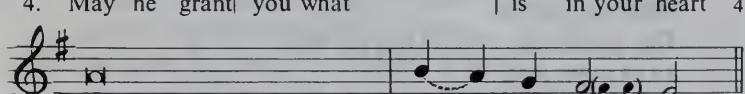
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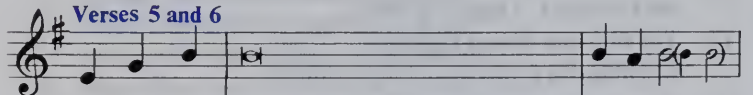
1. The Lord	answer you in	time of dis-tress; 1
2. May he send	you help from the	sanc - tu - a - ry, 2
3. May he re -	member all your	of - fer - ings 3
4. May he grant	you what	is in your heart 4



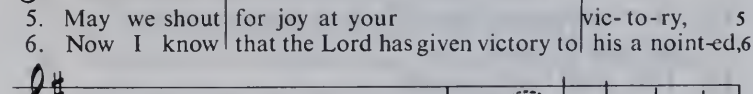
1. the name of the God of	Ja - cob de - fend you! 1
2. from Sion	may he sus - tain you. 2
3. and graciously ac -	cept your ho - lo - caust. 3
4. and ful -	fill your ev - 'ry plan. 4



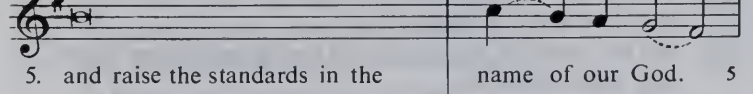
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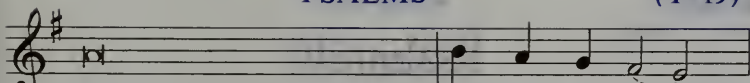


5. May we shout	for joy at your	vic - to - ry, 5
6. Now I know	that the Lord has given victory to	his a noint - ed, 6

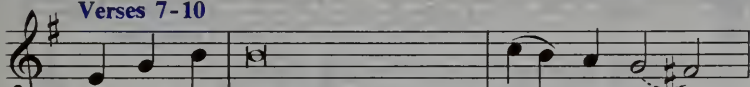


5. and raise the standards in the	name of our God. 5
6. that he has answered him from his	ho - ly heav - en 6

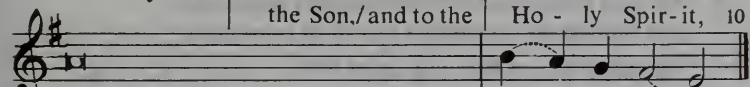




5. The Lord grant all your re - quests ! 6
6. with the strength of his vic - to - rious right hand. 7

Verses 7-10


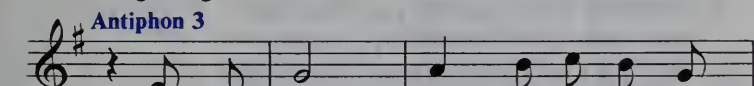
7. Some are strong in chariots; some in hors-es; 7
8. Though they bow down and fall, 8
9. O Lord, grant victory to the king, 9
10. Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Ho - ly Spir-it, 10



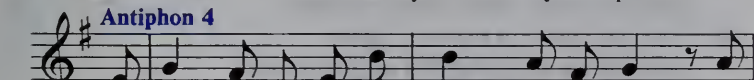
7. but we are strong in the name of the Lord, our God. 8
8. yet we stand e - - - rect and firm. 9
9. and answer us when we call up - on you. 10
10. as it was in the beginning, is now, / and ever shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Antiphon 2


Lord, grant guid - ance to the lead - ers of our na-tion.

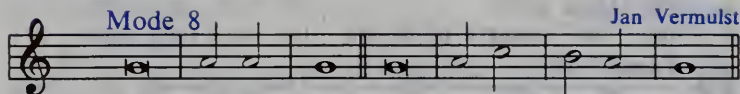
Antiphon 3


May the Lord grant what is in your heart and ful - fill your ev - 'ry plan.

Antiphon 4


The Lord ans-ber you in time of dis-tress; the name of the God of Ja - cob de - fend you.

Psalm 20



1. O Lord, in your strength the king is glad;
in your victory how greatly he rejoices!
2. You have granted him his heart's desire;
you refused not the wish of his lips.
3. For you welcomed him with goodly blessings,
you placed on his head a crown of pure gold.
4. He asked life of you: you gave him
length of days forever and ever.
5. Great is his glory in your victory;
majesty and splendor you conferred upon him.
6. For you made him a blessing forever;
you gladdened him with the joy of your presence.
7. For the king trusts in the Lord,
and through the kindness of the Most High
he stands unshaken.
8. May your hand reach all your enemies,
may your right hand reach your foes!
9. May the Lord consume them in his anger;
let fire devour them.
10. Destroy their fruit from the earth
and their posterity from among men.
11. Though they intend evil against you,
devising plots, they cannot succeed,
12. For you shall put them to flight;
you shall aim your shafts against them.
13. Be extolled, O Lord, in your strength!
We will sing, chant the praise of your might.

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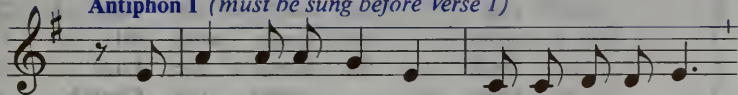
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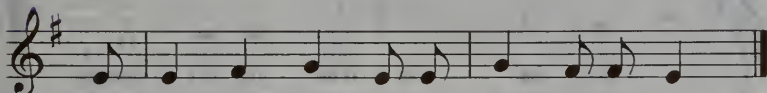
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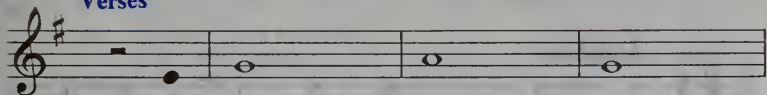


The Lord is my shep-herd; noth-ing shall I want;

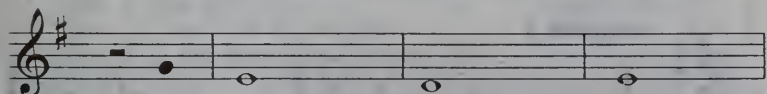


in ver - dant pas - tures he gives me re - pose.

Verses

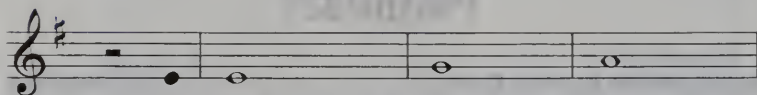


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|----|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------|---|
| 1. | To | waters of | peace | he | leads me; | 1 |
| 2. | Though I should | walk in the | valley of | darkness | | 2 |
| 3. | You | spread | a | banquet be - | fore me | 3 |
| 4. | Surely | goodness and | kindness shall | follow me | | 4 |
| 5. | Give | glory to the | Father Al - | mighty, | | 5 |

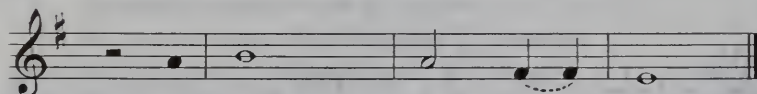


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|----|--------|------------------|------------|---------|-------|---|
| 1. | and | there he re - | freshes my | soul. | | 1 |
| 2. | No | evil | shall I | fear; | | 2 |
| 3. | with - | in | the sight | of my | foes; | 3 |
| 4. | — | all | the days | of my | life; | 4 |
| 5. | to | Christ, his be - | lov - | ed Son; | | 5 |

Psalm 22 (cont.)



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|----|------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|----------|---|
| 1. | He | leads | me | a - | long | safe | paths | 1 |
| 2. | With | rod | and | staff | you | are | near me, | 2 |
| 3. | You | a - | noint | my | head | with | oil. | 3 |
| 4. | I | will | dwel | in | the | house | of the | 4 |
| 5. | To | the | Spirit | who | guides | the | Church | 5 |

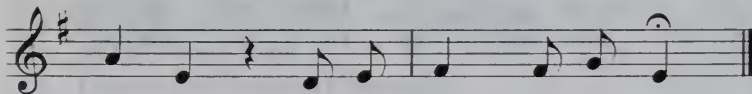


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|----|------|-------|-----|-------|-------|----------|-------|---|
| 1. | for | he | is | true | to | his | name. | 2 |
| 2. | with | these | you | give | me | comfort. | 3 | |
| 3. | my | cup | is | o - | ver - | flowing. | 4 | |
| 4. | for | ever | and | ev - | er - | more. | 5 | |
| 5. | both | now | and | for - | ever. | A - | men. | |

Antiphon 2



The Lord spreads a ban - quet be -

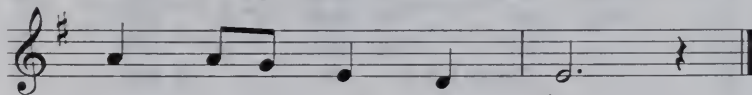


fore me; he re - fresh - es my soul.

Antiphon 3



He guides me a - long safe paths;



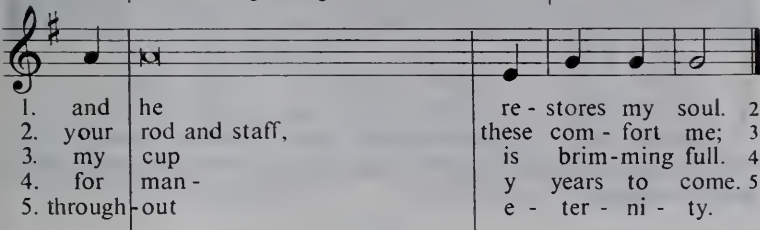
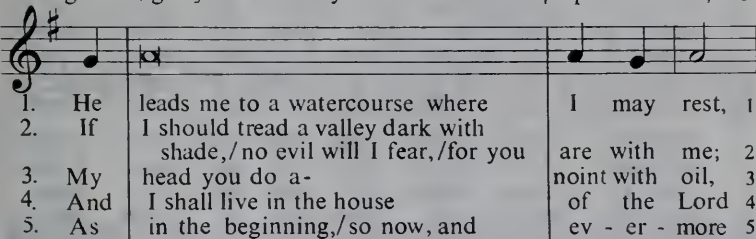
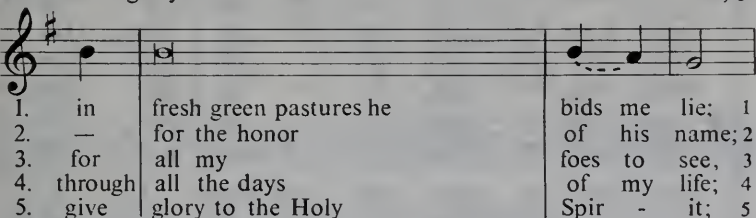
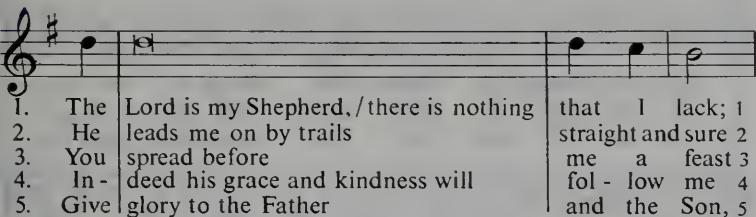
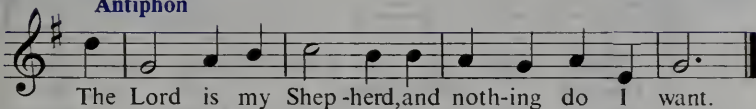
noth - ing shall I fear.

Psalm 22

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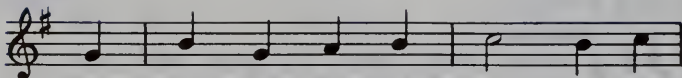
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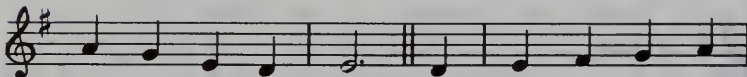
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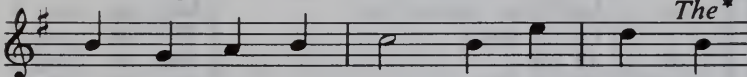
1. The Lord is my true Shep - herd, My
2. Though I should walk in dark - ness No
3. His good - ness and his kind - ness Shall



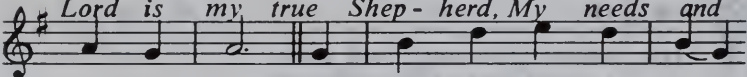
1. needs and wants he knows; He feeds me in green
2. e - vil shall I fear; Your rod and staff give
3. ev - er fol - low me; His house shall be my



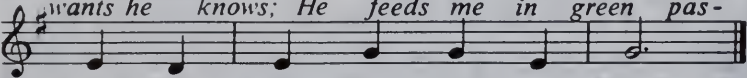
1. pas - tures And there gives me re - pose. He
2. com - fort For you are ev - er near. You
3. dwell - ing For all e - ter - ni - ty. Give *The**



1. leads me to cool wa - ters Where he re -
 2. spread a sump-tuous ban - quet In sight of
 3. praise to God the Fa - ther, To Christ, his
- Lord is my true Shep - herd, My needs and*



1. fresh - es me; A - long safe paths he guides
 2. all my foes; With oil you do a - noint
 3. on - ly Son, And to the Ho - ly Spir -
- wants he knows; He feeds me in green pas -*



1. me, True to his Name is he.
 2. me. My cup now o - ver - flows.
 3. it, True God in es - sence One.
- tures And there gives me re - pose.*

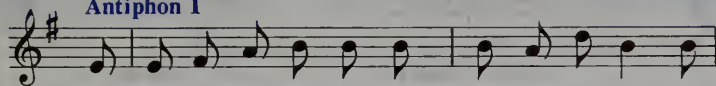
**The first part of the psalm may be repeated at the end of the 3rd verse, rather than "Give praise. . . ."*

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Antiphon 1

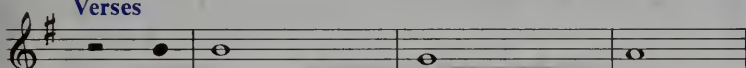


The earth and its full-ness be - long to the Lord, the

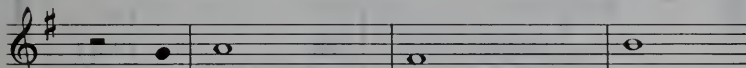


world is his and all who dwell in it.

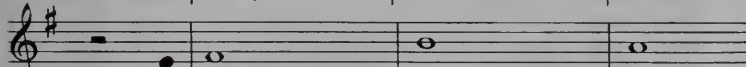
Verses



1.	The	Lord's	are the	earth and its	fullness; 1
2.	Who can as-	cend	the	mountain of the	Lord? 2
3.	He shall re-	ceive	a	blessing from the	Lord, 3
4.	Lift	up,	O	gates, your	lintels; 4
5.	Lift	up,	O	gates, your	lintels; 5
6.	Give	glory to the	Father	al-	mighty, 6



1.	the	world	and	all those who	dwell in it. 1
2.	Or who may	stand in his	holy	place? 2	
3.	a re-	ward	from	God his	savior. 3
4.	reach	up,	you	ancient	portals, 4
5.	reach	up,	you	ancient	portals, 5
6.	to his	Son, Jesus	Christ	the	Lord, 6



1.	For he	founded it up-	on	the	seas 1
2.	—	He,	whose	hands	are sinless, 2
3.	Such is the	race	that	seeks	for him, 3
4.	that the	king	of	glory may come	in! 4
5.	that the	king	of	glory may come	in! 5
6.	to the	Spirit who	dwells in our	hearts.	6

1.	and es-	tablished it up-	on	the	rivers.	2
2.	nor	swears de-	ceitfully to his		neighbor.	3
3.	that seeks the	face of the	God of		Jacob.	4
4.	the	Lord,	mighty	in	battle.	5
5.	—	he is the	king	of	glory.	6
6.	—	world without	end.	A-	men.	

Antiphon 2 *appropriately used after any verse*



The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glo - ry.

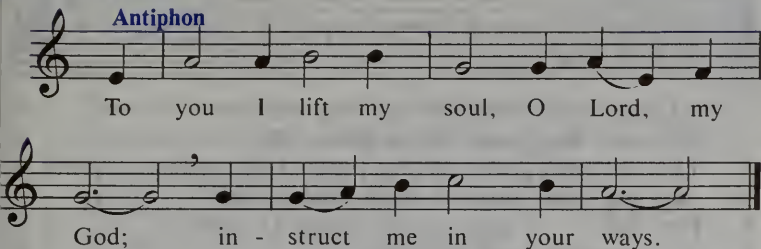
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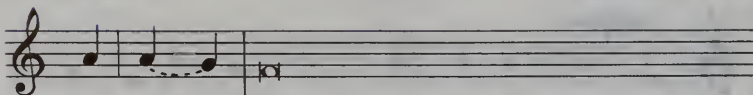
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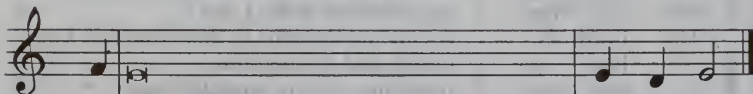
Verses

1.	To	you	I	lift my soul, / O Lord my God;	1
2.	Point	out	to	me your paths, O Lord,	2
3.	Re -	mem - ber	your	mercies, Lord,	3
4.	The	Lord	is	upright, / he is good,	4
5.	All	path - ways		of the Lord are grace and faithfulness,	5
6.	Who	is	the	man who fears the Lord ?	6
7.	The	Lord	is	friend and intimate to them that fear him,	7
8.	O	look	up -	on me and be merciful,	8
9.	—	See	my	hardship and my wretchedness,	9
10.	Pro -	tect	my	soul and rescue me,	10
11.	Give	glo -	ry	to the Father and the Son,	11

1.	I	trust in you: / let me never	come to shame; 1
2.	in -	struct me	in your ways; 2
3.	your	tenderness from	a - ges past; 3
4.	and	so he shows the path to	wan - der - ers; 4
5.	to	those who keep his cove -	nant and laws. 5
6.	He	teaches him what	path to choose; 6
7.	and	he reveals his cove -	nant to them. 7
8.	for	loneliness, misfortune	are my lot; 8
9.	and	pardon	all my sins. 9
10.	you	are my refuge: / do not	shame my trust. 10
11.	give	glory to the	Ho - ly Spir - it; 11

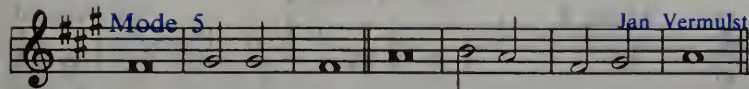
Psalm 24 (*cont.*)

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|------|------------------|---|-----|
| 1. | pre - vent my | enemies' rejoicing over me; | 1 |
| 2. | Di - rect me, | teach me in your truth, | 2 |
| 3. | The sins, th'of- | fenses of my youth,/keep not these in mind. | 3 |
| 4. | In jus - tice | does he guide humble souls | 4 |
| 5. | For the | sake of your Name, O Lord, | 5 |
| 6. | In com-fort | will he dwell, | 6 |
| 7. | My eyes are | ever fixed upon the Lord, | 7 |
| 8. | Re - lieve the | anguish of my heart, | 8 |
| 9. | Look how | many are my enemies, | 9 |
| 10. | May in - no - | cence and honesty be my safeguard, | 10 |
| 10a. | O God, de - | liver Israel, | 10a |
| 11. | As in | the beginning,/ so now. and evermore | 11 |

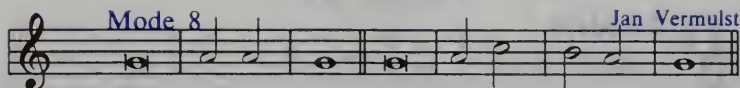


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|------|--|-------------------|-----------------|---|
| 1. | for all who hope in you shall not know shame;/ | break their faith | 2 | |
| 2. | be-cause you are my Savior God,/ | and ever do I | hope in you. | 3 |
| 3. | but in your mercy remember me,/ | according to your | good-ness, Lord | 4 |
| 4. | and teaches | them his way. | 5 | |
| 5. | for - give my sins, for | they are great. | 6 | |
| 6. | and his posterity will pos - | sess the earth. | 7 | |
| 7. | be - cause he plucks my feet out | of the snare. | 8 | |
| 8. | de - liver me from | my dis-tress. | 9 | |
| 9. | what violent hate they | have for me! | 10 | |
| 10. | be-cause I hope in | you, O Lord. | | |
| 10a. | from all | (to 10a above) | | |
| 11. | Through-out e - | her dis-tress. | 11 | |
| | | ter - ni - ty. | | |

Psalm 26



1. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?
The Lord is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid?
2. When evildoers come at me to devour my flesh,
My foes and my enemies themselves stumble and fall.
3. Though an army encamp against me,
my heart will not fear;
4. Though war be waged upon me,
even then will I trust.
5. One thing I ask of the Lord;
this I seek:
To dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
6. That I may gaze on the loveliness of the Lord
and contemplate his temple.
7. Even now my head is held high
above my enemies on every side.
8. And I will offer in his tent
sacrifices with shouts of gladness;
9. I will sing and chant
praise to the Lord.
10. Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call;
have pity on me, and answer me.
11. Show me, O Lord, your way,
and lead me on a level path,
because of my adversaries.
12. I believe that I shall see the bounty of the Lord
in the land of the living.
13. Wait for the Lord with courage;
be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord.

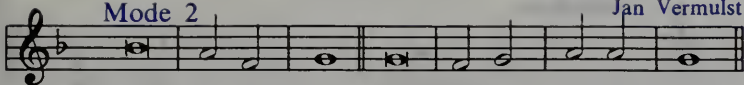


1. In you, O Lord, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
2. In your justice rescue me,
incline your ear to me, make haste to deliver me!
3. Be my rock of refuge,
a stronghold to give me safety.
4. You are my rock and my fortress;
for your name's sake you will lead and guide me.
5. You will free me from the snare they set for me,
for you are my refuge.
6. Into your hands I commend my spirit;
you will redeem me, O Lord, O faithful God.
7. You hate those who worship vain idols,
but my trust is in the Lord.
8. In your hands is my destniy;
rescue me from the clutches of my enemies
and my perecutors.
9. Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your kindness.
10. Blessed be the Lord whose wondrous kindness
he has shown me in a fortfied city.
11. Once I said in my anguish,
"I am cut off from your sight";
12. Yet you heard the sound of my pleading
when I cried out to you.
13. Love the Lord, all you his faithful ones!
The Lord keeps those who are constant,
but more than requites those who act proudly.
14. Take courage and be stouthearted,
all you who hope in the Lord.

Psalm 32

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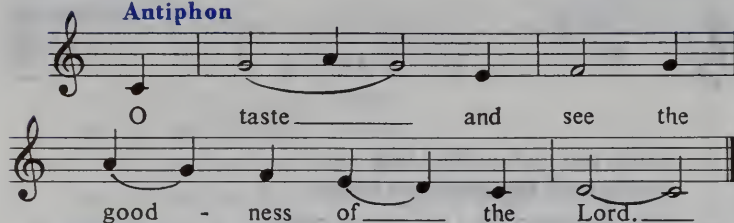


1. Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting.
2. Give thanks to the Lord on the harp;
with the ten-stringed lyre chant his praises.
3. Sing to him a new song;
pluck the strings skillfully, with shouts of gladness.
4. For upright is the word of the Lord,
and all his works are trustworthy.
5. He loves justice and right;
of the kindness of the Lord the earth is full.
6. By the word of the Lord the heavens were made;
by the breath of his mouth all their host.
7. He gathers the waters of the sea as in a flask;
in cellars he confines the deep.
8. Let all the earth fear the Lord;
let all who dwell in the world revere him.
9. For he spoke, and it was made;
he commanded, and it stood forth.
10. The Lord brings to nought the plans of nations;
he foils the designs of peoples.
11. But the plan of the Lord stands forever;
the design of his heart, through all generations.
12. Our soul waits for the Lord,
who is our help and our shield,
13. For in him our hearts rejoice;
in his holy name we trust.
14. May your kindness, O Lord, be upon us
who have put our hope in you.

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Antiphon



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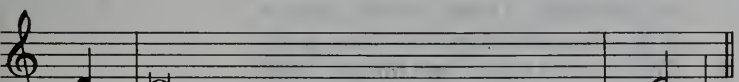
1. At all times I will	1	ble	the Lord, 1
2. Come, mag - ni - fy the	2	Lord with me, 2	
3. Look up to him that	3	gladness may be yours, 3	
4. The An - gel of the	4	Lord encamps 4	
5. Fear Yah - weh, you his	5	saints, 5	
6. Then, chil - dren, come and	6	listen to me, 6	
7. Re - strain your tongue from	7	evil speech, 7	
8. The eyes of Yah - weh	8	look upon the just, 8	
9. The just cried out and	9	Yahweh heard, 9	
10. — Ma - ny the mis -	10	fortunes of the just, 10	
11. The mal - ice of the	11	wicked man brings death to him, 11	
12. Give glo - ry to the	12	Father and the Son, 12	

1. and	ever in my mouth his	praise; 1
2. to -	gether let us exalt his	Name; 2
3. nor	blush of shame come over your	face. 3
4. by	those who fear him, and he rescues	them; 4
5. for	those who fear him never	want; 5
6. and	I will teach you the fear of the	Lord; 6
7. your	lips from deceitful	words; 7
8. his	ears are turned to their	cry; 8
9. from	all their anguish he delivered	them; 9
10. but	Yahweh rescues him from all of	them; 10
11. and	those who hate a just man shall draw punish -	ment; 11
12. give	glory to the Holy	Spir - it; 12

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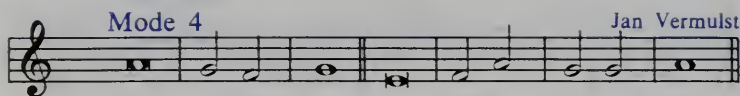


1. May	Yahweh be the glory	of my soul, 1
2. I	looked for Yahweh and he	an- swered me, 2
3. See	how a wretched man cried out and	Yah - weh heard, 3
4. O	taste and see the goodness	of the Lord; 4
5. Great	men have been impoverished and	hun- ger-struck, 5
6. Where	is the man in	love with life, 6
7. Shun	evil	and do good, 7
8. From	evil doers Yahweh's face is	turned a - way, 8
9. The	Lord is near to	brok- en hearts, 9
10. He	safeguards every	bone of him, 10
11. The	Lord redeems his	ser- vants' souls, 11
12. As	in the beginning, / so now, and	ev - er - more, 12



1. let	humble hearts listen and re-	joice. 2
2. from	all my foes he rescued	me. 3
3. and	saved him from all his suffer-	ing. 4
4. —	happy the man who flees to	him. 5
5. but	those who seek the Lord lack no good	thing. 6
6. de-	siring time to enjoy his	goods. 7
7. seek	peace and follow after	it. 8
8. to	banish their memory from the	earth. 9
9. and	brings salvation to humble	souls. 10
10. not	one of them shall suffer	harm. 11
11. no	one is punished that flees to	him. 12
12. through-	out eterni-	ty.

Psalm 36

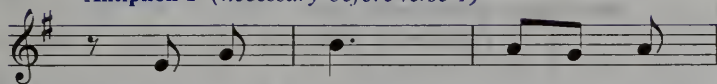


1. Be not vexed over evildoers,
nor jealous of those who do wrong;
2. For like grass they quickly wither,
and like green herbs they wilt.
3. Trust in the Lord and do good,
that you may dwell in the land and enjoy security.
4. Take delight in the Lord,
and he will grant you your heart's requests.
5. Commit to the Lord your way;
trust in him, and he will act.
6. He will make justice dawn for you like the light;
bright as the noonday shall be your vindication.
7. Leave it to the Lord, and wait for him;
Be not vexed at the successful path
of the man who does malicious deeds.
8. Give up your anger, and forsake wrath;
be not vexed, it will only harm you.
9. For evildoers shall be cut off,
but those who wait for the Lord shall possess the land.
10. Yet a little while, and the wicked man shall be no more;
though you mark his place he will not be there.
11. But the meek shall possess the land,
they shall delight in abounding peace.
12. The salvation of the just is from the Lord;
he is their refuge in time of distress.
13. And the Lord helps them and delivers them;
he delivers them from the wicked and saves them,
because they take refuge in him.

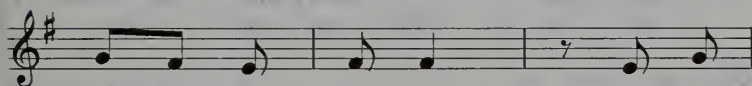
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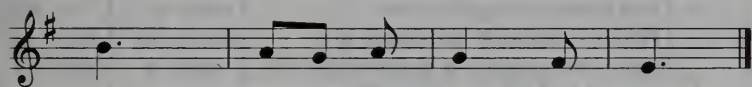
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Antiphon 1 (*necessary before verse 1*)

As the deer yearns for



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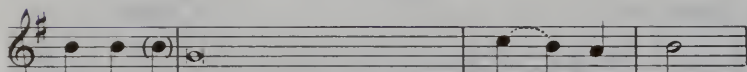


soul yearns for you, O God!

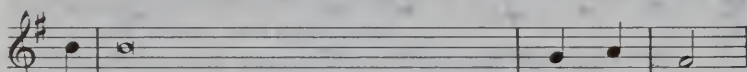
Verses

1.	All my	soul thirsts for God,/the	liv - ing God.	1
2.	I re-	member these things as I	pour out my soul:	2
3.	Oh my	soul, why are	you so sad?	3
4.	While my	soul is sad I will	think of you.	4
5.	May the	Lord in the day be -	stow his grace	5
6.	I am	crushed to the bone by my	mock - ing foes	6
7.	Glo - ry	be to the Father al -	might - y,	7

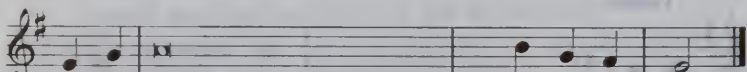
Psalm 41 (cont.)



1. When shall I	go and behold the	face of	God?	1
2. how I	led the great throngs to the	house of	God,	2
3. Will you	never re-	pose in	peace?	3
4. in the	land of the Jordan and			
	Hermon, / here on	Mi - sar	Hill.	4
5. that by	night I can sing of			
	praise to my	liv - ing	God.	5
6. as they	say to me every day,	"Where is your	God?"	6
7. to his	Son Jesus	Christ our	Lord,	7



1. My	tears have become my bread both	day and	night	1
2. a-	mid loud thanksgiving and	cries of	joy	2
3. —	Hope in God for I shall again give	thanks to	him	3
4. —	Deep calls to deep in the roar of your	cat - a -	racts,	4
5. I	cry out to God, my rock, / "Have			
	you for-	got - ten	me?"	5
6. My	soul, why are you sad, / and why			
	do you	ev - er	sigh?	6
7. —	to the Spirit who	guides the	church.	7



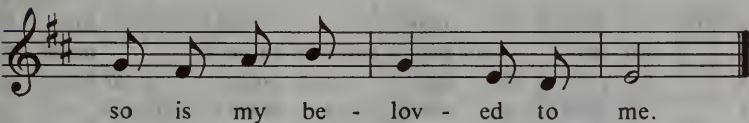
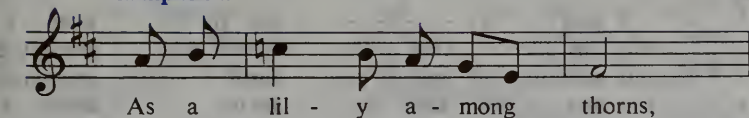
1. as they	say to me every day	"Where is your	God?"	2
2. with the	multitude keeping the	fes - ti - val	day.	3
3. in the	presence of my savior,	tru - ly my	God.	4
4. all your	torrents and waves have	swept o - ver	me.	5
5. Must I	ever go mourning, / op -	pressed by my	foes?"	6
6. Hope in	God! / I shall praise him			
	again, / my	sav - ior and	God!	7
7. As it	was and is now and shall	be ev - er -	more.	

Psalm 44

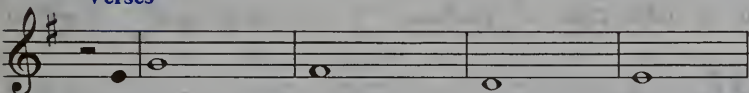
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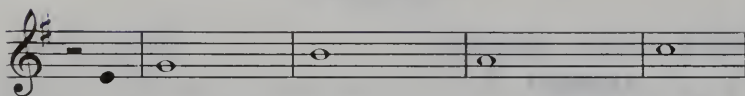


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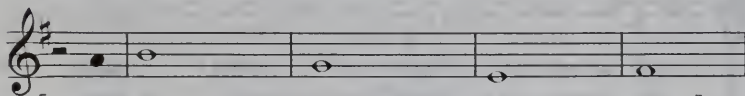


1. My heart over - flows with a goodly theme; 1
2. In beauty you are fairer than the sons of men; 2
3. — Gird your sword at your side, O mighty one! 3
4. Your arrows are sharp, sub-duing all nations, 4
5. You love what is good and hate what is evil; 5
6. Your robes are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia; 6
7. — Harken, O daughter, and lend your ear, 7
8. The people of Tyre are here with gifts; 8
9. In robes em-broidered she is brought to the king; 9
10. Your sons shall have the place of your fathers; 10
11. Give glory to God the Father al - mighty, 11

Psalm 44 (cont.)



1. as I sing my ———— ode to the king, 1
 2. your lips over - flow with speech most gracious; 2
 3. In your splendor and majesty ride forth tri - umphant; 3
 4. the foes of the king are losing heart. 4
 5. ——— therefore God, your God, has a - noointed you. 5
 6. from ivory palaces the music of strings brings you joy. 6
 7. for - get your people and your father's house. 7
 8. the rich of the nation will court your favor. 8
 9. be - hind her the maidens in her train are brought to you. 9
 10. ——— you shall ap - point them princes through all the land 10
 11. and to God the Son, our Savior and Lord, 11

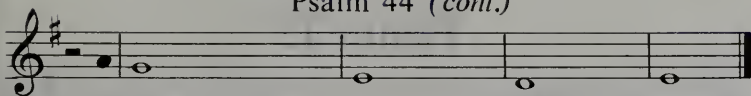


1. [] 1
 2. [] 2
 3. for the cause of truth, for the sake of justice, 3
 4. Your throne, O God, stands firm for ever; 4
 5. [] 5
 6. The daughters of kings come to welcome you; 6
 7. ——— So shall the king de - sire your beauty, 7
 8. All glorious, the daughter of the king now enters; 8
 9. ——— They are led in with gladness and joy; 9
 10. ——— I will make known your name through all gener - ations; 10
 11. and to God the Holy Spirit with - in us, 11

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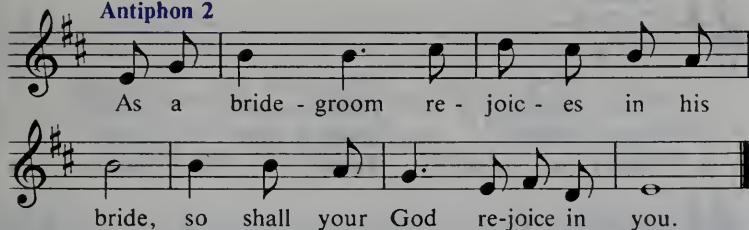
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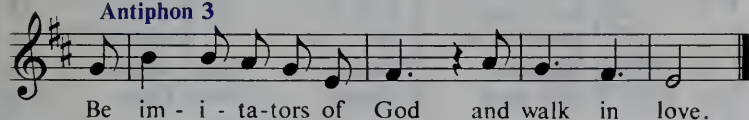


1. my tongue flows like the pen of a skillful scribe. 2
2. the blessings of God are yours for-ever. 3
3. your right hand shall show you great wonders of power. 4
4. a righteous rod is your royal scepter. 5
5. with the oil of gladness above your fellow kings. 6
6. the queen stands at your right in Ophir gold arrayed. 7
7. for he is your Lord, pay homage to him. 8
8. her raiment is threaded and spun with gold. 9
9. they make their entrance into the palace of the king. 10
10. — therefore the nations will praise you for-ever. 11
11. as it was, is now, and ever shall be.

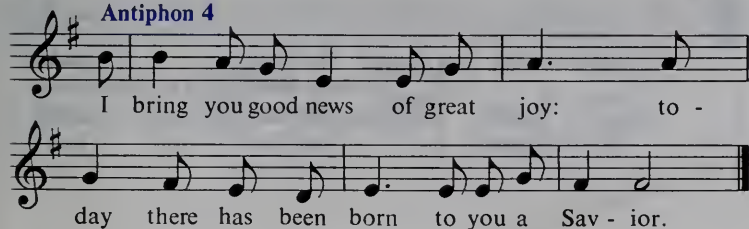
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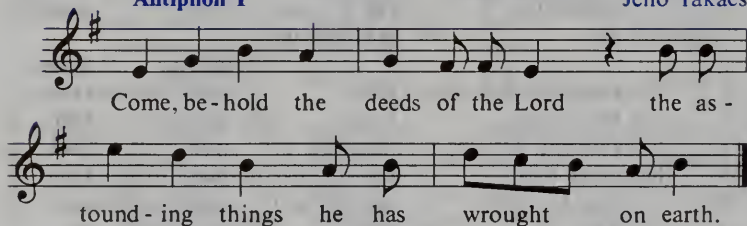


Psalm 45

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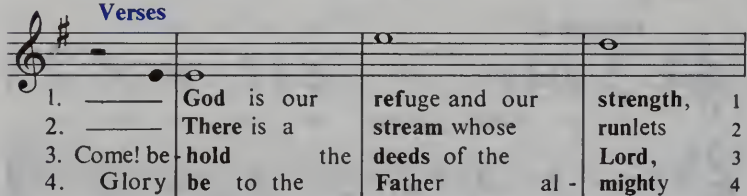
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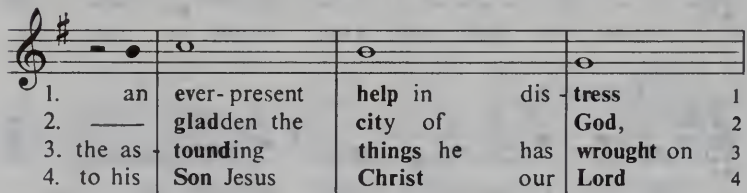


Come, be-hold the deeds of the Lord the as -
tound - ing things he has wrought on earth.

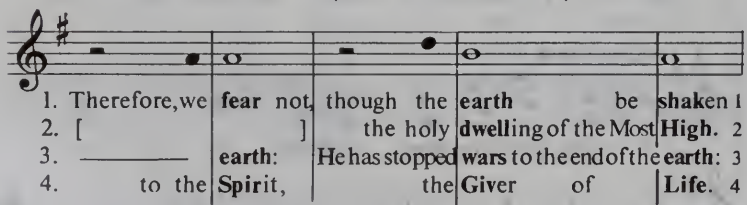
Verses



1. ———	God is our	refuge and our	strength,	1
2. ———	There is a	stream whose	runlets	2
3. Come! be-	hold the	deeds of the	Lord,	3
4. Glory	be to the	Father al -	mighty	4

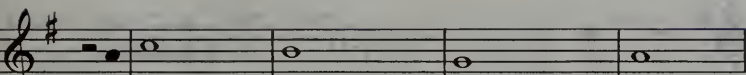


1. an	ever-present	help in	dis-tress	1
2. ———	gladden the	city of	God,	2
3. the as	tounding	things he	has wrought on	3
4. to his	Son Jesus	Christ	our Lord	4

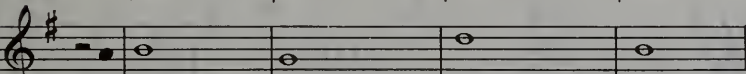


1. Therefore, we	fear not,	though the	earth be shaken	1
2. [———]		the holy	dwelling of the Most High.	2
3. ———	earth:	He has stopped	wars to the end of the earth:	3
4. to the	Spirit,	the	Giver of Life.	4

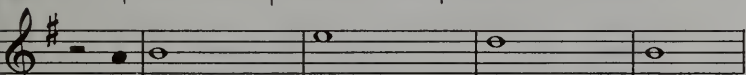
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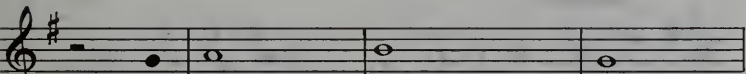
1. [				]	1
2. —	God is in its	midst; it shall	not be dis-	turbed;	2
3. the	bow he	breaks; he	splinters the	spears;	3
4. As it	was	in the be-	ginning, is	now,	4



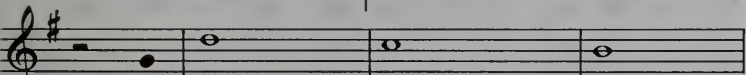
1. [				]	1
2. —	God will	help it at the	break of	dawn.	2
3. he	burns the	shields with	fire	—	3
4. And	ever shall	be	world without	end.	



1. and the	mountains	plunge into the	depths of the	sea;	1
2. Though	nations are in	turmoil,	Kingdoms	totter,	2
3. De-	sist! and con-	fess that	I am	God,	3

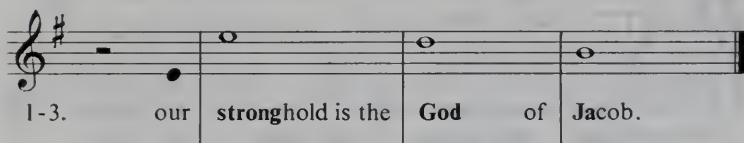
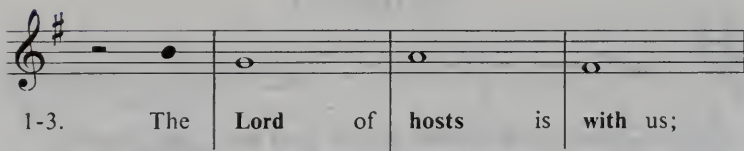


1. Though its	—	waters rage and	foam	1
2. his	—	voice re-	sounds,	2
3. ex-	alted a-	mong the	nations,	3

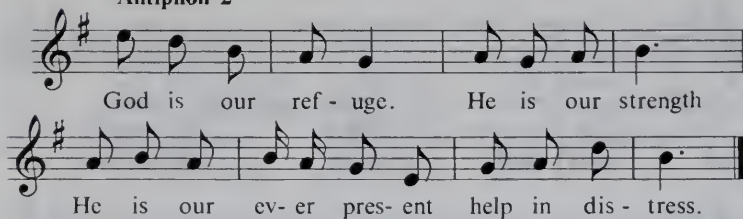


1. and the	mountains	quake at its	surging.	1
2. the	earth	melts a -	way,	2
3. ex-	alted up-	on the	earth.	3

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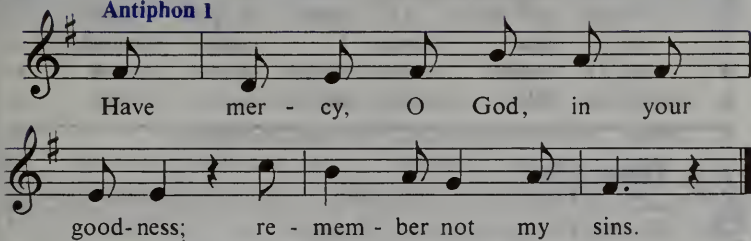


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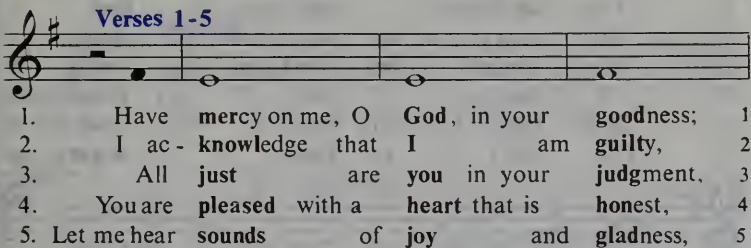
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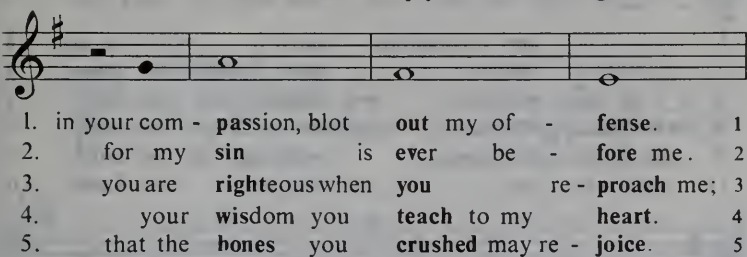


Have mer - cy, O God, in your
good-ness; re - mem - ber not my sins.

