

# SUNDAY *AT VESPERS*



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# IN PRINCIPIO HORARUM

## 1. *Tonus communis.*

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ad adjuvándum me festí- na. Gló-ri- a Patri, et Fí-li- o, et Spi-  
rí- tu- i Sancto : Si-cut e-rat in princí-pi- o, et nunc, et sem-  
per, et in sácu-la sácu-ló-rum Amen. Al- le- lú- ia.  
*Vel :*  
Laus ti- bi, Dómi- ne, Rex æ-térnæ glo- ri- æ.

℣. O God, come to my assistance.

R X. O Lord, make haste to help me.

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. Alleluia.

Or : Praise to you, O Lord, King of everlasting glory.

## 2. *Alter tonus, ad libitum, in Vesperis.*

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# DOMINICA AD VESPERAS

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1 Antiphona. VII C 2

The musical notation consists of a large initial letter 'D' followed by a single-line staff with square note heads. The lyrics are written below the staff: 'I-xit Dómi-nus \* Dó-mi-no me- o : Se-de a dextris me- is.'

Psalmus 109.

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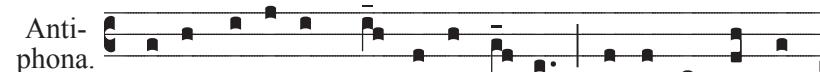
3. Virgam virtútis tuæ emíttet Dóminus ex Sion : \* domináre in médio inimicórum tuórum.
4. Tecum princípium in die virtútis tuæ in splendóribus sanctórum : \* ex útero ante lucíferum géni te.
5. Jurávit Dóminus et non pænitébit eum : \* Tu es sacérdos in ætermum secúndum órdinem Melchísedech.
6. Dóminus a **dextris tuis**, \* confrégit in die iræ **suæ reges**.
7. Judicábit in natiónibus, implébit ruínas : \* conquassábit cápita in terra multórum.

1 Ant. The Lord said to my Lord : Sit at my right hand.

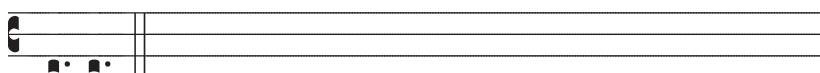
Psalmus 109.

2. Until I make your enemies, \* your footstool.
3. The Lord will send forth the scepter of your power out of Sion : \* rule in the midst of your enemies.
4. With you is the principality in the day of your strength : in the brightness of the saints : \* from the womb before the daystar I begot you.
5. The Lord has sworn, and he will not repent : \* You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchisedech.
6. The Lord at your right hand \* has broken kings in the day of his wrath.
7. He shall judge among the nations, he shall fill ruins ; \* he shall crush heads over the wide earth.

8. De torrénte in via biber : \*  
propterea exaltábit caput.
9. Glória Patri, et Fílio, \*  
et Spirítui Sancto.
10. Sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, \*  
et in sácula sáculórum. Amen.



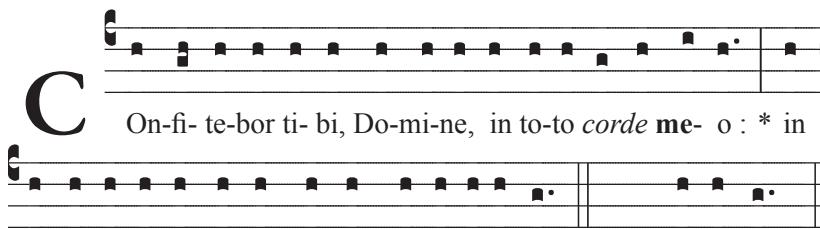
Di-xit Dómi-nus Dó-mi-no me- o : Se-de a dextris



me- is.



Psalmus 110.



consi- li- o ju-sto-rum, et congre-ga-ti- o-ne. Flexa : su- ó- rum, †

2. Magna ópera Dómini : \*  
exquisita in omnes voluntátes ejus.
3. Conféssio et magnificéntia opus ejus : \*  
et justitia ejus manet in sáculum sáculi.

8. He shall drink of the torrent by the wayside : \*  
therefore shall he lift up his head.
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.

Ant. The Lord said to my Lord : Sit at my right hand.

2 Ant. All his commandments are faithful : confirmed for ever and ever.

Psalm 110.