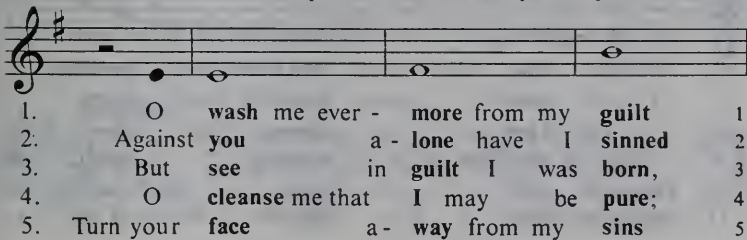
Verses 1-5



1. Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; 1
2. I ac - knowledge that I am guilty, 2
3. All just are you in your judgment, 3
4. You are pleased with a heart that is honest, 4
5. Let me hear sounds of joy and gladness, 5



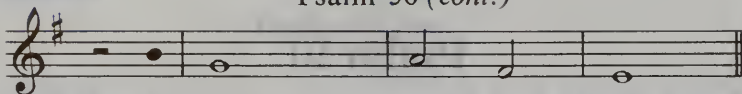
1. in your com - passion, blot out my of - fense. 1
2. for my sin is ever be - fore me. 2
3. you are righteous when you re - proach me; 3
4. your wisdom you teach to my heart. 4
5. that the bones you crushed may re - joice. 5



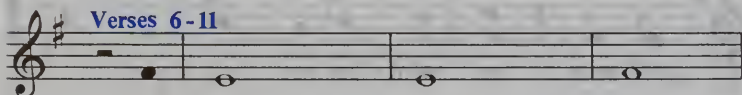
1. O wash me ever - more from my guilt 1
2. Against you a - lone have I sinned 2
3. But see in guilt I was born, 3
4. O cleanse me that I may be pure; 4
5. Turn your face a - way from my sins 5

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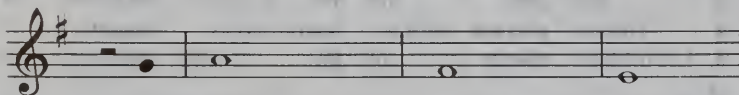
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| 1. | and | cleanse me from | stain | of | sin. | 2 |
| 2. | and | evil have | I | done | in your | sight. |
| 3. | in | sin | was | I | con - | ceived. |
| 4. | O | wash | me | whiter | than | snow. |
| 5. | and | blot | out | all | my | guilt. |



- Verses 6-11**
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|-----|-------|---------------|-------------|--------------|---------|-----------|
| 6. | Cre - | ate in me a | pure heart, | O | God; | 6 |
| 7. | Re - | turn to me | the | joy of your | sal - | vation; |
| 8. | De - | liver me | from | blood-guilt, | my | Savior, |
| 9. | A | sacrifice, | O | God, | will | not |
| 10. | Deal | kindly, Lord, | with | Sion in | your | goodness, |
| 11. | Give | glory to the | Father | al - | mighty, | 11 |



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|-----|------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|---------|
| 6. | re - | new a steadfast | spirit | with - | in me. | 6 |
| 7. | with a | fervent | spirit | make | me | strong, |
| 8. | in your | goodness | my | tongue shall | ex - | ult. |
| 9. | no burnt | offering | from | me | would you | ac - |
| 10. | that Je - | rusalem's | walls may be | re - | built, | 10 |
| 11. | and to the | Son, | our | Savior | and | Lord, |

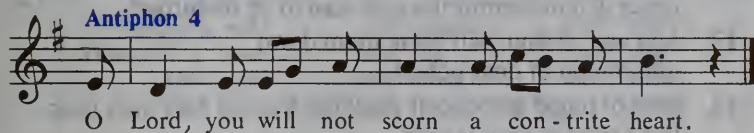
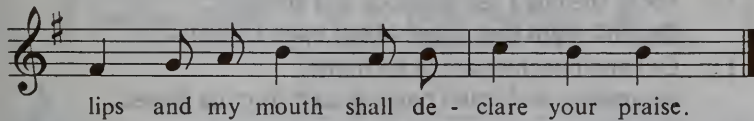
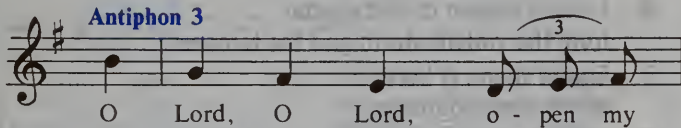
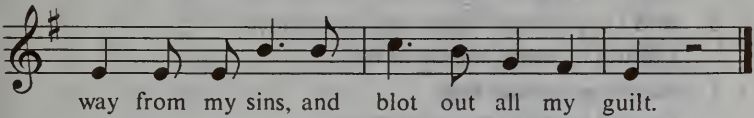
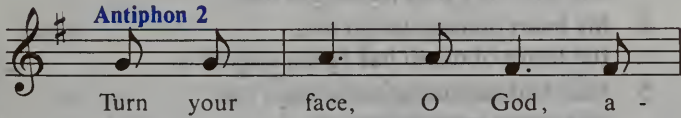


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|-----|------------|--------------|---------|---------------|-----------|------------|
| 6. | Do not | cast me | a - | way from your | presence; | 6 |
| 7. | I will | teach | trans - | gressors your | ways | 7 |
| 8. | O | Lord, | open | my | lips; | 8 |
| 9. | My | sacrifice is | a | contrite | spirit; | 9 |
| 10. | Then will | you | ac - | cept | just | sacrifice, |
| 11. | And to the | Holy | Spirit | with - | in us, | 11 |

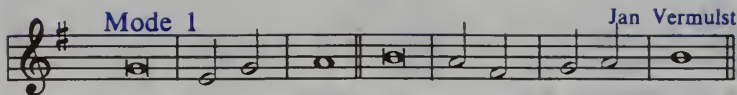
Psalm 50 (cont.)



6. take not your holy spirit from me. 7
 7. that sinners may re - turn to you. 8
 8. my mouth shall de - clare your praise. 9
 9. a humbled contrite heart you will not spurn. 10
 10. the young calf will be offered on your altar. 11
 11. as it was and ever shall be.



Psalm 54



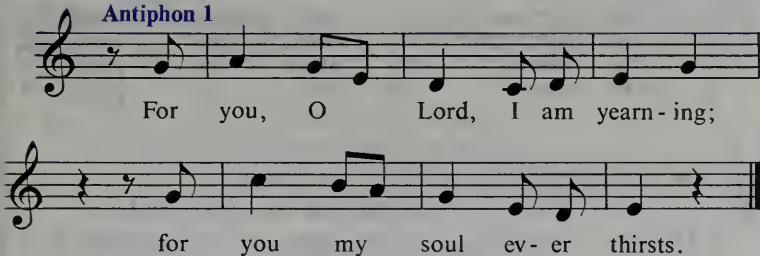
1. Hearken, O God, to my prayer;
turn not away from my pleading;
give heed to me, and answer me.
2. I rock with grief, and am troubled
at the voice of the enemy and the clamor of the wicked.
3. For they bring down evil upon me,
and with fury they persecute me.
4. My heart quakes within me;
the terror of death has fallen upon me.
5. Fear and trembling come upon me.
and horror overwhelms me,
6. And I say, "Had I but wings like a dove,
I would fly away and be at rest.
7. Far away I would flee;
I would lodge in the wilderness.
8. I would hasten to find shelter
from the violent storm and the tempest."
9. Engulf them, O Lord;
divide their counsels,
10. For in the city I see violence and strife;
day and night they prowl about upon its walls.
11. Evil and mischief are in its midst;
oppression and fraud never depart from its streets.
12. Cast your care upon the Lord, and he will support you;
never will he permit the just man to be disturbed.
13. And you, O God, will bring them down
into the pit of destruction;
14. Men of blood and deceit shall not live out half their days.
But I trust in you, O Lord.

Psalm 62

English version by Mark Evans

Jeno Takacs

Antiphon 1



For you, O Lord, I am yearn - ing;
for you my soul ev - er thirsts.

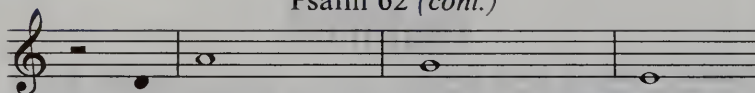
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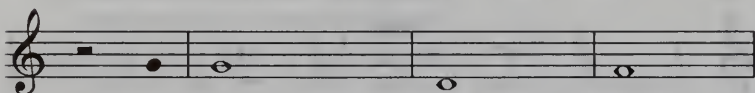
1.	O	God, you are my	God whom I	seek;	1
2.	Your	kindness is	greater than	life;	2
3.	As I	lie in	bed will I re-	member you;	3
4.	But	they who seek my	life shall be de-	stroyed;	4
5.	All	glory be to the	Father, our	maker;	5
1.	for	you my	flesh is	longing	1
2.	my	lips ever	sing your	praise.	2
3.	through the	night I will	meditate on	you.	3
4.	into the	depths of the	earth shall they	go,	4
5.	to the	Son, our	Lord and Re-	deemer,	5
1.	and my	soul	yearns	and thirsts	1
2.	Thus will I	bless you	all my	life,	2
3.	That you	have been	my	help.	3
4.	And they	shall be de-	livered to the	sword	4
5.	[			]	5

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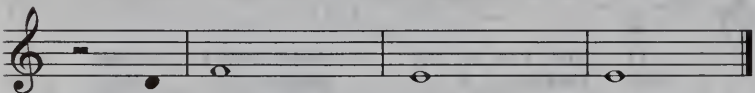
Psalm 62 (cont.)



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|----|---------|-----------|---------|-------|---------|----------|-----|
| 1. | like | dry | parched | earth | without | water. | 1 |
| 2. | and | lift | up my | hands | in your | name. | 2 |
| 3. | in the | shadow of | your | wings | I re- | joice; | 3 |
| 4. | to be - | come | the | prey | of | jackals. | 4 |
| 5. | □ | | | | | | □ 5 |

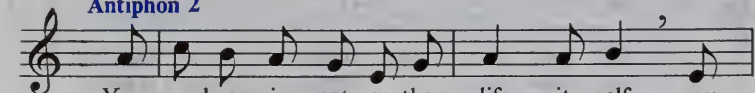


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|----|------------|---------|-----------|---------|------------|---|
| 1. | Thus do I | gaze | on you | in the | sanctuary | 1 |
| 2. | As with a | banquet | shall my | soul | be filled, | 2 |
| 3. | My | soul | clings | to you; | | 3 |
| 4. | But the | King | shall re- | joice | in God, | 4 |
| 5. | and to the | Holy | Spirit | with- | in us, | 5 |



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|----|------------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|-----------|---|
| 1. | to | see | your | might | and your | glory. | 2 |
| 2. | and my | mouth | shall | praise | you with | joy. | 3 |
| 3. | your right | hand | ever | up- | holds me. | 4 | |
| 4. | and the | mouths | of | liars | shall be | silenced. | 5 |
| 5. | both | now | and | for - | ever. | A-men. | |

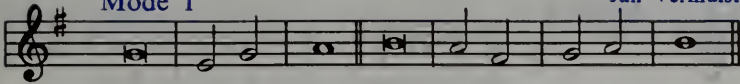
Antiphon 2



Psalm 63

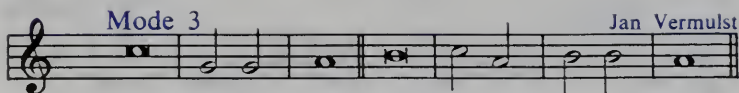
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1. Hear, O God, my voice in my lament;
from the dread enemy preserve my life.
2. Shelter me against the council of malefactors,
against the tumult of evildoers,
3. Who sharpen their tongues like swords,
who aim like arrows their bitter words,
4. Shooting from ambush at the innocent man,
suddenly shooting at him without fear.
5. They resolve on their wicked plan;
they conspire to set snares, saying, "Who will see us?"
6. They devise a wicked scheme,
and conceal the scheme they have devised;
deep are the thoughts of each heart.
7. But God shoots his arrows at them;
suddenly they are struck.
8. He brings them down by their own tongues;
all who see them nod their heads.
9. And all men fear and proclaim the work of God,
and ponder what he has done.
10. The just man is glad in the Lord and takes refuge in him;
in him glory all the upright of heart.

Psalm 64

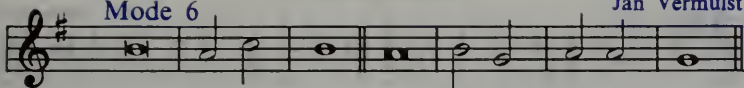


1. To you we owe our hymn of praise, O God, in Sion;
To you must vows be fulfilled, you who hear prayers.
2. To you all flesh must come
because of wicked deeds.
3. We are overcome by our sins;
it is you who pardon them.
4. Happy the man you choose, and bring
to dwell in your courts.
5. May we be filled with the good things of your house,
the holy things of your temple!
6. With awe-inspiring deeds of justice you answer us,
O God our savior,
7. The hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the distant seas.
8. You set the mountains in place by your power,
you who are girt with might;
9. You still the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves and the tumult of the peoples.
10. And the dwellers at the earth's ends
are in fear at your marvels;
the farthest east and west you make resound with joy.
11. You have crowned the year with your bounty,
and your paths overflow with a rich harvest;
12. The untilled meadows overflow with it,
and rejoicing clothes the hills.
13. The fields are garmented with flocks
and the valleys blanketed with grain.
They shout and sing for joy.

Psalm 65

Mode 6

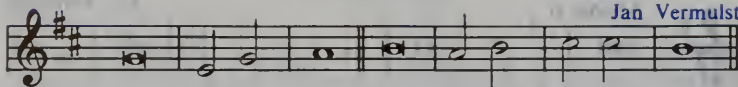
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1. Shout joyfully to God, all you on earth,
sing praise to the glory of his name;
proclaim his glorious praise.
2. Say to God, "How tremendous are your deeds!
for your great strength your enemies fawn upon you.
3. Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you,
sing praise to your name!"
4. Come and see the works of God,
his tremendous deeds among men.
5. He has changed the sea into dry land;
through the river they passed on foot;
therefore let us rejoice in him.
6. He rules by his might forever; his eyes watch the nations;
rebels may not exalt themselves.
7. Bless our God, you peoples,
loudly sound his praise;
8. He has given life to our souls,
and has not let our feet slip.
9. Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare
what he has done for me.
10. When I appealed to him in words,
praise was on the tip of my tongue.
11. Were I to cherish wickedness in my heart,
the Lord would not hear;
12. But God has heard;
he has hearkened to the sound of my prayer.
13. Blessed be God who refused me not
my prayer or his kindness!

Psalm 67

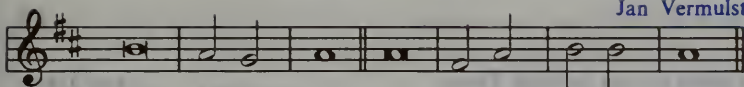
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1. God arises; his enemies are scattered,
and those who hate him flee before him.
2. As smoke is driven away, so are they driven;
as wax melts before the fire,
so the wicked perish before God.
3. But the just rejoice and exult before God;
they are glad and rejoice.
4. Sing to God, chant praise to his name,
extol him who rides upon the clouds,
5. Whose name is the Lord;
exult before him.
6. The father of orphans and the defender of widows
is God in his holy dwelling.
7. God gives a home to the forsaken;
he leads forth prisoners to prosperity;
only rebels remain in the parched land.
8. O God, when you went forth at the head of your people,
when you marched through the wilderness,
9. The earth quaked;
it rained from heaven at the presence of God,
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
10. You kingdoms of the earth, sing to God,
chant praise to the Lord
who rides on the heights of the ancient heavens.
11. Behold, his voice resounds, the voice of power:
"Confess the power of God!"
12. Awesome in his sanctuary is God, the God of Israel;
he gives power and strength to his people.
Blessed be God!

Psalm 70

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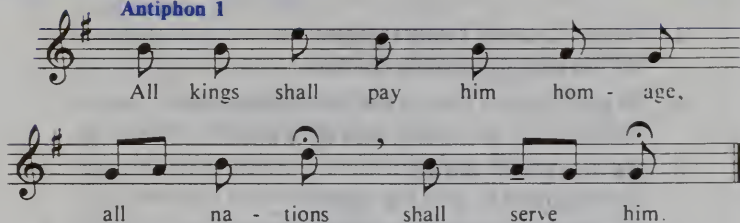
1. In you, O Lord, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
2. In your justice rescue me, and deliver me;
incline your ear to me, and save me.
3. Be my rock of refuge,
a stronghold to give me safety,
for you are my rock and my fortress.
4. O my God, rescue me from the hand of the wicked,
from the grasp of the criminal and the violent.
5. For you are my hope, O Lord;
my trust, O God, from my youth.
6. On you I depend from birth;
from my mother's womb you are my strength;
constant has been my hope in you.
7. A portent am I to many,
but you are my strong refuge!
8. My mouth shall be filled with your praise,
with your glory day by day.
9. Cast me not off in my old age;
as my strength fails, forsake me not,
10. For my enemies speak against me,
and they who keep watch against my life
take counsel together.
11. They say, "God has forsaken him;
pursue and seize him, for there is no one to rescue him."
12. O God, be not far from me;
my God, make haste to help me.

Psalm 71

English version by Mark Evans

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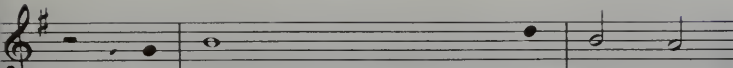
Antiphon 1



Verses

1.	O	God, give to the	king the wisdom	judg-ment 1
2.	There	shall be	peace upon the	moun-tains 2
3.	Like the	sun may he en-	dure through all	ag - es, 3
4.	In his	day shall	justice and peace	flour-ish 4
5.	His	foes shall	bow be-	fore him 5
6.	See	kings shall	pay him	hom - age, 6
7.	For the	lowly and the	poor he shall have	pit - y, 7
8.	May he	live to be given the	gold of A-	ra - bia. 8
9.	May his	name be	praised for-	ev - er 9
10.	Blessed be the	Lord the	God of	Isra - el. 10
11.	Give	glory to the	Father al-	might-y. 11

Psalm 71 (cont.)

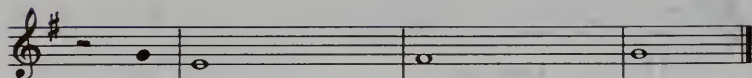


1. And give the **king's** son your **jus - tice.** 1
 2. And **justice** upon the **hill - sides.** 2
 3. Like the **moon** through all gene- **ra - tions,** 3
 4. Till the **moon** stops shining for- **ev - er.** 4
 5. In the **dust** shall his ene - **gro - vel.** 5
 6. All **nations** shall **serve** him. 6
 7. Their **lives** he will take in his **keep - ing.** 7
 8. They shall **pray** for him daily and **bless** him. 8
 9. And en- **dure** as long as the sun and the **heav - ens.** 9
 10. Who a- **lone** does deeds of **won - ders;** 10
 11. and to his **Son** Jesus Christ **our** Lord. 11



1. May he **govern** your people **just - ly** 1
 2. He shall de- **fend** the **friend - less** 2
 3. As the **rain** coming down on the **mea - dows,** 3
 4. From **sea** to sea shall he **gov - ern,** 4
 5. Kings of **Tharsis** and Isles their gifts shall **of - fer,** 5
 6. He shall **rescue** the poor when they **call** him, 6
 7. From **fraud** and violence he shall re - **deem** them, 7
 8. May a- **bundance** of grain be on **earth,**
 And the **crops** of the mountains rustle like the **words**
 9. In **him** all the tribes of the earth shall **Leba - non,** 8
 10. Blessed for- **ever** be his name most **pros - per;** 9
 11. Glory **be** to the Holy **glo - rious** 10
Spir - it 11

Psalm 71 (cont.)



1. And up- **hold the** **rights of the** **poor.** 2
 2. And pro- **tect the children of the** **poor, and crush those** **who op-** **press.** 3
 3. Like **showers that** **water the** **earth.** 4
 4. From the **rivers to the** **ends of the** **earth.** 5
 5. From A- **rabia and** **Saba their tribute shall** **bring.** 6
 6. And the af- **flicted when they have** **no one to** **help them.** 7
 7. And **precious shall their** **blood be in his** **sight.** 8
 8. And the **citizens be** **multiplied like grass** **in the** **fields.** 9
 9. All **nations shall** **pro-** **claim** **his** **praise.** 10
 10. May the **whole earth be** **filled with his** **glory.** 11
 11. Now and for- **ever** **world without end. A-** **men.**

Antiphon 2



He shall de- scend like the rain on the mea- dows
 like the sho- wers that wa- ter the earth.

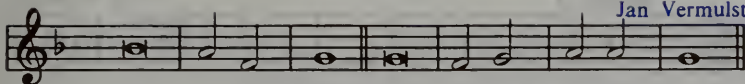
Antiphon 3



May the grain a - bound on the hill- side.
 May the peo- ple flour - ish like the grass in the fields.

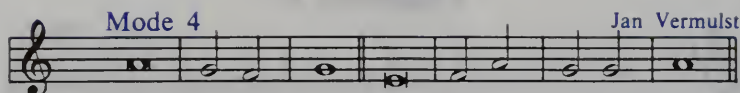
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1. How good God is to the upright;
the Lord, to those who are clean of heart!
2. But, as for me, I almost lost my balance;
my feet all but slipped,
3. Because I was envious of the arrogant
when I saw them prosper though they were wicked.
4. For they are in no pain;
their bodies are sound and sleek;
5. They are free from the burdens of mortals,
and are not afflicted like the rest of men.
6. So pride adorns them as a necklace;
as a robe violence enwraps them.
7. Out of their crassness comes iniquity;
their fancies overflow their hearts.
8. They scoff and speak evil;
outrage from on high they threaten.
9. They set their mouthings in place of heaven,
and their pronouncements roam the earth:
10. "So he brings his people to such a pass
that they have not even water!"
11. And they say, "How does God know?"
And, "Is there any knowledge in the Most High?"
12. Such, then, are the wicked;
always carefree, while they increase in wealth.
13. But for me, to be near God is my good;
to make the Lord God my refuge.
14. I shall declare all your works
in the gates of the daughter of Sion.

Psalm 77

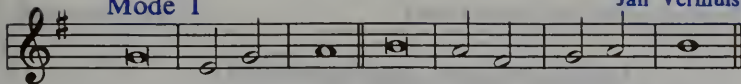


1. Hearken, my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
2. I will open my mouth in a parable,
I will utter mysteries from of old.
3. What we have heard and know,
and what our fathers have declared to us,
4. We will not hide from their sons;
we will declare to the generation to come
5. The glorious deeds of the Lord and his strength
and the wonders that he wrought.
6. He set it up as a decree in Jacob,
and established it as a law in Israel,
7. That what he commanded our fathers
they should make known to their sons;
8. So that the generation to come might know,
their sons yet to be born,
9. That they too may rise and declare to their sons
that they should put their hope in God,
10. And not forget the deeds of God
but keep his commands,
11. And not be like their fathers,
a generation wayward and rebellious,
12. A generation that kept not its heart steadfast
nor its spirit faithful toward God.
13. Again and again they tempted God
and provoked the Holy One of Israel.
14. But he chose the tribe of Juda,
Mount Sion which he loved.
15. And he built his shrine like heaven,
like the earth which he founded foreever.

Psalm 78

Mode 1

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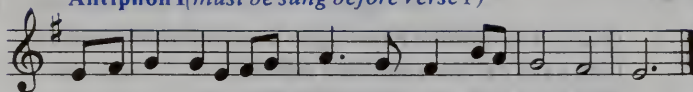
1. O God, the nations have come into your inheritance;
they have defiled your holy temple,
they have laid Jerusalem in ruins.
2. They have given the corpses of your servants
as food to the birds of heaven,
the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the earth.
3. We have become the reproach of our neighbors,
the scorn and derision of those around us.
4. O Lord, how long? Will you be angry forever?
Will your jealousy burn like fire?
5. Pour out your wrath
upon the nations that acknowledge you not,
upon the kingdoms that call not upon your name;
6. For they have devoured Jacob
and laid waste his dwelling.
7. Remember not against us the iniquities of the past;
may compassion quickly come to us,
for we are brought very low.
8. Help us, O God our savior,
because of the glory of your name;
9. Deliver us and pardon our sins
for your name's sake.
10. Why should the nations say,
"Where is their God?"
11. Let it be known among the nations in our sight
that you avenge the shedding of your servants' blood.
12. Then we, your people and the sheep of your pasture,
will give thanks to you forever;
through all generations we will declare your praise.

Psalm 83

English version by Mark Evans

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Antiphon 1 *(must be sung before Verse 1)*

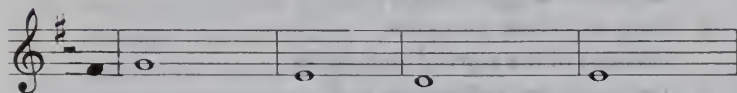


How love-ly is your dwell-ing place, O Lord of hosts!

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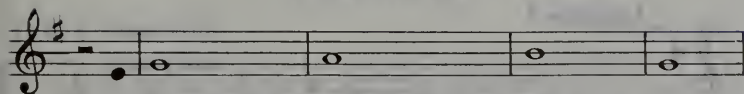


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|----|------|--------|-------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|--------|------|---------|---|
| 1. | My | soul | longs | and | pines | for | the | courts | of | the | Lord. | 1 |
| 2. | How | happy | are | they | who | dwell | in | your | house. | | 2 | |
| 3. | When | they | pass | through | this | arid | | valley, | | | 3 | |
| 4. | O | Lord | of | hosts. | please | hear | my | prayer; | | | 4 | |
| 5. | A | single | day | with- | in | your | courts | | | | 5 | |
| 6. | For | a | sun | and | a | shield | is | the | Lord, | our | God; | 6 |
| 7. | Give | glory | to | the | Father, | to | the | Son, | and | Holy | Spirit, | 7 |



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|----|------|---------|------|-------|----------|-------|--------|------------|----------|---------|------|---|
| 1. | My | heart | and | my | flesh | cry | out | for | the | living | God! | 1 |
| 2. | Un - | ceasing | is | their | song | of | praise | to | you. | | 2 | |
| 3. | they | change | it | to | a | place | of | running | springs. | | 3 | |
| 4. | in- | cline | your | ear, | O | God | of | Jacob. | | | 4 | |
| 5. | is | better | than | a | thousand | days | spent | elsewhere. | | | 5 | |
| 6. | on | us | he | be- | stows | his | grace | and | favor. | | 6 | |
| 7. | as | in | ages | | past, | so | in | ages | un - | ending. | | |

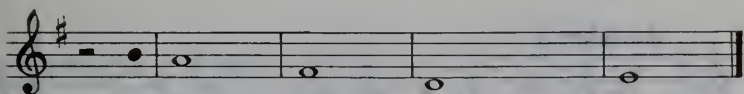
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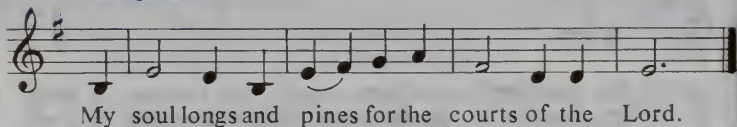
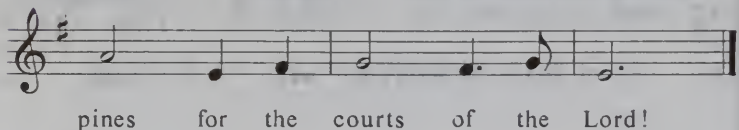
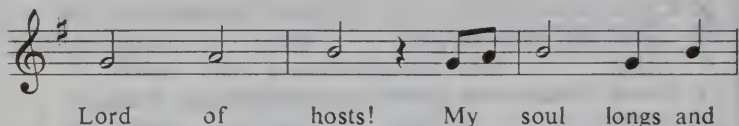
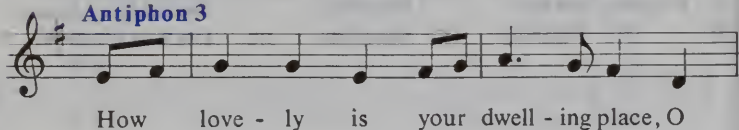
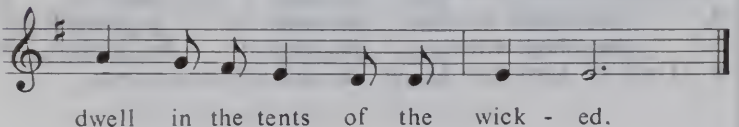
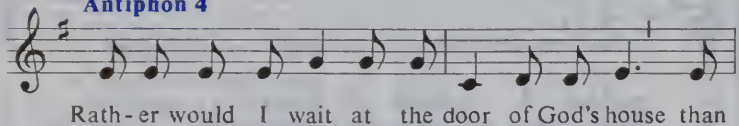
1. Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest, 1
 2. How happy are they who find their strength in you. 2
 3. where the rain will clothe it with generous growth. 3
 4. O God, our shield, now turn your eyes 4
 5. I would rather lie at the door of God's house 5
 6. No blessing in-deed does the Lord with-hold 6



1. a nest to shelter her young near your altars. 1
 2. [] 2
 3. They will ad-vance in ever growing strength 3
 4. [] 4
 5. [] 5
 6. from those who walk in the way of truth. 6



1. O Lord of hosts, my king and my God. 2
 2. Their hearts are set on their heavenward journey. 3
 3. till they be-hold their God of gods in Sion. 4
 4. and look at the face of your a-nointed one. 5
 5. than dwell with-in the tents of the wicked. 6
 6. Lord of hosts, how happy the man who trusts in you. 7

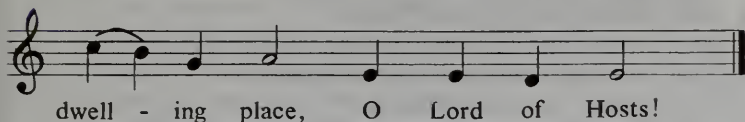
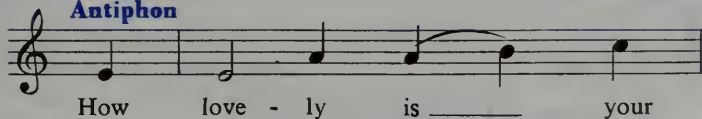
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Psalm 83

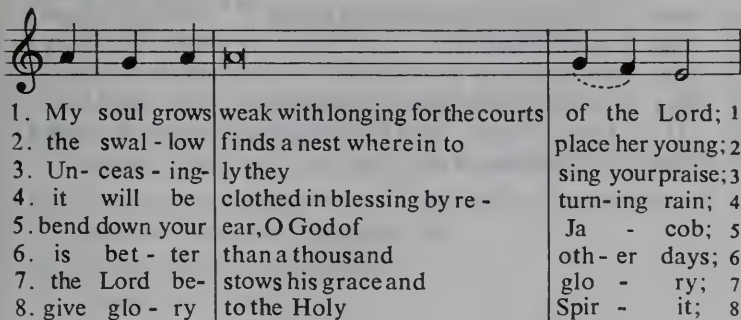
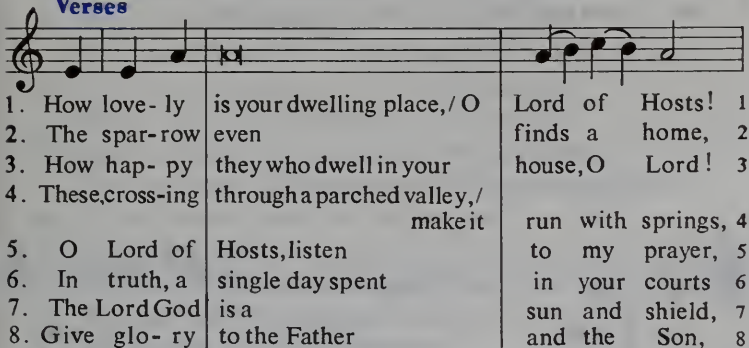
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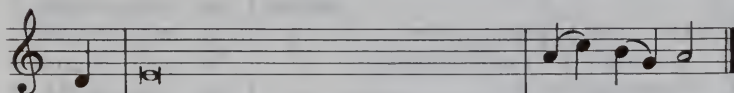


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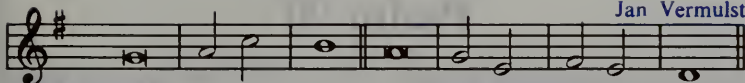
1. My heart and flesh, they thrill for joy, 1
2. Near to your altars, Lord of Hosts, 2
3. How happy they that draw their strength from you, 3
4. They will advance in growing strength, 4
5. Be- hold, / O God our Shield, 5
6. To stand at the threshold of the house of my God, 6
7. His blessings he does not refuse to those who walk in innocence. 7
8. As in the beginning, / so now, and evermore, 8



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|------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. joy | in the | liv - ing God. 2 |
| 2. — | my | King, my God! 3 |
| 3. when | they have set their heart on sacred | pil - grim - age. 4 |
| 4. and | see on Sion the | God of gods. 5 |
| 5. look | on the face of your a - | noint - ed one. 6 |
| 6. this | would I rather / than live within the | sin - ners' tent. 7 |
| 7. O | Lord of Hosts, / blest is the man who | trusts in you. 8 |
| 8. through | endless ages of e - | ter - ni - ty. |

Psalm 88

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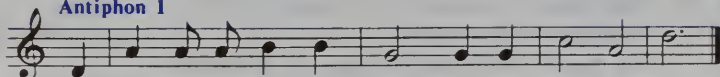
1. The favors of the Lord I will sing forever;
through all generations
my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness.
2. For you have said, "My kindness is established forever";
in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness:
3. "I have made a covenant with my chosen one,
I have sworn to David my servant:
4. Forever will I confirm your posterity
and establish your throne for all generations."
5. The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord,
and your faithfulness, in the assembly of the holy ones.
6. For who in the skies can rank with the Lord?
Who is like the Lord among the sons of God?
7. God is terrible in the council of the holy ones;
he is great and awesome beyond all round about him.
8. O Lord, God of hosts, who is like you?
Mighty are you, O Lord,
and your faithfulness surrounds you.
9. You rule over the surging of the sea;
you still the swelling of its waves.
10. Yours are the heavens, and yours is the earth;
the world and its fullness you have founded;
11. North and south you created;
Thabor and Hermon rejoice at your name.
12. Yours is a mighty arm;
strong is your hand, exalted your right hand.
13. Justice and judgment are the foundation of your throne;
kindness and truth go before you.
14. Blessed be the Lord forever.
Amen, and amen!

Psalm 90

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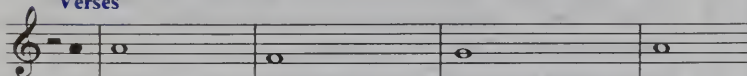
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Antiphon 1

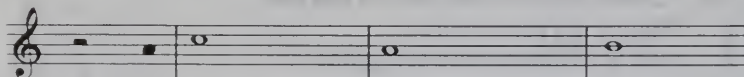


His an-gels will guard me safe - ly in all my ways.

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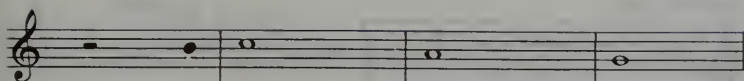


1. —	You	who	dwel in the	shelter of the Most	High,	1
2. —	He	will	free you from the	snare of the	fowler,	2
3. —	You	shall not	fear	the	terror of	night
4. —	Though	a	thousand	fall at your	side,	4
5. Be-	cause	you have	called on the	Lord as your	refuge;	5
6. He	has	given his	angels	charge over	you,	6
7. He	trusts	in me.	now will I de-	liver	him,	7
8. —	I	will be	with him in	every af-	fliction	8
9. Give	glory	to	God,	the	Father al-	mighty,
						9

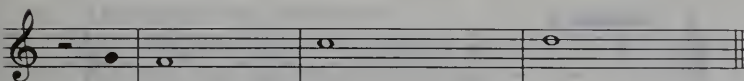


1.	who a-	bide in the	shadow of the Al-	mighty.	1
2.	from	every	de-	stroying	plague.
3.	nor the	arrow that	flies	by	day.
4.	—	ten thousand	fall at your	right side,	4
5.	you have	made the Most	High as your	stronghold.	5
6.	that they may	guard you in	all	your	ways.
7.	be-	cause he ack-	nowledges my	name.	7
8.	to	bring him	safety and	honor.	8
9.	to the	Son,	our	Savior and	Lord,
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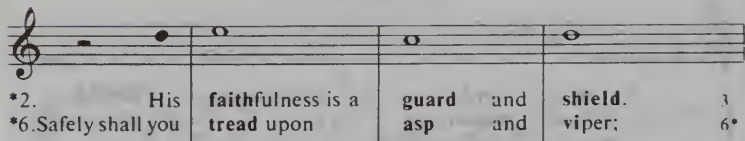


1.	Say to the	Lord,	"My	refuge and my	fortress,	1
2.	With his	pinions		he will	cover you,	2
3.	Nor the	pestilence that				
		walks to and		fro in the	darkness,	3
4.	it shall never come	near you; your		eyes have but to	look	4
5.	No	evil then shall		ever be-	fall you,	5
6.	Upon their	hands they shall		bear you	up,	6
7.	I will	raise him on		high for-	ever,	7
8.	Length of	days he will		have in con-	tentment,	8
9.	And to the	Holy		Spirit with-	in us,	9

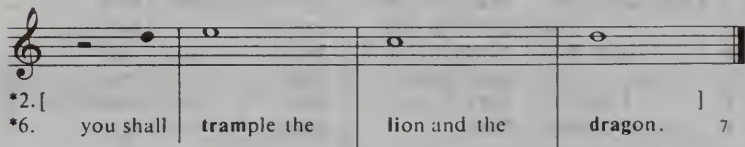


1.	my	God,	in	you do I place my	trust."	2
2.	under his	wings	shall	you take	refuge.	2
					<i>* continue next page</i>	
3.	nor the	death	that	wastes in the	noon.	4
4.	and	see how the		wicked are re-	paid.	5
5.	nor af-	fliction come		near your	dwelling.	6
6.	lest you	chance	to	trip on a	stone.	6
					<i>* continue next page</i>	
7.	when he	calls	me	surely will I	listen.	8
8.	and	I will		show him sal-	vation.	9
9.	as it	was	and	ever shall	be.	

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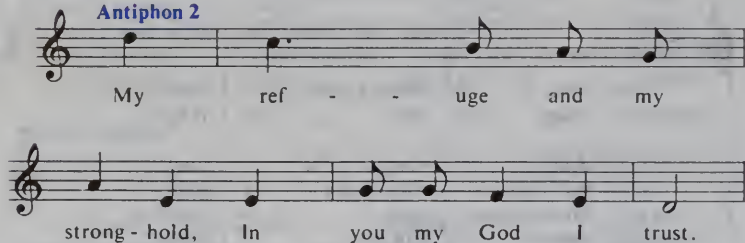


*2. His faithfulness is a guard and shield. 3
6. Safely shall you tread upon asp and viper; 6



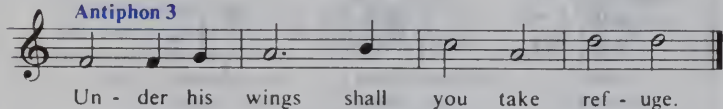
*2. [you shall trample the lion and the dragon.] 7

Antiphon 2



My ref - - uge and my strong - hold, In you my God I trust.

Antiphon 3

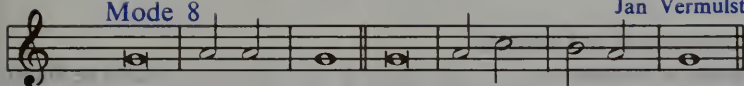


Un - der his wings shall you take ref - uge.

Psalm 91

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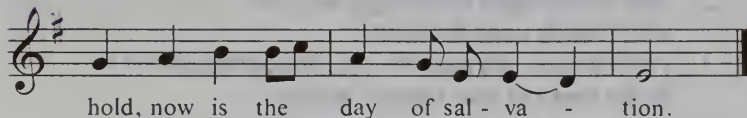
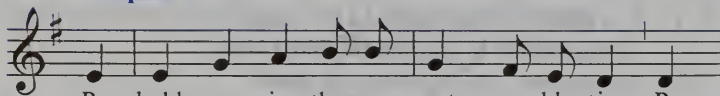
1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praise to your name, Most High,
2. To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night,
3. With ten-stringed instrument and lyre,
with melody upon the harp.
4. For you make me glad, O Lord, by your deeds;
at the works of your hands I rejoice.
5. How great are your works, O Lord!
How very deep are your thoughts!
6. A senseless man knows not,
nor does a fool understand this.
7. Though the wicked flourish like grass
and all evildoers thrive,
8. They are destined for eternal destruction;
while you, O Lord, are the Most High forever.
9. For behold, your enemies, O Lord,
for behold, your enemies shall perish;
all evildoers shall be scattered.
10. You have exalted my horn like the wild bull's;
you have anointed me with rich oil.
11. The just man shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.
12. They that are planted in the house of the Lord
shall flourish in the courts of our God.
13. They shall bear fruit even in old age;
vigorous and sturdy shall they be,
14. Declaring how just is the Lord,
my Rock, in whom there is no wrong.

Psalm 94

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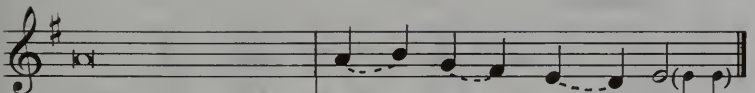
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Antiphon 1

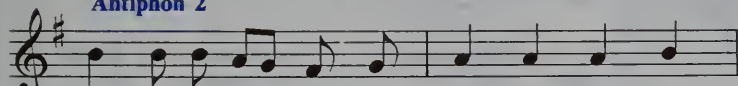


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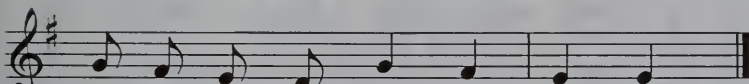
1. Come, let us sing joyfully	to the Lord;	1
2. Let us greet him	with thanks-giv - ing;	2
3. For the Lord is a	great God,	3
4. In his hands are the	depths of the earth,	4
5. His is the sea,/ for	he has made it,	5
6. Come, let us bow	down in wor-ship;	6
7. For	he is our God,	7
8. Oh, that today you would hear his		
voice:/ "Harden not your hearts as	at Me - ri - ba,	8
9. Where your	fa - thers tempt-ed me;	9
10. Forty years I loathed that	gen - e - ra - tion,	10
11. Therefore I	swore in my an - ger:	11
12. Glory be to the Father,	and to the Son.	12
13. As it was in the beginning, is now,/		
and	ev - er shall be,	13

Psalm 94 (*cont.*)


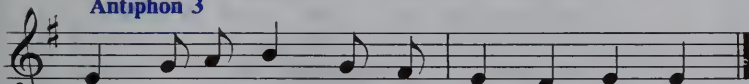
1. let us acclaim the Rock of our sal - va - tion. 2
 2. let us joy - ful - ly sing psalms to him. 3
 3. and a great king a - bove all gods; 4
 4. and the tops of the moun - tains are his. 5
 5. and the dry land, which his hands have formed. 6
 6. let us kneel be - fore the Lord who made us. 7
 7. and we are the people he shep - herds, the flock he guides. 8
 8. as in the day of Mas - sa in the des - ert. 9
 9. they tested me though they had seen my works. 10
 10. and I said: / They are a people of erring heart, / and they know not my ways. 11
 11. They shall not en - ter in - to my rest." 12
 12. and to the Ho - ly Spir - it. 13
 13. world with - out end. A - men.

Antiphon 2


Come, let us bow down in wor - ship; let us



kneel be - fore the Lord who made us.

Antiphon 3


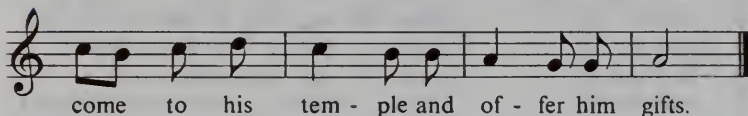
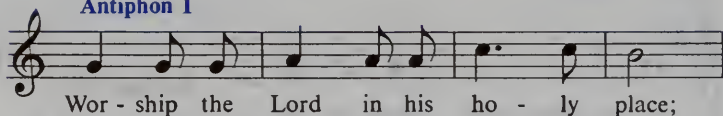
Come, let us wor - ship the Lord who made us.