1. I will praise you, O Lord, with my whole heart ; \*  
in the council of the just, and in the congregation.

2. Great are the works of the Lord : \*  
exquisite in all their delights.
3. His work is praise and magnificence : \*  
and his justice continues for ever and ever.

4. Memóriam fecit mirábilium suórum, † misericors et miserátor Dóminus : \* escam dedit timéntibus se.
5. Memor erit in sǽculum testaménti sui : \* virtútem óperum suórum annuntiábit pópulo suo :
6. Ut det illis haereditátem géntium : \* ópera mánuum ejus véritas et judícium.
7. Fidélia ómnia mandáta ejus ; † confirmáta in sǽculum sǽculi : \* facta in veritáte et aequitáte.
8. Redemptióne misit pópulo suo : \* mandávit in ætérnum testaméntum suum.
9. Sanctum et terribile nomen eius : \* inítiū sapiéntiae timor Dómini.
10. Intelléctus bonus ómnibus faciéntibus eum : \* laudátio ejus manet in sǽculum sǽculi.
11. Glória Patri, et Fílio, \* et Spíritui Sancto.
12. Sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, \* et in sǽcula sǽculórum. Amen.

Anti-  
phona.

Fi- dé- li- a ómni- a mandá- ta e-jus : confirmá- ta  
in sǽcu-lum sǽcu- li.

3 Ant. IV a

I

N mandá-tis e- jus cu-pit ni- mis.

4. He has made a remembrance of his wonderful works, † being a merciful and gracious Lord : \* he has given food to those who fear him.
5. He will be mindful for ever of his covenant : \* he will show forth to his people the power of his works.
6. That he may give them the inheritance of the nations : \* the works of his hand are truth and judgment.
7. All his commandments are faithful : † confirmed for ever and ever, \* made in truth and equity.
8. He has sent redemption to his people \* he has commanded his covenant for ever.
9. Holy and terrible is his name : \* the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.
10. A good understanding have all that follow it : \* his praise continues for ever and ever.
11. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit.
12. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen.

Ant. All his commandments are faithful : confirmed for ever and ever.

3 Ant. In his commands he shall delight exceedingly.

## Psalmus III.

B E- á- tus vir qui *ti-met Dó-mi-num* : \* in mandá- tis e-*jus*

*vo-let ni-mis. Flexa : cómmo-dat,* †

2. Potens in terra erit *semen ejus* : \*  
generátio rectórum *benedicétur*.
3. Glória et divítiae in *domo ejus* : \*  
et justitia ejus manet in *séculum séculi*.
4. Exórtum est in ténebris *lumen rectis* : \*  
misericors, et miserátor, et **justus**.
5. Jucúndus homo qui miseréatur et **cómmodat**, †  
dispónet sermónes suos *in judício* : \*  
quia in aetérnum *non comovébitur*.
6. In memória aetérrna *erit justus* : \*  
ab auditóne mala *non timébit*.
7. Parátum cor ejus speráre in **Dómino**, †  
confirmátum *est cor ejus* : \*  
non comovébitur donec despíciat inimícos suos.
8. Dispérsit, dedit paupéribus : †  
justitia ejus manet in *séculum séculi* : \*  
cornu ejus exaltábitur *in glória*.
9. Peccátor vidébit et irascéetur, †  
dénibus suis fremet et *tabéscet* : \*  
desidérium peccatórum períbit.
10. Glória Patri, et **Fílio**, \*  
et **Spirítui Sancto**.
11. Sicut erat in princípio, et *nunc*, et **semper**, \*  
et in *sæcula sæculórum*. Amen.

## Psalm III.

1. Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, \*  
he shall delight exceedingly in his commandments.

2. His children shall be mighty upon the earth : \*  
the generation of the righteous shall be blessed.
3. Glory and wealth shall be in his house : \*  
and his justice remains for ever and ever.
4. To the righteous a light is risen up in the darkness : \*  
he is merciful, compassionate and just.
5. It is well with the man who shows mercy and lends : †  
he shall order his words with judgment, \*  
because he shall not be moved for ever.
6. The just shall be in everlasting remembrance : \*  
he shall not fear evil tidings.
7. His heart is ready to hope in the Lord, †  
his heart is strengthened : \*  
he shall not be moved until he look down upon his enemies.
8. He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor, †  
his justice remains for ever and ever : \*  
his horn shall be exalted in glory.
9. The wicked man shall see and shall be angry, †  
he shall gnash with his teeth and pine away : \*  
the desire of the wicked shall perish.
10. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \*  
and to the Holy Spirit.
11. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \*  
world without end. Amen.