Psalm 95

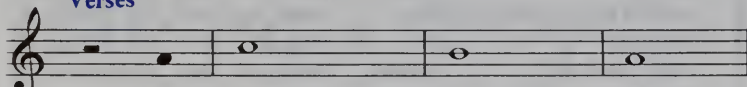
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Antiphon 1



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|----|----------|---------|---------|--------|-----------|----------|---|
| 1. | O | sing | to the | Lord | a new | song; | 1 |
| 2. | The Lord | is | great | and | worthy of | praise; | 2 |
| 3. | O | give | to the | Lord, | all ye | nations; | 3 |
| 4. | Tell all | nations | the | Lord | is | king; | 4 |
| 5. | Let the | field | and its | fruits | be | joyful, | 5 |
| 6. | [| | | | |] | 6 |



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|----|-------------|-------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---|
| 1. | — | sing | to the | Lord, | all the | earth! | 1 |
| 2. | what | god | is | awesome | as | he? | 2 |
| 3. | give to the | Lord | all | glory | and | praise, | 3 |
| 4. | the | earth | he made | firm | in its | place; | 4 |
| 5. | every | tree | in the | forest | ex - ult | | 5 |
| 6. | [| | | | |] | 6 |



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|----|----------|---------|----------|---------|-----------|-----------|---|
| 1. | O | sing | to the | Lord, | bless his | name! | 1 |
| 2. | The gods | of the | heathens | are | fancied. | | 2 |
| 3. | the | glory | that is | due | to his | name. | 3 |
| 4. | the | nations | he | governs | with | fairness. | 4 |
| 5. | to | greet | the | Lord | in his | coming. | 5 |
| 6. | [| | | | |] | 6 |

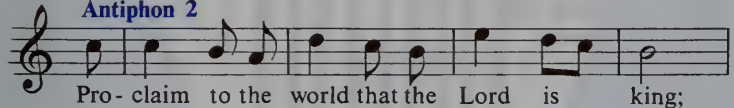
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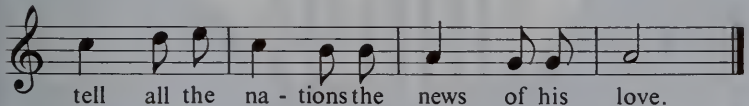
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- ## Antiphon 2



- Pro-claim to the world that the Lord is king;



- tell all the na - tions the news of his love.

Antiphon 3

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- Let the heav-ens re-joice and the earth be glad.

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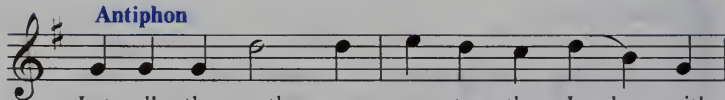
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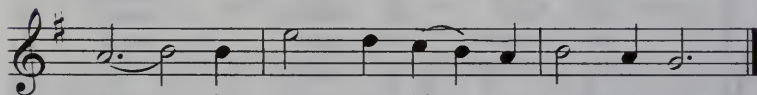
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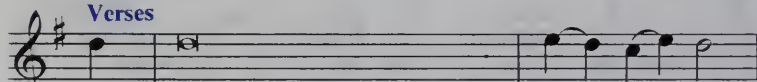


Let all the earth cry out to the Lord— with

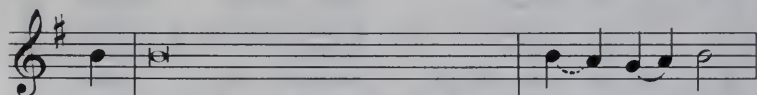


joy, Give thanks to him and bless his name.

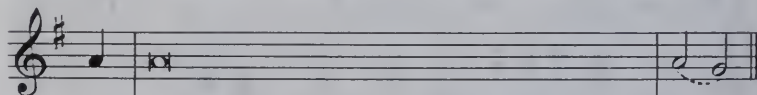
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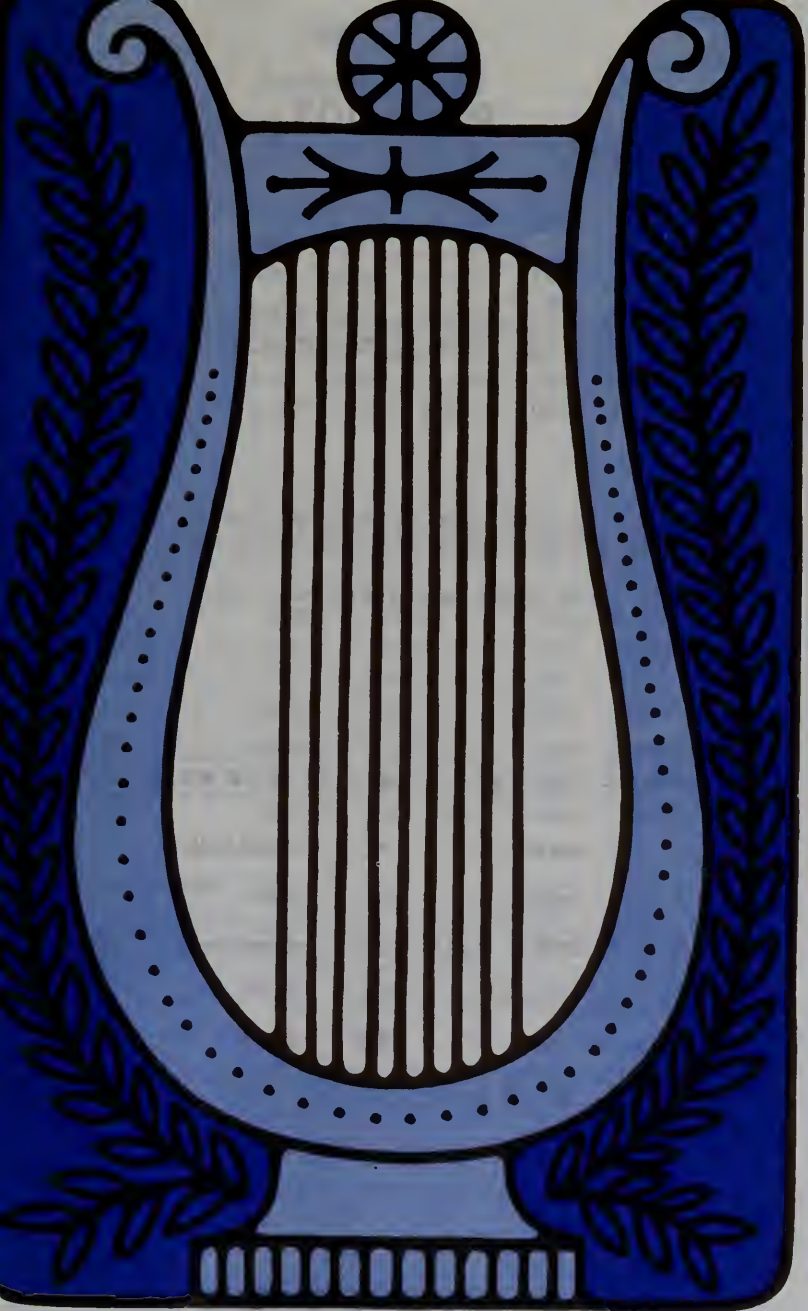
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| 1. Let | all the earth cry out to the | Lord with joy, 1 |
| 2. Know | this:/ the | Lord is God, 2 |
| 3. Go | in his gates with | songs of praise, 3 |
| 4. In - | deed the | Lord is good, 4 |
| 5. Give | glory to the Father | and the Son, 5 |



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| 1. with | gladness give your service | to the Lord, 1 |
| 2. he | made us,/we be - | long to him. 2 |
| 3. — | enter his | courts with hymns, 3 |
| 4. his | mercy | ev-er - last - ing, 4 |
| 5. give | glory to the Holy Spirit, | with them one, 5 |



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| 1. go | in before his face with joyful | hearts. 2 |
| 2. we | are his people / and the sheep of his | pas-ture. 3 |
| 3. Give | thanks to him/and bless his | name. 4 |
| 4. from | age to age endures his faithful - | ness. 5 |
| 5. as | in the beginning, /so now, and evermore / | |
| | throughout eterni - | ty. |

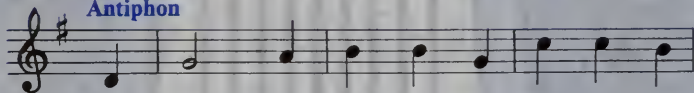


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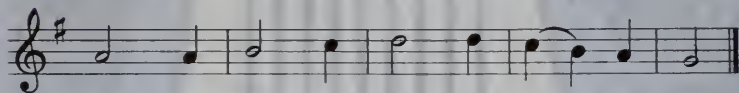
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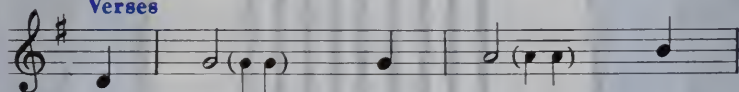
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Antiphon

Let all cre - a - tion his glo - ry pro-

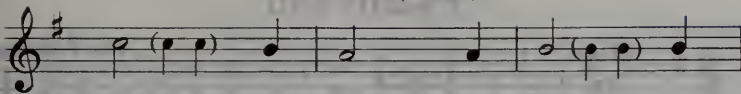


claim; with praise and thanks we bless his Name!

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| 1 . | The | earth | is | filled with | the | 1 |
| 2 . | And | wine | to | cheer | the | 2 |
| 3 . | And | bread | to | strength-en | the | 3 |
| 4 . | The | trees of | the | Lord | ob - | 4 |
| 5 . | There - | in | the | birds | their | 5 |
| 6 . | Up - | on | his | moun-tains | the | 6 |
| 7 . | The | moon | you've | made | to | 7 |

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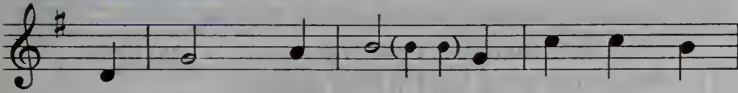


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|----|------------|----|-------|---------|------|-----------|------|-----|
| 1. | fruit | of | your | works, | that | you | may | 1 |
| 2. | heart | | of | man, | and | oil | to | 2 |
| 3. | heart | | of | man, | to | feed | your | 3 |
| 4. | tain | | their | fill, | the | ce - dars | of | 4 |
| 5. | nests | | do | build, | the | stork | in | his |
| 6. | wild | | goat | dwells, | and | there | the | 6 |
| 7. | sea - sons | | de - | fine, | your | sun | o - | 7 |

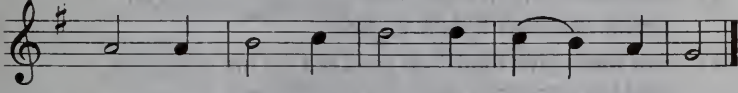


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|----|-----------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| 1. | bring | | forth | food, | O | Lord; | 2 |
| 2. | make | | his | face | to | shine; | 3 |
| 3. | sons | | in | ev - | 'ry | land; | 4 |
| 4. | Leb - a - | non | on | his | hills; | 5 | |
| 5. | fir | trees | finds | his | home; | 6 | |
| 6. | rab - bit | a | ref - | uge | makes; | 7 | |
| 7. | beys | and | sets | at | your | word; | 8 |

Conclusion



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|----|-----|-------|----|------|-----|------|------|-------|-----|---|
| 8. | All | glo - | ry | be | to | the | Fa - | ther | and | 8 |
| 9. | As | was, | is | now, | and | ev - | er | shall | 9 | |



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|----|------|-----|------|-----|--------|-----|-------|-------|------|---|
| 8. | Son, | and | Ho - | ly | Spir - | it, | with | them | one; | 9 |
| 9. | be, | in | ev - | 'ry | age, | e - | ter - | nal - | ly. | |

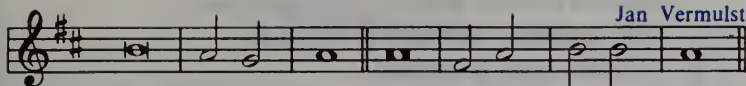
Psalm 106



1. "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his kindness endures forever!"
2. Thus let the redeemed of the Lord say,
those whom he has redeemed from the hand of the foe
3. And gathered from the lands,
from the east and the west, from the north and the south.
4. They went astray in the desert wilderness;
the way to an inhabited city they did not find.
5. Hungry and thirsty,
their life was wasting away within them.
They cried to the Lord in their distress;
from their straits he rescued them.
6. Let them give thanks to the Lord for his kindness
and his wondrous deeds to the children of men,
7. Because he satisfied the longing soul
and filled the hungry soul with good things.
8. They dwelt in darkness and gloom,
bondsmen in want and in chains,
9. Because they had rebelled against the words of God
and scorned the counsel of the Most High.
10. And he humbled their hearts with trouble;
when they stumbled, there was no one to help them.
11. They cried to the Lord in their distress;
from their straits he rescued them.
12. And he led them forth from darkness and gloom
and broke their bonds asunder.
13. Let them give thanks to the Lord for his kindness
and his wondrous deeds to the children of men,

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Psalm 109

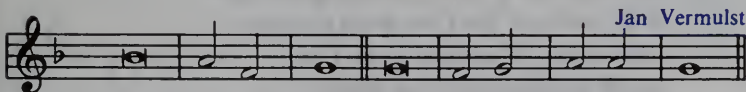
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1. The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand till I make your enemies your footstool."
2. The scepter of your power the Lord will stretch forth from Sion: "Rule in the midst of your enemies."
3. Yours is princely power in the day of your birth, in holy splendor; before the daystar, like the dew, I have begotten you."
4. The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent: "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchisedec."
5. The Lord is at your right hand; he will crush kings on the day of his wrath.
6. He will do judgment on the nations, heaping up corpses; he will crush heads over the wide earth.
7. From the brook by the wayside he will drink; therefore will he lift up his head.

Psalm 111

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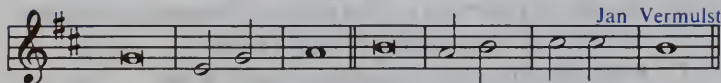


1. Happy the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in his commands.
2. His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth; the upright generation shall be blessed.
3. Wealth and riches shall be in his house; his generosity shall endure forever.
4. He dawns through the darkness, a light for the upright; he is gracious and merciful and just.

5. Well for the man who is gracious and lends,
who conducts his affairs with justice;
6. He shall never be moved;
the just man shall be in everlasting remembrance.
7. An evil report he shall not fear;
his heart is firm, trusting in the Lord.
8. His heart is steadfast; he shall not fear
till he looks down upon his foes.
9. Lavishly he gives to the poor;
his generosity shall endure forever;
his horn shall be exalted in glory.
10. The wicked man shall see it and be vexed;
he shall gnash his teeth and pine away;
the desire of the wicked shall perish.

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Psalm 112



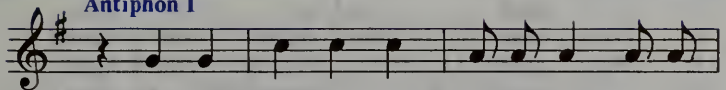
1. Praise, you servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord.
Blessed be the name of the Lord both now and forever.
2. From the rising to the setting of the sun
is the name of the Lord to be praised.
3. High above all nations is the Lord;
above the heavens is his glory.
4. Who is like the Lord, our God, who is enthroned on high
and looks upon the heavens and the earth below?
5. He raises up the lowly from the dust;
from the dunghill he lifts up the poor
6. To seat them with princes,
with the princes of his own people.
7. He establishes in her home the barren wife
as the joyful mother of children.

Psalm 115

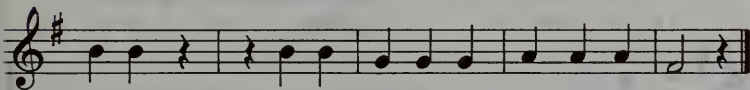
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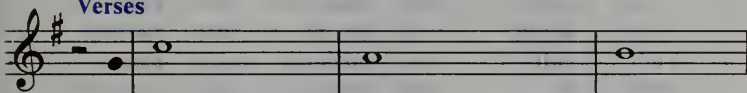


I will of-fer a sac-ri-fice of thanks-

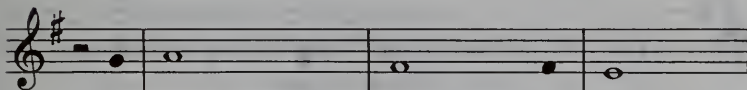


giv-ing; I will call on the name of the Lord.

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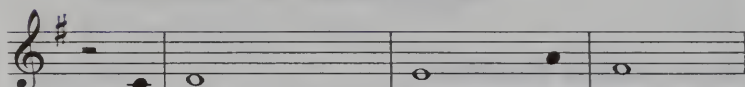


1. I	trusted	even while I	cried
2. —	How can I re-	pay the	Lord
3. My	vows to the	Lord will I ful-	fill
4. The	son of your	handmaid am	I,
5. My	vows to the	Lord will I ful-	fill
6. Give	glory to the	Father al-	mighty,

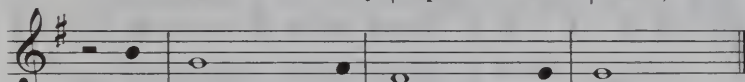


1. —	"Great	is	my	af-	fliction!"
2. For	all	his	goodness	to	me?
3. In the	sight	of	all	his	people.
4. Your	servant whose		bonds	you	loosed.
5. In the	sight	of	all	his	people.
6. To his	Son,	our	Savior	and	Lord,

Psalm 115 (cont.)



1.	I	said	in	my	dis-	tress
2.	I will	take	the	cup of	sal-	vation
3.	How	precious in the	eyes of	the	Lord	
4.	A	sacrifice of	praise will	I	offer	
5.	In the	courts of the	house of	the	Lord,	
6.	To the	Ho - - ly	Spirit	with-	in us,	



1.	"How	vain	to	trust	in	man."	2
2.	And	call on	the	name of	the	Lord.	3
3.	Is the	death	of	one of	his	faithful.	4
4.	While I	call on	the	name of	the	Lord.	5
5.	With-	in	your	midst, O	Je-	rusalem!	6
6.	To the	Bless - ed	Trinity	for-	ever!		

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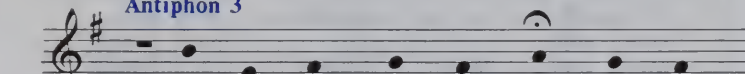


How can I re - pay the Lord

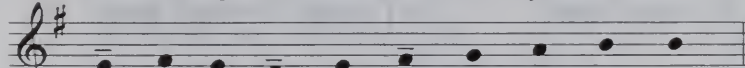


for all his good - ness to me?

Antiphon 3



How prec - ious in the eyes of the

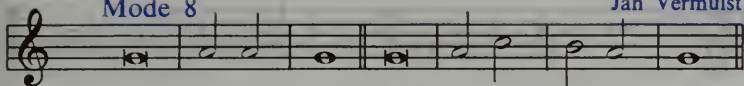


Lord is the death of one of his faith - ful.

Psalm 117

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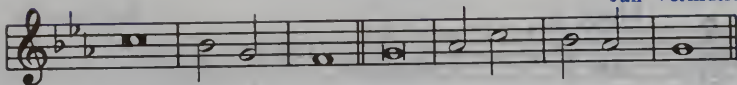
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1. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever.
2. Let the house of Israel say,
"His mercy endures forever."
3. Let the house of Aaron say,
"His mercy endures forever."
4. Let those who fear the Lord say,
"His mercy endures forever."
5. In my straits I called upon the Lord;
the Lord answered me and set me free.
6. The Lord is with me; I fear not;
what can man do against me?
7. The Lord is with me to help me,
and I shall look down upon my foes.
8. It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in man.
9. It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes.
10. All the nations encompassed me;
in the name of the Lord I crushed them.
11. They encompassed me on every side;
in the name of the Lord I crushed them.
12. They encompassed me like bees,
they flared up like fire among thorns;
in the name of the Lord I crushed them.
13. My strength and my courage is the Lord,
and he has been my savior.

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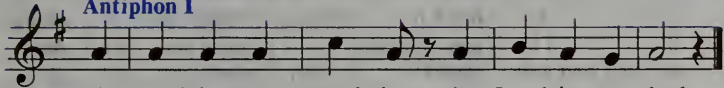
1. Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
2. Happy are they who observe his decrees,
who seek him with all their heart,
And do no wrong, but walk in his ways.
3. You have commanded that your precepts
be diligently kept.
4. Oh, that I might be firm in the ways
of keeping your statutes!
5. Then should I not be put to shame
when I beheld all your commands.
6. I will give you thanks with an upright heart,
when I have learned your just ordinances.
7. I will keep your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.
8. How shall a young man be faultless in his way?
By keeping to your words.
9. Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes.
10. With my lips I declare
all the ordinances of your mouth.
11. In the way of your decrees I rejoice,
as much as in all riches.
12. I will meditate on your precepts
and consider your ways.
13. In your statutes I will delight;
I will not forget your words.
14. Be good to your servant,
that I may live and keep your words.
15. Open my eyes, that I may consider
the wonders of your law.

Psalm 120

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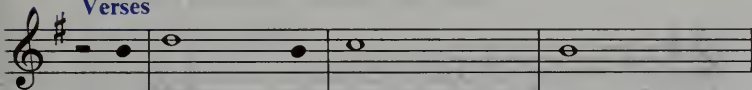
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Antiphon 1

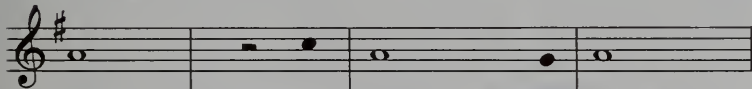


The Lord is your guard-ian; the Lord is your shade.

Verses

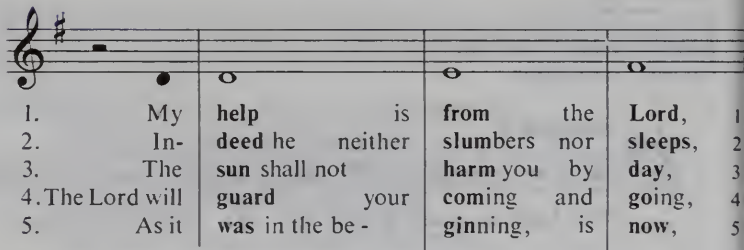


1.	I	lift up	my	eyes	toward	the	1
2.	—	May he	not	suffer your	foot	to	2
3.	The	Lord is	your	guardian;	the	Lord is	3
4.	The	Lord	will	guard	you	from	4
5.	Give	glory to	the	Father,	and to the		5

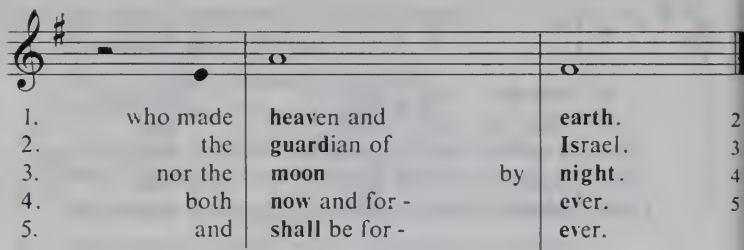


1.	mountains;	whence shall	help come	to	me?	1
2.	slip;	may he	slumber not	who	guards you:	2
3.	shade;	he is be-	side you at	your	right hand.	3
4.	evil;	he will	guard	your	life.	4
5.	Son,	and to the	Ho - -	ly	Spirit.	5

Psalm 120 (cont.)

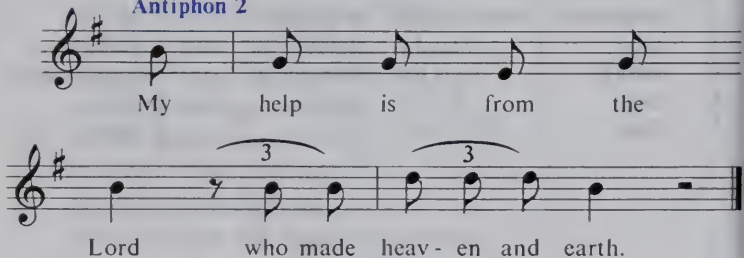


1. My help is from the Lord, 1
 2. In- deed he neither slumbers nor sleeps, 2
 3. The sun shall not harm you by day, 3
 4. The Lord will guard your coming and going, 4
 5. As it was in the be- ginning, is now, 5



1. who made heaven and earth. 2
 2. the guardian of Israel. 3
 3. nor the moon by night. 4
 4. both now and for - ever. 5
 5. and shall be for - ever.

Antiphon 2

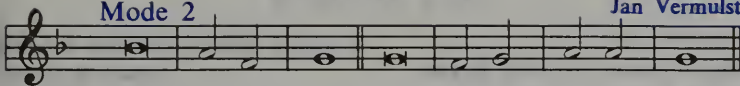


My help is from the
 Lord who made heav - en and earth.

Psalm 125

Mode 2

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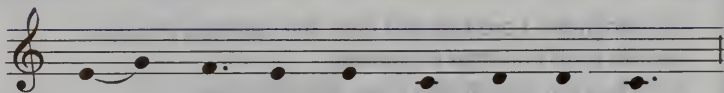


1. When the Lord brought back the captives of Sion,
we were like men dreaming.
2. Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with rejoicing.
3. Then they said among the nations,
"The Lord has done great things for them."
4. The Lord has done great things for us;
we are glad indeed.
5. Restore our fortunes, O Lord,
like the torrents in the southern desert.
6. Those that sow in tears
shall reap rejoicing.
7. Although they go forth weeping,
carrying the seed to be sown,
8. They shall come back rejoicing,
carrying their sheaves.

Psalm 126

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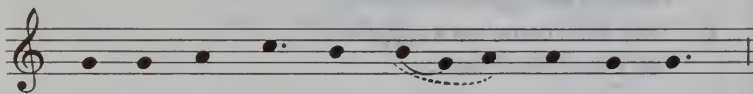
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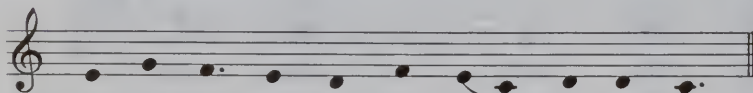
1. Un - less the Lord shall build the house,
2. How vain to rise be - fore the dawn,
3. Yes, chil - dren are a gift from God,
4. How hap - py is the man in - deed,



1. they who build it la - bor in vain;
2. or con - tin - ue work in the night,
3. a re - ward, the fruit of the womb;
4. when with these his quiv - er is filled;



1. Un - less the Lord should guard the cit - y,
2. Oh, you who eat the bread of la - bor;
3. Like ar - rows in the hands of a war - rior
4. No cause for him to be em - bar - rassed

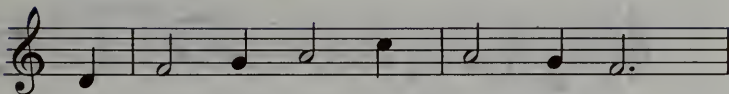


1. they who guard it keep their vig - il in vain.
2. to his loved ones he gives gifts while they sleep.
3. are the chil - dren born to man in his youth.
4. while con - tend - ing with his foes at the gate.

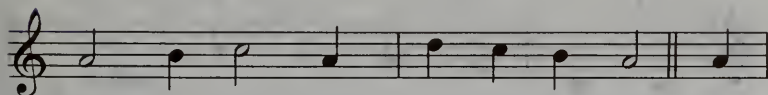
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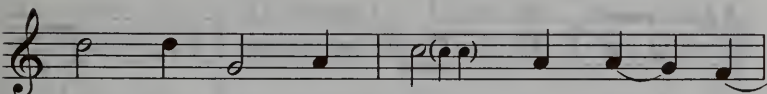
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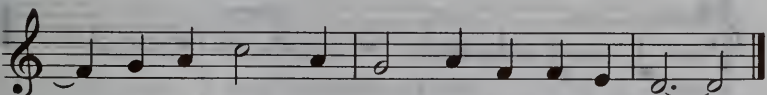
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4. when with these his quiv - er is filled; No



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2. to his loved ones he gives gifts while they sleep.
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4. while con - tend - ing with his foes at the gate.

Psalm 127

English text by Mark Evans

Dean, in *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816

1. How hap - py you who fear the
2. Your wife shall be a fruit - ful
3. The Lord look down and pros - per
4. The wel - fare of Je - ru - sa -



1. Lord And walk a - long his ways:
2. vine En - rich - ing your a - bode:
3. you From Si - on's Ho - ly Place:
4. lem In this life may you see:



1. Your la - bor's fruit you will en -
2. Your chil - dren shall be ol - ive
3. Your chil - dren's chil - dren may you
4. Thus lives the man who fears the



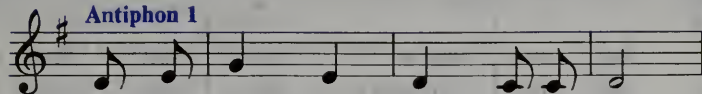
1. joy With bless - ings all your days.
2. plants As heav - en's gifts be - stowed.
3. see Grow strong in health and grace.
4. Lord; Be - hold how blessed is he.

Psalm 129

English version by Mark Evans

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Antiphon 1

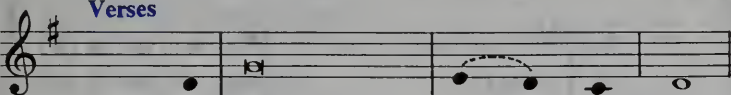


As the watch - man waits for the dawn,

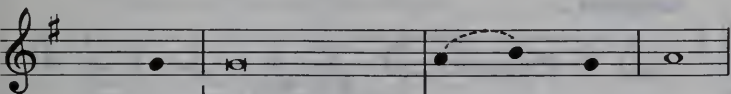


so do I wait for you, O Lord.

Verses



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|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 1. Out of the | depths I cry to | you, O Lord. 1 |
| 2. Master, if | you keep record | of our guilt, 2 |
| 3. ————— | Trustingly I | wait for the Lord, 3 |
| 4. Patient as | watchmen | wait for the dawn, 4 |
| 5. [| |] |
| 6. Give glory | to the Father, | and to the Son, 6 |



- | | | |
|---------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 1. O | Lord, | hear my voice! 1 |
| 2. Lord, | who has the | strength to sur - vive? 2 |
| 3. for his | word of promise | my soul a - waits; 3 |
| 4. so let | Israel | wait for the Lord; 4 |
| 5. [| |] |
| 6. and to the | Spirit who | dwells in our hearts, 6 |

Psalm 129 (cont.)



1. Let your ears be at-ten-tive 1
 2. But with you there is for-give-ness; 2
 3. For the Lord my soul is wait-ing 3
 4. But with him there is kind-ness 4
 5. It is he that will ran-som Is-ra-el 5
 6. As it was in the be-gin-ning 6

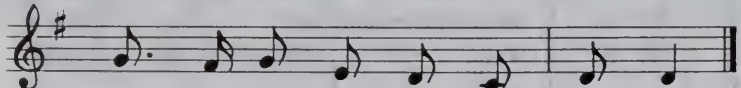


1. to my voice in sup-pli-ca-tion. 2
 2. hence your name is ev-er hon-ored. 3
 3. more than sentinels wait for day-break. 4
 4. and with him is plen-teous re-demp-tion. 5
 5. and re-deem them from all their in-i-qui-ties. 6
 6. and shall be through all the a-ges.

Antiphon 2



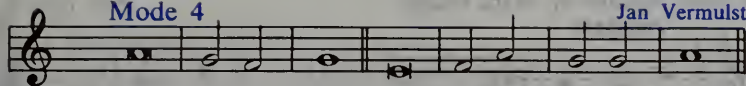
With hope I wait for the Lord, for with
 him there is good-ness and mer-cy.



Psalm 131

Mode 4

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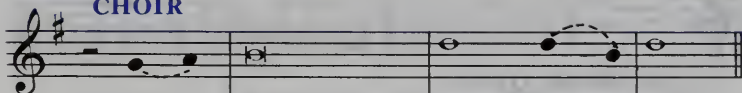
1. Remember, O Lord,
for David all his anxious care:
2. How he swore to the Lord,
vowed to the Mighty One of Jacob:
3. "I will not enter the house I live in,
nor lie on the couch where I sleep;
4. I will give my eyes no sleep
my eyelids no rest,
5. Till I find a place for the Lord,
a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."
6. The Lord swore to David
a firm promise from which he will not withdraw:
7. "Your own offspring
I will set upon your throne;
8. If your sons keep my covenant
and the decrees which I shall teach them,
9. Their sons, too, forever
shall sit upon your throne."
10. For the Lord has chosen Sion;
he prefers her for his dwelling.
11. "Sion is my resting place forever;
in her will I dwell, for I prefer her.
12. I will bless her with abundant provision,
her poor I will fill with bread.
13. Her priests I will clothe with salvation,
and her faithful ones shall shout merrily for joy.
14. In her will I make a horn to sprout forth for David;
I will place a lamp for my anointed.
15. His enemies I will clothe with shame,
but upon him my crown shall shine."

PSALMS Psalm 135

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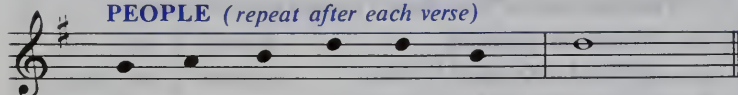
CHOIR



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|----|-------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| 1. | Give | thanks to the | Lord, for he is | good, 1 |
| 2. | Who a - | lone does | won - drous | deeds, 2 |
| 3. | Who | made the | heav - en - ly | lights, 3 |
| 4. | The first - | born of the E - | gypt - ians he | smote, 4 |
| 5. | Who di - | vided the | Red Sea in | two, 5 |
| 6. | Who | guided his | people through the | desert, 6 |
| 7. | Se - hon, | king of the | A - mor - | rites, 7 |
| 8. | He | gave their land as a | her - it - | age, 8 |
| 9. | And | set us | free from our | foes, 9 |

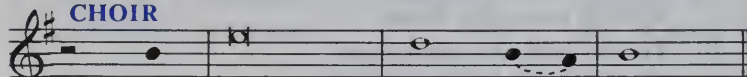
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PEOPLE *(repeat after each verse)*



Ev - er - last - ing is his love.

CHOIR



- | | | | | |
|----|-----------------|---------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. | Give | thanks to the | God of | gods, 1 |
| 2. | Who in his | wisdom | made the | heavens, 2 |
| 3. | The | sun to | rule by | day, 3 |
| 4. | And brought out | Israel | from their | midst. 4 |
| 5. | And let | Israel | pass through its | midst, 5 |
| 6. | He over - | threw the | might - y | kingdoms, 6 |
| 7. | And | Og, the | king of | Basan, |
| 8. | As a | heritage to | Isra - el, his | <i>(to verse 8)</i> servant, 8 |
| 9. | Who gives | food to | all liv - ing | creatures, 9 |

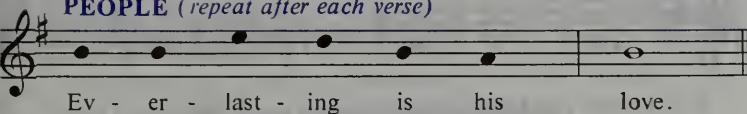
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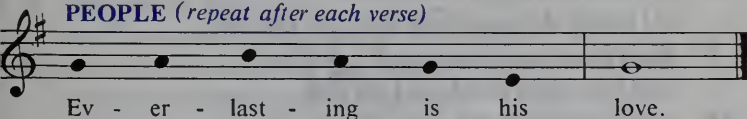
PEOPLE (*repeat after each verse*)



CHOIR

1.	Give	thanks to the	Lord of	lords,	2
2.	Who	spread the	earth up-on the	waters,	3
3.	The	moon and	stars by	night,	4
4.	With a	mighty hand and an	out - stretched	arm,	5
5.	But swept	Pharaoh and his	army in-to the	Sea,	6
6.	And struck	down the	pow - er - ful	kings,	7
7.	[			]	8
8.	He re -	membered us in	times of dis -	ress,	9
9.	Give	thanks to the	God of	heaven,	

PEOPLE (*repeat after each verse*)

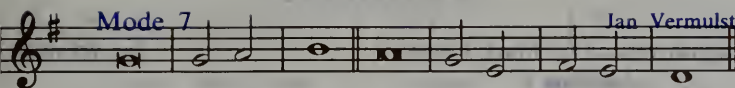


Psalm 138



1. O Lord, you have probed me and you know me;
you know when I sit and when I stand;
you understand my thoughts from afar.
2. My journeys and my rest you scrutinize,
with all my ways you are familiar.
3. Even before a word is on my tongue,
behold, O Lord, you know the whole of it.
4. Behind me and before, you hem me in
and rest your hand upon me.
5. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
too lofty for me to attain.
6. Where can I go from your spirit?
from your presence where can I flee?
7. If I go to the heavens, you are there;
if I sink to the nether world, you are present there.
8. If I take the wings of the dawn,
if I settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
9. Even there your hand shall guide me,
and your right hand hold me fast.
10. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall hide me,
and night shall be my light" —
11. For you darkness itself is not dark,
and night shines as the day.
12. Truly you have formed my inmost being;
you knit me in my mother's womb.
13. I give you thanks that I am fearfully, wonderfully made;
wonderful are your works.

Psalm 144



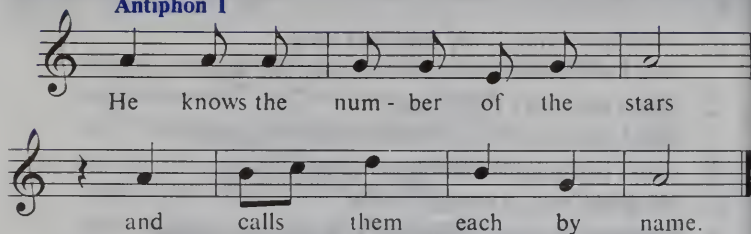
1. I will extol you, O my God and King,
and I will bless your name forever and ever.
2. Every day will I bless you,
and I will praise your name forever and ever.
3. Great is the Lord and highly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.
4. Generation after generation praises your works
and proclaims your might.
5. They speak of the splendor of your glorious majesty
and tell of your wondrous works.
6. They discourse of the power of your terrible deeds
and declare your greatness.
7. They publish the fame of your abundant goodness
and joyfully sing of your justice.
8. The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
9. The Lord is good to all
and compassionate toward all his works.
10. Let all your works give you thanks, O Lord,
and let your faithful ones bless you.
11. Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might,
12. Making known to men your might
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
13. Your kingdom is a kingdom for all ages,
and your dominion endures through all generations.
14. May my mouth speak the praise of the Lord,
and may all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

Psalm 146

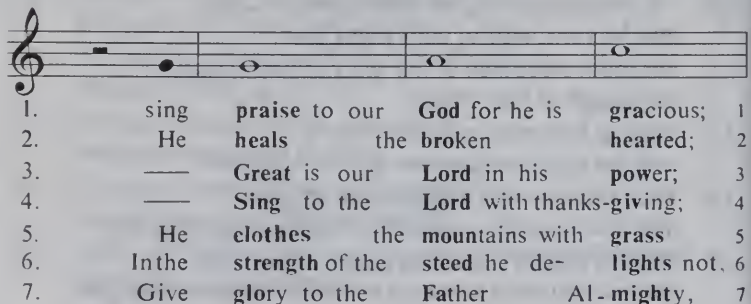
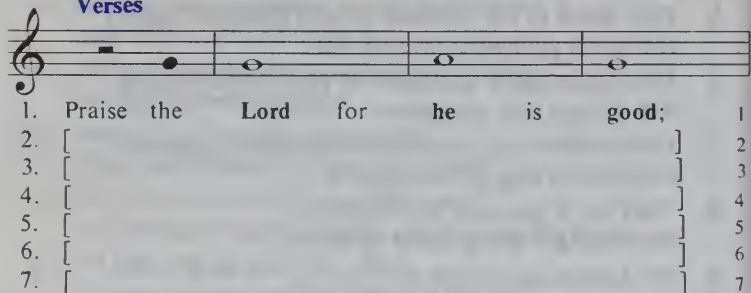
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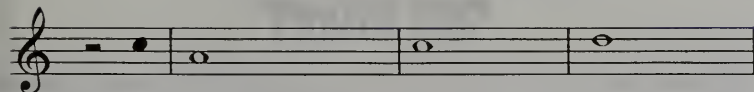
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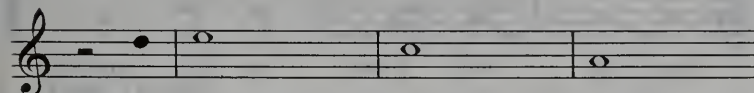


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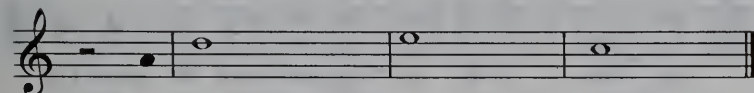


Psalm 146 (*cont.*)

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|----|-----------|------------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|---|
| 1. | it is | fitting and | right | to | praise him. | 1 |
| 2. | it is | he | who | binds up their | wounds. | 2 |
| 3. | his | wisdom | sur- | passes all | measure. | 3 |
| 4. | sing | praise with the | harp | to our | God. | 4 |
| 5. | and gives | herbs for the | service of | men. | | 5 |
| 6. | nor is he | pleased with the | fleetness of | men. | | 6 |
| 7. | to | Christ, his | be-loved | Son, | | 7 |



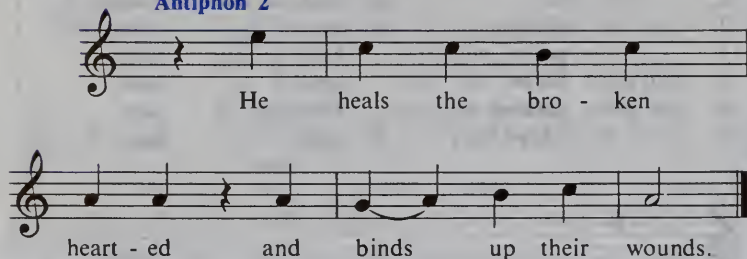
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|----|--------|--------------|--------------|---------------|----------|----------|---|
| 1. | The | Lord is | re- | building | Je- | rusalem: | 1 |
| 2. | He | knows | the | number of the | stars; | | 2 |
| 3. | The | Lord | de- | fends | the | lowly; | 3 |
| 4. | Who | curtains the | heavens with | clouds | | | 4 |
| 5. | It is | he who gives | food to the | cattle | | | 5 |
| 6. | The | Lord favors | those | who | fear him | | 6 |
| 7. | To the | Spirit who | guides | the | Church, | | 7 |



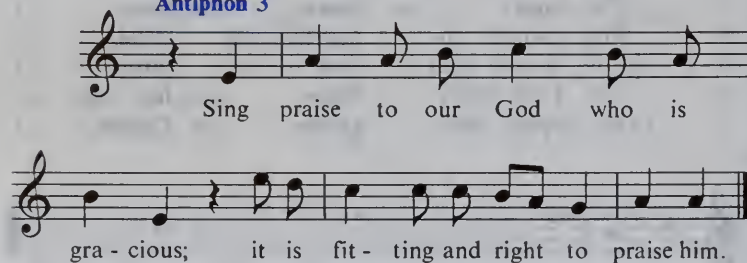
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|----|-------|----------------|--------------|-------------|----|---------|---|
| 1. | he is | gathering the | dis- | persed | of | Israel. | 2 |
| 2. | he | calls | them | each | by | name. | 3 |
| 3. | the | wicked he lays | low in the | dust. | | | 4 |
| 4. | and | stores up the | rain for the | earth. | | | 5 |
| 5. | and | food to young | ravens that | cry to him. | | | 6 |
| 6. | and | those who put | trust in his | kindness. | | | 7 |
| 7. | both | now and | for- | ever. | A- | men. | |

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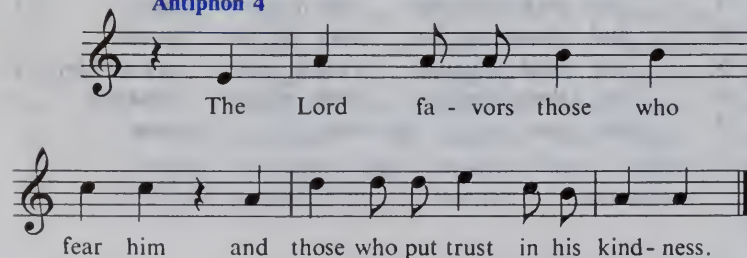
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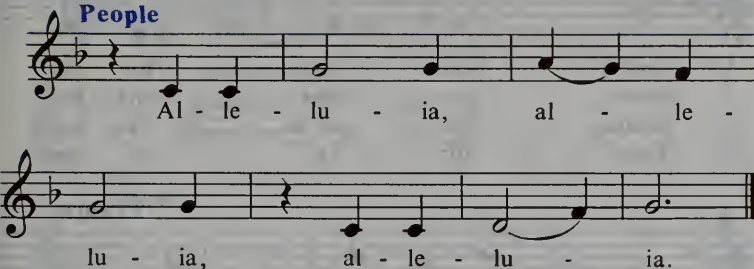
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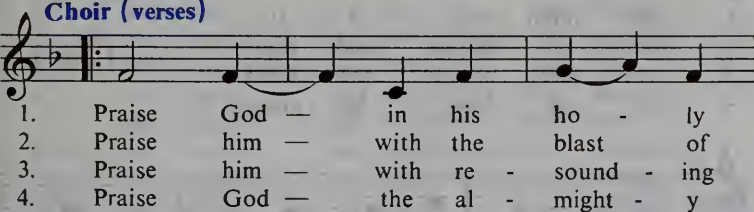
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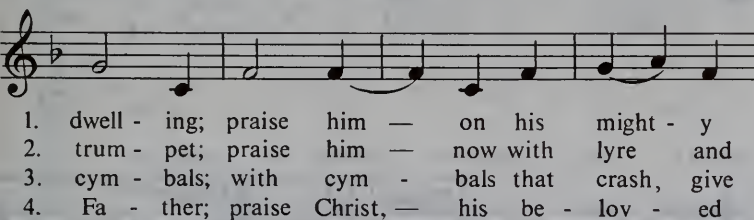
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People


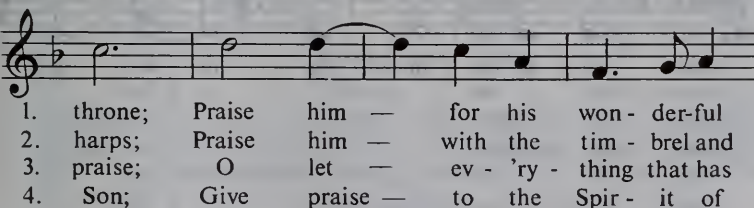
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Choir (verses)


1. Praise God — in his ho - ly
2. Praise him — with the blast of
3. Praise him — with re - sound - ing
4. Praise God — the al - mighty

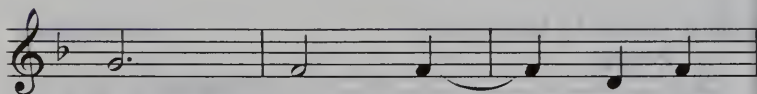


1. dwell - ing; praise him — on his might - y
2. trum - pet; praise him — now with lyre and
3. cym - bals; with cym - bals that crash, give
4. Fa - ther; praise Christ, — his be - lov - ed

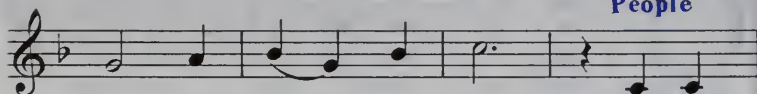


1. throne; Praise him — for his won - der - ful
2. harps; Praise him — with the tim - brel and
3. praise; O let — ev - 'ry - thing that has
4. Son; Give praise — to the Spir - it of

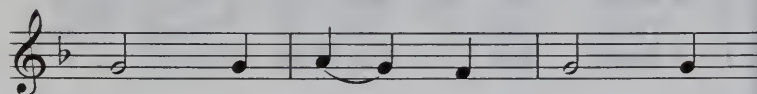
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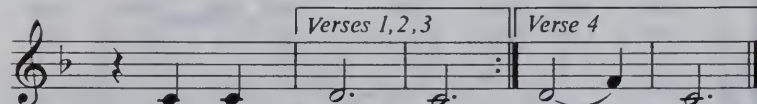
1. deeds; praise him _____ for his
 2. dance; praise him _____ with the
 3. breath, let all _____ liv - ing
 4. Love; for - ev - er the

People

1. sov- 'reign maj - es - ty.
 2. sound of string and reed. Al - le -
 3. crea - tures praise the Lord.
 4. tri - une God be praised.



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia. lu - ia.

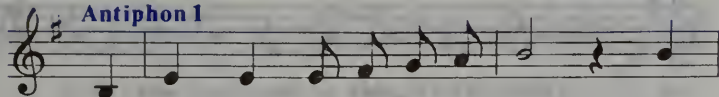
Canticle of Our Lady

(Magnificat)

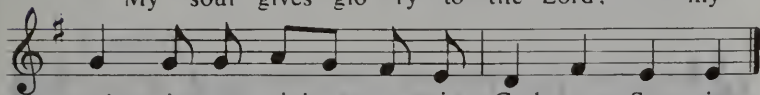
English version by Mark Evans

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Antiphon 1

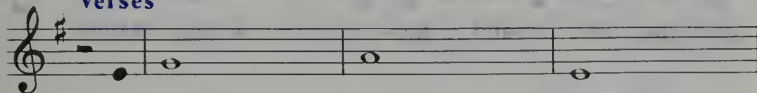


My soul gives glo - ry to the Lord; my

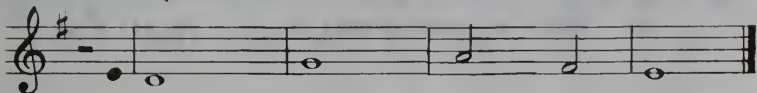


spir - it re - joic - es in God, my Sav - ior.

Verses



1. My soul gives glory to the Lord; 1
2. He has looked on the lowliness of his servant 2
3. The Al- mighty has done wonders for me, 3
4. From age to age is his mercy 4
5. He shows the might of his arm 5
6. He casts down the mighty from their thrones 6
7. The hungry he fills with good things 7
8. He gives help to Israel, his servant, 8
9. The mercy he promised to our fathers, 9
10. All praise to the Blessed Trinity 10



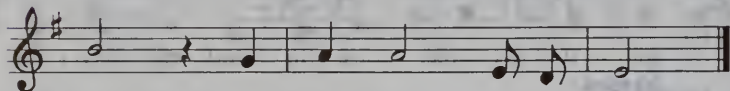
1. my spirit re- joices in God, my Savior. 2
2. and henceforth
all gene- rations shall call me blessed. 3
3. and [] holy is his name. 4
4. to [] those who fear him. 5
5. and [] scatters the proud of heart. 6
6. and [] raises up the lowly. 7
7. and the [] rich he sends a- way empty. 8
8. who re- [] members his mercy. 9
9. to Abraham and all his pos- teri- ty for- ever. 10
10. both [] now and for- ever. A- men.

Canticle of Our Lady(cont.)

Antiphon 2

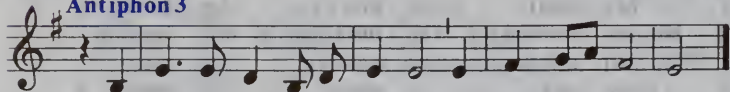


The Al - might - y has done won - ders for



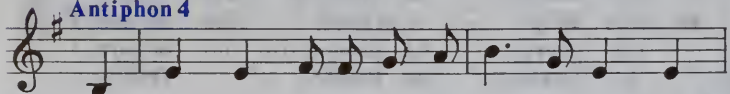
me and ho - ly is his name.

Antiphon 3



From age to age is his mer-cy to those who fear him.

Antiphon 4

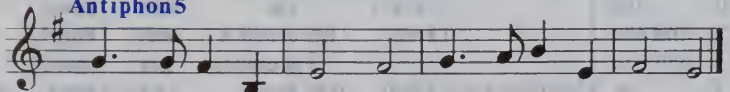


O Mar - y, cho-sen maid of Is - ra - el, to



you we sing our songs of praise.

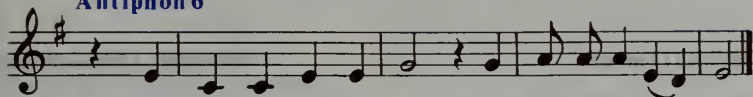
Antiphon 5



Blest are you, O Mar - y, blest a-bove all wo-men.

Canticle of Our Lady(*cont.*)

Antiphon 6



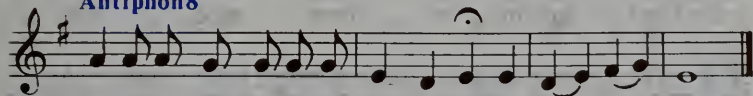
O Mar - y, Queen of May, we hon-or you this day.

Antiphon 7



O Mar-y, we praise and hon-or you a - bove all crea-tures.

Antiphon 8



Mar-y, our moth-er, in-ter-cede for us with God, your Son.

Antiphon 9

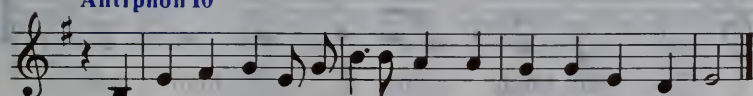


All hail to you, O Mar - y; of



heav-en and earth you reign as queen!

Antiphon 10

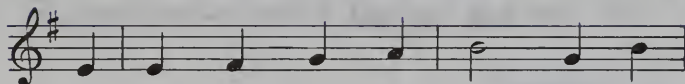


To you, O Mar-y, we ded-i-cate this love-ly month of May.

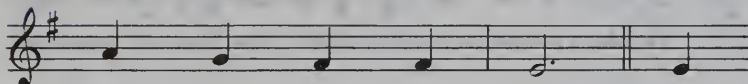
O Mary, of All Women

Michael Gannon

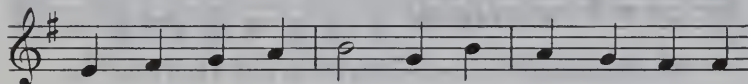
Flemish, 17th cent., alt.



1. O Mar - y, of all wo - men You
2. O Mar - y, you em - bod - y All



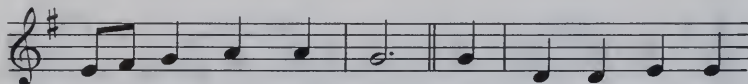
1. are the cho - sen one, Who,
2. God taught to our race, For



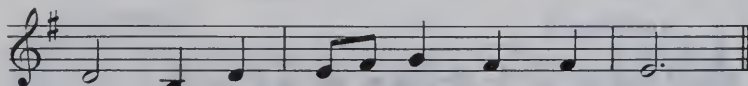
1. an - cient proph-ets prom-ised, Would bear God's on - ly
2. you are first and fore-most In full-ness of his



1. Son; All He - brew gen - er - a - tions Pre -
2. grace; We praise this wond-rous hon - or: That



1. pared the way to thee, That in your womb the
2. you gave birth to him Who from you took his

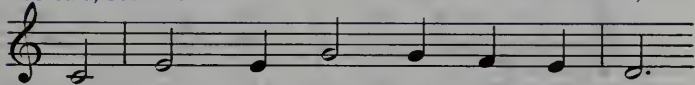


1. God - man Might come to set man free.
2. man - hood And saved us from our sin.

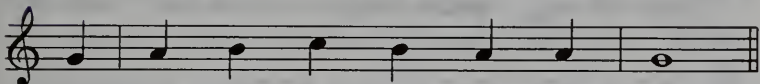
The God Whom Earth and Sea and Sky

Quem Terra, Pontus, Sidera
Venantius Fortunatus, 530-605
 Tr. J. M. Neale, 1818-66

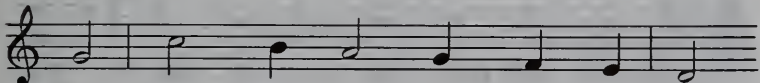
Johann Hermann Schein, 1628



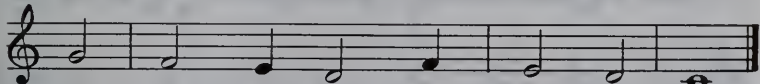
1. The God whom earth and sea and sky
2. The God whose will by moon and sun
3. How blest that Mother, in whose shrine
4. Blest in the mes - sage Ga - briel brought;
5. All hon - or, praise, and glo - ry be,



1. A - dore and praise and mag - ni - fy,
2. And all things in due course is done,
3. The Mak - er of the world di - vine,
4. Blest by the work the Spir - it wrought:
5. O Je - sus, Vir - gin - born, to thee!



1. Who o - ver all cre - a - tion reigns,
2. Is borne up - on a Maid - en's breast
3. Whose hand con - tains the earth and sky,
4. From whom the great De - sire of earth
5. All glo - ry, as is ev - er meet,



1. The Vir - gin's spot - less womb con - tains.
2. Of full - est heav'n - ly grace pos - sessed.
3. Vouch - safed, as in his ark, to lie!
4. Took hu - man flesh and hu - man birth.
5. To Fa - ther and to Par - a - clete.

Hail, Blessed Lady

Salve Regina

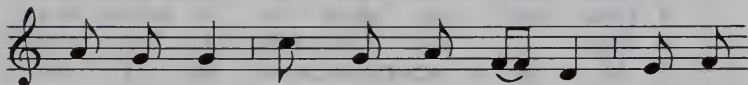
Hermannus Contractus (?), 1013-54

Tr. J. Clifford Evers

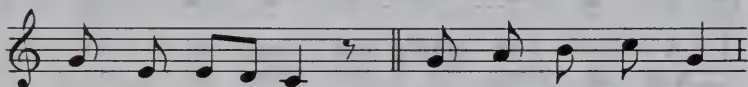
Hermannus Contractus (?), 1013-54



Hail, Bless-ed La - dy, Mo - ther most kind and



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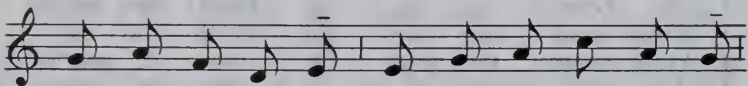
life im-mor - tal.

We are but sin - ners,



chil-dren of Eve still in ex - ile.

To



you we send our sighs, the trials that be - fall us,

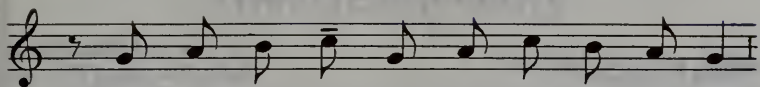


pass - ing through this vale of sor - row.

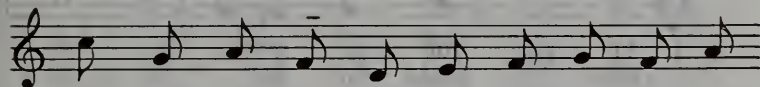
BLESSED VIRGIN

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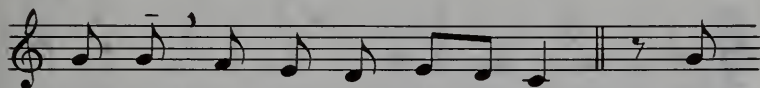
Hail, Blessed Lady (*cont.*)



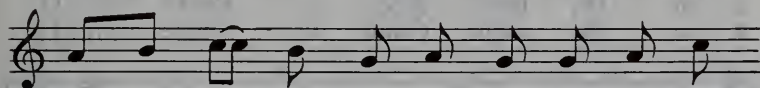
Hear then our plea as our in - ter - ces - sor,



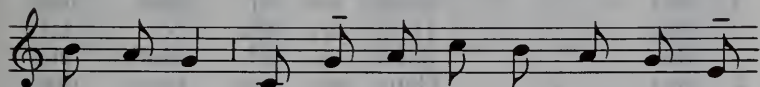
turn then to us those lov - ing eyes com - pas -



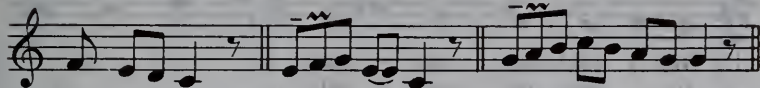
sion - ate to give us com - fort. Then



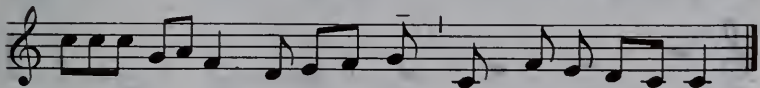
Ho - ly Maid, when our ex - ile here on earth



is end - ed, lead us to Je - sus Chirst, your son



in glo - ry. O gen - tle, O lov - ing



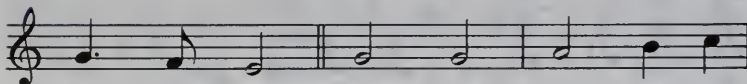
O gra - cious, O Vir - gin Mar - y.

Virgin, Full of Grace

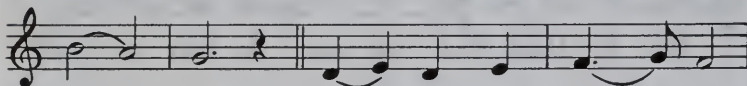
Melvin Farrell, S.S.

O Sanctissima
Sicily, 1st pub. 1794, alt.

1. Vir - gin, full of grace, Pur - est
 2. Mar - y, plead for us, In - ter -
 3. Queen of saints a - bove, Won - drous
 4. Star of o - cean bright, Splen - dor



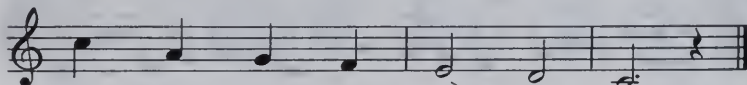
1. of our race, Hear thy chil - dren, O
 2. cede for us; Hope of sin - ners, O
 3. in thy love, Rise to shield us, O
 4. in the night, Guide us home - ward, O



1. Mar - y! Maid - en of glad - ness,
 2. Mar - y! Thou art the por - tal
 3. Mar - y! Show us, O Moth - er,
 4. Mar - y! Help, we im - plore thee,



1. Ban - ish our sad - ness:
 2. To life im - mor - tal: Pray for us, O
 3. Je - sus, our Broth - er:
 4. Thy sons be - fore thee:

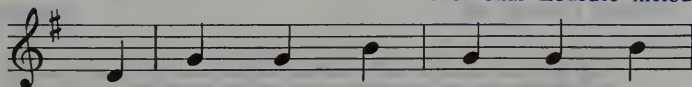


pray for us, O Mar - - y!

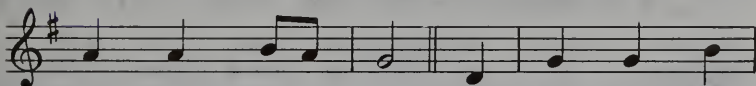
Immaculate Mary

Hymnal version

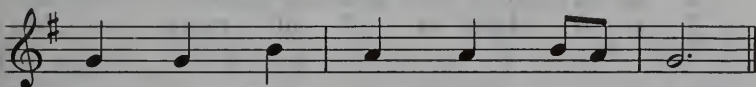
Traditional Lourdes melody



1. Im - mac - u - late Mar - y, your
2. In heav - en the bless - ed your
3. We pray you, O Moth - er, may
4. We pray for our Moth - er, the

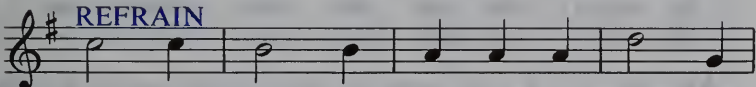


1. prais - es we sing; Who reign - est with
2. glo - ry pro - claim; On earth we, your
3. God's will be done; We pray for his
4. Church up - on earth; And bless, ho - ly



1. Christ, our Re - deem - er and King.
2. chil - dren, in - voke your fair name.
3. glo - ry; may his king - dom come.
4. Mar - y, the land of our birth.

REFRAIN



A - ve, a - ve, a - ve, Ma - ri - a!

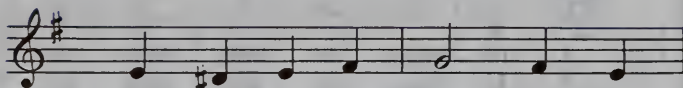


A - ve, a - ve, Ma - ri - - a!

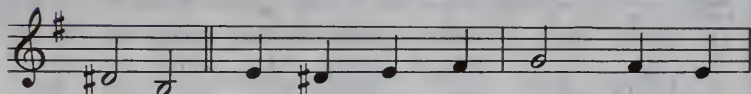
Star Upon the Ocean

Michael Gannon, alt.

Münster, 1855



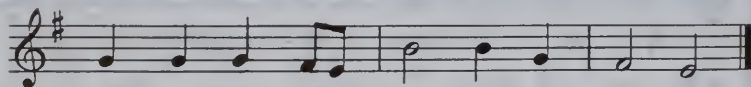
1. Star up - on the o - cean, Ma -
2. Ho - ly, hum - ble maid - en, Ma -
3. Blessed be - fore all oth - ers, Ma -



1. ri - a! Ves - sel of de - vo - tion, Ma -
2. ri - a! You with grace are lad - en, Ma -
3. ri - a! Moth - er of all moth - ers, Ma -



1. ri - a! Moth - er of all rac - es,
2. ri - a! An - gels bend be - fore you,
3. ri - a! In our life pro - tect us,

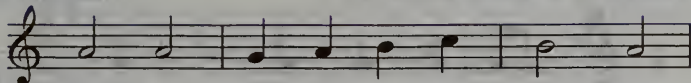


1. Queen of heav - en's grac - es, Ma - ri - a!
2. Men on earth im - plore you, Ma - ri - a!
3. In our death di - rect us, Ma - ri - a!

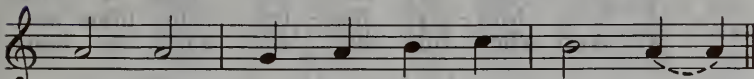
Virgin - Born, We Bow Before You

R. Heber, 1783-1826, alt.

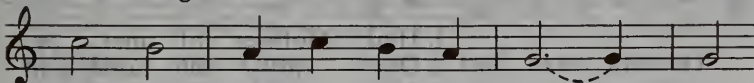
Genevan Psalter, 1543



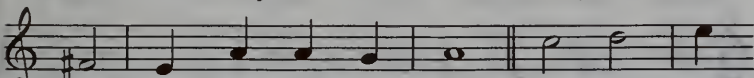
1. Vir - gin - born, we bow be - fore you;
2. Bless - ed she by all cre - a - tion,



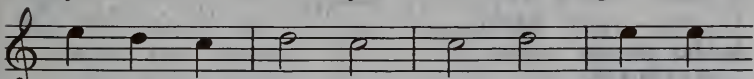
1. Bless - ed was the womb that bore you:—
2. Who brought forth the world's sal - va - tion; And



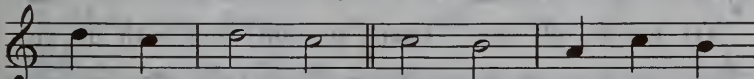
1. Mar - y, Moth - er meek and mild, — Bless -
2. bless - ed they for - ev - er blest, Who love



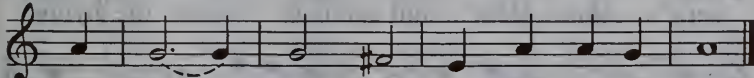
1. ed was she in her Child. Bless - ed was
2. you most and serve you best. Vir - gin - born,



1. the maid that fed you; Bless - ed was the
2. we bow be - fore you; Bless - ed was the



1. hand that led you; Bless - ed was the par -
2. womb that bore you: Mar - y, Moth - er meek



1. ent's eye That watched your slum - b'ring in - fan - cy.
2. and mild, — Bless - ed was she in her Child.

Hail, Holy Queen, Enthroned Above

Salve Regina Caelitum

Verse 1: Traditional

Verses 2, 3, 4: Melvin Farrell, S.S.

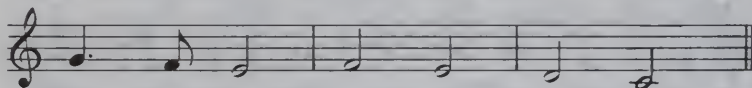
Traditional melody



1. Hail, ho - ly Queen, en - throned a - bove,
2. O Gate of Life, we hon - or thee,
3. O Mar - y, has - ten with thine aid,
4. And when our life on earth is done,



- O Ma - ri - a!
1. Hail, Moth - er of mer - cy
2. Our joy, our hope, and
3. Most gen - tle, lov - ing,
4. Then show us Christ, thy



1. and of love,
 2. heav - en's key,
 3. joy - ous Maid,
 4. ho - ly Son,
- O Ma - ri - a!

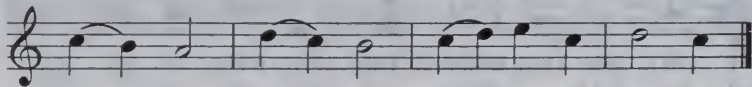
REFRAIN



Tri - umph, all ye cher - u - bim, Sing with us, ye



ser - a - phim, Heav'n and earth re - sound the hymn:



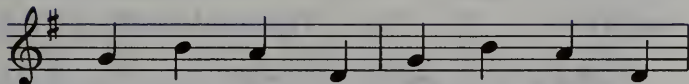
Sal - ve, sal - ve, sal - ve Re - gi - na!

Holy Mary, Now We Crown You

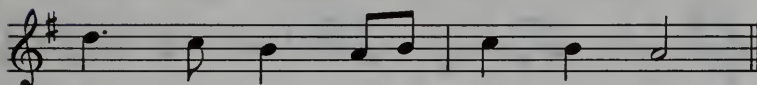
Melvin Farrell, S.S.

J. L. Steiner, 1735, alt.

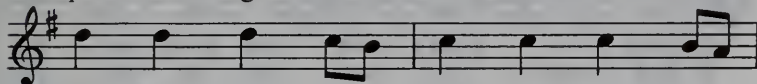
Repeat refrain after each verse.



- REFRAIN:** Ho - ly Mar - y, now we crown you
1. On this day we sing your prais - es,
 2. Stain of sin has nev - er marred you,
 3. Glo - rious Queen, look down in kind - ness
 4. Gate of Heav - en, you were Moth - er
 5. Queen of Man - kind, while cre - a - tion



- Ref.** Hon - ored Queen of all our race:
1. Pur - est Maid of all the earth;
 2. Man - kind's on - ly spot - less bloom:
 3. While be - fore your throne we stand:
 4. To the King of heav'n and earth:
 5. Speaks the gran - deur of God's love,



- Ref.** No - ble Vir - gin, may our trib - ute
1. While the beau - ty of the spring - time
 2. God, whose might ex - ceeds the heav - ens,
 3. Bring God's bless - ing to your chil - dren;
 4. Now be Moth - er to your sub - jects,
 5. Mold our hearts to seek his glo - ry



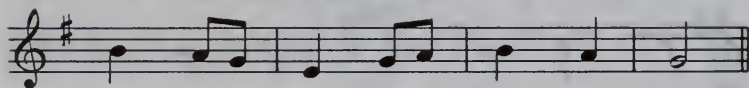
- Ref.** Win your love and gain us grace.
1. Tells your joy at Je - sus' birth.
 2. You have shel - tered in your womb.
 3. Watch our homes and guard our land.
 4. In our souls give Je - sus birth.
 5. Till we reach our home a - bove.

Sing of Mary

Anon., 1914

Plymouth Collection, New York, 1855

1. Sing of Mar- y, pure and low - ly,
2. Sing of Je - sus, son of Mar- y,
3. Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther,



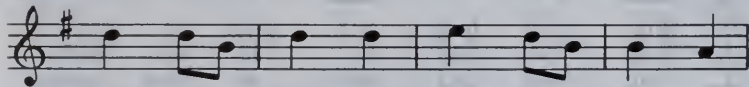
1. Vir - gin - moth - er un - de - filed,
2. In the home at Na - za - reth.
3. Glo - ry be to God the Son;



1. Sing of God's own Son most ho - ly,
2. Toil and la - bor can - not wea - ry
3. Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it,

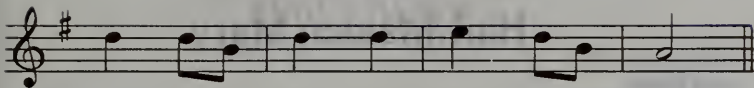


1. Who be - came her lit - tle child.
2. Love en - dur - ing un - to death.
3. Glo - ry to the Three in One.

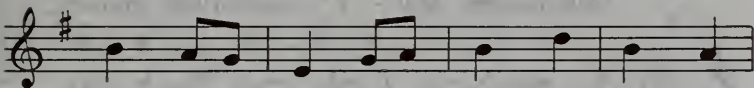


1. Fair - est child of fair - est moth - er,
2. Con - stant was the love he gave her,
3. From the heart of bless - ed Mar- y,

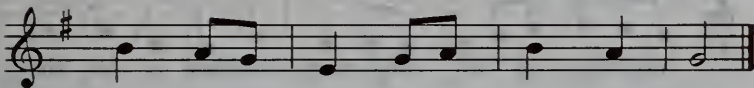
Sing of Mary (*cont.*)



1. God, the Lord, who came to earth,
2. Though he went forth from her side,
3. From all saints the song as - cends,



1. Word - made - flesh, our ver - y broth - er,
2. Forth to preach and heal and suf - fer,
3. And the Church the strain re - ech - oes



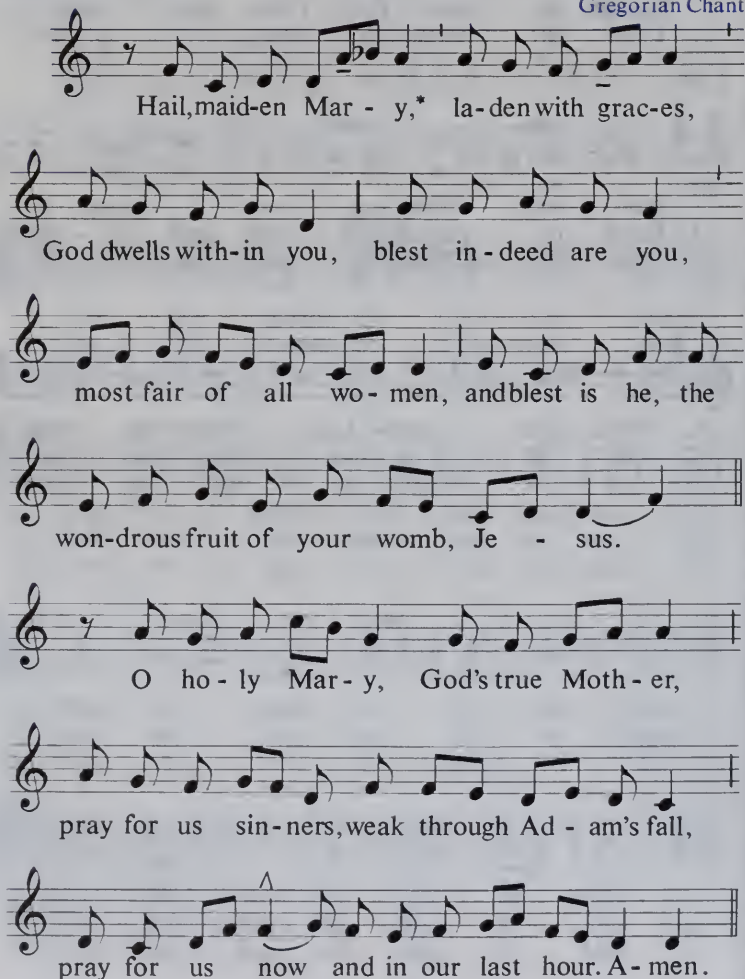
1. Takes our na - ture by his birth.
2. Till on Cal - va - ry he died.
3. Un - to earth's re - mot - est ends.

Hail, Maiden Mary

Ave Maria

J. Clifford Evers

Gregorian Chant



Hail, maid-en Mar - y,* la-den with grac-es,
 God dwells with-in you, blest in-deed are you,
 most fair of all wo-men, and blest is he, the
 won-drous fruit of your womb, Je - sus.
 O ho - ly Mar - y, God's true Moth - er,
 pray for us sin-ners, weak through Ad - am's fall,
 pray for us now and in our last hour. A - men.

Hail, Mary

Robert J. Snow

Hail, Mar - y, full of grace,*

the Lord is with thee; bless - ed art

thou a-mongst wo - men, and bless - ed

is the fruit of thy womb, Je - sus.

Ho - ly Mar - y, Moth - er of God,

pray for us sin - ners, now and at

the hour of our death. A - men.

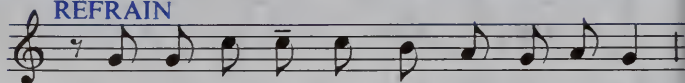
Sing to Mary, Mother Most Merciful

Ancient Carmelite hymn

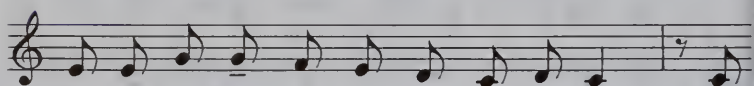
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Dom Pothier, O.S.B. († 1923)

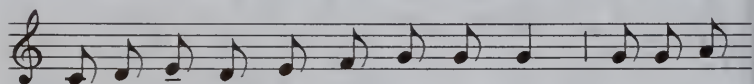
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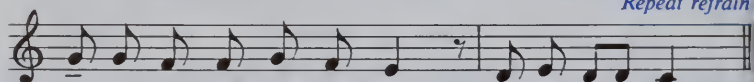
Sing to Mar-y, moth-er most mer-ci-ful,



God's true moth-er and moth-er to us all; Moth-

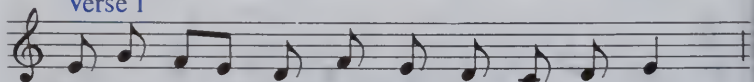


er joy-ful, we place our trust in you, Moth-er ho-



ly, all grace a-bides in you, Ho-ly Mar-y!

Verse I

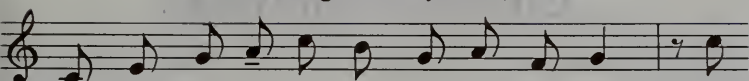


Bless-ed moth-er, pure vir-gin you re-main;

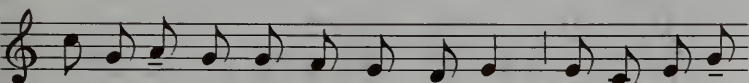
BLESSED VIRGIN

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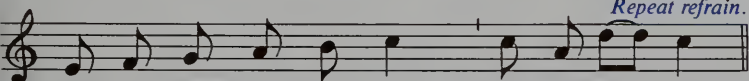
Sing to Mary (*cont.*)



He whose pres-ence the world can-not con-tain, Who



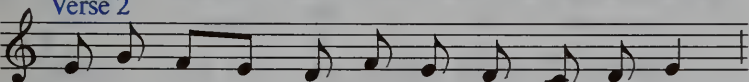
in glo-ry gov-erns the earth and sky, Con-de-scend-ed



with-in your womb to lie, Ho-ly Mar-y!

Repeat refrain.

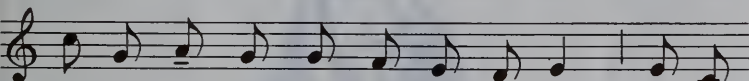
Verse 2



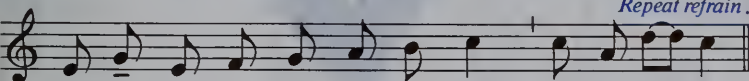
Of all man-kind sin-less are you a-lone,



In-ter-ces-sor be-fore God's heavnly throne; Be



our com-fort when our last breath ex-pires, Lead us



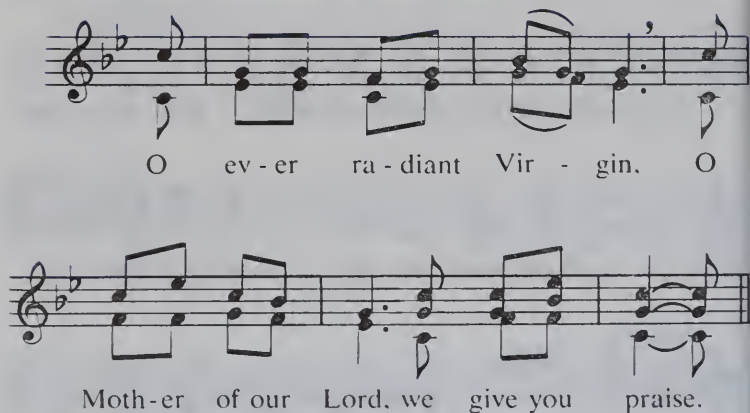
home-ward to join ce-les-tial choirs, Ho-ly Mar-y!

Repeat refrain.

O Ever Radiant Virgin

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.

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Antiphon for unison or equal voices

The musical score is written for unison or equal voices. It consists of two staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some chords. The lyrics 'O ev - er ra - dant Vir - gin, O' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with similar note values and some chords. The lyrics 'Moth - er of our Lord, we give you praise.' are written below the second staff.

O ev - er ra - dant Vir - gin, O

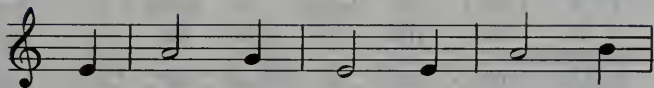
Moth - er of our Lord, we give you praise.



The Joyful Mysteries

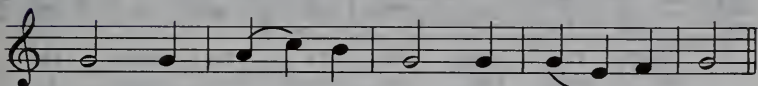
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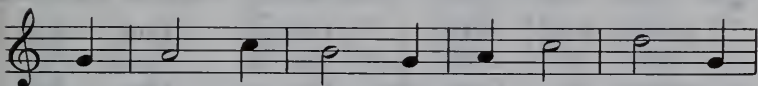
Annunciation 1. An - an - gel hails a maid - en's
Be - hold the hand - maid of the

Visitation 2. We con - tem - plate the joy - ful
Our La - dy mag - ni - fies the



1. name, And gives to Mar - y God's ac - claim,
Lord! Who bears the Son of God a - dored;

2. day, That Mar - y came the moun-tains' way,
Lord, For in her womb our Hope is stored;



1. For she is blessed a - mong our race, And
In Mar - y proph - ets are ful - filled, For

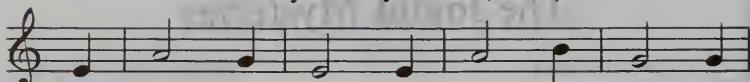
2. To greet her cous - in blessed with child, For
And love does leap with - in our hearts To



1. heav - en names her full of grace.
she has done as God has willed.

2. God and man were rec - on - ciled.
hear the joy her voice im - parts.

The Joyful Mysteries (cont.)



Nativity

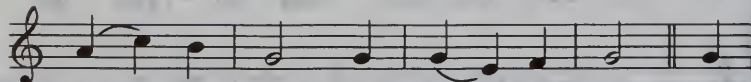
3. A Child is born in Beth - le - hem, Re -
In this, the Vir - gin's ho - ly night, The

Presentation

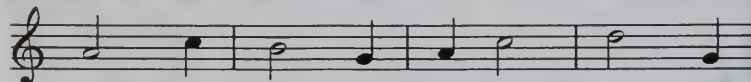
4. The pres - en - ta - tion of Our Lord Brings
The proph - ets in the tem - ple sing, That

Finding of the Child

5. What joy must fill the Vir - gin's breast To
But nei - ther she nor Jo - seph knows How



3. joice, re - joice, Je - ru - sa - lem! He
an - gels fill the dark with light As
4. old and new to great ac - cord: Al -
they be - hold the prom - ised King, And
5. end the sor - row of her quest: The
far the way of sor - row goes: For



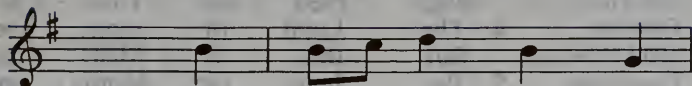
3. warms with love a froz - en cave, And
heav - en sends its joy to earth, In
4. might - y God -- the Ho - ly One, Is
Mar - y's eyes, with won - der, see Sal -
5. Child is safe with - in the town, In -
man's re - demp - tion has be - gun; The



3. bless - es those he comes to save.
hom - age of the In - fant's birth.
4. Mar - y's Child--the new - born Son.
va - tion clothed in in - fan - cy.
5. struct - ing doc - tors of re - nown.
Fa - ther's busi - ness must be done.

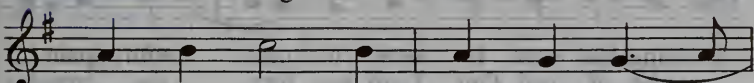
The Sorrowful Mysteries

Michael Gannon

Geistliche Lieder, Leipzig, 1589

Agony in the Garden
Scourging at the Pillar

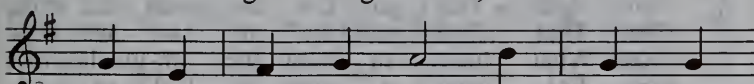
1. A gar - den shel - ters
This ho - ly prayer of
2. This Man of Sor - rows,
Though men re - buff and



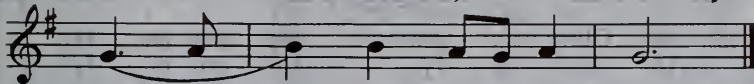
1. with its trees The sight of God
heav - en's Son: "Let not my will,
2. un - a - dored, Re - viled and scourged,
rid - i - cule His mer - ci - ful,



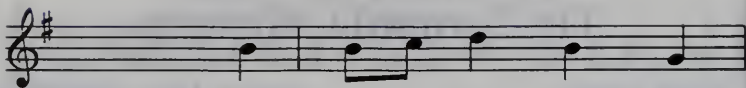
1. up - on his knees; The chal - ice
but yours be done;" Re - veals to
2. is Christ the Lord: Ob - scure in
for - giv - ing rule, He bears what



1. of our hope is here, For Christ has
man what love can be: The tri - umph
2. our in - fir - mi - ties, And bruised for
sin - ful men have done, That he may

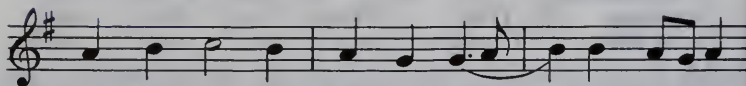


1. con - quered hu - man fear.
of Geth - sem - a - ni.
2. our i - ni - qui - ties.
rise, our East - er Sun.

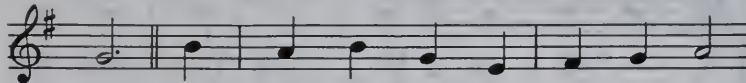
The Sorrowful Mysteries (*cont.*)

Crowning
with Thorns
Carrying
of the Cross
Crucifixion

3. The crown which Christ the
With reed and roy - al
4. The Light of man goes
But this is what the
5. Be - hold the Moth - er
And yet the cross be -



3. King has worn Is wov - en now with pain-ful
robe of red, Our Lord be - fore the crowd is
4. veiled and dim Be - neath the shame that bur - dens
Fa - ther willed, What pro - phe - cy would have ful -
5. and her loss: The dy - ing Son up - on the
comes a sign Of something splen - did and di -



3. thorn, As though to hint in trav - es - ty
led, And hears the tu - mult and the cry:
4. him; And Gol - go - tha be - yond the street
filled: That Christ should die to save his own;
5. Cross; What heart can know the an - guished love
vine, For what is done on Cal - va - ry

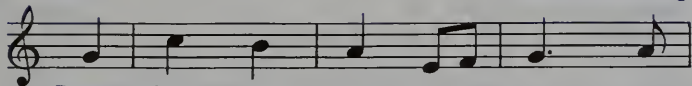


3. At Christ's sur - pass - ing ma - jes - ty.
To cru - ci - fy, to cru - ci - fy!
4. Ap - pears to mean the King's de - feat.
No great - er love has man - kind known.
5. That views that bod - - y hung a - bove?
Is God's re - demp - tive vic - to - ry.