Anti-phona.

In mandá-tis e- jus cu-pit ni- mis.

4 Ant. VII c

**S** IT no-men Dómi-ni \* be- ne- dí-ctum in sáe-cu- la.

Psalmus 112.

**L** Au- dá- te, pú- e- ri, Dó-mi-num : \* lau-dá- te no-men

Dó-mi- ni.

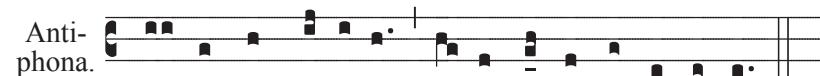
2. Sit nomen Dómini **benedictum**, \*  
ex hoc nunc, et usque in **séculum**.
3. A solis ortu **ad occasum**, \*  
laudáibile **nomen Dómini**.
4. Excélsus super omnes **gentes Dóminus**, \*  
et super cælos **glória ejus**.
5. Quis sicut Dóminus Deus noster, qui in **altis hábitat**, \*  
et humília réspicit in **cælo et in terra** ?
6. Súscitans a **terra ínopem**, \*  
et de stércore érigens **páuperem** :
7. Ut collocet eum **cum princípibus**, \*  
cum princípibus **pópuli sui**.
8. Qui hábitare facit stérilem in **domo**, \*  
matrem filiorum **lætántem**.
9. Glória **Patri**, et **Filio**, \*  
et **Spirítui Sancto**.
10. Sicut erat in principio, et **nunc**, et **semper**, \*  
et in sécula **sæculórum**. Amen.

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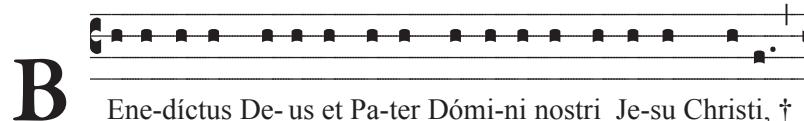
1. Praise the Lord, O you children, \*  
praise the name of the Lord.
2. Blessed be the name of the Lord : \*  
from henceforth now and for ever.
3. From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same, \*  
the name of the Lord is worthy of praise.
4. The Lord is high above all nations : \*  
and his glory above the heavens.
5. Who is like the Lord our God, who dwells on high, \*  
and looks down on the lowly in heaven and on earth ?
6. Raising up the needy from the earth : \*  
and lifting up the poor out of the dunghill.
7. That he may place him with princes : \*  
with the princes of his people.
8. Who makes a barren woman to dwell in a house : \*  
the joyful mother of children.
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.



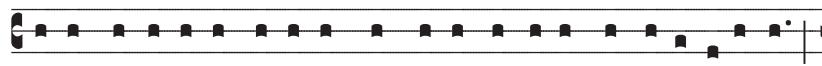
Sit no-men Dómi-ni be- ne- dí-ctum in sâcú- la.

Capitulum.

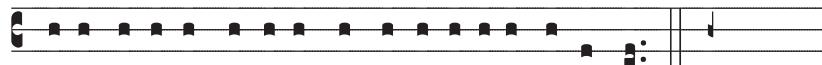
*2 Cor I: 3-4*



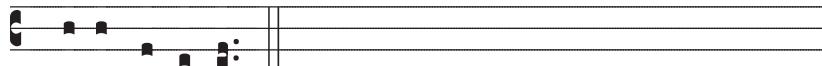
Ene-díctus De- us et Pa-ter Dómi-ni nostri Je-su Christi, †



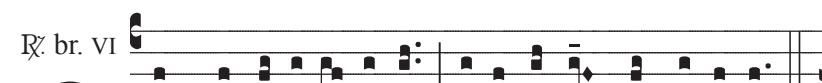
Pa-ter mi-se-ri-cor-di- á-rum, et De- us to- tí- us conso-la-ti- ó-nis, \*



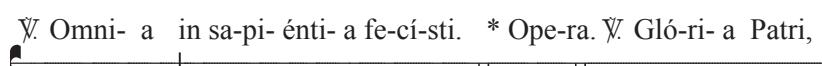
qui conso-lá-tur nos in omni tri-bu-la-ti- ó-ne nostra.