The Glorious Mysteries

Michael Gannon

Marinus de Jong

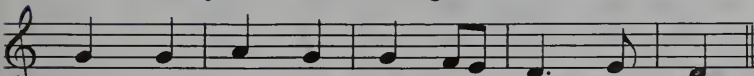


Resurrection

1. O glo - ri - ous, tri - umph - ant

Ascension

2. Re - joice and sing, all na - tions



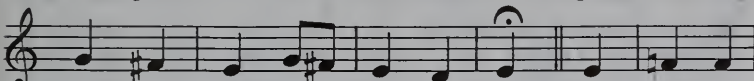
1. day! For Christ a - ris - es whence he lay,

2. round! That Christ has blessed our hum - ble ground,



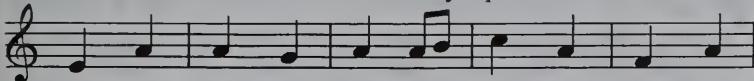
1. And walks and bless - es and com - mands With

2. And plant - ed here the seeds of grace Which



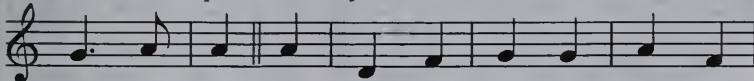
1. wounds in his re - demp-tive hands. It star-tles

2. make our earth a ho - ly place. And now be -



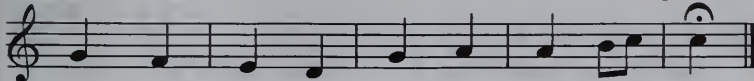
1. all the world to see This mar - vel of di -

2. fore th'a - pos - tles' eyes The Lord of land and



1. vin - i - ty: The God who died for love of

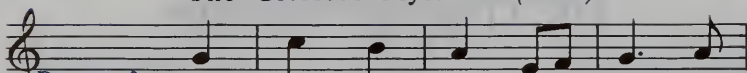
2. seas and skies As - cends to his tri - umph - ant



1. men Now lives a - mong us once a - gain.

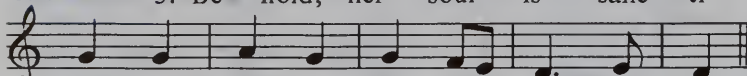
2. throne, Where men may name him as their own.

The Glorious Mysteries (cont.)

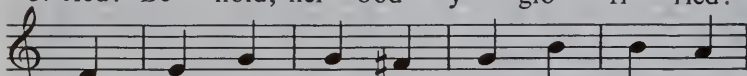


Descent of
the Holy Spirit
Assumption
Coronation

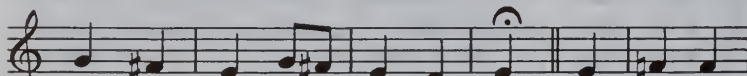
3. Where all the twelve a - pos - tles
4. Our Lord, brought forth in vir - gin -
5. Be - hold, her soul is sanc - ti -



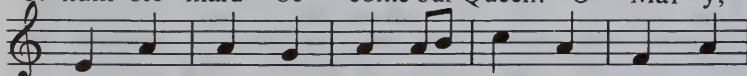
3. meet, God sends his prom - ised Par - a - clete,
4. birth, As - sumes his Moth - er from the earth,
5. fied! Be - hold, her bod - y glo - ri - fied!



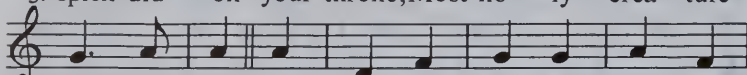
3. To bless and coun - sel and in - spire, With
4. And lifts her bod - y to the skies, To
5. What joy for man-kind to have seen This



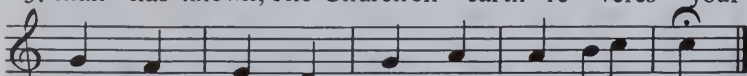
3. part - ed tongues of ho - ly fire. This con - se -
4. reign, a Queen in par - a - dise. On Mar - y's
5. hum - ble maid be - come our Queen! O Mar - y,



3. cra - tion from a - bove Com - pletes the act of
4. soul there was no stain, No act or word or
5. splen - did on your throne, Most ho - ly crea - ture



3. God's great love, By which he gave his on - ly
4. thought pro - fane, And though of earth and dust and
5. man has known, The Church on earth re - veres your

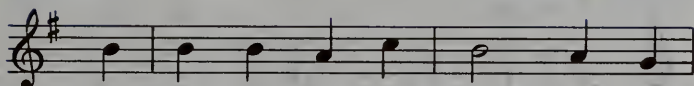


3. Son That man's sal - va - tion might be won.
4. clay, Her bod - y con - quers man's de - cay.
5. name, And joins the heav - ens in ac - claim.

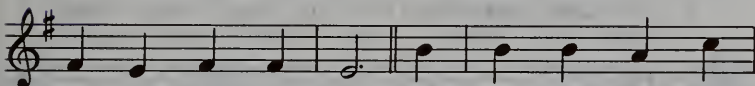
Look Down to Us, St. Joseph

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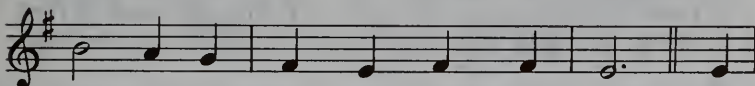
Flemish melody, 1539



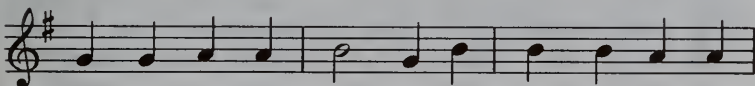
1. Look down to us, St. Jo - seph, Pro -
 2. We ven - er - ate your jus - tice, The



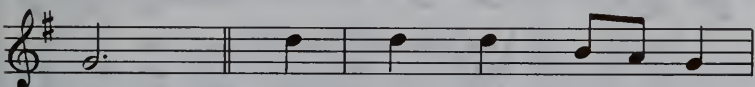
1. tec - tor of Our Lord, Who fol - lowed you through
 2. gos - pels praise your name; You are the saint all



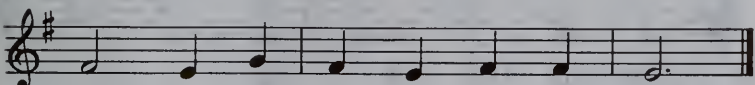
1. des - erts, And gave you blessed re - ward; Our
 2. hum - ble, Who gained e - ter - nal fame; In



1. foes are yet a - bout us, Be strength now at our
 2. your de - vot - ed fam - ily Our souls in trust con -



1. side; Be light a - gainst the
 2. fide; Di - rect our way to

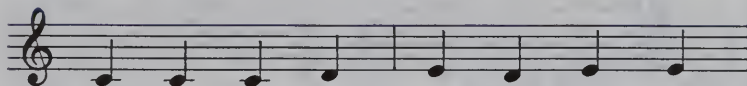


1. dark - ness: St. Jo - seph, be our guide!
 2. heav - en: St. Jo - seph, be our guide!

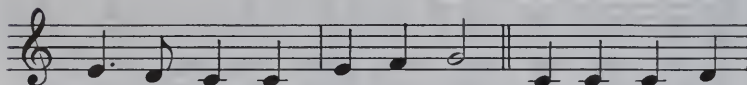
Joseph, Patron Saint of Workers

Bernard C. Mischke, O.S.C.

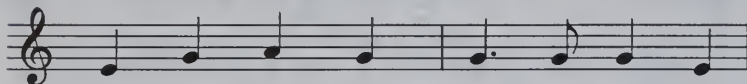
Jan Vermulst



1. Jo - seph, pa - tron saint of work - ers,
2. Jo - seph, close to Christ and Mar - y,
3. Jo - seph, work-men's in - spi - ra - tion,



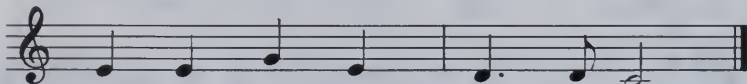
1. Blend-ing skill with char-i - ty, Si-lent car-pen-
2. Lived with them in pov-er - ty, Shared with them their
3. Man of faith and char-i - ty, Make us hon-est,



1. ter, we praise you! Join - ing work with
2. home and la - bor, Worked with no - ble
3. hum - ble, faith - ful, Strong with Christ's true



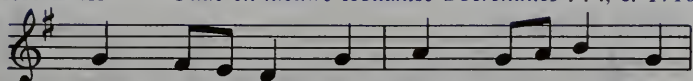
1. hon-es - ty, You taught Christ with joy to la - bor
2. dig - ni - ty. May we seek God's will as you did,
3. lib - er - ty, Make our la - bor and our lei - sure



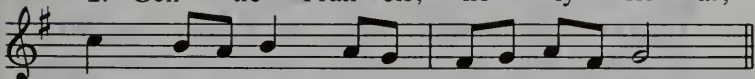
1. Shar - ing His no - bil - i - ty.
2. Lead - er of His fam - i - ly!
3. Fruit - ful to e - ter - ni - ty!

Francis, Friend of All Things Living

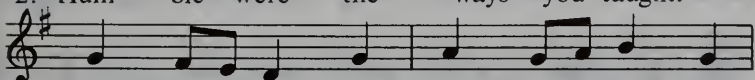
J. Clifford Evers

Oude en nieuwe Hollandse Boerenliedjes . . . , c. 1710

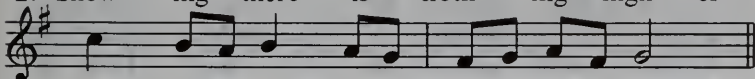
1. Fran - cis, friend of all things liv - ing,
 2. Gen - tle Fran - cis, ho - ly fri - ar,



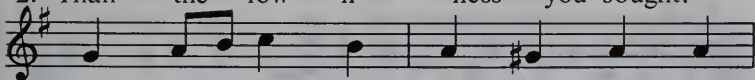
1. Broth - er to the moon and sun,
 2. Hum - ble were the ways you taught.



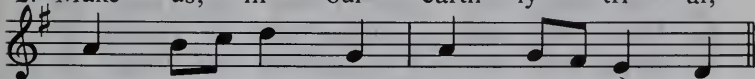
1. Joined with birds and beasts in giv - ing
 2. Show - ing there is noth - ing high - er



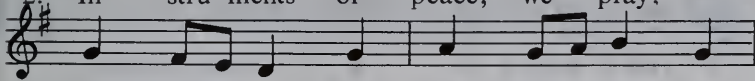
1. Praise to the Al - mighty - y One.
 2. Than the low - li - ness you sought.



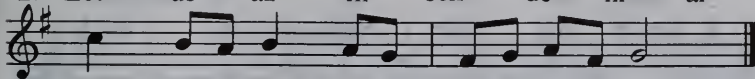
1. Teach your ways of love's e - la - tion
 2. Make us, in our earth - ly tri - al,



1. That we may with one ac - cord
 2. In - stru - ments of peace, we pray:



1. Love with you the Lord's cre - a - tion,
 2. Let us all in self - de - ni - al

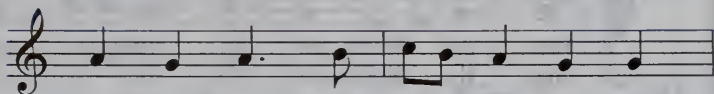


1. Lov - ing first cre - a - tion's Lord.
 2. Fol - low your Fran - cis - can way.

Let Us Praise Our Noble God

Melvin Farrell, S.S.

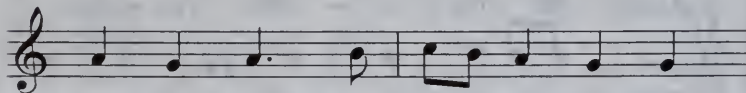
James Burns, S.S.



1. Let us praise our no - ble God Who
2. Doc - tors, vir - gins, sound his praise And
3. Mind or heart has nev - er guessed Their
4. May the bless - ed shield our way Through



1. ral - lies saints be - fore him:
2. mar - tyrs march a - breast him;
3. joy and con - so - la - tion:
4. prayer to their re - ward - er:



1. May we walk the way they trod And
2. Men with chil - dren chor - us raise, All
3. For our Sav - ior's Name is blessed In
4. May he ev - er dress our days In



1. end - less - ly a - dore him!
2. they whose lives con - fessed him!
3. them, his roy - al na - tion!
4. peace and star - light or - der!

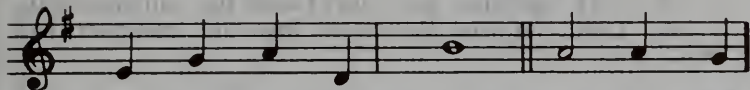
All Saints Hymn

Wm. Walsham How, 1864

Ralph Vaughan Williams



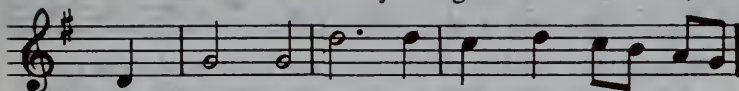
1. For all the saints, who
2. Thou wast their rock, their
3. O may thy sol - diers,



1. from their la - bors rest, Who thee by
2. for - tress, and their might: Thou, Lord, their
3. faith - ful, true, and bold, Fight as the



1. faith be - fore the world con - fessed,
2. Cap - tain in the well-fought fight;
3. saints who no - bly fought of old,



1. Thy name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er
2. Thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true
3. And win, with them, the vic - tor's crown of



1. blest.
 2. light.
 3. gold.
- Al - - - le - - - lu -

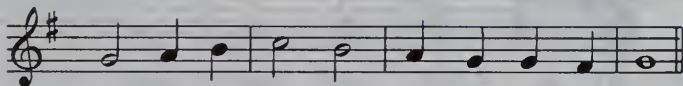


ia, al - - - le - lu - ia!

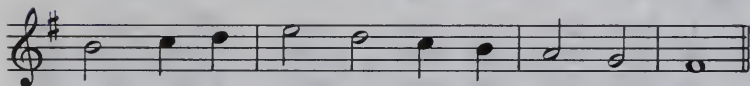
Merciful Savior, Hear Our Humble Prayer

Melvin Farrell, S.S., alt.

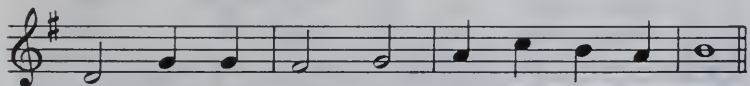
Genevan Psalter, 1551, alt.



1. Mer - ci - ful Sav - ior, hear our hum - ble pray'r,
2. Je - sus, all ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and just,
3. O gen - tle Sav - ior, Lamb for sin - ners slain,
4. Lord, at your Pas - sion love did con - quer fear;

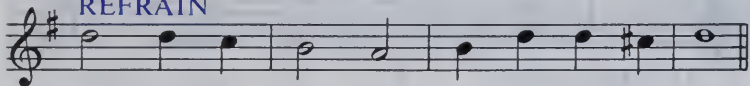


1. For all your serv - ants passed be - yond life's care;
2. Do you re - mem - ber man was made from dust;
3. Look on your broth - ers, cleanse their hearts of stain:
4. Now share that tri - umph with these souls so dear:

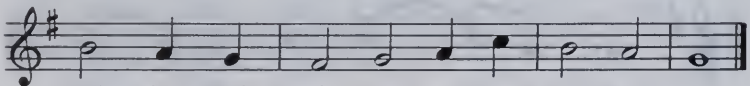


1. Though sin has touched them, yet their weak - ness spare.
2. Un - to your mer - cy we these souls en - trust.
3. Your cross has won them ev - er - last - ing gain.
4. Ban - ish their sor - rows, let your light ap - pear.

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O grant them par - don, Je - sus, Sav - ior blest,

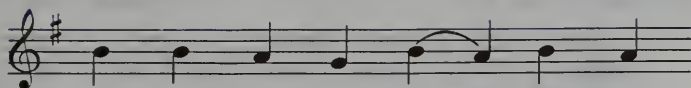


And give their spir - its light and end - less rest.

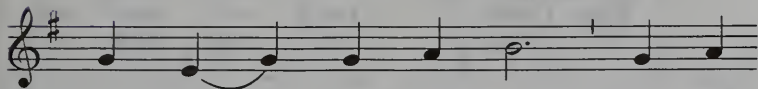
Eternal Rest

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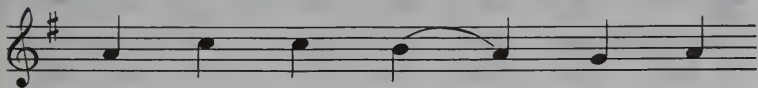
Marinus de Jong



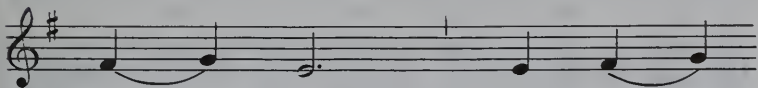
E - ter - nal rest grant — un - to



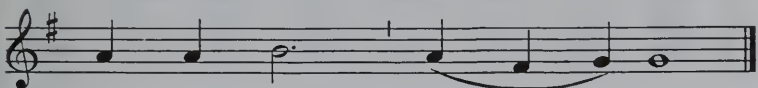
the Poor — Souls, O Lord: and let



per - pet - ual light — shine up -



on — them. May they —

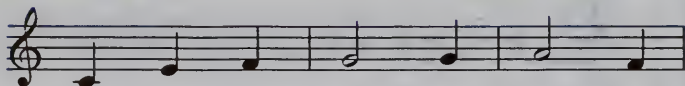


rest in peace. A - - men.

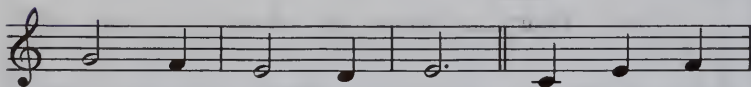
O God, Our Refuge and Our Strength

Michael Gannon, alt.

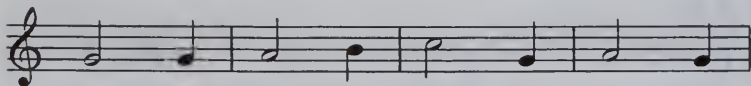
Thomas Tallis, c. 1561



1. O God, our ref - uge and our
2. Through un - di - vi - ded bonds of
3. With Christ as head we mem - bers
4. In - crease our liv - ing faith, O



1. strength, our life and hope, Look down with
2. faith your bless - ings flow; He sees not
3. join in one em - brace; Grant we may
4. Lord, by night and day, And re - cre -



1. fa - vor on your Church and on our
2. you a - bove him, Lord, who sees not
3. nev - er fall a - way from un - ion
4. ate our life and work in ev - ery

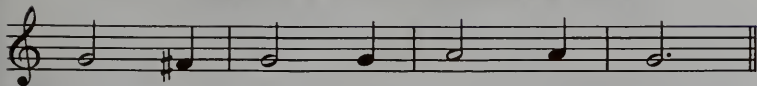


1. ho - ly Pope, And grant her peace, pro -
2. Church be - low, For Christ the Bride - groom
3. in his grace, But ev - er be a
4. ho - ly way, That we may share with -

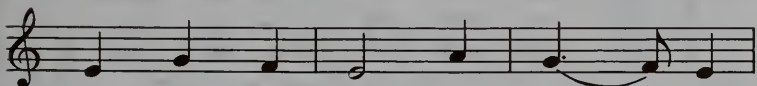
THE CHURCH

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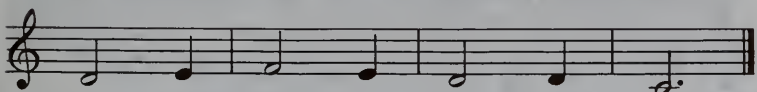
O God, Our Refuge and Our Strength (*cont.*)



1. tect, u - nite, and make her one
2. took the Church to be his Bride
3. seam - less robe, un - torn, un - stained,
4. in the Church your peace and light,



1. Through all the earth and sky and
2. And on - ly in this Bod - y
3. For, Lord, to serve in faith - ful -
4. And af - ter death be made tri -



1. sea, with Christ a - bove for sun.
2. does his sanc - ti - ty a - bide.
3. ness is tru - ly to have reigned.
4. umph - ant in your glo - ry's sight.

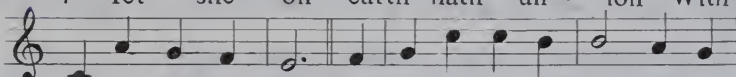
The Church's One Foundation

Samuel John Stone, 1866, alt.

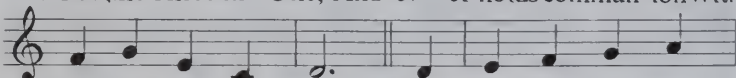
Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864



1. The Church's one foun - da - tion Is
2. E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet
3. Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion And
4. Yet she on earth hath un - ion With



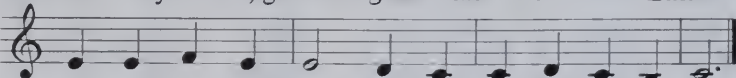
1. Je - sus Christ her Lord; She is his new cre - a - tion By
2. one o'er all the earth, Her char - ter of sal - va - tion, One
3. tu - mult of her war, She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of
4. God, the Three in One, And ev - er holds commun - ion With



1. wa - ter and the word: From heav'n he came and
2. Lord, one faith, one birth; One ho - ly Name she
3. peace for - ev - er - more, Till with the vi - sion
4. those whose rest is won. O hap - py ones and



1. sought her To be his ho - ly bride; With
2. bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food, And
3. glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest, And
4. ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we Like



1. his own blood he bought her, And for her life he died.
2. to one hope she press - es, With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
3. the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.
4. them, the meek and low - ly, On high may dwell with thee.

Great Shepherd of a Loyal Flock

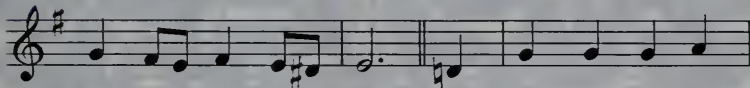
J. Clifford Evers

George Frederick Handel, 1685-1759



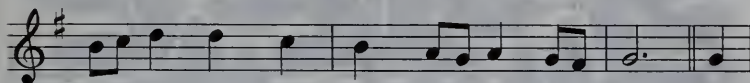
1. Great shep-herd of a loy-al flock, Chief

2. A-noint-ed by the ho-ly oils, You



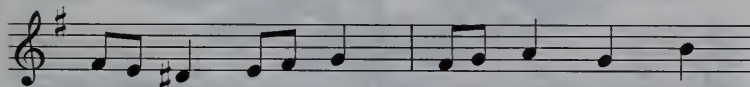
1. pas-tor of our fold; The wel-come that our

2. serve our Lord and King; And we, his cho-sen



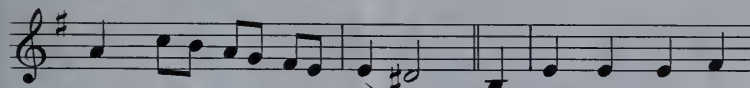
1. voic-es sing Our hearts in hon-or hold. Suc-

2. peo-ple, now Our heart-felt greet-ings sing. Through



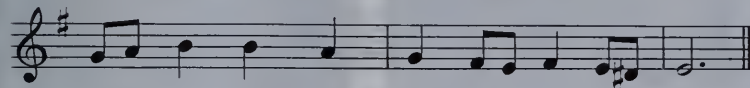
1. ces-sor to the chos-en twelve, God

2. you may God ful-fill his plans, With



1. chose you as our head, With full-ness of the

2. bless-ings he as-sures; May peace and health at-



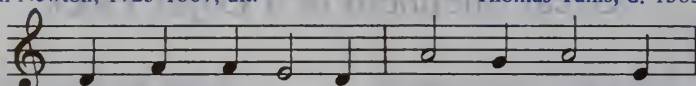
1. priest-ly power To serve us in Christ's stead.

2. tend your reign, May length of days be yours.

Great Shepherd of Your People, Hear

John Newton, 1725-1807, alt.

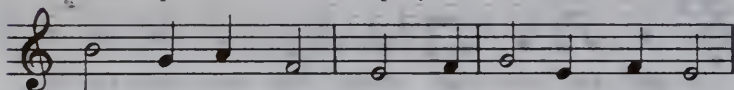
Thomas Tallis, d. 1585



1. Great shep-herd of your peo - ple, hear, Your
2. May we in faith re - ceive your word In



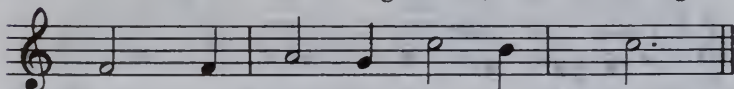
1. pres - ence now dis - play; As you have
2. faith pre - sent our prayers, And in the



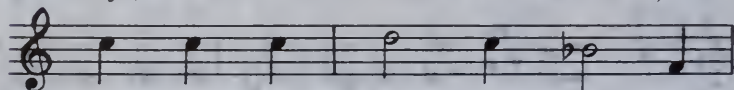
1. giv'n a place for prayer, So give us hearts to
2. pres - ence of our Lord Re-lease us from our



1. pray. With - in these walls let ho - ly
2. cares. The hear - ing ear, the see - ing



1. peace And love and con - cord dwell;
2. eye, The con - trite heart be - stow;



1. Here give the trou - bled con - science
2. And shine up - on us from on



1. ease, The wound - ed spir - it heal.
2. high, That we in grace may grow.



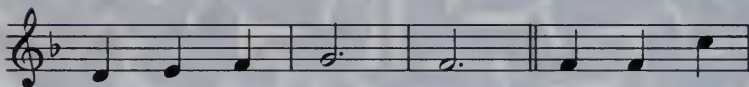
Praise to the Lord

J. Neander, d. 1680

Tr. C. Winkworth, d. 1878, alt.

Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1665

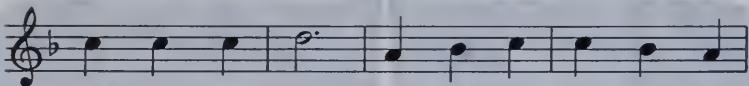
1. Praise to the Lord, the Al-might-y, the
2. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros-per thy
3. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is



1. King of cre - a - tion; O my soul,
2. work and de - fend thee; Sure - ly his
3. in me a - dore him! All that has



1. praise him, for he is thy health and sal - va - tion.
2. good-ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend thee.
3. life and breath come now in prais-es be - fore him!



1. All ye who hear, Now to his al - tar draw
2. Pon - der a - new What the Al-might-y can
3. Let the A - men Sound from his peo - ple a -



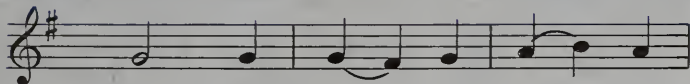
1. near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
2. do, Who with his love doth be - friend thee.
3. gain: Now as we wor - ship be - fore him.

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

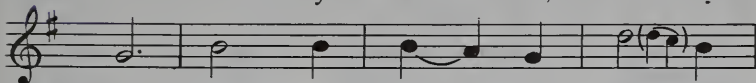
Ignaz Franz, c. 1774

Katholisches Gesangbuch,

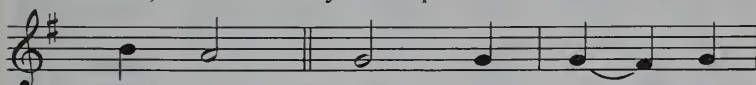
Tr. C. Walworth, 1820-1900, alt.

Vienna, c. 1774

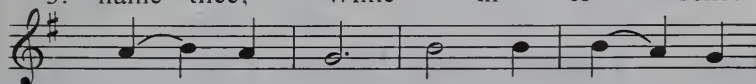
1. Ho - ly God, we praise thy
 2. Hark! the loud ce - les - tial
 3. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly



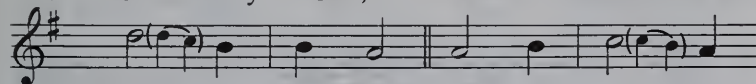
1. Name; Lord of all, we bow be -
 2. hymn An - gel choirs a - bove are
 3. Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, Three we



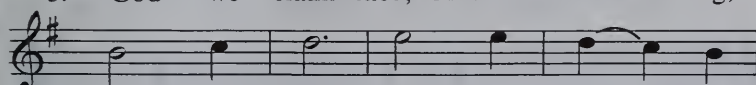
1. fore thee; All on earth thy
 2. rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and
 3. name thee; While in es - sence



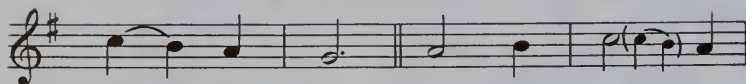
1. rule ac - claim, All in heav'n a -
 2. Ser - a - phim In un - ceas - ing
 3. on - ly One, Un - di - vid - ed



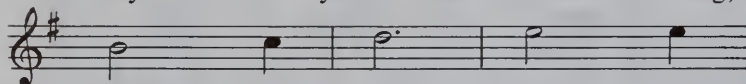
1. bove a - dore thee; In - fi - nite, thy
 2. chor - us prais - ing; Fill the heav'ns with
 3. God we claim thee; And a - dor - ing,



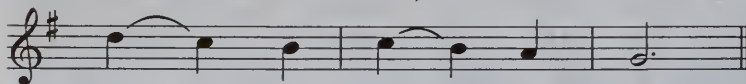
1. vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing
 2. sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 3. bend the knee, While we own the

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name (*cont.*)

1. is thy reign. In - fi - nite, thy
 2. ho - ly, Lord! Fill the heav'ns with
 3. mys - ter - y. And a - dor - ing,



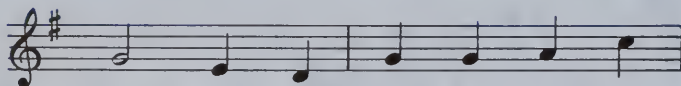
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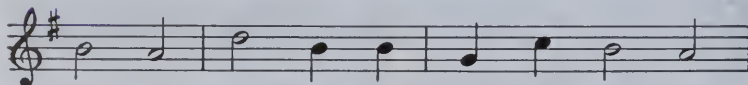
1. last - ing is thy reign.
 2. ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord!
 3. own the mys - ter - y.

T-3**Father, We Thank Thee**

From the Didache, c. 100
 Tr. F. Bland Tucker

Genevan Psalter, 1543

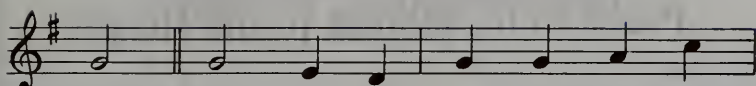
1. Fa - ther, we thank thee who hast
 2. Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in



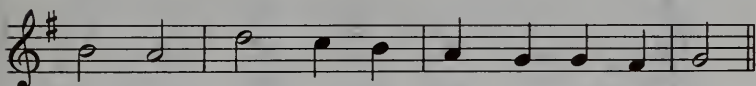
1. plant - ed thy ho - ly Name with - in our
 2. mer - cy, Save it from e - vil, guard it

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING (T-3)

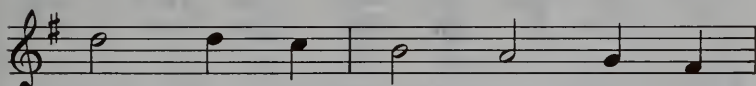
Father, We Thank Thee (*cont.*)



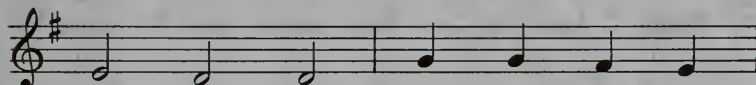
1. hearts. Knowl- edge and faith and life im -
2. still; Per - fect it in thy love, u -



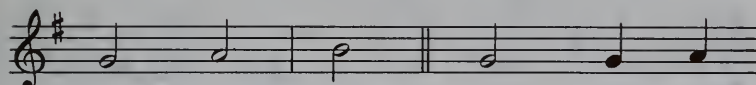
1. mor - tal Je - sus, thy Son, to us im- parts.
2. nite it, Cleansed and con- formed un- to thy will.



1. Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy
2. As grain, once scat - tered on the



1. pleas - ure, Didst give man food for
2. hill - sides, Was in this brok - en



1. all his days, Giv - ing in
2. bread made one, So from all



1. Christ the Bread e - ter - nal;
2. lands thy Church be gath - ered

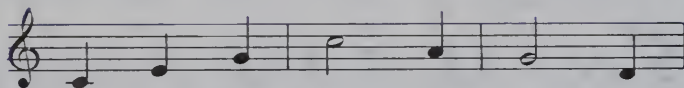


1. Thine is the power, be thine the praise.
2. In - to thy king - dom by thy Son.

Praise to the Holiest in the Height

J. H. Newman, 1801-90

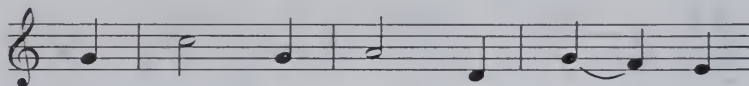
R. R. Terry, 1865-1938



1. Praise to the Ho - liest in the
 2. O lov - ing wis - dom of our
 3. O wis - est love! that flesh and
 4. Praise to the Ho - liest in the



1. height, And in — the depth be praise,
 2. God! When all — was sin and shame,
 3. blood Which did — in Ad - am fail,
 4. height, And in — the depth be praise,



1. In all his words most won - der -
 2. A sec - ond Ad - am to — the
 3. Should strive a - fresh a - gainst their
 4. In all his words most won - der -



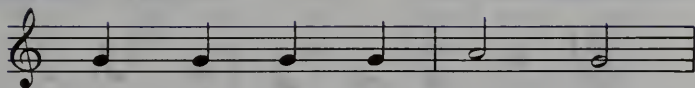
1. ful, Most sure — in all his ways.
 2. fight And to — the res - cue came.
 3. foe, Should strive — and should pre - vail.
 4. ful, Most sure — in all his ways.

Praise the Lord of Heaven

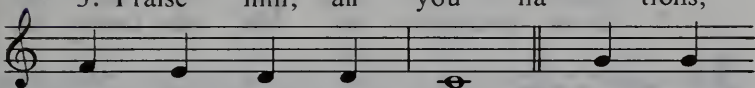
14th cent.

Thomas Briarly Browne, 1805-74, alt.

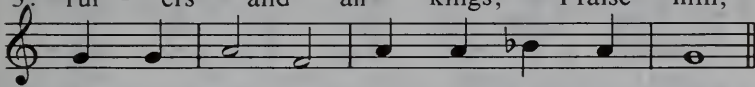
German processional melody



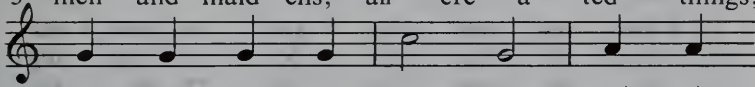
1. Praise the Lord of heav - en;
2. Praise the Lord, you foun - tains
3. Praise him, all you na - tions,



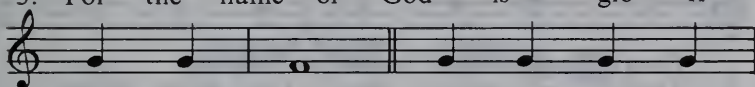
1. praise him in the height; Praise him,
2. of the depths and seas, Rocks and
3. rul - ers and all kings; Praise him,



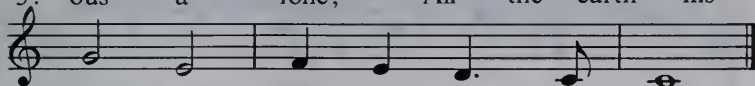
1. all you an - gels; praise him, stars and light;
2. hills and moun-tains, ce - dars and all trees;
3. men and maid - ens, all cre - a - ted things;



1. Praise him, earth and wa - ters, praise him,
2. Praise him, clouds and va - pors, snow and
3. For the name of God is glo - ri -



1. all you skies; When his word com -
2. hail and fire; Na - ture all ful -
3. ous a - lone; All the earth his

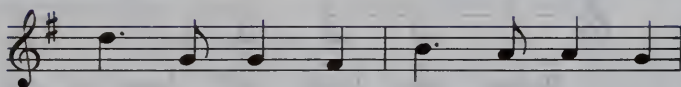


1. mand - ed, all things did a - rise.
2. fill - ing on - ly his de - sire.
3. foot - stool, heav - en is his throne.

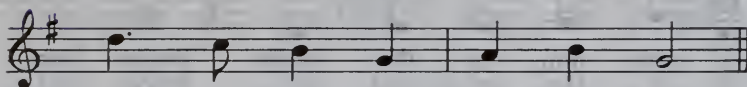
Round the Lord in Glory Seated

Richard Mant, 1837, alt.

Gerard F. Cobb, 1838-1904



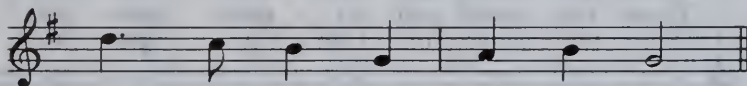
1. Round the Lord in glo - ry seat - ed
2. Heav'n is still with glo - ry ring - ing;
3. "Lord, your glo - ry fills the heav - en,



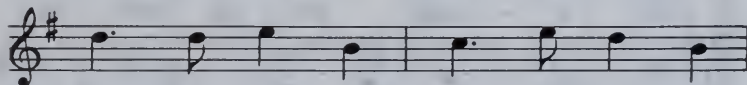
1. Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim
2. Earth takes up the an - gels' cry:
3. Earth is with your full - ness stored:



1. Filled his tem - ple and re - peat - ed
2. "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," sing - ing,
3. Un - to you be glo - ry giv - en,



1. Each to each the roy - al hymn:
2. "Lord of hosts, the Lord Most High."
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."

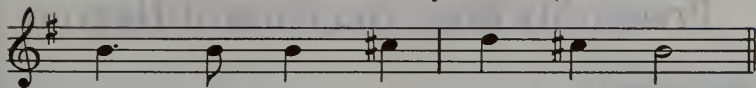


1. "Lord, your glo - ry fills the heav - en,
2. With his an - gel hosts be - fore him,
3. Thus your glo - rious Name con - fess - ing,

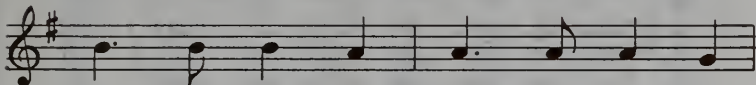
PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

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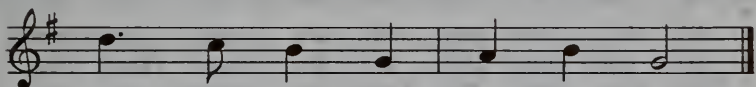
Round the Lord in Glory Seated (cont.)



1. Earth is with your full - ness stored:
2. With his ho - ly Church be - low,
3. With your an - gel hosts we cry,



1. Un - to you be glo - ry giv - en,
2. Thus u - nite we to a - dore him,
3. "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," bless - ing



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."
2. Bid we thus our prais - es flow:
3. You, the Lord of hosts Most High.



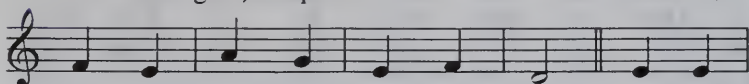
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Based on *Psalm 102*
H. F. Lyte, 1834, alt.

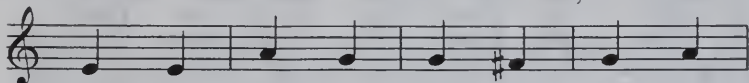
John Goss, 1869



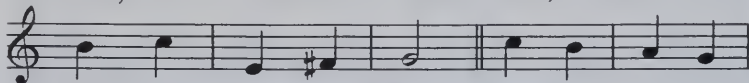
1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en;
2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor
3. Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us;
4. An - gels, help us to a - dore him;



1. To his feet your trib - ute bring; Ran-somed,
2. To his chil - dren in dis - tress; Praise him
3. Well our fee - ble frame he knows; In his
4. You be - hold him face to face; Sun and



1. healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, Ev - er -
2. still the same as ev - er, Slow to
3. hand he gen - tly bears us, Res - cues
4. moon, bow down be - fore him, Join the



1. more his prais - es sing:
2. chide and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!
3. us from all our foes.
4. prais - es of our race:

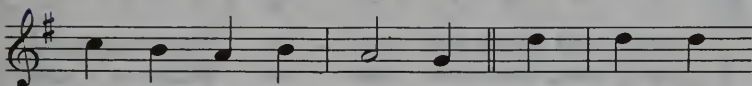


- Al - le - lu - ia!
1. Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
 2. Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
 3. Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
 4. Praise with us the God of grace.

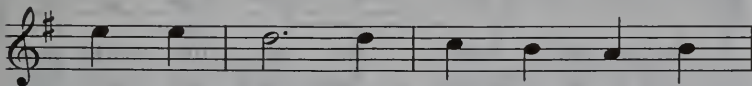
Praise We Our God With Joy

*Verse 1: F. Oakeley, 1802-80, alt.**Verse 2: Martin Rinkart, 1586-1649**Tr. C. Winkworth, 1829-78, alt.**J. Crüger, 1598-1662*

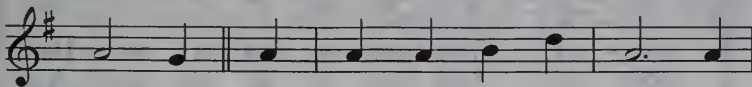
1. Praise we our God with joy And
 2. All praise and thanks to God The



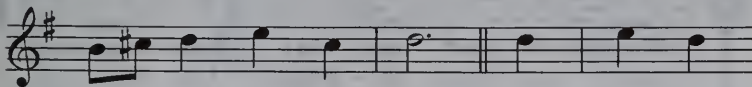
1. glad-ness nev-er end-ing; An-gels and
 2. Fa-ther now be giv-en, The Son and



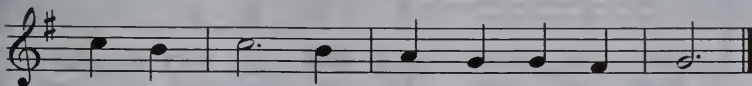
1. saints with us Their grate-ful voic-es
 2. Spir-it blessed Who reign in high-est



1. blend-ing. His is a Fa-ther's care; His
 2. heav-en; E-ter-nal, Tri-une God, Whom



1. is a par-ent's love; His grac-es
 2. earth and heav'n a-dore; For thus it



1. with-out end, He show-ers from a-bove.
 2. was, is now, And shall be ev-er-more.

Now Thank We All Our God

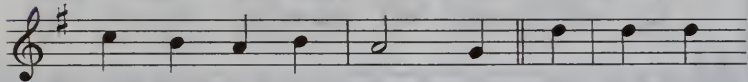
Martin Rinkart, 1586-1649

Tr. C. Winkworth, 1829-78, alt.

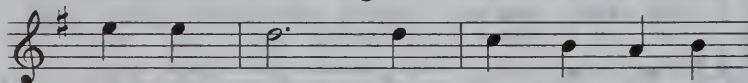
Johann Crüger, 1598-1662



1. Now thank we all our God, With
2. O may this boun-teous God, Through
3. All praise and thanks to God, The



1. heart and hands and voic - es, Who won-drous
2. all our life be near us! With ev - er
3. Fa - ther now be giv - en, The Son and



1. things hath done, In whom his world re -
2. joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to
3. Spir - it blessed Who reign in high - est



1. joic - es; Who from our moth-er's arms Hath
2. cheer us; And keep us in his grace, And
3. heav - en; E - ter - nal, Tri - une God, Whom



1. blessed us on our way With count-less
2. guide us when per - plexed, And free us
3. earth and heavn a - dore; For thus it



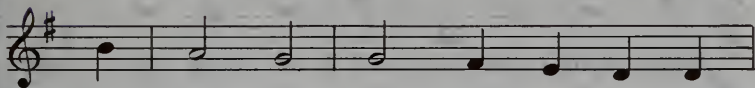
1. gifts of love, And still - is ours to - day.
2. from all ills In this world and the next.
3. was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

O Father, Thou Whose Hand

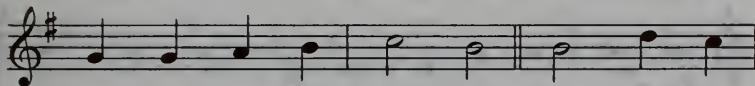
Michael Gannon

Genevan Psalter, 1551, alt.

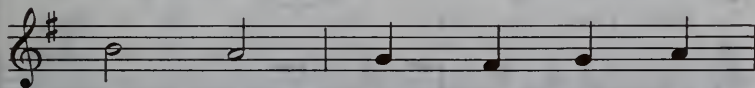
1. O Fa - ther, thou whose hand did mold
 2. O God - head, full with glo - ry and



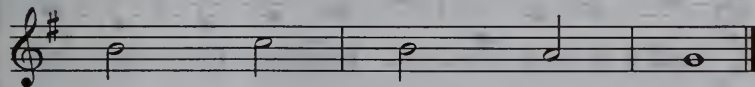
1. cre - a - tion, May the same hand be -
 2. with pow - er, Give of thy great - ness



1. stow on us sal - va - tion, Be our pro -
 2. in our trou - bled hour, Ban - ish our



1. tec - tor, thou to whom we
 2. weak - ness, fire our souls with



1. sing: Our God and King.
 2. love, Great God a - bove.

The Lord's Prayer

Herman Strategier

Our Fa - ther, who art in
heav - en, hal - lowed be thy Name; thy
King - dom come, thy will be done on earth
as it is in heav - en. Give us this
day our dai - ly bread and for - give us our
tres - pass - es, as we ——— for - give
those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And
lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de -
liv - er us from e - vil. A - men.

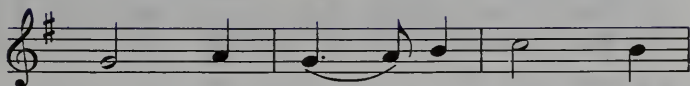
Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens

Based on *Psalm 148*

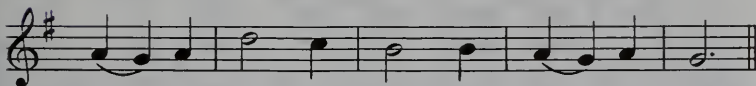
Verses 1, 2: Foundling Hospital Collection, c. 1801

Verse 3: Edward Osler, 1836

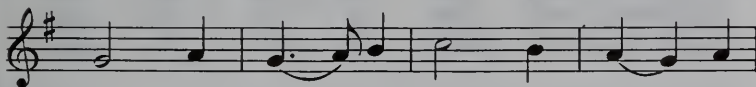
Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1855



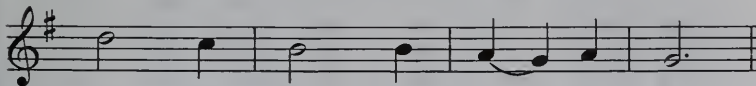
1. Praise the Lord, ye heav'ns, a -
2. Praise the Lord, for he is
3. Wor - ship, hon - or, glo - ry,



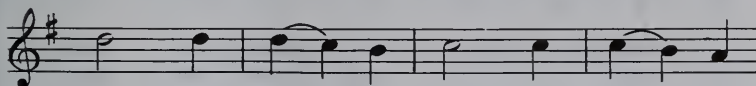
1. dore him; Praise him, an - gels in the height;
2. glo - rious, Nev - er shall his prom - ise fail;
3. bless - ing, Lord, we of - fer un - to thee;



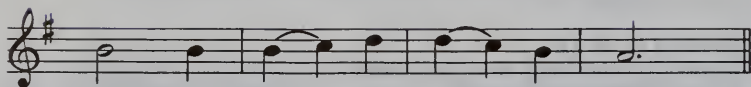
1. Sun and moon, re - joice be - fore him;
2. God has made his saints vic - to - rious,
3. Young and old, thy praise ex - press - ing,



1. Praise him, all ye stars of light.
2. Sin and death shall not pre - vail.
3. In glad hom - age bend the knee.



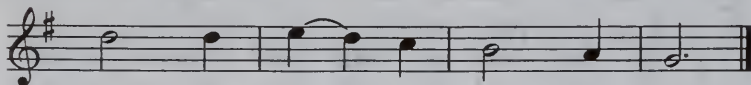
1. Praise the Lord, for he has spo - ken;
2. Praise the God of our sal - va - tion;
3. All the saints in heav'n a - dore thee,

Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens (*cont.*)

1. Worlds his might - y voice o - beyed;
2. Hosts on high, his power pro - claim;
3. We would bow be - fore thy throne;



1. Laws which nev - er shall be bro - ken,
2. Heav'n and earth and all cre - a - tion,
3. As thine an - gels serve be - fore thee,

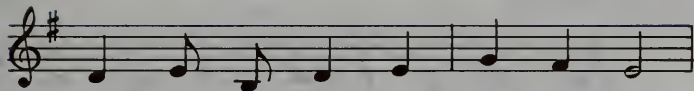


1. For their guid - ance he has made.
2. Praise and mag - ni - fy his name.
3. So on earth thy will be done.

Sing to the Lord a Joyful Song

John S. Monsell, 1863, alt.

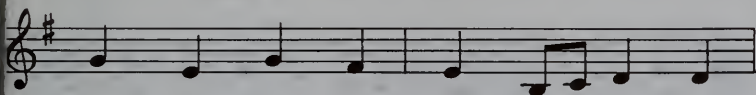
Han van Koert



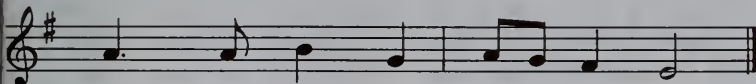
1. Sing to the Lord a joy - ful song,
2. For life and love, for rest and food,
3. For strength to those who on him wait,
4. For joys un - told, that from a - bove
5. For he is Lord of heav'n and earth,



1. Lift up your hearts, your voic - es raise; To
2. For dai - ly help and night - ly care, Sing
3. His truth to prove, his will to do, Praise
4. Cheer those who love his sweet em-ploy, Sing
5. Whom an - gels serve and saints a - dore; And



1. us his gra - cious gifts be - long, To
2. to the Lord for he is good, And
3. ye our God, for he is great, Trust
4. to our God, for he is love, Ex -
5. he has blessed us from our birth: To



1. him our songs of love and praise.
2. praise his name, for it is fair.
3. in his name, for it is true.
4. alt his name, for it is joy.
5. him be praise for - ev - er - more.

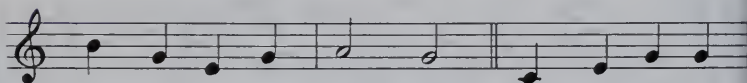
Praise the Grandeur of Our God

Melvin Farrell, S.S.

James Burns, S.S.



1. Praise the gran-deur of our God, Who
2. Praise the Lord whose an-gels tame The
3. Praise our God whose mer-cies well From



1. curbs the pride of thun-der: Praise him, for his
2. surge of sea and o-cean: Praise him, for we
3. springs that nev-er fal-ter: Praise him, for his



1. might-y rod Has burst our bonds a-sun-der.
2. owe his name A life-time of de-vo-tion.
3. prais-ers dwell For-ev-er round his al-tar.

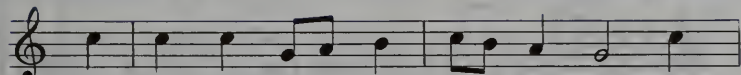
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Based on *Psalm 45*

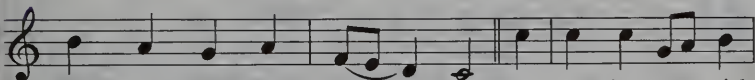
Opening lines: Martin Luther, 1483-1546

Remainder of hymn text: J. Clifford Evers

Martin Luther, 1483-1546



1. A might-y for - tress is our God, A
2. The wa - ters of his good-ness flow Through-
3. Be - hold his won - drous deeds of peace, The



1. bul - wark nev - er fail - ing, Pro - tect - ing us with
2. out his ho - ly cit - y, And glad - den hearts of
3. God of our sal - va - tion; He knows our wars and



1. staff and rod, His pow - er all pre - vail - ing. What
2. those who know His ten - der - ness and pit - y. Though
3. make them cease In ev - 'ry land and na - tion. The



1. if the na - tions rage And surg - ing seas ram - page;
2. na - tions stand un - sure, God's kingdom shall en - dure;
3. war - rior's spear and lance Are splin - tered by his glance;



1. What though the moun - tains fall, The Lord is God of
2. His pow - er shall re - main, His peace shall ev - er
3. The guns and nu - clear might Stand with - ered in his



1. all; On earth is not his e - qual.
2. reign, Our God, the God of Ja - cob.
3. sight; The Lord of hosts is with us.

Great God, We Praise Your Holy Name

Haldan D. Tompkins

J. S. Bach, 1685-1750

1. Great God, we praise your ho - ly Name, Your
 2. To Je - sus Christ, our King and Lord, Our

1. maj - es - ty and power and might; Great
 2. life, our head, our Sav - ior sure; And

1. God of star and heav'n - ly flame, O
 2. to that Spir - it like a - dored, That

1. Mas - ter of the dark and light; With
 2. life which is your love most pure; We

1. heart and hand, with faith and voice, Let
 2. thank and praise you, ho - ly Three, Great

1. all cre - a - tion now re - joice; And
 2. lov - ing God of maj - es - ty; Your

1. cry on high to you, al - le - lu - ia!
 2. mer - cy is our life,

Wonderful and Great

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From *Ap. 15*, 2-4*Alleluia for unison or mixed voices*

S
A

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

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B

Verses

1. Won-der - ful and great are your works, O

Lord, God Al - might - y. 2. Just and

true are your ways, O King of all

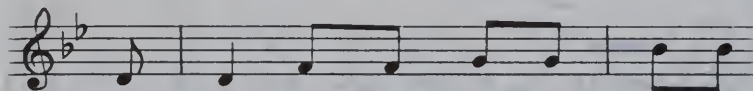
na - tions. 3. Who shall not re-vere you, O

Wonderful and Great (*cont.*)

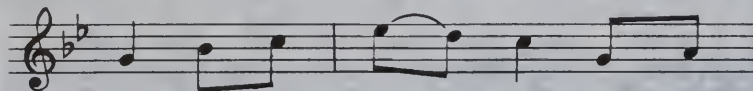
Lord! Who shall not give glo - ry to your



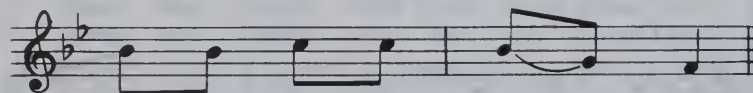
name! You a - lone are ho - ly.



4. All na - tions shall come to wor - ship



you in your pres - ence, for your



jus - tice has been made — known.

All You Nations

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From Psalm 66 (65)

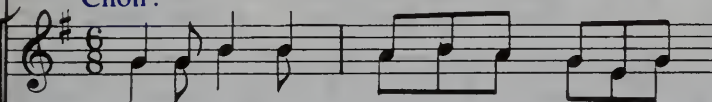
Antiphon for unison or mixed voices

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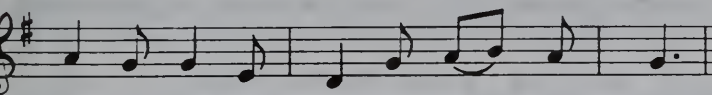
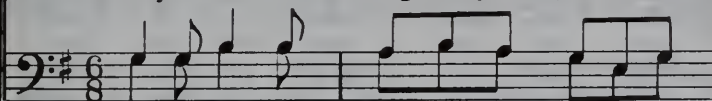


All you na-tions, sing out your joy to the

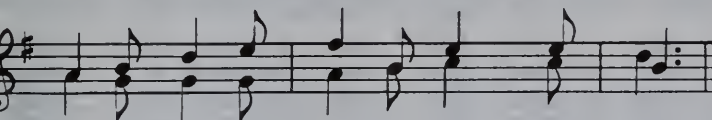
Choir:



All you na-tions, sing out your joy to the



Lord: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Lord: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



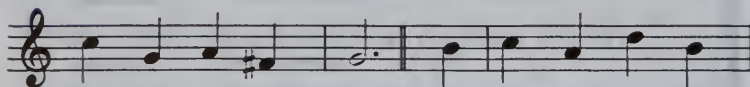
O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Based on *Psalm 90*; 1, 2, 4, 5
Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.

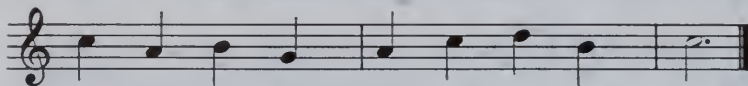
William Croft, 1678-1727



1. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our
2. Be - neath the shad - ow of thy throne Thy
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or
4. A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight Are
5. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our



1. hope for years to come, Our shel - ter from the
2. saints have dwelt se - cure; Suf - fi - cient is thine
3. earth re - ceived her frame, From ev - er - last - ing
4. like an eve - ning gone; Short as the watch that
5. hope for years to come, Be thou our guide while



1. storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
2. arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
3. thou art God, To end - less years the same.
4. ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.
5. life shall last, And our e - ter - nal home.

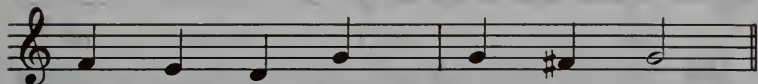
The Lord Our God Alone Is Strong

Caleb Thomas Winchester, 1871

Adapted from Georg Wittwe's
Musicalisch Handbuch, 1690



1. The Lord our God a - lone is strong: His
2. His moun-tains lift their sol-lemn forms To
3. Thou sov-'reign God, re - ceive this gift Thy
4. And let those learn, who here shall meet, True



1. hands built not for one brief day;
2. watch in si - lence o'er the land;
3. will - ing ser - vants of - fer thee;
4. wis - dom is with rev - 'rence crowned,



1. His won-drous works through a - ges long His
2. The roll - ing o - cean, rocked with storms, Sleeps
3. Ac - cept the prayers that thou-sands lift, And
4. And sci - ence walks with hum - ble feet To



1. wis - dom and his pow'r dis - play.
2. in the hol - low of his hand.
3. let these halls thy tem - ple be.
4. seek the God that faith hath found.

Bless the Lord

Clarence J. Rivers

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REFRAIN (*Cantors sing refrain; people repeat it.*)

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry — O
 praise Him, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry to God,
 glo - ry — O praise the
 name of the Lord.

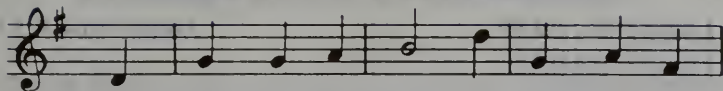
*Cantors sing verses. People repeat refrain after each verse.***VERSES:**

1. Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord;
Praise and glorify him forever.
2. Sun and moon, bless the Lord;
Bless the Lord you stars of heaven.
3. Fire and heat, bless the Lord;
Bless the Lord, you frost and cold.
4. Dew and rain, bless the Lord;
Bless the Lord, you ice and snow.
5. Light and darkness, bless the Lord;
Bless the Lord, you nights and days.
6. Now let the earth bless the Lord;
Praise and glorify him forever.
7. Mountains and hills, bless the Lord;
Bless the Lord, you growing trees.
8. Creatures of the sea, bless the Lord;
Bless the Lord, you birds of the air.
9. Creatures wild and tame, bless the Lord;
Praise and glorify him forever.
10. Now let the Church bless the Lord;
Let his people bless his name.
11. Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord;
Praise his name both night and day.
12. Souls of the just, bless the Lord;
Bless the Lord, you humble of heart.
13. Bless the Lord, you saints of the Lord;
People near and far, praise his name.
14. Praise to the Father and to the Son,
To the Holy Spirit, Three in One.

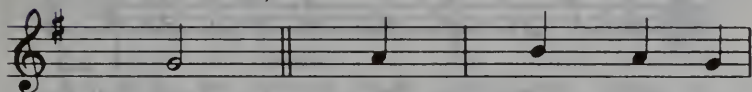
O Worship the King

Robert Grant, 1779-1838

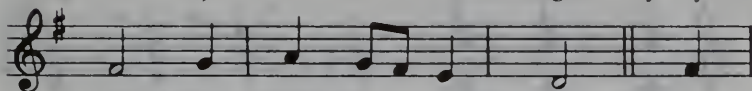
William Croft, 1678-1727



1. O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a -
2. O tell of his might! O sing of his
3. The earth, with its store of won - ders un -



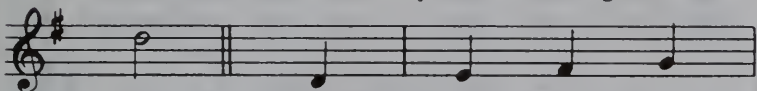
1. bove; O grate - ful - ly
2. grace! Whose robe is the
3. told, Al - might - y your



1. sing his pow'r and his love! Our
2. light, whose can - o - py space; His
3. pow'r has found - ed of old, Es -



1. Shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of
2. Char - iots of wrath, the deep thun - der - clouds
3. tab - lished if fast by a change - less de -



1. Days, Pa - vil - ioned in
2. form, And dark is his
3. cree, And round it has



1. splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.
2. path on the wings of the storm.
3. cast, like a man - tle, the sea.

Splendor of Creation

From *Ps. 104* (103)

Lucien Deiss, C.S.SP.

Antiphon for unison or equal voices

Send forth your Spir - it, O Lord, that the

The first system of musical notation for 'The Rose Tree' consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It contains a melody of eighth and quarter notes: G4 (quarter), A4-B4 (beamed eighth notes), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), and D4 (half). The bass staff begins with a bass clef and contains a bass line of eighth and quarter notes: D3 (quarter), C3-B2 (beamed eighth notes), A2 (quarter), G2 (quarter), F2 (quarter), E2 (quarter), D2 (quarter), and C2 (half). The system concludes with a double bar line.

face of the earth be re - newed.

Loving Father, Ever Waiting

J. Clifford Evers

J.S. Bach, 1685-1750



1. Lov - ing Fa - ther, ev - er wait - ing
2. Cure us, Lord, in our con - fes - sion,
3. Still we bruise your liv - ing bod - y,
4. Through your priest, O Lord, for - give us,



1. For your way - ward sons' re - turn;
2. Then re - mem - ber not our guilt;
3. Liv - ing mem - bers share the pain;
4. He has power to loose or bind;



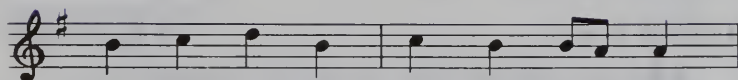
1. Prod - i - gal, but now re - pent - ant,
2. If you mark our each trans - gres - sion,
3. Loose, O Lord, the sins that bind us;
4. Through his ho - ly ab - so - lu - tion,



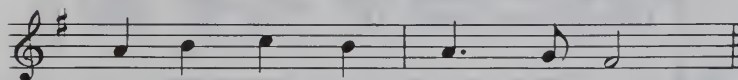
1. For our Fa - ther's house we yearn.
2. Lord, like grass our souls would wilt.
3. Let no fault in us re - main.
4. Peace and bless - ings may we find.

(V-5) SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Retreats, Missions)

Loving Father, Ever Waiting (*cont.*)



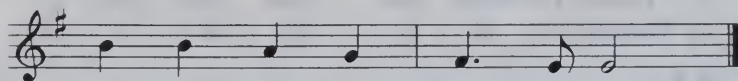
1. Our in - her - i - tance was wast - ed,
2. Let your love out - weigh your jus - tice,
3. Through the sac - ra - ment of Pen - ance
4. Shep - herd - Lord, in love you sought us,



1. Now we come with hearts con - trite;
2. Let your mer - cy still pre - vail;
3. Let your good - ness o - ver - flow;
4. In our hearts we hear your voice;



1. Heav - en's house - hold now re - joic - es
2. Cure us, O Di - vine Phy - si - cian,
3. Heal the vine of bro - ken bran - ches,
4. Lay - ing down your life you found us,



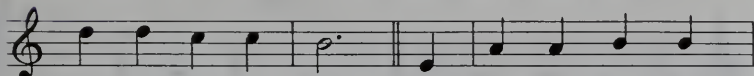
1. For a sin - ner turns a - right.
2. Strength - en wills that yet are frail.
3. May Christ's bod - y thrive and grow.
4. Now let heav'n and earth re - joice.

O Lord, You Know Our Weakness

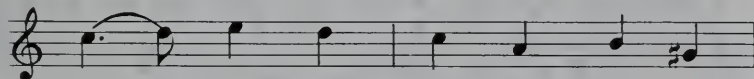
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Daniel Evans' *Hymnau a Thônau*, 1865

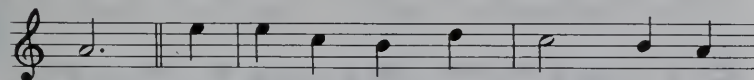
1. O Lord, you know our weak - ness Brought
 2. O God, mark not the num - ber Nor



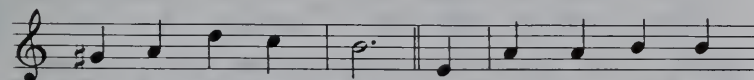
1. on by Ad - am's fall, And in your gen - tle
 2. depth of all our sins, But let your venge - ance



1. meek - ness You heed the sin - ner's
 2. slum - ber While love our par - don



1. call; Look down in lov - ing kind - ness Up -
 2. wins; Christ's death holds bound - less mer - it For



1. on our sad - dened plight, Then heal our stub - born
 2. him who but re - pents; Thus we may re - in -

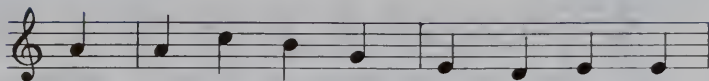


1. blind - ness And give us Lord, your light.
 2. her - it Bap - tis - mal in - no - cence.

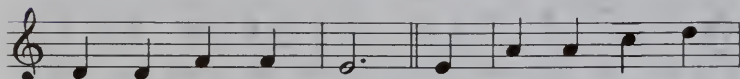
O God, All Knowing and All Just

J. Clifford Evers

Guido de Sutter



1. O God, all know- ing and all just, Yet
2. Christ's ho - ly Church we have a - bus- ed, Her



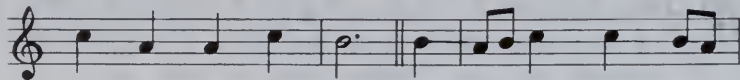
1. mer- ci - ful and kind, In you we hum- bly
2. mem- bers bear our wrong; The gifts that we have



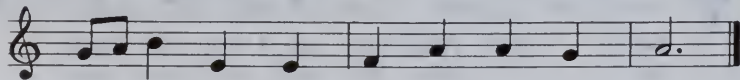
1. place our trust That mer - cy we may find;
2. thus mis-used To God a - lone be - long.



1. As sin - ful mem - bers we have marred Christ's
2. The cost of our re - cov - er - y Is



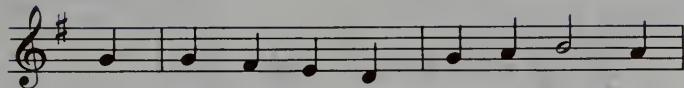
1. bod - y that we form, De - fy - ing thus with
2. Christ up - on the cross; Let pen-ance through con -



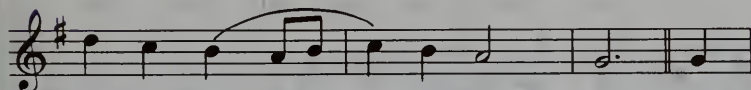
1. dis - re - gard Our Mas - ter's ho - ly norm.
2. fes - sion free Our sins and save our loss.

Now Joined by God

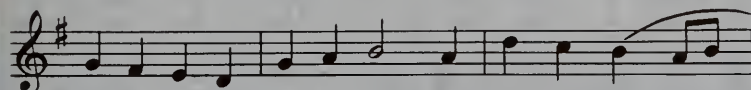
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Enchiridion . . . Erfurt, 1527

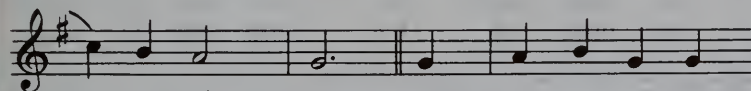
Now joined by God in ho - ly love, How



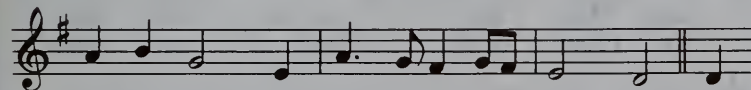
blessed is their vo - ca - tion! These



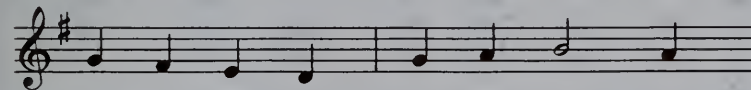
two are giv-en from a - bove The way of their



— sal - va - tion. May love bring joy to



dai - ly cares, May harm be-fall them nev - er. The



gen - tle yoke of Christ be theirs U -



nit - ing them for - ev - er.

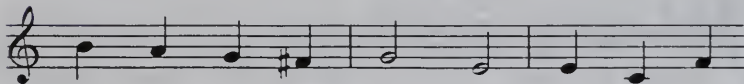
When Morning Fills the Sky

E. Caswall, 1814-78, alt.

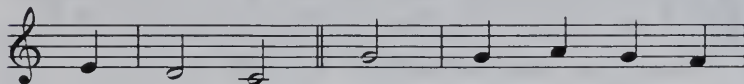
Louis Bourgeois, 1500-61



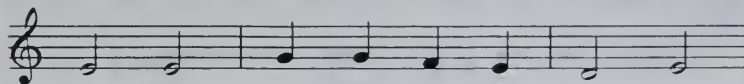
1. When morn - ing fills the sky, Our
 2. In heav'n our joy will be To



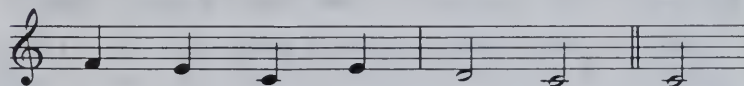
1. hearts a - wak - ing cry: May Je - sus Christ
 2. sing e - ter - nal - ly: May Je - sus Christ



1. be prais - ed. In all our work and
 2. be prais - ed. Let earth and sea and



1. prayer His Sac - ri - fice we share: May
 2. sky From depth to height re - ply: May



1. Je - sus Christ be prais - ed. The
 2. Je - sus Christ be prais - ed. Let

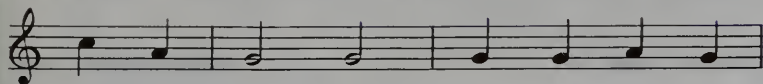


1. night be - comes as day, When from our
 2. all the Church now sing To our e -

MORNING HYMN

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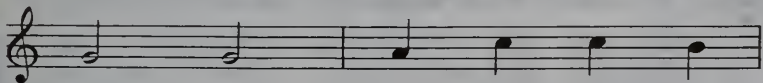
When Morning Fills the Sky (*cont.*)



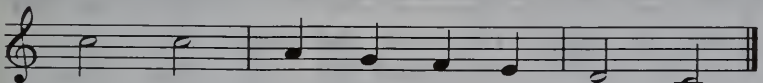
1. hearts we say: May Je - sus Christ be
2. ter - nal King: May Je - sus Christ be



1. prais - ed. The powers of dark - ness
2. prais - ed. Be this the e - ter - nal



1. fear When this glad song they
2. song, Through a - ges all a -

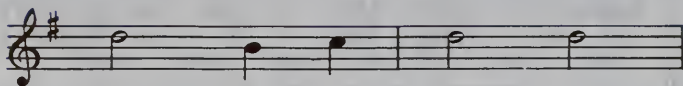


1. hear: May Je - sus Christ be prais - ed.
2. long: May Je - sus Christ be prais - ed.

Shadows of Evening

Michael Gannon, alt.

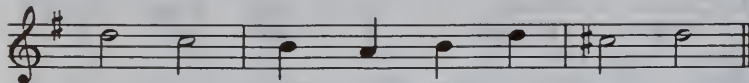
Genevan Psalter, 1562



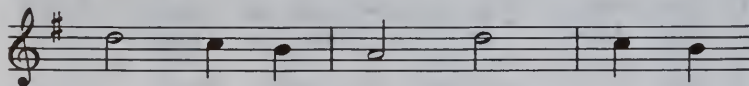
1. Shad - ows of eve - ning
2. Fa - ther, we of - fer



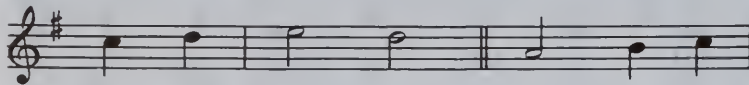
1. mark the path of night; - Lord, we be-
2. all the cares of day, All of our



1. seech you, be our ho - ly bea - con;
2. la - bors, to your ho - ly keep - ing;



1. Grant through the night - time we may
2. Grant us your mer - cy, guard us



1. nev - er weak - en; Lead us in
2. in our sleep - ing; Guide us to



1. dark - ness, as you did in light.
2. heav - en, as we night - ly pray.

O God, Upholding These United States

Melvin Farrell, S. S.

Düsseldorf, 1759

1. O God, up - hold - ing these U -
 2. O Lord of na - tions, bless our
 3. O God, whose might has made our

1. nit - ed States That all her cit - i -
 2. pres - i - dent, All those en - trust - ed
 3. coun - try free, With grate - ful hearts we

1. zens may find sal - va - tion, Be -
 2. with our na - tion's or - der; Help
 3. sing be - fore thine al - tar; Be -

1. stir her sons to long for heav - en's
 2. them be true to him they rep - re -
 3. stow thy peace, pre - serve our li - ber -

1. gates, To heed thy paths and
 2. sent: Thy Son, the King of
 3. ty: If thou wilt be our

1. be a loy - al na - tion.
 2. Kings, and their Re - ward - er.
 3. strength we shall not fal - ter.

Lord of Nations, Bless in Kindness

Melvin Farrell, S.S.

William H. Monk, 1823-89



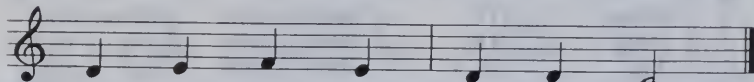
1. Lord of na - tions, bless in kind - ness
2. Guide the rul - ers of our na - tion,
3. Mar - y, be a sure pro - tec - tion



1. These U - nit - ed States to - day;
2. Those who gov - ern in thy name;
3. To this coun - try pledged to thee;



1. Shield her sons from hate and blind - ness,
2. Keep them loy - al to their sta - tion,
3. Thy Im - mac - u - late Con - cep - tion



1. Let thy law of love hold sway.
2. True to jus - tice, free from blame.
3. Is our badge of lib - er - ty.



SACRAMENTS: SIGNS OF LIFE; SIGNS OF GLORY

In the general introduction to this hymnal-missal, we presented the Sacraments of Christ as his means of helping us to meet the crises of our lives, to give us the grace, the nourishment and the encouragement that we need to carry on his work here below. Especially did we relate each of the sacraments to the Eucharist, the very heart of the sacramental plan. For it is in the Mystery of the Incarnation that the Word became flesh and that the Lord Christ entered into our nature. It is in the Mystery of the Eucharist especially that the Lord Christ continues to enter into our nature and come into contact with us. This is true in the other sacraments also, but the purpose of our encounters with him in these is to more deeply appreciate and realize in our lives our identity with Christ. This is primarily pledged in the Communion of the Eucharist.

The teaching on the sacraments begins, as it must, in the Bible, where the key is to be found in John's Gospel. One of the main purposes of John's message is to show the very close connection between the historical, earthly Christ, and the Christ living in the Church. The historical Christ could be recognized through his signs, his miracles. Those who live in Christ can continue to recognize him through his signs, the sacraments.

The sacraments have their beginning in historical events, also. We see that sacramental salvation is the extension of historical salvation through the one Christ as he manifests himself under the signs of the gospel: water and wine begin at Cana (John 2); water and blood begin on the Cross (John 19); bread begins in the feeding of the multitude (John 6). The water alone begins with the well of Jacob and the woman of Samaria (John 4).

Although they begin with simple historical events, the sacraments are not merely renewals of these events. The miracles of which the gospel speaks were manifestations of Christ's saving presence, of his glory. The miracles are earthly. The sacraments are spiritual. The sacraments are manifestations of the Lord's eternal and spiritual glory. After his Resurrection, the Lord gave to us the Spirit. He showed himself in the sacraments. These sacraments put us on the spiritual level, through the workings of the Spirit. Miracles have visible results. Sacraments have results in faith. Every time the Lord explains the sacraments he offers a choice: accept or refuse. Faith today is not only knowledge of the historical events of the life of Christ; it is the acceptance of the implanting of these events into the life of the Church and into our own lives, through the sacraments. And most important of all, faith in the sacraments is faith in the presence of the Lord. "I am the bread (John 6:51) I am the vine (John 15:1) "a spring of water, welling up to eternal life (John 4:14)."

However, signs mean nothing unless those who see them accept them in faith. We must bring our faith to the sacraments in order that we may be enlivened by their grace. And since faith itself comes from the Lord God Almighty, we realize again how true it is that we can do nothing without him. He gives us the faith to believe in his presence. He brings us himself, in the sacraments. This is the glory of salvation. This is the Mystery of Salvation. This is the Mystery of Christ.

To be saved we must "put on the new man, created according to God (Eph. 4:24). As the parable of the wedding feast tells us, we must be wearing the white robe of God's life when the King comes in (Mt. 22). Also, to be a Christian demands growth in grace. The sacraments are the chief and proper sources of this life and growth.

The outward signs which Christ appointed for the sacraments

are simple and meaningful: water, bread, wine, oil, contracts, and words. These signs not only serve as channels of grace, they have a meaning of their own: water cleanses; bread nourishes; oil strengthens and heals; the marriage contract binds in love; absolution forgives.

Beyond the symbolism, we must realize that we meet the saving Lord himself personally in every sacramental encounter. In this way the Mystery of Christ lives now and ever until the Parousia, the final coming. In the signs of the sacraments we "see his glory, full of grace and truth" (Jn. 1:14).

BAPTISM

Water cleanses and enlivens; it destroys and deadens. The significance of the sacrament is realized in the sign. We realize in the pool of baptismal water two figures, two representations. In the first instance, this is the watery tomb into which the sinner is buried with Christ, once he has died with him to sin. Immediately it becomes a new sign, the womb of the Church from which the Christian comes forth with Christ, a new creature endowed with his life and his image. What Baptism does in a few minutes under its signs, in mystery, is fulfilled in the dimension of time in the life, work and death, and in the resurrection of the faithful Christian.

Faith is needed before Baptism. If the candidate is too young to make an Act of Faith, his godparents supply the "faith of the whole Church" for him. Here it is important and valuable to relate Baptism to Lent. In the early Church it was during this time that candidates were given their names, final instruction, tested, and eventually baptized on Easter Saturday, in the great Vigil of Light and Life.

THE RITE OF BAPTISM

First Part

(Friday of 3rd week in Lent)

If the candidate is old enough to speak, he answers for himself.

The Questioning Outside the Church

Priest: What is your name?

Sponsors: N_____.

Priest: N_____, what do you ask of the Church of God?

Sponsors: Faith.

Priest: What does faith offer you?

Sponsors: Eternal life.

Priest: If, then, you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments: you shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart, and with your whole soul, and with your whole mind, and your neighbor as yourself.

The "Breathing Out"

The Celebrant breathes on the candidate. This "breath of the Church" stands for the power of the Holy Spirit:

Priest: Depart from him (her), unclean spirit, and give place to the Holy Spirit, the Consoler.

The Sign of the Cross

Priest: Receive the mark of the Cross on your forehead and within your heart. Embrace the faith with its divine teachings. So live that you will indeed be a temple of God.

Let us pray.

We beg you, Lord God, graciously hear our prayers. Guard your chosen one, N___, with the never-failing power of the Cross of Christ, with which he (she) has been marked. Protect him (her) so that . . . he (she) may . . . attain to the glory of a new birth. Through Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

The Laying On of Hands

A sign of acceptance by the Church.

Priest: Let us pray. (Summary)
Almighty and eternal God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, look with favor upon this your servant . . . Take from him (her) all blindness of heart. . . . Then, seasoned by the salt which is symbolic of

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your wisdom, may he (she) be relieved of the corruption of evil desires . . . Through the same Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Presentation of Salt

The Celebrant puts a little blessed salt into the candidate's mouth. Salt is the symbol of that wisdom which gives a relish for the goodness of divine nourishment. Salt is a precious gift where it is rare. In the near East it is still offered to honored guests when they arrive at the gate of a home.

Priest: N___, receive the salt, which is a symbol of wisdom. May it bring you God's favor for life everlasting.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: Peace be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Let us pray. (Summary)
God of our fathers, God, the author of all truth, we humbly ask you to look with favor on this your servant N___, who has had his (her) first taste of blessed food in the form of salt. Satisfy him (her) with the bread of heaven . . . We ask you, Lord, to lead him (her) to the waters in which he (she) will be born again . . . Through Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Second Part

(Wednesday of 4th week in Lent)

Exorcism

Priest: I exorcise you, unclean spirit, in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Come forth, depart from this servant of God, N___, for he commands you, accursed and damned spirit, he who walked upon the sea and extended his right hand to Peter as he was sinking.

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Therefore, accursed devil, acknowledge your condemnation and pay homage to the true and living God; pay homage to Jesus Christ, his Son, and to the Holy Spirit, and depart from this servant of God, N___, for Jesus Christ, our Lord and God, has called him (her) to his holy grace and blessing, and to the font of baptism.

The Sign of the Cross

Priest: Accursed devil, never dare to desecrate this sign of the Holy Cross which we are tracing upon his (her) forehead. Through the same Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Laying On of Hands

Priest: Let us pray. (Summary)
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, source of all light and truth, I humbly beg your never-ending and most holy mercy upon this servant of yours, N___. . . so that he (she) may be made worthy of the grace of your baptism . . . Through Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

The Admission Into The Church

The Celebrant lays the end of the stole on the candidate. This is a symbol of the Church of Christ taking him into the care of the assembly.

Priest: N___, enter the temple of God, so that you may have part with Christ in everlasting life.

People: **Amen.**

The Great Profession

After they have come into the Church, the candidate or the godparents (sponsors) pray and proclaim the Apostle's Creed and the Lord's Prayer.

I believe in God . . .

Our Father . . .

Third Part

(Holy Saturday morning)

The Solemn Exorcism

Priest: I exorcise you, every unclean spirit, in the name of God, the Father almighty, and in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and judge, and in the strength of the Holy Spirit, that you may depart from this creature of God, N___, whom our Lord has called to his holy temple in order that he (she) may become a temple of the living God, and that the Holy Spirit may dwell in him (her). Through the same Christ our Lord, who will come to judge the living and the dead and the world by fire.

People: **Amen.**

The Ephpheta

The Celebrant signs the ears and nose to dispose the senses to be sensitive to the word and will of God. He uses the same healing word as the Lord used (Mark 7:34).

Priest: Ephpheta, which means "Be opened," so that you may perceive the fragrance of God's sweetness. But you, O devil, depart; for the judgment of God has come.

The Renunciation of Satan

Priest: N___, do you renounce Satan?

Sponsors: I do renounce him.

Priest: And all his works?

Sponsors: I do renounce them.

Priest: And all his allurements?

Sponsors: I do renounce them.

The Anointing

The Celebrant anoints the candidate with the oil of catechumens. Oil signifies the conferral of health and power.

Priest: I anoint you with the oil of salvation in Christ Jesus our Lord, so that you may have everlasting life.

People: Amen.

Fourth Part

Easter Vigil

The Last Profession of Faith

The Celebrant takes off the violet stole and puts on a white one. This ceremony comes from the Easter Vigil, when the Church lays aside the vesture of penance to put on the robes of joy.

Priest: N___, do you believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?

Sponsors: I do believe.

Priest: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born into this world and who suffered?

Sponsors: I do believe.

Priest: Do you believe also in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

Sponsors: I do believe.

Baptism

Baptism is administered in the name of the Holy Trinity, according to the Lord's words: "Go therefore, make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Mt. 28:19)

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Priest: N___, do you wish to be baptized?

Sponsors: I do.

Priest: *(pouring baptismal water a first time)*
I baptize you in the name of the Father,
(pouring water a second time)
and of the Son,
(pouring water the third time)
and of the Holy Spirit.

The Anointing With Chrism

*This special Holy Oil stands for the conferral of Kingly power.
See 1 Peter 2:9.*

Priest: May almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you a new birth by means of water and the Holy Spirit and forgiven all your sins, *(here he anoints)* anoint you with the Chrism of salvation in the same Christ Jesus our Lord, so that you may have everlasting life.

People: Amen.

Priest: Peace be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

The White Robe

This garment is a powerful sign of Christian dignity. It is urged that a real robe be provided here not just a meaningless towel.

Priest: Receive this white garment. Never let it become stained, so that when you stand before the judgment seat of our Lord Jesus Christ, you may have life everlasting.

People: Amen.

The Lighted Candle

The candle is a sign of Christ with whom the new Christian has risen alive with the life of grace. The Easter candle often stands near the baptistry to add light to this signification.

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Priest: Receive this burning light, and keep the grace of your Baptism throughout a blameless life. Observe the commandments of God. Then, when the Lord comes to the heavenly wedding feast, you will be able to meet him with all the saints in the halls of heaven, and live forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Dismissal

As he will be at the end of every celebration of the Holy Eucharist, the Christian is here challenged to witness to Christ before the world.

Priest: N___, go in peace, and the Lord be with you.

People: Amen.

CONFIRMATION AND HOLY ORDERS

CONFIRMATION

A person being confirmed must, as in all sacraments, understand its meaning and grace before he can fulfill his new status, before he can respond to his responsibility as a confirmed Christian.

Confirmation truly fulfills Baptism. It gives Christian maturity to the child of God, born in Baptism. Like Baptism, this gift bestows a permanent character or status. This lasting "mark" becomes the lifelong source of strengthening grace for the confirmed. Though Confirmation is certainly a separate sacrament from Baptism, it continues the incorporation into Christ begun in the mystery of rebirth. In Confirmation this incorporation becomes more mature, it gains depth and breadth.

In Apostolic times we hear of the differentiation between these things: the baptism of John, Christian Baptism, and Confirmation. We read in Acts (19:1-6): "Paul passed through the upper country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples. And he said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?' And they said, 'No, we have never even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' And he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They said, 'Into John's baptism.' And Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus.' On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them; and they spoke with tongues and prophesied."

Confirmation and Vocation

Confirmation and Holy Orders

We stress that the confirmed Christian makes his response to the Sacrament with an awareness of his responsibility to God's Church and to the society of the world. Through Confirmation, the Lord calls every Christian to his specific work. These vocations are realized in all sorts of ways and walks.

One vocation that all have in common is the priesthood. Christ is the High Priest. When we begin to be other Christs in Baptism, we share in all that Christ is and has; in his priestly power, in his responsibility to teach and guide the Church. Peter told all Christians: "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that you may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light (1 Pt. 2:9).

This sharing and responsibility are intensified in Confirmation. But in Holy Orders they reach their fullness. As Christ literally took pains to teach us, the priest is a servant, the suffering servant. By washing his apostles' feet, the Lord dramatized the servant role of all priests (lay and clerical); by his suffering he teaches that the Christian life is not easy. It is a constant struggle.

By word, work, and example, the priests of Holy Orders serve the people of God. Their special sacrament also enables them to celebrate sacred rites to give glory to God, grace to men. Through Orders they activate the priesthood of their fellow Christians, as when the whole assembly celebrates the Eucharist under the leadership of the priest-celebrant. The Sacrament of Holy Orders has three degrees: deacon, priest and bishop. The latter enjoys the honor and responsibility of the fullness of the priesthood.

The rite of Ordination is not given here. A special text for participation is always provided for those who form the assembly at an Ordination Mass.

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

After the renewal of baptismal promises (page 112, if this is to be done) the bishop says:

Bishop: May the Holy Spirit descend upon you and the power of the Most High preserve you from sin.

People: **Amen.**

With his right hand he signs himself with the sign of the cross.

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: **Who made heaven and earth.**

Bishop: O Lord, hear my prayer.

People: **And let my cry come to you.**

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

With his hands extended toward those to be confirmed:

Bishop: Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, who in your kindness gave to these your servants a new birth through water and the Holy Spirit, and granted to them remission of all their sins; send forth from heaven upon them your sevenfold Spirit, the Holy Consoler.

People: **Amen.**

It is interesting to note that the names of these gifts are taken from the Old Testament: Isaiah 11:2.

Bishop: The Spirit of wisdom and understanding.

People: **Amen.**

Bishop: The Spirit of counsel and fortitude.

People: **Amen.**

Bishop: The Spirit of knowledge and piety.

People: **Amen.**

Bishop: Mercifully fill them with the Spirit of your fear, and seal them with the sign of the cross of Christ, that they may obtain everlasting life. Through the same

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Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

People: Amen.

The bishop inquires the names of those to be confirmed. Each one is presented to him by a sponsor, and the candidate is given the sacrament by name.

Bishop: N___, I sign you with the sign of the cross.

While he is saying this, his right hand is imposed on the head of the candidate, and with his thumb he makes the sign of the cross on the candidate's forehead.

Bishop: And I confirm you with the Chrism of salvation. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

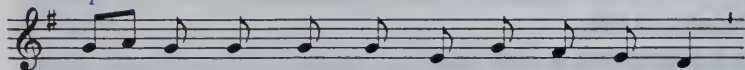
The newly confirmed: Amen.

Touching him gently on the cheek, a "greeting of peace,"

Bishop: Peace be with you.

After the anointing the bishop washes his hands while the following antiphon is recited or sung.

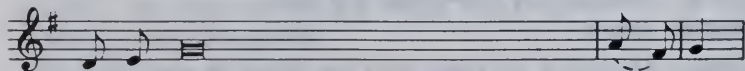
Antiphon



Strength - en, O God, what you have wrought in us,

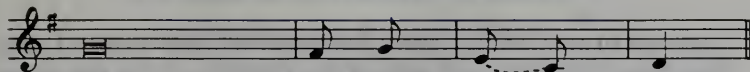


from your ho - ly temple, which is in Je - ru - sa - lem,



1. Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son
2. As it was in the beginning, / is now, and ever shall___ be,

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1. and to the
2. world

Ho - ly
with - out

Spir - it.
end. A - men.

Repeat Antiphon.

Bishop: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

People: And grant us your salvation.

Bishop: O Lord, hear my prayer.

People: And let my cry come to you.

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Bishop: Let us pray.

O God, you gave the Holy Spirit to your apostles, and willed that through them and their successors he be given to the rest of the faithful. Look with favor upon our humble service, and grant that the Holy Spirit, descending into the hearts of those whose foreheads we have anointed with holy Chrism and signed with the sign of the holy cross, may, by dwelling there, make them a temple of his glory. You who with the Father and the same Holy Spirit live and reign, God, forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Bishop: Behold, so will the man be blessed who fears the Lord.

Turning toward the newly confirmed, he makes the sign of the cross over them.

Bishop: May the Lord bless you from Sion, so that you may see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life and may have life everlasting.

People: Amen.

As a renewal of the Profession of Faith, the newly confirmed say with the Bishop: the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, the Angelic Salutation.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The sign of this rite is quite different from the water of Baptism, from the bread and wine of the Eucharist. It is the actual contract itself. This holy agreement stands for God's covenant with his people. More immediately, it realizes the oneness of Christ and his Church. As his love for the Church makes the Lord-Bridegroom one with her, so the love that husband and wife have for each other converts them into a living image, a realization of the Church. Every married couple, every family, is a miniature Church. Both lessons of the marriage celebration describe this oneness in covenant which is the sacrament itself. Paul says, "Even so husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no man ever hates his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, as Christ does the Church, because we are members of his Body. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one. This is a great mystery, and I mean in reference to Christ and the Church; however, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband" (Eph. 5:28-33).

Matthew's Gospel adds, "So they are no longer two, but one. What therefore God has joined together, let no man put asunder" (Mt. 19:6).

Paul has just said, "This is a great mystery . . ." We recall that "mystery" here means sacrament. Husband and wife are outward signs of the union between Christ and his Church. This is the Sacrament of Marriage.

THE RITE OF MARRIAGE

(During the Nuptial Mass)

The sacrament is given after the Second Reading and before the Prayer of the Faithful.

SEALING OF THE MARRIAGE BOND

Priest: N, do you take N, here present, for your lawful wife according to the rite of our holy mother, the Church?

Groom: I do.

Priest: N, do you take N, here present, for your lawful husband according to the rite of our holy mother, the Church?

Bride: I do.

Priest: Now join your right hands and say after me:

Groom: I, N.N., take you, N.N., for my lawful wife, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, until death do us part.

Bride: I, N.N., take you, N.N., for my lawful husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, until death do us part.

BLESSING OF CONTRACT

Priest: By the authority of the Church I ratify and bless the bond of marriage you have contracted. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Priest: I call upon all of you here present to be witnesses of this holy union which I have now blessed. "Man must not separate what God has joined together."

People: Amen.

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BLESSING OF RINGS

Priest: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: **Who made heaven and earth.**

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

People: **And let my cry come to you.**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Prayer (for two rings)

Let us pray. (Summary)

Priest: Bless, O Lord, these rings, which we are blessing in your name, so that they who wear them . . . may live together always in mutual love. Through Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: Now that you have sealed a truly Christian marriage, give these wedding rings to each other, saying after me:

Groom: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Take and wear this ring as a sign of our marriage vows.

Bride: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Take and wear this ring as a sign of our marriage vows.

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Priest: Strengthen, O God, what you have wrought in us.

People: **From your holy temple, which is in Jerusalem.**

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

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. and lead us not into temptation.

People: But deliver us from evil.

Priest: Save your servants.

People: Who trust in you, my God.

Priest: Send them help, O Lord, from your sanctuary.

People: And sustain them from Sion.

Priest: Be a tower of strength for them, O Lord.

People: Against the attack of the enemy.

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

People: And let my cry come to you.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Let us pray. (Summary)

We beg you, Lord, to look on these your servants . . .
so that they who have been joined together by your
authority may remain faithful together by your help.
Through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE GREAT ANCIENT BLESSING

It is important that every member of the assembly approve of this marriage by his enthusiastic "So be it! Amen."

Priest: May almighty God bless you by the Word of his mouth, and unite your hearts in the enduring bond of pure love.

People: Amen.

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Priest: May you be blessed in your children, and may the love that you lavish on them be returned a hundredfold.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: May the peace of Christ dwell always in your hearts and in your home; may you have true friends to stand by you, both in joy and in sorrow. May you be ready with help and consolation for all those who come to you in need; and may the blessings promised to the compassionate descend in abundance on your house.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: May you be blessed in your work and enjoy its fruits. May cares never cause you distress, nor the desire for earthly possessions lead you astray; but may your hearts' concern be always for the treasures laid up for you in the life of heaven.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: May the Lord grant you fullness of years, so that you may reap the harvest of a good life, and after you have served him with loyalty in his kingdom on earth, may he take you up into his eternal dominions in heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, his Son, who lives and reigns with him in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

After the sacrament has been conferred, the eucharistic liturgy continues. See the Prayer of the Faithful (for marriage), p. 166.

NUPTIAL BLESSING

Immediately after the Our Father, the priest stands before the altar at the epistle side. Facing the couple, he says the following prayers over them.

Let us pray.

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Listen with favor, O Lord, to our prayers, and graciously uphold the institution of marriage established by you for the continuation of the human race, so that they who have been joined together by your authority may remain faithful together by your help. Through Jesus Christ.

People: **Amen.**

Let us pray.

O God, by your mighty power you made all things where before there was nothing; you put in order the beginnings of the universe and formed for man, made to your image, an inseparable helpmate, woman. You gave woman's body its origin from man's flesh, to teach that it is never right to separate her from the one being from whom it has pleased you to take her.

O God, you consecrated the union of marriage, making it a sign so profound as to prefigure in the marriage covenant the mystery of Christ and the Church.

O God, you join woman to man and give to that society, the first to be established, the blessing which alone was not taken away in punishment for original sin or in the doom of the Flood:

Look with kindness on this your servant who is to be joined to her husband in the companionship of marriage and who seeks to be made secure by your protection.

May this yoke that she is taking on herself be one of love and peace. May she be faithful and chaste, marrying in Christ, and may she always imitate the holy women: may she be the beloved of her husband, as was Rachel; wise, as was Rebecca; long-lived and loyal, as was Sara.

May the author of sin have no mastery over her because of her acts. May she hold firm to the faith and the commandments. Faithful to one embrace, may she flee from unlawful companionship. By firm discipline may she fortify herself against her weakness. May she be grave in her modesty,

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honorable in her chastity, learned in the teachings of heaven. May she be rich in children, may she prove worthy and blameless, and may she attain in the end to the peace of the blessed, the kingdom of heaven.

May she and her husband together see their children's children to the third and fourth generation and enjoy the long life that will fulfill their desires. Through Jesus Christ.

People: **Amen.**

After the dismissal, the priest turns to the couple and says:

May the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob be with you, and may he fulfill in you his blessing, so that you may see your children's children to the third and fourth generation and afterward possess everlasting and boundless life. Through the help of our Lord Jesus Christ, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, God, forever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

THE SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

That redemption means healing was well known to our ancestors of Israel. The prophets told them this, over and over again. They said that God's servant, the Redeemer, would heal all the ills of mankind; that he would atone for these ills by suffering himself. This is why the Lord Savior was called God's Suffering Servant. In Isaiah 53 we read: "He (the suffering servant) was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised and we esteemed him not. Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all." In other words, pain would pay for pain. The Jews understood that physical evil, sickness, was somehow connected with moral evil, sin. They did not think of man's body and soul as separate elements. To them he was a whole, a total person. Bodily and spiritual illnesses were related.

When the suffering servant did come and fulfilled the prophets, he made it very clear that his work was indeed the whole man: "Your sins are forgiven . . . take up your bed and walk" is typical of the many "total healings."

The work of redemption goes on in the Mystery of Christ, in his saving presence in the signs of the sacraments. The healing of the Lord is pledged in Baptism, the very beginning of life; in Penance, the renewal of Baptism; in Anointing the transformation of sinful suffering into the victorious pain of another Christ; in Holy Communion, the food that revives one from the weakness of suffering, or the suffering of weakness.

Sin is illness; forgiveness is healing. Sin results from faulty judgment that leads to the suffering of moral pain. Sickness results from a faulty organism that leads to the suffering of physical pain. In the Sacrament of Penance, moral pain is relieved by being taken into the sufferings of Christ. In Anointing, the Christian's physical pain becomes a part of the sufferings of Christ.

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

It is the nature of sin that the sinner goes his own way. He leaves the healthy way of the Lord and seeks an uncertain (sinful) way of his own. That is why the prophet said, "All we like sheep have gone astray; and we have turned every one to his own way . . ." Therefore, it is in the nature of forgiveness to be converted back to the way of the Lord; to respond to the special grace whereby the stray sheep are called back to the fold, to the Lord's path.

Also, the stray sheep leaves the community. By his absence its strength is diminished. By his sinfulness its moral fiber is weakened. And so, in the Sacrament of Penance sin is forgiven and the sinner restored to the community, to the assembly of his brethren. It is a sacrament both of forgiveness and reconciliation. To the Sacrament of Penance, the sinner must bring his sins, his sorrow, his faith. In giving this sacrament to the penitent Christian, the priest has a dual role. He represents Christ himself, who forgives sin; he represents Christ in his Church (the assembly) to welcome back, to reconcile, a straying sheep.

Sorrow and faith are obviously needed. One must be sincerely sorry for his sins. He must fully resolve to try his best not

to do them again. He must believe in the power of Christ to forgive sin, the power represented and communicated to him through the ordination of the priest-confessor. The things we confess are those that we have left undone but ought to have done; those things that we have done, and ought to have left undone.

Frequency of confession. In Christian life there is much weakness, much sickness. We need to convert ourselves back to the way of the Lord, ever so frequently. We must remember, of course, that it is God's grace that first moves us to seek the sacraments of forgiveness and reconciliation; further grace accomplishes the actual purpose of the sacrament. As to how often the Christian should go to the Sacrament of Penance, this is a question which each must answer for himself. It depends upon the testimony of his own conscience; the problems of his own life.

Now an important note about the state of grace. It is altogether true that even a grave sin is forgiven at once when the sinner declares his sorrow and conversion back to the Lord's way, promises to receive the Sacrament of Penance as soon as possible, and realizes that he is doing all this in response to an inviting grace. However, before receiving the Eucharist or any other Sacrament of the Living, he must first receive absolution in the Sacrament of Penance (except in urgent circumstances) in order to be properly reconciled to the assembly of the brethren.

THE EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

Although thinking about our sins certainly is a sign that we are on the way to conversion, we must not forget that we convert ourselves to the Lord.

THE GREATEST LAW: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart . . . You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

DEUT. 6:5; LEV. 19:18

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THE DECALOGUE:

EX. 20:2-17; DT. 5:6-21

1. I am the Lord your God. You shall not have strange gods before me.
2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's day.
4. Honor your father and your mother.
5. You shall not kill.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
9. You shall not desire your neighbor's wife.
10. You shall not desire your neighbor's goods.

THE LAWS OF THE CHURCH

1. Attend Mass and refrain from unnecessary and demeaning work on Sundays and holy days of obligation.
2. Fast and abstain on the days appointed.
3. Go to confession at least once a year.
4. Receive Holy Communion during Eastertime.
5. Contribute to the support of the Church.
6. Observe the laws of the Church concerning marriage.

CONFESSION AND CONTRITION

A suggested formula.

Penitent: Bless me Father, for I have sinned.

Make the sign of the Cross while the priest blesses you.

Penitent: Before you, I confess to Almighty God and the whole Church that I have sinned

Tell your sins as they are in your mind; that is, as they appear to you, according to your own feeling about them. Don't let compulsive worries or scruples becloud your judgment here!

Penitent: For these and all my sins, I am heartily sorry, and I promise to convert my way of life. I humbly ask pardon of God, and that you, Father, confirm my reconciliation with God and the Church.

Here the confessor usually encourages and directs the penitent along the way of perfection.

THE ABSOLUTION

*Priest: May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting.

Penitent: **Amen.**

Priest: May the almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, absolution, and remission of your sins.

Penitent: **Amen.**

The sacred minister, through the power given to him by the Church, in the name and in the person of Christ, establishes your new righteousness in the words of absolution.

Priest: May our Lord Jesus Christ absolve you, and by his authority I absolve you from every bond of excommunication, and interdict, to the extent of my power and your need.

While saying this, the priest lifts up his right hand — a remnant of the laying on of hands done by the bishop in sign of reconciliation of the public penitent in medieval times. Now making the sign of the Cross (and the penitent should do the same), he says the form of the sacrament.

Priest: Finally I absolve you from your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Penitent: **Amen.**

*Priest: May the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, the merits of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all the saints, and also whatever good you do and evil you endure be cause for the remission of your sins, the increase of grace, and the reward of everlasting life.

Penitent: **Amen.**

**The first and last prayers may be omitted. To each formula the penitent joins his approval and acceptance of responsibility by a meaningful Amen.*

SATISFACTION FOR SINS

Without our cooperation, we cannot be converted by the Sacrament of Penance. The priest leads us to the way of conversion by prescribing a remedy, the "penance." We begin to enter into this way of conversion by accepting and doing the penance.

THE SACRAMENTS FOR THE SICK

The Anointing of the Sick

(with Penance and Holy Communion)

What has been said in the introductory paragraphs about the sacraments of healing should explain quite completely why a seriously sick Christian needs all three: Anointing, Penance, the Eucharist. The Sacrament of Anointing was formerly called Extreme Unction, or the Last Anointing. However, this designation was misleading since it seemed to mean something to be done just before death. Happily, Vatican Council II has changed the name of this holy gift to the Anointing of the Sick. It is a rite which may be celebrated for anyone who is seriously ill, or it may be given often during an illness. This sacrament is a consecration and recognition of the good works done by the suffering Christian. Its anointing joins and consecrates the pains of the Christian to the suffering of Christ. He is strengthened to "make up in his own body what is lacking to the sufferings of Christ" (Col. 1:24). Obviously it is the wish of the Church that the suffering Christian receive this sacrament when he can fully understand and appreciate its meaning and grace; when he can make use of its strengthening power. This sacrament is a sacred medicine for those who are ill. Its form was taught by James (5:14-15), in words which will appear in the rite of the sacrament following. These words give meaning to the blessing and the use of the oil of anointing.

What follows is the Continuous Rite for the Sick: The Sacrament of Penance, Anointing, Viaticum (or Communion of the sick).

As he enters, the Celebrant says:

Priest: Peace to this house.

People: And to all who dwell herein.

He places the Blessed Sacrament on the table and sprinkles the place with holy water.

Priest: Sprinkle me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be purified; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Priest: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Let us pray. *(Summary)*

As I enter here with a sense of my own unworthiness, O Lord Jesus Christ, let abiding happiness enter with me; may the blessings of God and unmixed joy accompany my visit; may fruitful charity and lasting good health come with me . . . May my entry be blessed by you who are holy, you who are merciful, you who abide with the Father and the Holy Spirit forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Priest: Let us pray and beg our Lord Jesus Christ to fill with his blessings this house and all who dwell herein . . . May he save them from fear and all anxiety, and keep them safe and sound in this house. Who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Priest: Let us pray.

Hear us, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, and graciously send your holy angel from heaven to watch over, to cherish, to protect, to abide with, and to defend all who dwell in this house. Through Christ our Lord.

Sacrament of Penance

The Confiteor is said by all together. If the patient wishes to receive the Sacrament of Penance, the priest is left alone with him (her) for as long as he indicates is necessary (see p.521. for Rite of Penance).

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Lesson (Ideally, read by a member of the family.)

Priest: Beloved brethren, let us listen to the words of the holy gospel according to St. Matthew, chapter 8.

Reader: At that time: After Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion approached him with this request. "Lord, my boy is at home in bed paralyzed, suffering terribly." He said to him, "I will come and cure him." "Lord," replied the centurion, "I am not worthy to have you enter my house. Just give an order, and my boy will get better. I myself know how authority works. I have soldiers under me, and if I give one man the order, 'On your way,' off he goes; or another the order, 'Come here,' he comes. If I tell my slave, 'Do this,' he does it." Jesus was surprised to hear this and he remarked to his followers, "I assure you, I have never found an Israelite with faith as great as this." To the centurion Jesus said, "Go home. It shall be done in answer to your faith." The boy got better that very moment.

Priest: Let us kneel down and pray.
Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

Priest: Lord, that you would visit and strengthen this sick man (woman).

People: We beseech you, hear us.

Priest: That you would give him (her) life and health.

People: We beseech you, hear us.

Priest: That you would grant him (her) the grace of the Holy Spirit.

People: We beseech you, hear us.

Priest: Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world.

People: Spare us, O Lord.

Priest: Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world.

People: Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Priest: Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world.

People: Have mercy on us.

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. May any power that the devil has over you be utterly destroyed, as I place my hands on you and call upon the help of the glorious and holy Mother of God, the Virgin Mary, and of her illustrious spouse, Joseph, and of all the holy angels, archangels patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, confessors, virgins, and all the saints. Amen.

The Celebrant takes the holy oil and anoints the sick person.

Priest: May the Lord forgive you by this holy anointing and his most loving mercy whatever sins you have committed by the use of your sight (hearing, smell, taste and speech, touch, ability to walk).

People: Amen.

When the anointings are completed.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

SACRAMENTS

Priest: Our Father and lead us not into temptation.

People: **But deliver us from evil.**

Priest: Save your servant.

People: **Who trusts in you, my God.**

Priest: Send him (her) help, O Lord, from your sanctuary.

People: **And sustain him (her) from Sion.**

Priest: Be a tower of strength for him (her), O Lord.

People: **Against the attack of the enemy.**

Priest: Let the enemy have no power over him (her).

People: **And let not the son of evil dare to harm him (her).**

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

People: **And let my cry come to you.**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Let us pray. (*Summary*)

O Lord God, you said through your apostle, James: "Is anyone sick among you? Let him bring in the priests of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he be in sins, they shall be forgiven him." We implore you, our Redeemer, that by the grace of the Holy Spirit you cure the illness of this sick man (woman) and heal his (her) wounds; forgive his (her) sins, and drive away from him (her) all pains of mind and body. You who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: Let us pray.

We implore you, O Lord, look with kindness on your servant, N___, who is growing weak as his (her) body fails. Cherish the soul which you created so that,

purified and made whole by his (her) sufferings, he (she) may find himself (herself) restored by your healing. Through Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: Let us pray. (*Summary*)

Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God . . . Be present in your kindness as we call upon your holy name. Free your servant from sickness, restore him (her) his (her) health . . . and give him (her) back to your holy Church, with all that is needed for his (her) welfare. Through Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Holy Communion

Priest: Let us pray, beloved brothers, as our Lord himself taught us.

People: **Our Father (*in entirety*)**

Priest: We beg you, O Lord, at this moment above all, to deliver this your servant from all evil and to strengthen him (her) with the bread of life, the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Three times.

People: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof. Speak but the word, and my soul will be healed.**

If the patient is close to death, the form of the Viaticum is used.

Priest: Receive, my brother (sister), this food for your journey, the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, that he may guard you from the wicked enemy and lead you into everlasting life.

Communicant: **Amen.**

SACRAMENTS

Otherwise, Communion is given in the usual way.

Priest: The Body of Christ.

Communicant: **Amen.**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Let us pray.

O Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, trustfully we beg of you that the most sacred Body of your Son, our Lord, may be a lasting remedy of both body and soul for our brother (sister) who has just received it. Through him who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

All: O holy banquet, in which Christ is received, the memory of his Passion is renewed, the soul is filled with grace, and there is given to us a pledge of future glory.

Priest: You have given them bread from heaven. (Alleluia)

People: **Containing in itself all delight. (Alleluia)**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: O God, who in this wonderful sacrament left us a memorial of your Passion, grant, we implore you, that we may so venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood as always to be conscious of the fruit of your redemption. You who live and reign forever and ever.

People: **Amen.**



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NOTES ON THE BIBLE SERVICES

Appropriate hymns and psalms should be selected to suit the general theme of the Bible Service or the particular theme expressed in the Scripture reading. Similar care should be taken to choose the most appropriate antiphon for the psalm.

Psalms may be recited or sung. When recited, people alternate on the recitation of the verses (verses 1, 3, 5, 7, etc. = left side; verses 2, 4, 6, 8, etc. = right side). When sung, choir sings verses of psalm while people sing antiphon after each verse. Certain verses of a psalm may be selected in preference to the entire psalm.

BIBLE SERVICE FOR ADVENT

The Coming of our God

This Bible service is arranged so that it may be used either as a four week preparation for Christmas or as a Christmas triduum. It may be extended into a longer preparation by using all the alternate scripture readings.

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

1st Week (1st Day):

The promise: God will come to be with his people and save them: Isaiah 9:1-6

Alternate Readings: Isaiah 11:1-5; 65:17-20, 23-24

2nd Week (2nd Day):

God comes as a father for the orphan and as a redeemer for the sinful: Isaiah 57:14-21

Alternate Readings: Osee 11:1-9; Baruch 3:1-8; 3:24-38

3rd Week (3rd Day):

God will make a new covenant, inscribed upon their hearts: Jeremias 31:31-33

Alternate Readings: Ezechiel 36:24-32; 37:26-28; Isaiah 42:1-8

4th Week:

God prepares abundant joys: Sophonias 3:12-17

Alternate Readings: Joel 2:21-27; Jeremias 31:7-14

HOMILY

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD (Is. 63:15-64:3) **Kneel**

Right: Look down from heaven / and regard us from your holy and glorious palace!

Left: Where is your zealous care and your might, / your surge of pity, and your mercy?

Right: O Lord, hold not back, / for you are our Father.

- Left: Were Abraham not to know us, /
nor Israel to acknowledge us,
- Right: You, Lord, are our Father, /
our Redeemer you are named forever.
- Left: Why do you let us wander, O Lord, / from your
ways, / and harden our hearts so that we fear you not?
- Right: Return for the sake of your servants, /
the tribes of your heritage.
- Left: Too long have we been like those you do not rule, /
who do not bear your name.
- All: Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come
down, / with the mountains quaking before you. /
While you wrought awesome deeds we could not
hope for, / such as they had not heard of from old. /
No ear has ever heard, / no eye ever seen, any God
but you, / doing such deeds for those who wait
for him.
- Priest: Let us pray.
Lord Jesus Christ, share your patience with us, so
that we can value the opportunity of waiting upon
you. If you do not come at once to answer our re-
quest, it is only because our desire is still small and
our dedication still weak. Enlarge our hearts and
strengthen our loyalty, so that when you come, we
may be ready to receive you.
- All: Amen.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

1st Week (1st Day): Stand

The Holy Spirit overshadowed the Virgin Mary and
she conceived Emmanuel: Luke 1:26-38

Alternate Readings: Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 8:19-21

2nd Week (2nd Day): Stand

Jesus comes as Good Shepherd and Redeemer: Luke
15:1-10

Alternate Readings: Luke 7:36-50; John 3:16-21

3rd Week (3rd Day): Sit

The Christmas Christ comes anew to dwell within us more fully: John 17:20-26

Alternate Readings: Titus 3:4-7; 1 Peter 1:5-12

4th Week: Sit

On the eternal Christmas, we shall be caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord; then we will know that he came to us in every least man: Matthew 25:31-40

Alternate Readings: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; 5:4-11
Apocalypse 21:1-8

HOMILY

Sit

PETITIONS

Kneel

P. : For God so loved the world that he sent his only begotten Son.

All: That those who believe in him may not perish but have life everlasting. (*Jn 3:16*)

P. : Let us pray for the Church.

All: Come, Lord, / cleanse and sanctify us / that together with all Christians / we may be presented to you, / that we may be pure and holy, / without any spot or wrinkle. (*Eph 5:27*)

P. : Let us pray for our Holy Father, the Pope, for the bishops of the world, and for Bishop (N) _____ of our own diocese.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / fulfill your prayer when you asked your Heavenly Father / not to take them out of the world / but to keep them from evil / and to sanctify them in truth. / Through their example and teaching, / may we be one with you in forgiveness and knowledge.

P. : Let us pray for our priests and religious.

All: Come, Lord of the Harvest, / bless your laborers, / so that they may diligently sow the seed of your word, / and zealously watch over each growing plant, / so that when you come to call us / the harvest may be abundant.

P. : Let us pray for our laity.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / make us living stones built on you / into a spiritual house, / your chosen people, / a holy and priestly nation. (*1 Pt 2*)

P. : Let us pray for husbands and wives.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / you who call yourself the bridegroom of the Church, / come and be born within the hearts of husbands and wives; / inspire them how to love one another / and to give themselves to one another, / as you did for your bride, the Church. (*Eph 5:21-23*)

P. : Let us pray for our children.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / gather these, our children, into your arms; / speak to them words of joy and strength; / bless them and protect them always. (*Mt 10:15*)

P. : Let us pray for the unity of all Christians.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / Good Shepherd of all who believe in you, / fulfill your wish / that there be but one flock and one shepherd. / Thus we may aid one another to know you better / and to fulfill your word more fully.

P. : Let us pray for all men and all nations.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / Prince of peace, / give all of us good will / and bless us with peace. (*Lk 2:14*)

P. : Let us pray for those who have never heard of Jesus Christ.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / may your light shine upon those still walking in darkness. (*Is 9:2*)

P. : Let us pray for those suffering persecution for their faith.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / may the light of your coming this Christmas / rise brightly on those living in dread, abandonment, and prison. / Return to them the freedom / of publicly expressing their loyalty and love towards you / and of peacefully teaching their faith to others.

P. : Let us pray for those who are blinded by race prejudice.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / and speak to their hearts, / "Love one another as I have loved you. / By this will

all men know that you are my disciples." (Jn. 13:34-35)

P. : Let us pray for our brethren who are sick or dying.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / and bless these our brethren / in whom you never cease to come to us. / Give them peace, strength, and resignation.

P. : Let us pray for our beloved dead.

All: Come, Lord Jesus, / to those whom you have called home to eternity. / Fulfill in them your words, / "I am come that they may have life / and have it more abundantly." (Jn 10:10)

P. : Come, Lord Jesus. Come, as you promised, to all of us here present.

All: "Wherever two or three are gathered together in my name, / there I am among them." (Mt 18:20)

P. : Come, Lord Jesus. We ask you to fulfill this promise in us:

All: "If anyone love me, he will keep my word, / and my Father will love him, / and we will come to him / and make our abode with him." (Jn 14:23)

P. : Let us pray.

O God and Father of Jesus Christ, we long for the coming of your Son. Give us the vision to see him, as he comes to us in the teaching of our pastors, in the love of our families, in the needs of the sick and the poor. Forgive us our selfishness and prejudice. Open our hearts with charity, for unless we recognize Jesus in our brethren, we will never see him coming on the final day. This Christmas, may we receive Jesus in our brethren, and thus prepare for the final, everlasting Christmas.

Mary, mother of Jesus, you were the first to receive our Lord and Savior. Ask God to share with us the strong, kindly and humble disposition, with which he prepared your heart for the coming of Jesus. Thus we hope to share your heavenly reward, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament follows.

ASH WEDNESDAY OR ALTERNATE LENTEN BIBLE SERVICE

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: Joel 2:12-18

Sit

Alternate Readings: Zacharias 7:1-14; Genesis 3:14-19

HOMILY

LITANY

Kneel

Let us beg God to pity our weakness and to be merciful to us sinners. We first pause for silent, personal prayer.

Priest: O my people, what have I done to you,
or how have I wearied you? Answer me! (Mi 6:3)

All: Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; /
in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my
offense. (Ps 50:3)

P. : O Lord, in your anger punish me not,
in your wrath chastise me not. (Ps 37:2)

All: I acknowledge my offense, and my sin is always
before me. (Ps 50:5)

P. : Rend your hearts and not your garments,
and return to the Lord, your God. (Jl 2:12)

All: Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; /
in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my
offense.

P. : There is no health in my flesh because of your anger;
and there is no wholeness in my bones because of
my sins. (Ps 37:4)

All: I acknowledge my offense, and my sin is always
before me.

P. : Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your
whole heart, with fasting, and weeping, and
mourning. (Jl 2:12)

All: I acknowledge my offense, and my sin is always
before me.

Prayer:

P. : O God, you who do not desire the death of sinners
but their repentance, look down on our weakness
and forgive us. Grant that the sacred ashes which

we receive on the opening day of Lent may remind us of our helplessness without you and of our desperate claim upon your mercy. We are sorry for our sins and we trust in the forgiveness which you promised through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: Matthew 6:16-21

Alternate Readings: 1 John 1:5-2:2; Luke 15:11-24 **Sit**

HOMILY

LITANY

Kneel

Let us beg God that our Lenten efforts will be inspired and strengthened by our honest wish to be united with Christ on his cross, so that we may repent of our sins and be united with the risen Lord on Easter. We first pause for silent, personal prayer.

P. : As obedient children, do not conform to the lusts of former days when you were ignorant; but as the One who called you is holy, be you also holy in your behavior. (1 Pt 1:14-15)

All: Lord, make us holy as you are holy.

P. : If anyone does not abide in me, he shall be cast outside as the branch, and wither; and they shall gather them up and cast them into the fire, and they shall burn. (Jn 15:16)

All: If you allow me, I will return, / for you are the Lord, my God. (Jer 31:18)

P. : Since Christ therefore has suffered in the flesh, do you arm yourselves with the same intent. (1 Pt 4:1)

All: Lord, make us holy as you are holy.

P. : To the penitent he provides a way back, he encourages those who are losing hope! Return to the Lord and give up sin; pray to him and make your offenses few. (Sir 17:19-20)

All: If you allow me, I will return, / for you are the Lord, my God.

P. : Happy are they who observe what is right, who do always what is just. (*Ps 105:3*)

All: Lord, make us holy as you are holy.

P. : I trust in the Lord; my soul trusts in his word.
(*Ps 129:5*)

All: If you allow me, I will return, / for you are the Lord,
my God.

Prayer:

P. : O Lord God, on this day of Lent, we pray the words which your chosen people once spoke on their day of atonement — words inspired by your Holy Spirit and preserved for us in the book of Sacred Scripture.

All: Now, therefore, our God, / great, strong, and awesome, / who keep covenant and mercy, / turn not your face from all the burdens which have come upon us, / upon our kings, and our princes, / and our priests, and our prophets, and our fathers, / and all the people. /

You are just in all things that have come upon us; / because you have done what is true / and we have done wickedly. /

Our kings, our princes, / our priests, and our fathers / have not kept your law, / and have not minded your commandments, / and your testimonies which you have testified among them. /

And they have not served you in their kingdoms, / and in your manifold goodness, which you gave them, / and in the large and prosperous land, / nor did they return from their wicked devices.
(*Neh 9:32-35*)

P. : Lord God, who said that you loved us with an everlasting love, forgive our sins and have mercy on us. Let the ashes which we annually receive upon our foreheads be a sign that we are penitent, and as you behold the sorrow in our hearts which your goodness has inspired, may you forgive us our sins and restore the full joy of life with Christ, through whose intercession we ask this grace.

All: Amen.

CLOSING PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

ENTRANCE HYMN

Stand

All: Draw near to Christ the living stone,*
For he has set us free:
He was rejected by his own
And sought them patiently.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Narrator: Jesus and the Apostles in the Cenacle.
(With action, words and prayer Jesus assures us of his love before he suffers.)

(Jn. 13:1-2, 12; 15:12-17; 18:1-3, 12-13, 24, 28) — Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

When he had washed their feet and taken his garments, and resumed his place, he said to them, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing, but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide; so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. This I command you, to love one another."

When Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples across the Kidron valley, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place; for Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas, procuring a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons.

*See p. 69 for melody.

So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews seized Jesus and bound him. First they led him to Annas; . . . Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest . . . Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the praetorium.

Narrator:

THE FIRST STATION

Jesus is Condemned to Death

Stand

(Love is our perfection — kindness and good deeds are to be our answer to injustice and hatred.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Narrator: (Jn. 19:9-16) — He (Pilate) entered the praetorium again and said to Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave no answer. Pilate therefore said to him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore he who delivered me to you has the greater sin."

Upon this Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend; every one who makes himself a king sets himself against Caesar."

Priest: (Mt. 5: 43-48) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for he

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makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you salute only your brethren, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?

"You, therefore, must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (1 Pt. 3: 14-18) — Brethren, the Apostle Peter instructs us: "But even if you do suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts reverence Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to make a defense to any one who calls you to account for the hope that is in you, yet do it with gentleness and reverence; and keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are abused, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing right, if that should be God's will, than for doing wrong. For Christ also died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God. . . ."

HYMN

Stand

All: Let men of blindness laugh and mock,
We glory in his shame:
To them his Cross a stumbling block,
To us his mighty name!

Narrator:

THE SECOND STATION

Jesus is Scourged and Crowned with Thorns

(To share the glory of Jesus, we must share his cross.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Narrator: (Mk. 15: 16-20) — And the soldiers led him away inside the palace (that is, the praetorium); and they called together the whole battalion. And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and plaiting a crown of thorns they put it on him. And they began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" And they struck his head with a reed, and spat upon him, and they knelt down in homage to him. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak, and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him.

Priest: (Lk. 9: 23-27) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "If any man would come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake, he will save it. For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of man be ashamed when he comes in his glory and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (1 Pt. 2: 21-24) — Brethren, the Apostle Peter instructs us: "Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. He committed no sin; no guile was found on his lips. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he trusted to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed."

HYMN

Stand

All: We are the chosen race of Christ,
Bought dearly by his Blood,
Sought by his loving sacrifice,
Upon his throne of wood.

Narrator:

THE THIRD STATION

Jesus Falls for the First Time

(To unbelievers the Passion of Christ is mere foolishness, but to us joy, wisdom and salvation.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Narrator: (Lk. 22: 42-45)—(And falling on his knees he prayed) "Father, if thou art willing, remove this cup from me; nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done." And there appeared to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down upon the ground. And when he rose from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping for sorrow, . . .

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Priest: (Mt. 5: 3-12) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (1 Pt. 2: 4-8) — Brethren, the Apostle Peter instructs us: "Come to him, to that living stone, rejected by men but in God's sight chosen and precious; and like living stones be yourselves built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."

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HYMN

Stand

All: Draw near to Christ the living stone,
For he has set us free:
He was rejected by his own
And sought them patiently.

Narrator:

THE FOURTH STATION

Jesus Meets His Mother

(By accepting the Will of God, we become like Jesus and Mary — the beloved of God.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Narrator: (Mt. 13: 55-57) — (And the crowd said:) "Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary? And are not his brethren James and Joseph and Simon and Judas? And are not all his sisters with us?" . . . And they took offense at him. But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own country and in his own house."

Priest (Mt. 12: 48-50) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "Who is my mother, and who are my brethren?" And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brethren! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother, and sister, and mother."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (Gal. 4: 4-7) — Brethren, the Apostle Paul instructs us: "But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son in our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So through God you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then an heir."

HYMN

Stand

All: He called us out of darkest night
To be his royal race:
He leads us by his truth and light
To meet him face to face.

Narrator:

THE FIFTH STATION

Simon of Cyrene helps carry Jesus' Cross

(To be real Christians we must be able to see Christ in all the poor, the lonely, the weak, the oppressed, the sinners.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

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Sit

Narrator: (Mt. 27: 32-33) — As they were marching out they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they compelled to carry his cross. And they came to a place called Golgotha, which means the place of a skull. . .

Priest: (Mt. 25: 34-36-40) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and

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you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me. . . . Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (1 Cor. 12: 12-14; 26-27) — Brethren, the Apostle Paul instructs us. "For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and all were made to drink of one Spirit. For the body does not consist of one member but of many.

If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it."

HYMN

Stand

All: We are the chosen race of Christ,
Bought dearly by his Blood,
Sought by his loving sacrifice,
Upon his throne of wood.

Narrator:

THE SIXTH STATION

A Woman Wipes the Face of Jesus

(We are to be the likenesses of Christ.)

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Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

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Sit

Narrator: (Is. 53: 2-5) — He had no form or comeliness that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.

Priest: (Mt. 5: 13-16) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trodden under foot by men.

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (2 Cor. 4: 10-11; 14-15) — Brethren, the Apostle Paul instructs us: "We are always carrying in the

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body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

HYMN

Stand

All: We build on Christ, our cornerstone,
A house of love sublime:
The cross of shame, his sacred throne,
Brings life for endless time.

Narrator:

THE SEVENTH STATION

Jesus Falls for the Second Time

(A virtuous life is a glory to God.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

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Sit

Narrator: (Mt. 26: 39, 42) — And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, "My Father, if it be possible let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt."

Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, thy will be done."

Priest: (Lk. 21: 34-36) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "But take heed to yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a snare; for it will come upon all who dwell upon the face of the whole earth. But watch at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of man."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (1 Pt. 4: 12-16) — Brethren, the Apostle Peter instructs us: "Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal which comes upon you to prove you. . . . But rejoice in so far as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. If you are reproached for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or a wrongdoer, or a mischief-maker; yet if one suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but under that name let him glorify God."

HYMN

Stand

All: Let men of blindness laugh and mock,
We glory in his shame:
To them his Cross a stumbling block,
To us his mighty name!

Narrator:

THE EIGHTH STATION

Jesus Talks to the Women of Jerusalem

(By God's grace we are Christians; let that grace in us be not without fruit.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Narrator: (Lk. 23: 27-32) — And there followed him a great multitude of the people, and of women who bewailed

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and lamented him. But Jesus turning to them said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never gave suck!' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us'. For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him.

Priest: (*Jn. 15: 1-7*) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch of mine that bears no fruit, he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.

"You are already made clean by the word which I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.

"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in me, and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If a man does not abide in me, he is cast forth as a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire and burned."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (*Philip. 2:1-4*) — Brethren, the Apostle Paul instructs us: "If, therefore, there is any comfort in Christ, any encouragement from charity, any fellow-

ship in the Spirit, any feelings of mercy, fill up my joy by thinking alike, having the same charity, with one soul and one mind. Do nothing out of contentiousness or out of vain-glory, but in humility let each one regard the others as his superiors, each one looking not to his own interests but to those of others."

HYMN

Stand

All: He called us out of darkest night
To be his royal race:
He leads us by his truth and light
To meet him face to face.

Narrator:

THE NINTH STATION

Jesus Falls for the Third Time

(Without suffering we cannot be Christ's helpers in the work of love and redemption.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Narrator: (Ps. 142: 1-6) — I cry with my voice to the Lord,
with my voice I make supplication to the Lord,

I pour out my complaint before him, I tell my trouble before him.

When my spirit is faint, thou knowest my way!

In the path where I walk they have hidden a trap for me.

I look to the right and watch, but there is none who takes notice of me; no refuge remains to me, no man cares for me.

I cry to thee, O Lord; I say, thou art my refuge, my portion in the land of the living.

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Give heed to my cry; for I am brought very low! Deliver me from my persecutors; for they are too strong for me!

Priest: (Jn. 12: 24-26)—My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies it bears much fruit. He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If any one serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there shall my servant be also."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

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Sit

Reader: (Hb. 10: 21-24) — Brethren, the Apostle Paul instructs us . . . Since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful; and let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.

HYMN

Stand

All: We build on Christ, our cornerstone,
A house of love sublime:
The cross of shame, his sacred throne,
Brings life for endless time.

Narrator: THE TENTH STATION

Jesus is Stripped of His Garments
(*Virtues are the raiment of the soul.*)

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Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

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Sit

Narrator: (Jn. 19: 17-18; 23-24) — So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew Golgotha.

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus they took his garments and made four parts, one for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was without seam, woven from top to bottom; so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfill the scripture.

"They parted my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots."

Priest: (Lk. 6: 27-31) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "But I say to you that hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To him who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from him who takes away your cloak do not withhold your coat as well. Give to every one who begs from you; and of him who takes away your goods do not ask them again. And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (Col. 3: 12-15)—Brethren, the Apostle Paul instructs us: "Put on then, as God's chosen one, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness,

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and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body."

HYMN

Stand

All: We are the chosen race of Christ,
Bought dearly by his Blood,
Sought by his loving sacrifice,
Upon his throne of wood.

Narrator:

THE ELEVENTH STATION

Jesus is Nailed to the Cross

(The Crucified Christ is the revelation of God's love for us.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

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Sit

Narrator: (Lk. 23: 33-34; 35-38) — And when they came to the place which is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on the right and one on the left. And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do."

And the people stood by, watching; but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him vinegar, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

Priest: (Jn. 3: 14-17) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "And as Moses lifted up the

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serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (Gal. 2: 20) — Brethren, the Apostle Paul instructs us. "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

HYMN

Stand

All: Draw near to Christ the living stone,
For he has set us free:
He was rejected by his own
And sought them patiently.

Narrator:

THE TWELFTH STATION

Jesus Dies on the Cross

(The Good Shepherd laid down his life to unite all men to himself into one flock.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

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READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Narrator: (Lk. 23: 44-48) — It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into thy hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last. Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, and said, "Certainly this man was innocent!" And all the multitudes who assembled to see the sight, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts.

Priest: (Jn. 10: 14-18)—My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep, that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will heed my voice. So there shall be one flock, one shepherd.

"For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life, that I may take it again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again; this charge I have received from my Father."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (1 Pt. 1: 18-20) — Brethren, the Apostle Peter instructs us: "You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your fathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without

blemish or spot. He was destined before the foundation of the world but was made manifest at the end of the times for your sake."

HYMN

Stand

All: Let men of blindness laugh and mock,
We glory in his shame:
To them his Cross a stumbling block,
To us his mighty name!

Narrator: **THE THIRTEENTH STATION**

Jesus is Taken down from the Cross

(The Body and the Blood of Christ are given us in the Holy Eucharist in memory of his death.)

Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

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Sit

Narrator: (Jn. 19: 25; 32-34; 38) — So the soldiers did this. But standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him; but when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water.

After this Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly, for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him leave. So he came and took away his body.

Priest: (Lk. 22: 15; 19-20) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: And he said to them, "I

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have earnestly desired to eat this passover with you . . ."

And he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And likewise the cup after supper, saying, "This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: **Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!**
 we believe in you!
 we hope in you!
 have mercy on us, sinners!

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Sit

Reader: (1 Cor. 11:26-29) — Brethren, the Apostle Paul instructs us: "For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For any one who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment upon himself."

HYMN

Stand

All: **We are the chosen race of Christ,**
 Bought dearly by his Blood,
 Sought by his loving sacrifice,
 Upon his throne of wood.

Narrator: **THE FOURTEENTH STATION**

Jesus is Laid in the Tomb

(Baptism unites us with the burial and the Resurrection of Christ.)

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Priest: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

All: Because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

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Sit

Narrator: (Jn. 19:40-42) — Nicodemus also, who had at first come to him by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds' weight. They took the body of Jesus, and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb where no one had ever been laid. So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, as the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

Priest: (Mt. 12: 39-41) — My dearly beloved, listen, the Lord Christ speaks to us: "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign; but no sign shall be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale, so will the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh will arise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we love you!
we believe in you!
we hope in you!
have mercy on us, sinners!

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Reader: (Rom. 6: 3-5) — Brethren, the Apostle Paul instructs us: "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life."

HYMN

Stand

All: He called us out of darkest night
To be his royal race:
He leads us by his truth and light
To meet him face to face.

Narrator:

THE FIFTEENTH STATION

***The Risen Christ Appears to His Disciples
and Ascends into Heaven***

*(The Risen Christ appears to us in the Sacraments,
the Liturgy of the Mass and the Sacred Scripture.)*

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Narrator: (Lk. 24: 13-19; 25-36; 45-53) — That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What is this conversation which you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad.

Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" And he said to them, "What things?"

And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth . . ."

And he said to them, "O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He appeared to be going further, but they constrained him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them.

When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognized him; and he vanished out of their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the scriptures?"

And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven gathered together and those who were with them, who said, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

As they were saying this, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you."

Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city, until you are clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

(The priest and the servers go to the middle of the altar and kneel down; the faithful also kneel down and say:)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All: Lord Jesus Christ,
We praise you. / We bless you. /
We worship you. / We glorify you. /
We give you thanks for your great glory. /
Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son. /
Lord God, / Lamb of God, / Son of the Father.
You, who take away the sins of the world, /
have mercy on us. /
You, who take away the sins of the world, /
receive our prayer. /
You, who sit at the right hand of the Father, /
have mercy on us. /
For you alone are holy. / You alone are Lord. /
You alone, O Jesus Christ, are most high, /
With the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the
Father. / Amen.

BIBLE SERVICE FOR PENTECOST

A Novena in Preparation for the Feast of Pentecost

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

1st Day — God's Spirit and creation:

Genesis 1:1-5, 9-13, 26-27

Alternate Reading: Ezechiel 36:25-30

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2nd Day — God's Spirit and life: Job 34:10-15

3rd Day — God's Spirit and his active presence in human history: 1 Samuel 11:4-9

Alternate Reading: 1 Samuel 10:5-8

4th Day — God's Spirit as living water:

Zacharias 14:8-9, 16-18

Alternate Reading: Psalm 41:1-6

5th Day — God's Spirit and our divine adoption:

Matthew 3:13-17

6th Day — God's Spirit and prayer: Romans 8:14-17, 26-27

Alternate Reading: Galatians 4:1-7

7th Day — God's Spirit and divine wisdom: Job 28:12-28

Alternate Readings: Wisdom 7:7-15; 9:11-18;
Genesis 41:37-41

8th Day — God's Spirit and messianic fulfillment:

Joel 3:1-5

Alternate Readings: Isaiah 42:1-9; 11:1-9

9th Day — God's Spirit and our own resurrection:

2 Corinthians 4:7-18

Alternate Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-57

HOMILY

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

This response may be recited alternately between the priest and the people or between the two sides of the congregation.

- 1: I will give you a heart to know me, / that I am the Lord;
- 2: And you shall be my people / and I will be your God.
- 1: I will pour upon you clean water / and you shall be cleansed from all your filthiness.
- 2: I will cleanse you from all your idols.
- 1: And I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you;
- 2: And I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh / and will give you a heart of flesh.

- 1: And I will put my spirit in the midst of you;
- 2: And I will cause you to walk in my commandments / and to keep my judgments and do them.
- 1: And it shall come to pass after this,
- 2: That I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh.
- 1: And your sons and your daughters shall prophesy;
- 2: And your old men shall dream dreams, / and your young men shall see visions.
- 1: All those guided by God's Spirit
- 2: Are God's sons.
- 1: The Spirit himself testifies with our spirits,
- 2: That we are God's children.
- 1: And you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you.
- 2: And you shall be witnesses for me to the very ends of the earth, / in this our United States of America, our state of (N)_____ and our city of (N)_____; / in this our parish of (N)_____.

Priest: Let us pray.

All: O God, / by the power and love of your Spirit / you brought forth the warmth of life on this bleak earth / and instilled courage, strength, and perseverance / in your people. / Give us this same Spirit, / with his power and love, / so that he may increase in us that true life / which is the knowledge and love of you, / and may renew our courage to live a truly Christian life / in loyalty to you, our God. / Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. / Amen.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

1st Day — God's Spirit and creation: 2 Corinthians 5:17-19

2nd Day — God's Spirit and life: John 3:5-8

Alternate Readings: John 6:54-67; 2 Corinthians 3:4-11; 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

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3rd Day — God's Spirit and his active presence in human history: Luke 3:21-22

Alternate Readings: Luke 4:1-4, 13-15; Acts 13:4-12

4th Day — God's Spirit as living water: John 4:5-15

Alternate Reading: John 7:37-44

5th Day — God's Spirit and our divine adoption: Romans 8:14-17

Alternate Reading: Acts 11:11-16

6th Day — God's Spirit and prayer: Luke 11:1-13

Alternate Reading: Matthew 6:7-13

7th Day — God's Spirit and divine wisdom: 1 Corinthians 1:17-29

Alternate Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:4-16

8th Day — God's Spirit and messianic fulfillment: Acts 2:29-33, 37-39

Alternate Reading: Acts 1:6-8

9th Day — God's Spirit and our own resurrection: Romans 8:5-11

HOMILY

Sit

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

- 1: Whoever are led by the Spirit of God, / they are the sons of God./Now you have not received a spirit of bondage/ so as to be again in fear, / but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons, / in virtue of which we cry, "Abba, Father!"
- 2: The Spirit himself gives testimony to our spirit / that we are sons of God. / But if we are sons, / we are heirs also:/heirs indeed of God,/and joint heirs with Christ,/ provided, however, we suffer with him / that we may also be glorified with him.
- 1: Many things yet I have to say to you, / but you cannot bear them now. / But when he, the Spirit of truth, has come, / he will teach you all the truth.
- 2: He will not speak on his own authority, / but whatever he will hear, / he will speak.

- 1: He will glorify me, / because he will receive of what is mine / and declare it to you.
- 2: All things that the Father has are mine. / That is why I have said / that he will receive of what is mine, / and will declare it to you.
- 1: And it shall come to pass in those days, / says the Lord, / that I will pour forth of my Spirit upon all flesh.
- 2: And you will receive power/when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. / You shall be witnesses for me.
- 1: If then any man is in Christ, / he is a new creature; / the former things have passed away; / behold, they are made new!
- 2: All things come from God, / who has reconciled us to himself through Christ / and has given to us the ministry of reconciliation.
- 1: I will ask the Father / and he will give you another Advocate / to dwell with you forever, / the Spirit of truth / whom the world cannot receive. / You shall know him, / because he will dwell with you, / and be in you.
- 2: These things I have spoken to you / while yet dwelling with you. / But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, / he will teach you all things, / and bring to your mind / whatever I have said to you.

Priest: Let us pray.

All: O God, our Lord, / in the fullness of time / you have sent us as a gift of love, your Son, / who by his death and resurrection / was able to give us his Spirit / as a companion and guide in life. / In this way / you renewed the face of the earth by a new creation / which we must help you perfect. / Give to each of us / an increase of the Spirit of love, / who alone can make from fearful clay, zealous apostles, / from selfish children, loving sons, / and who will bring us to a glorious Resurrection / at which time we will begin the fulness of true life. / Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

CLOSING PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

BIBLE SERVICE FOR A DAY OF RECOLLECTION

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

The emptiness of many Christians' lives.

Worship can degenerate to external formalism: (Sit)
Amos 5:21-24; 6:4-8

Alternate Readings:

Christians can serve false gods: (Sit)
Deuteronomy 29:17-18, 21, 23-26; 30:1-3

Many can refuse to listen to Christ: (Stand)
John 8:31-43

HOMILY or Points for Personal Reflection:

Sit

Religion for some is a one-hour-a-week affair: Sunday Mass.

There is too much mere, external worship. We lack true interior commitment of ourselves to Christ.

Our worship is often empty and meaningless because we do not offer ourselves in a meaningful way.

Religion seems irrelevant and unimportant for this life.

Perhaps we make money, pleasure, sex, status, and reputation our god.

How much are we influenced for good or evil by our environment?

Our preoccupation with the things of the world makes it hard for us to listen to Christ and what he has to say to us.

In fact, we fail to realize the purpose why Jesus came to earth.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

- Left:** Lord Jesus,/in the past we have been too satisfied/
with external religious activity, / such as not eating
meat on Friday, / going to Mass on Sunday, / fasting
on the prescribed days. / We have not brought forth
from our inner personality / a true commitment to
you and your teachings.
- Right:** Lord Jesus, / you do not want merely strict conform-
ity to laws. / You want the full dedication of all that
is most personal in us. / How little we have thought
of this!
- Left:** Lord Jesus/perhaps we seek security in education,/
in a good-paying job, / in cleverness, / in public es-
teem, / rather than in a loyal and responsible rela-
tionship with you.
- Right:** Lord Jesus, / the allure of wealth, ease, and belong-
ing to a group, / seem to draw from us a deeper
commitment than you do.
- Left:** Lord Jesus, / how many times are we almost em-
barrassed at being a Christian. / We remember that
you said: / "He who is afraid to acknowledge me be-
fore men,/I will not acknowledge before my Father!"
- Right:** Lord Jesus, / we acknowledge in our hearts, / that
charity towards our neighbor is often neglected. /
We admit that many times we do not want to be
bothered; / we do not want to take the time.
- Priest:** Let us pray.
Lord Jesus, there are many factors in our lives which
have killed our enthusiastic and wholehearted com-
mitment to you and your teaching. Religion has been
relegated to a shelf in our lives. Our whole person-
alities have not been involved; we have made a
mere mental acceptance of formulas, often without
thinking. We have shrunk from the challenge and
responsibility of personal commitment and involve-
ment. Let those days be gone forever. You said
many times that he who is not with you is against
you. Show us, O Lord, what we must do. Send your
Spirit to guide us in fulfilling our role in the modern
day world.
- All:** Amen.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

The challenge of Christian life.

The Good Samaritan: Luke 10:25-37 (Stand)

Alternate Readings:

True sense of values: Ephesians 3:14-21 (Sit)

Your calling, to build up the Body of Christ: (Sit)

Ephesians 4:1-16

HOMILY or Points for Personal Reflection:

Sit

Like the Good Samaritan, we must become involved in the needs of others, and never begin by measuring the discomfort or the cost.

Religion is not something apart from daily life. We love and serve God in our neighbor.

We must lay up true riches. What are they? What is the Christian attitude towards money, sex, reputation, friendship, etc.?

Christ came that we may have life! Christianity is not a system of restrictions. It is a dynamic way of life. God gave to each of us talents to invest in the betterment of our neighbor.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

Left: Lord Jesus, / what do you expect of us?

Right: Lord Jesus, / what can we do?

Left: Lord Jesus, / your apostle, Peter, was awed by your goodness so that he said: / "Master, you had better leave me behind. / I am a sinful man!" / Yet, you wanted him with you, / and you had great things ahead for him. / We must realize our need of you, / and trust in you when you ask us to do some work in life.

Right: Lord Jesus, / you came that we "might have life and have it more abundantly." / If we have come to

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think / that Christianity makes us "dead," / perhaps we have not understood your message. / You expect us to be truly alive.

Left: Lord Jesus, / you taught us that we cannot be selfish and find happiness. / We realize now that the way to live / is to spend ourselves for others. / You expect us to offer our help, / even if it costs us time and effort.

Right: Lord Jesus, / you said that we were to be the light of the world. / We can help others / — our own children, and our neighbors — / to see the way through life / to happiness.

Left: Lord Jesus, / you said that we should go and teach all nations. / We should pass on to others what we have learned from you. / Some of us can pass your message on to those in our homes, / to our children, / to the students in our schools, / to our co-workers. / Others of us could volunteer for several years / or at least for several weeks of specialized work, / with you.

Right: Lord Jesus, / you challenged your followers / to go to great lengths to carry on after you. / Give us the courage and zeal to face this challenge / in whatever work we find ourselves.

Priest: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, each of us knows what it is to long for happiness and security. We believe that you came to earth to tell us how to achieve it. Now we feel responsible for passing on this "good news" to others, for you came "to cast fire upon the earth" and you willed that your zeal be enkindled in the hearts of your followers. Stir up in us the same vitality and spirit that drove you. Take away our fear of involvement in the struggles, sufferings, and aspirations of others. Open our minds to the movements going on all around the world, and give us the light and desire to grasp the dimensions of our world problems and aspirations. Show us when and how to contribute to the world the insights which you revealed to us, for you remain in our midst to lead the way. In whatever

position of life we find ourselves, people should know that you have spoken to us and that we have heard your word.

All: Let it be so!

CONCLUDING CEREMONY

If space permits, let the group come forward and stand before the enthroned Bible; or else, let each one stand in his ordinary place. Raising their right hands, let the group recite the following consecration after the priest.

All: My leader, Jesus Christ, / I commit myself to you! / In whatever place of life I find myself / whether in the home, / the office, / the factory, / the school, / or the field, / I will strive to affect my environment / by my Christian spirit! / Give me the courage / to transform the things in the world / which I am able to change, / serenity to accept with Christian charity / the things which I cannot change, / and the wisdom to know the difference. / Help me, O Lord, to be fully alive with your spirit. / So be it. Amen.

CLOSING PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

EUCCHARISTIC BIBLE SERVICE

The Body of Christ

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

The Body of Christ: a covenant between God and his people: Exodus 24:3-8

Alternate Readings: Deuteronomy 5:1-5, 22-24;
Isaiah 42:1-7

HOMILY

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

The Song of Moses given before the people of Israel (Dt. 32)

Left: Give ear, O heavens, while I speak; /
let the earth listen to the words of my mouth!

Right: May my instruction soak in like the rain, /
and my discourse permeate like the dew.

Left: For I will sing the Lord's renown. /
Oh, proclaim the greatness of our God!

Right: The Rock — how faultless are his deeds, /
how right all his ways.

Left: A faithful God, without deceit, /
how just and upright he is!

Right: Is he not your father who created you? /
Has he not made you and established you?

Left: Think back on the days of old, /
reflect on the years of age upon age.

Right: Ask your father and he will inform you; /
ask your elders and they will tell you:

Left: When the Most High assigned the nations their
heritage, /
when he parceled out the descendants of Adam,

Right: The Lord's own portion was Jacob, /
his hereditary share was Israel.

Left: The Lord alone was their leader, /
no strange god was with him.

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Right: He had them ride triumphant over the summits of the land /
and live off the products of its fields.

Left: Surely, the Lord shall do justice for his people; /
on his servants he shall have pity.

Right: When he sees their strength failing, /
and their protected and unprotected alike disappearing.

Left: Give ear, O heavens, when I speak; /
let the earth listen to the words of my mouth!

Right: May my instruction soak in like the rain, /
and my discourse permeate like the dew.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

The Body of Christ: our Eucharistic Bread of Life:
John 6:48-59

Alternate Readings: Luke 22:14-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-29

HOMILY

Sit

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD (*Ps 117; Ap.5*)

Kneel

Left: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, /
for his mercy endures forever.

Right: A new song has been heard in the land, /
a new song from God's family on earth.

Left: It is a song of joy
in praise of God our Savior.

Right: For he has chosen us from every continent, /
and from every race and nation.

Left: He has made us citizens, /
and anointed us priests in his kingdom.

Right: This is all the work of the Lamb, /
who was offered and slain for us.

Left: This is the New Covenant of life, /
eternally sealed in his blood.

Right: Give thanks to the Lord,
for he is good.

EUCHARISTIC SERVICE

Left: And his mercy endures forever.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

The Body of Christ: Christ in all his brethren:
1 Corinthians 12: 12-27

Alternate Readings: John 15:1-14; John 17:20-26

HOMILY

Sit

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

All: O God, our Father, / thousands of years ago / you chose out of all the nations of the world, / one family of people to become your own special friends. / You set them aside, / and blessed them with your presence. /

When the hour came for which you had prepared so long, / you sent your only Son / to become a man among your people / and to be like them in every way. /

With your people in ancient days / you sealed your presence with the blood of sacrificial animals. / Now, your Son has become our High Priest, / sealing the new and eternal covenant of your presence / with the life and blood of his own Body. /

O Jesus, / Son of the Eternal Father and our brother, / may your Eucharistic Body and Blood so transform us / that our thoughts may be true and sincere like yours. / Grant that we may be one in love and forgiveness with all our brethren, / and by the bond of charity / may we reveal your presence in our midst. /

Mary, / Mother of Jesus and our Mother, / you gave flesh and blood to God's only Son. / Help us to reverence the Eucharistic Body of Christ, / to receive it often, / and so to realize the joy and love of the covenant between God, / ourselves, and our brethren. Amen.

Benediction with the Eucharistic Body of Christ.

BIBLE SERVICE FOR FIRST FRIDAYS

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

God the Father's love for men: Deuteronomy 7:6-9

Alternate Readings: Isaias 43:1-7; Jeremias 31:7-14;
Osee 2:21-25

HOMILY

LITANY

Kneel

Let us beg God to reveal to us the mystery of his love. There will first be an opportunity for personal prayer in silence.

Priest: I love the Lord because he has heard my voice in supplication. (Ps 114:1)

All: A clean heart create for me, O God, / and a steadfast spirit renew within me. (Ps 50:12)

P. : I love the Lord because he has inclined his ear to me the day I called. (Ps 114:2)

All: O God, by your name save me, / and by your might defend my cause. (Ps 53:3)

P. : I called upon the name of the Lord, "O Lord, save my life." (Ps 114:4)

All: A clean heart create for me, O God, / and a steadfast spirit renew within me.

P. : Gracious is the Lord and just; yes, our God is merciful. (Ps 114:5)

All: O God, by your name save me, / and by your might defend my cause.

P. : The Lord keeps the little ones; I was brought low, and he saved me. (Ps 114:6)

All: A clean heart create for me, O God, / and a steadfast spirit renew within me.

P. : Return, O my soul, to your tranquillity, for the Lord has been good to you. (Ps 114:7)

All: O God, by your name save me, / and by your might defend my cause.

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P. : For he has freed my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling. (*Ps 114:8*)

All: A clean heart create for me, O God, / and a steadfast spirit renew within me.

P. : I shall walk before the Lord in the land of the living. (*Ps 114:9*)

All: O God, by your name save me, / and by your might defend my cause.

P. : Let us pray.

O Lord, by the humility of your Son, you have raised up a fallen world. Grant your people everlasting joy. Give eternal happiness to those who have preceded us in death, and make us worthy to share in the joy and peace of our heavenly home.

All: Amen.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Stand

Christ our Savior's love for men: John 19:31-37

Alternate Readings: John 10:11-18; Luke 15:11-32;
Ephesians 3:14-21; 1 John 4:7-16

HOMILY

Sit

LITANY

Kneel

Let us beg Christ's continuing love as symbolized by his Sacred Heart. Let us promise our love and fidelity to him in return, so we may some day join our Risen King, with the Eternal Father and the Spirit of love. There will first be a few moments of silent, personal prayer.

P. : The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. (*Ps 22:1*)

All: The Lord is my light and my salvation, / whom shall I fear? (*Ps 26:1*)

P. : In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. (*Ps 22:2*)

All: My help is from the Lord, / who made heaven and earth. (*Ps 120:2*)

P. : He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. (*Ps 22:3*)

All: The Lord is my shepherd; / I shall not want.

P. : Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil. (*Ps 22:4*)

All: My help is from the Lord, / who made heaven and earth.

P. : For you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage. (*Ps 22:4*)

All: The Lord is my shepherd; / I shall not want.

P. : You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows. (*Ps 22:5*)

All: My help is from the Lord, / who made heaven and earth.

P. : Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life. (*Ps 22:6*)

All: The Lord is my shepherd; / I shall not want.

P. : And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come. (*Ps 22:6*)

All: My help is from the Lord, / who made heaven and earth.

P. : Let us pray.

O God, you mercifully bestow on us the unlimited wealth of your love in the heart of your Son, the heart which we wounded by our sins. We pray you to grant that by offering to it the worship of our devotion, we may also worthily fulfill our duty of reparation, through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

CLOSING PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament follows, during which there is recited the act of dedication of the human race to the Sacred Heart.

MARIAN BIBLE SERVICE

ENTRANCE PSALM, HYMN, OR CANTICLE

Stand

Select appropriate psalm, hymn, or canticle.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

In this vale of tears men stand in need of an advocate before God: Genesis 3:8-15

Alternate Readings: Judith 8:9-20; Esther 14:1-6, 12-14

HOMILY

PSALM, HYMN, OR CANTICLE

Stand

Select appropriate psalm, hymn, or canticle.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

All: And let my cry come unto you.

P. : The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

P. : Let us pray.

O God, after the fall of the first man and woman in the garden of Paradise, you gave us hope through another woman, the Virgin Mary, to regain a new and greater Paradise. In Mary, you not only provided a mother for Jesus, the Savior of the world, but you also gave a mother to us, all his followers. Grant that we may be humble as children, recognizing our need for help and looking to Mary as our intercessor with you.

All: Amen.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

The King has raised Mary to his right hand as Queen: (Sit)
Luke 1:26-38

Alternate Readings: Judith 13:13-22; Proverbs 8:22-36 (Stand)

HOMILY

Sit

PSALM, HYMN, OR CANTICLE

Stand

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

All: And let my cry come unto you.

P. : The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

P. : Let us pray.

O God, grant that as we acknowledge Jesus Christ to be our King, so may we also recognize his Blessed Mother to be our Queen. Through her queenly and motherly assistance in this life, may we one day stand with her in your heavenly court, and by our presence there may we proclaim your goodness and power.

All: Amen.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

Mary, our Queen, leads us into God's kingdom: Apocalypse 12:1-6 *Alternate Readings:* Wisdom 10:1-12: Sophonias 3:14-20

HOMILY

PSALM, HYMN, OR CANTICLE

Stand

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD (Mt 5:3-10)

Kneel

P. : Blessed Mary, poor in spirit,

All: Lead us into the kingdom of heaven.

P. : Blessed Mary, so meek,

All: Obtain for us the messianic blessings.

P. : Blessed Mary, in mourning,

All: Comfort us in our daily trials.

P. : Blessed Mary, clean of heart,

All: Help us that we may see God.

P. : Blessed Mary, lover of peace,

All: Help us rank as children of God.

P. : Blessed Mary, desirous of justice,

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All: Aid us in doing God's holy will.

P. : O Lord, hear my prayer.

All: And let my cry come unto you.

P. : The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

P. : O God, in whose wonderful providence Mary has been made Queen of angels and men, grant that through her intercession we may work joyfully for your kingdom on earth until we reach its glorious consummation in heaven.

All: Amen.

CONCLUDING CEREMONY

This ceremony may conclude with the following prayer of consecration to Mary. Instead of this prayer a special consecration to Mary of the family, the parish, the school, religious community, etc., may be used, or the crowning of the statue of Our Lady may follow.

The consecration to Mary:

All: Holy Mary, Mother of Jesus, / Queen of the Universe, my Mother and my Queen, / I entrust myself to your special protection, / this day, every day, and at the hour of my death. / I consecrate to you my family, my friends, / my country, and the whole human race, / confident that whatever I commend to your care will be preserved strong and joyful, / and will belong most truly to your son, / Jesus Christ. /

Reign over us, O Mary, / as we pass through prosperity and difficulty, / through joy and sorrow, / through health and sickness. Watch over our minds, / so that they have true and courageous thoughts. / Keep the love of our hearts generous, noble, and chaste. / Protect us from sin / and give us the strength to be sorry for our past offenses against God. / Preserve us in good health, / but we ask that you show a special maternal care for our children. / Teach us how to form great hopes, / as expansive as is God's love for us. /

We want to follow God's will / and belong to his family. / We know of no surer way than the one fol-

lowed by Jesus. / So we ask you to be our Mother. /
Bring all men into this family, for only when all are
at home with you / will we be able to share most
fully in the joy which Jesus obtained by his death
and resurrection. / Amen.

CLOSING PSALM, HYMN, OR CANTICLE

Stand

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To Know One's Vocation

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

Sit

The call of Abraham: Genesis 12:1-3; 15:1-7

Alternate Readings:

The call of Moses: Exodus 3:1-10

The call of David: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

The call of Jeremiah: Jeremias 1:4-10

HOMILY

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

Priest: Almighty God, we are privileged to call you our Lord
and our Master, because you first loved us and re-
vealed yourself to us. Your love was made known
through your sacred word and through the myster-
ious attraction to follow your will. The great saints
of earlier days — Abraham, Moses, the prophets,
even your only son Jesus Christ — lived in complete
obedience to your word. In that obedience they were
able to share with others your strength, joy, and life.
Overcome all obstacles in our stubbornness, pride,
and ignorance, so that we may hear your voice, fol-
low your will, and respond with all our strength and
desire. Jesus, obedient son of the heavenly Father,

share your spirit with each one of us, so that one with you and in you we may find our fulfillment to our own peace and to God's glory.

All: Amen.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: Mark 10:17-31 **Stand**

Alternate Readings: Luke 5:1-11; John 1:35-51; John 17:6-19; Galatians 1:11-24

HOMILY

Sit

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

Left: Just as the Father loves me, so I love you. / Be sure to hold my love.

Right: If you treasure my Father's commandments, / you will hold my love, / just as I treasure my Father's commandments / and thus secure his love.

Left: I have told you this, / that my joy may be yours, / and your joy may be perfect.

Right: No one can give a greater proof of his love / than by laying down his life for his friends.

Left: You are my friends, / provided you do what I command.

Right: No longer do I call you servants / for a servant is not in his master's confidence.

Left: But I have called you friends / because I have made known to you / all that I have heard from my Father.

Right: Not that you chose me; / no, I have chosen you, / and the task I imposed upon you / is to go forward steadfastly / in bearing fruit; / and your fruit is to be lasting.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

The shepherd entrusts the flock to his apostles and to all his chosen followers.

Left: After they had finished breakfast, / Jesus said to Simon Peter: / "Simon, son of John, / do you love

me more than these others do?"

Right: "Yes, my master," he replied, / "you know that I really love you."

Left: Jesus said to him, / "Feed my lambs."

Right: He asked him a second time: / "Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

Left: "Yes, Master," he replied, / "you know that I really love you."

Right: Jesus said to him, / "Be a shepherd to my sheep."

Left: For a third time he put the question to him: / "Simon, son of John, / do you really love me?"

Right: It grieved Peter / that he had asked him the third time: / "Do you really love me?" / and he replied: / "Master, you know everything; / you know that I really love you!"

Left: Jesus said to him, / "Feed my sheep. / I tell you the plain truth: / when you were young, / you used to put on your own belt / and go where you wished; / but when you grow old, / you will stretch out your arms for someone else to gird you / and carry you where you have no wish to go."

Right: And having said this, he said to him: / "Follow me."

All: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, / the rich young man did not have the courage to follow you/and he walked away sad./ Even though your apostles were often timid and fearful, / still with the gift of your spirit / they became strong and alert. It is not easy to say 'Yes' to you / and really mean it. / You are calling each one of us, Lord, / to a special vocation in life. / You are calling each one to be / either a priest, brother, or sister, / a husband or wife, / a father or mother of a family, / a worker in one of the many trades or professions. / Give us the courage and generosity to answer your call / and to follow you. / Amen.

CONCLUDING ACTION

Representatives of the group come forward to receive individual blessings from the priest.

BIBLE SERVICE FOR A YOUTH RETREAT

The First Day — The World in Need of a Leader

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 32:1-4

Sit

Alternate Readings: Exodus 5:4-9; Genesis 41:53-57

HOMILY

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

Priest: Without a leader, Lord, we go astray.

All: We are like sheep without a shepherd.

P. : Everything seems in darkness, Lord, without you.

All: We are like sheep without a shepherd.

P. : We are easily led astray.

All: Without you as our guide, we are lost. / Only when we realize this / will we look to you for the help which we need.

P. : Do not leave us alone, O Lord.

All: Track us down in our wandering; / forgive us; / pick us up and sustain us, / and bring us to the goal of our desires.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Luke 7:19-22

Alternate Readings: Mark 10:46-51; Matthew 9:35-36

HOMILY

Sit

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

P. : We have come to seek a leader, O Lord.

All: Are you the one who is to come / or must we look for another?

P. : We are so often filled with sadness and sorrow.

All: Are you the one who is to come / or must we look for another?

P. : Sickness or opposition can meet us at every turn.

All: Are you the one who is to come / or must we look for another?

P. : Never let evil, O Lord, dominate our lives.

All: Are you the one who is to come / or must we look for another?

P. : Let us pause for a moment of personal thought and prayer.

(Pause for silent prayer.)

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

PRAYER

Kneel

P. : Let us pray.

The world is in need of a leader. / We know we have a responsibility to the world, / but we are weak and fearful. / Give us the knowledge and the courage / to do your work. / We need, O Lord, / your light to see our way clearly, / your strength to go ahead resolutely. / We ask this grace through Jesus Christ, / our brother and our God, / who shared the weak condition of our lives / in order that we might participate in the steady courage of his heart.

The Second Day — Our Leader in Need of Us

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 3:9-12

Sit

Alternate Readings: Josue 1:1-7; Genesis 15:1-6

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

P. : The world in which we live cries out for help.

All: Lord, who am I / that I should lead your people?

P. : We see the need, Lord, but what can we do?

All: Lord, who am I / that I should lead your people?

P. : No one can lead us but you, O Lord!

All: Lord, who am I / that you should choose me / to be your assistant and co-leader?

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Acts 9:10-16 (Sit)

Alternate Readings: Mark 3:13-15; Matthew 5:13-16 (Stand)

HOMILY

Sit

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

P. : The Lord knows us, each by his own name.

All: The Lord needs us!

P. : The Lord comes to us in those we meet.

All: The Lord needs us!

P. : Who can be worthy to serve the Lord?

All: The Lord needs us!

P. : Those who are to bear the Lord's name must be ready to serve and to suffer.

All: The Lord needs us!

P. : Let us pause for a moment of personal thought and prayer.

(Pause for silent prayer.)

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

PRAYER:

Kneel

P. : Let us pray.

All: O Lord, / the world is in need of a leader. / We know we have a responsibility to the world, / but we are weak and fearful. / Give us the knowledge and the courage to do your work. / We ask this grace through Jesus Christ, / our brother and our God, / who shared the weak condition of our lives / in order that we might participate in the steady courage of his heart.

CLOSING PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

The Third Day — Our Responsibility to the World

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 32:12-15

Sit

Alternate Readings: Ezechiel 34:11-16; Jeremias 1:4-8

HOMILY

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

P. : We need not fear.

All: The Lord is with us!

P. : Take courage, no obstacle is too great.

All: The Lord is with us!

P. : With our few talents we can do great things.

All: The Lord is with us!

P. : With you, we can always lead your people onward.

All: The Lord is with us!

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

YOUTH RETREAT

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Acts 2:1-4

Alternate Readings: Acts 1:6-8; John 16:31-33

HOMILY

Sit

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

P. : Left alone, O Lord, we are weak and afraid.

All: We are filled with the Holy Spirit.

P. : The task before us is great.

All: We are filled with the Holy Spirit.

P. : Our opportunities for doing good are unlimited!

All: We are filled with the Holy Spirit.

P. : Every obstacle gives way before the power of the Spirit.

All: We are filled with the Holy Spirit.

P. : Let us pause for a moment of personal thought and prayer.

(Pause for silent prayer.)

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

CONCLUDING ACTION

Kneel

THE RENEWAL OF CHRISTIAN CONFIRMATION.

The priest, in place of the bishop, leads all in a prayer of blessing and re-dedication, modeled after the rite of confirmation. All kneel at the communion rail (or at their places in church), as Father, standing at the altar, faces them and prays:

P. : O God, our most powerful leader, through Baptism and Confirmation, you have given us assembled here a new way of life. You have forgiven our mistakes. Today, send forth upon us your Holy Spirit.

All: Come, Spirit of Jesus, / come!

P. : The power to know what is important in life.

All: Come, Spirit of Jesus, / come!

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P. : The power to seek advice and to take responsible action.

All: Come, Spirit of Jesus, / come!

P. : The power to respect the world and all that is in it.

All: Come, Spirit of Jesus, / come!

P. : O Lord, fill these young men (and women) with your power of reverence and sign them with the sign of your cross, that each of them may do that special work which you have assigned to them in life. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Come, Spirit of Jesus, / come!

CLOSING PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

BIBLE SERVICE FOR CHILDREN

of the Fifth to Eighth Grades

I. OBEDIENCE

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

Select appropriate psalm or hymn.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: Genesis 22:1-19

Sit

Alternate Reading: Sirach 3:1-16

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD (Ps 118:1-17)

Kneel

The first part (1) of the following responses can be recited either by a priest, leader, or small group of children in front of church; the second part (2) of each response is said by all. All repeat antiphon as indicated below.

Antiphon: Happy are they whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

1: Happy are they whose way is blameless, /
who walk in the law of the Lord.

2: Happy are they who observe his decrees, /
who seek him with all their heart.

1: Who do no wrong
but walk in his ways.

2: You have commanded that your precepts
be diligently kept. *Antiphon*

1: Oh, that I might be firm in the ways
of keeping your statutes!

2: Then should I not be put to shame /
when I beheld all your commands.

1: I will give you thanks with an upright heart, /
when I have learned your just ordinances.

2: I will keep your statutes; /
do not utterly forsake me. *Antiphon*

1: How shall a young man be faultless in his way? /
By keeping to your words.

- 2: With all my heart I seek you; /
let me not stray from your commands.
- 1: Within my heart I treasure your promise, /
that I may not sin against you.
- 2: Blessed are you, O Lord; /
teach me your statutes. *Antiphon*
- 1: In the way of your decrees I rejoice, /
as much as in all riches.
- 2: I will meditate on your precepts, /
and consider your ways.
- 1: Be good to your servant, / that I may live
and keep your words.
- 2: Open my eyes, / that I may consider
the wonders of your law. *Antiphon*

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: Luke 2:42-52 (Stand)

Alternate Readings: Hebrews 12:7-13; 13:17 (Sit)

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Sit

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

Priest: Amen, amen, I say to you,

All: If anyone keep my word, / he will never see death.
(*Jn 8:51*)

P. : Jesus went down with Mary and Joseph, and came to
Nazareth,

All: And was subject to them. (*Lk 2:51*)

P. : Let us pray.

All: Lord Jesus Christ, / as a child you were always obedient to Mary and Joseph. / Make our family holy like yours / so that one day / through the prayers of Mary and Joseph / we may all enjoy the unending family-life of heaven / where you live and reign / with the Father and the Holy Spirit/forever and ever. / Amen.
(*Collect for the feast of the Holy Family*)

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament follows.

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2. CHARITY

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: Leviticus 19:13-18 **Sit**

Alternate Reading: Genesis 50:14-21

HOMILY

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD (*Ps 111:1-9*) **Kneel**

For recitation directions see those given in Section One of this service (Obedience).

Antiphon: He who has mercy on the poor lends to the Lord/
and he will repay him. (*Prv 19:17*)

1: Happy the man who fears the Lord, /
who greatly delights in his commands.

2: His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth; /
the upright generation shall be blessed. *Antiphon*

1: Wealth and riches shall be in his house; /
his generosity shall endure forever.

2: He dawns through the darkness, / a light for the upright; /
he is gracious and merciful and just; *Antiphon*

1: Well for the man who is gracious and lends,
who conducts his affairs with justice;

2: He shall never be moved; /
the just man shall be in everlasting remembrance.

Antiphon

1: Lavishly he gives to the poor; /
his generosity shall endure forever;

2: The wicked man shall see it and be vexed; /
the desire of the wicked shall perish. *Antiphon*

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: John 15:9-17

Alternate Readings: Luke 10:25-37; 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

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Sit

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

Kneel

- 1: A new commandment I give you,
2: That you love one another.
- 1: As I have loved you,
2: You also love one another.
- 1: By this will all men know that you are my disciples,
2: If you have love for one another. (*Jn 13:34-35*)
- 1: My neighbor is a man
2: like myself.
- 1: His blessings
2: can also be mine.
- 1: He is created to God's likeness
2: as I am.
- 1: He is a member of the Body of Christ
2: as I am.
- 1: He is a child of the Church
2: as I am.
- 1: He is nourished with the same sacraments
2: as I am.
- 1: God asks me to love him
2: as myself.
- 1: Jesus considers as done to himself
2: what I do to my neighbor.
- 1: He makes my neighbor
2: his representative.
- 1: I cannot be his disciple,
2: if I do not love my neighbor.
- 1: I am not Christian
2: when I do not help my neighbor.
- 1: If I despise my neighbor,
2: God will despise me.
- 1: If I hate my neighbor
2: God will hate me.
- 1: If I afflict my neighbor
2: God will afflict me.
- 1: If I pardon my neighbor,
2: God will pardon me.
- 1: If I support my neighbor,
2: God will support me.

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1: If I excuse my neighbor,

2: God will excuse me.

1: What I do for my neighbor,

2: God will do for me.

1: God will judge me

2: according to the way I have loved my neighbor.

1: Lord,

2: Let me love my neighbor as I love myself. (*)

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament follows during which the Benediction prayer from Section One of this service (Obedience) may be recited.

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3. TRUTHFULNESS

ENTRANCE PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: Sirach 28:12-26 Sit

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD (Ps 139:2-9, 12) Kneel

For recitation directions see those given in Section One of this service (Obedience).

Antiphon: A man of wicked tongue shall not abide in the land; evil shall abruptly entrap the violent man.

1: Deliver me, O Lord, / from evil men;

2: Preserve me from violent men,

1: From those who devise evil in their hearts,

2: And stir up wars every day. *Antiphon*

1: They make their tongues sharp as those of serpents.

2: Save me, O Lord, / from the hands of the wicked; / preserve me from violent men.

1: I say to the Lord, / you are my God; / listen, O Lord, / to my voice in supplication.

2: O God, my Lord, my strength and my salvation, /

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you are my helmet in the day of battle. *Antiphon*

- 1: Grant not, O Lord, / the desires of the wicked; / further not their plans.
- 2: A man of wicked tongue shall not abide in the land; / evil shall abruptly entrap the violent man.

PSALM OR HYMN

Stand

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: Acts 5:1-11

Sit

Alternate Reading: James 3:2-12

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD (Ps 33:1-12)

Kneel

- 1: I will bless the Lord at all times; / his praise shall be ever in my mouth.
- 2: Let my soul glory in the Lord; / the lowly will hear me and be glad.
- 1: Glorify the Lord with me, / let us together extol his name.
- 2: I sought the Lord, and he answered me / and delivered me from all my fears.
- 1: Look to him that you may be radiant with joy, / and your faces may not blush with shame.
- 2: When the afflicted man called out, the Lord heard, / and from all his distress he saved him.
- 1: The angel of the Lord encamps / around those who fear him and delivers them.
- 2: Taste and see how good the Lord is; / happy the man who takes refuge in him.
- 1: Fear the Lord, you his holy ones, / for nought is lacking to those who fear him.
- 2: The great grow poor and hungry; / but those who seek the Lord want for no good thing.
- 1: Come, children, hear me; / I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament follows during which the Benediction prayer from Section One of this service (Obedience) may be recited.

BIBLE SERVICE FOR A CHRISTIAN WAKE

PRAYER

Kneel

Leader: O God, whose nature is always to have mercy and to spare, we humbly beseech you on behalf of the soul(s) of your servant(s) N., whom you have bidden (this day) to depart out of this world, that you would not deliver him (her, them) into the hands of the enemy, nor forget him (her, them) forever, but command him (her, them) to be received by the holy angels, and taken to Paradise, his (her, their) home, that as he (she, they) had put his (her, their) faith and hope in you, he (she, they) may not undergo the pains of hell, but possess everlasting joys. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who being God, lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

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Stand

All: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; / Lord, hear my voice! /

Let your ears be attentive to my voice in supplication. /

If you, O Lord, mark iniquities, / Lord, who can stand? /

But with you is forgiveness, / that you may be revered. /

I trust in the Lord; / my soul trusts in his word. /
My soul waits for the Lord / more than sentinels wait for dawn. /

More than sentinels wait for the dawn, / let Israel wait for the Lord. /

for with the Lord is kindness / and with him is plentiful redemption; /

And he will redeem Israel from all their iniquities.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: 2 Machabees **Sit**

12:43-46

Alternate Readings: Isaiah 2:2-4; Ezechiel 37:1-14;
Zacharias 14:8-9; Apocalypse 14:13; Wisdom 2:23

THE KYRIE **Stand**

L. : Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

L. : Lord, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

L. : Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

L. : Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

L. : Lord, have mercy.

HOMILY OPTIONAL **Sit**

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: 1 Corinthians **Sit**

15:51-57

Alternate Readings: Acts 10:37-43; 1 Thessalonians
4:13-18; Colossians 3:1-4; Ecclesiastes 12:1-7;
Apocalypse 21:1-8

Alternate Readings for the Death of a Child: (Stand)
Matthew 10:18-26; Matthew 19:13-15; Mark 10:13-16;
Luke 7:11-17; John 4:46-53

PSALM 22 **Stand**

All: The Lord is my shepherd; / I shall not want. /
In verdant pastures he gives me repose; /

Beside restful waters he leads me; / he refreshes
my soul. /

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. /
Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil;
for you are at my side / with your rod and your staff
that give me courage. /

You spread the table before me in the sight of my
foes; /

you anoint my head with oil, / my cup overflows. /

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days
of my life; /

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and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.

HOMILY OPTIONAL

Sit

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD: John 11:21-27 Stand

Alternate Readings: John 5:25-29; 6:37-40; 6:51-55;
20:1-9

PRAYER

Kneel

L. : Let us pray.

All: Absolve, / we beseech you, O Lord, / the soul(s) of
your servant(s), N., / from every bond of sin / that
he (she, they) may be raised up in the glory of the
resurrection, / and live among your saints and elect. /
Through Christ our Lord.

L. : Eternal rest grant to him (her, them), O Lord.

All: And let perpetual light shine upon him (her, them).

L. : May he (she, they) rest in peace.

All: Amen.

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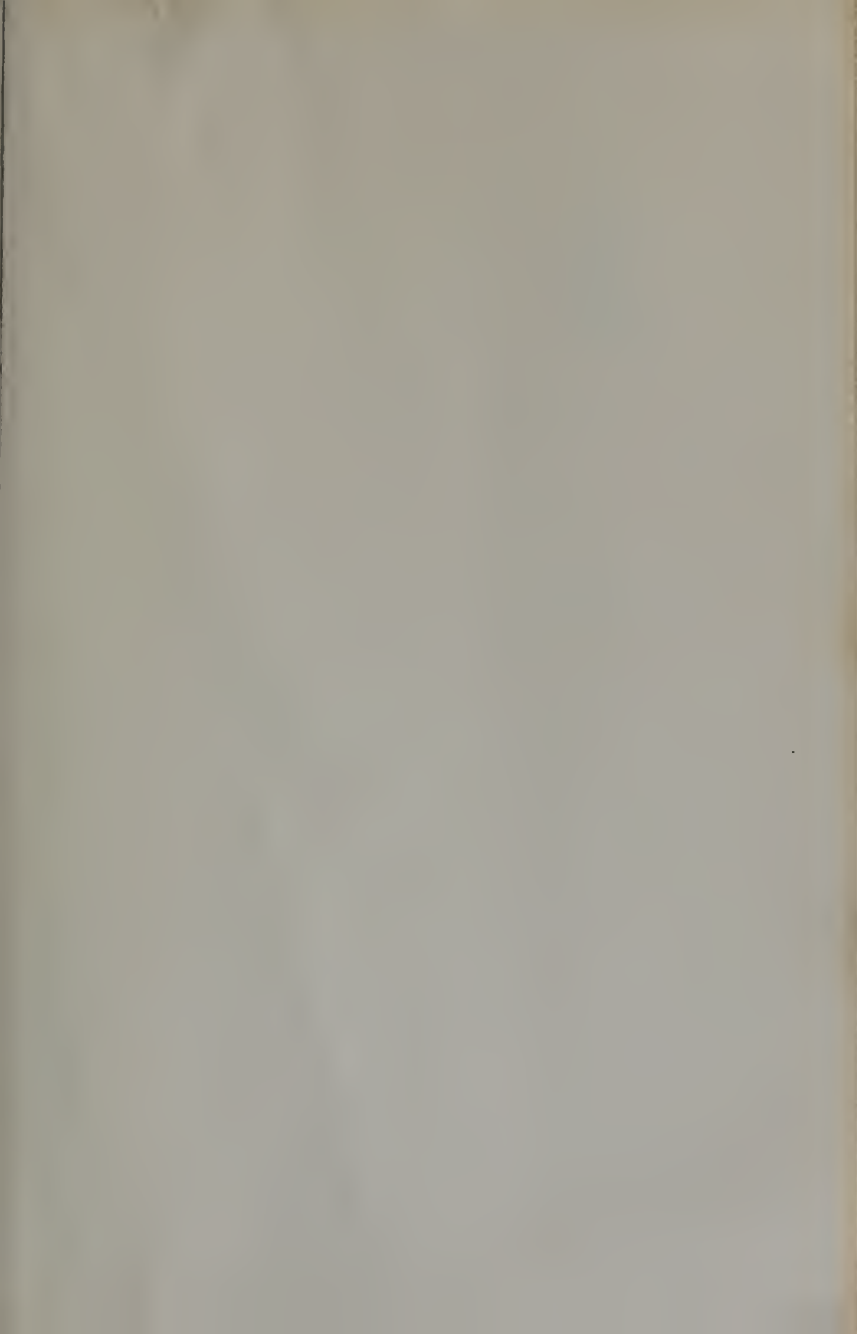
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