R<sup>g</sup>. De- o gra- ti- as.



Q Uam magni- fi-cá- ta sunt\* Ope- ra tu- a Dómi-ne.



et Fí- li- o, et Spi-ri-tu- i Sancto. Quam.

Ant. Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever.

Little Chapter.

*2 Cor I: 3-4*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort : who comforts us in all our tribulation.

#### Short Responsory

How wonderful are \* your works, O Lord.

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℣. In wisdom you have made all things.

\* Your works, O Lord.

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

How wonderful \* are your works, O Lord.

## Hymnus.

Cantus in Hieme. *Lucis Creator*: Tone in winter.

IV

**L** U-cis Cre- á- tor óp-ti- me, Lu-cem di- é- rum pró-fe-  
rens, Primórdi- is lu-cis no- væ Mundi pa-rans o- rí- gi- nem.

2. Qui ma-ne junctum véspe- ri Di- em vo-cá- ri præ-ci- pis,  
Tetrum cha- os il- lá- bi- tur, Au-di pre-ces cum flé- ti- bus.

3. Ne mens gra-vá- ta crími- ne Vi- tæ sit exsul mú-ne- re, Dum  
nil pe-rén-ne có-gi- tat, Se-séque cul-pis íl- li- gat.

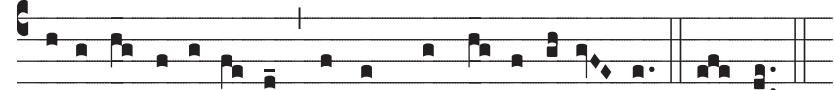
4. Cæ-ló-rum pul-set ín-ti- mum, Vi- tá-le tol-lat præ-mi- um :  
Vi- témus omne nó-xi- um, Purgémus omne péssi- um.

## Hymn.

1. O blest Creator of the light,  
Who makest the day with radiance bright,  
And o'er the forming world didst call  
The light from chaos first of all :
2. Whose wisdom joined in meet array  
The morn and eve, and named them day :  
Night comes with all its darkling fears,  
Regard thy people's prayers and tears.
3. Lest, sunk in sin and whelmed with strife,  
They lose the gift of endless life ;  
While thinking but the thoughts of time,  
They weave new chains of woe and crime.
4. But grant them grace that they may strain  
The heavenly gate and prize to gain :  
Each harmful lure aside to cast,  
And purge away each error past.



5. Præsta, Pa-ter pi- ís-si- me, Pa-tríque compar U-ni- ce, Cum



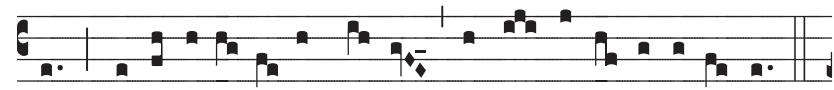
Spí-ri- tu Pa-rácli- to Regnans per omne sácu- lum. A-men.

Hymnus.

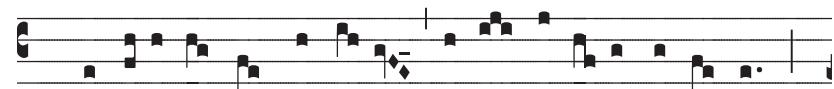
Cantus in Æstate. *Lucis Creator*: Tone in summer.



U-cis Cre- á- tor óp-ti-me, Lu-cem di- é- rum pró-fe-



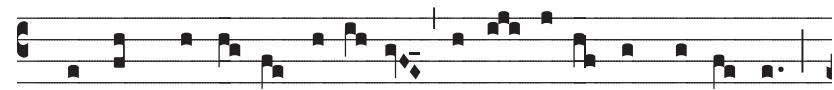
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Dum nil pe-rén-ne có-gi- tat, Se-sé-que cul-pis íl-li- gat.

5. O Father, that we ask be done,  
Through Jesus Christ, Thine only Son,  
Who, with the Holy Ghost and Thee,  
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

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Who makest the day with radiance bright,  
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Night comes with all its darkling fears,  
Regard thy people's prayers and tears.

3. Lest, sunk in sin and whelmed with strife,  
They lose the gift of endless life ;  
While thinking but the thoughts of time,  
They weave new chains of woe and crime.

4. Cælōrum pulset intimum, Vi-tá-le tol-lat præmi-um :  
Vi-té-mus omne nóxi-um, Purgé-mus omne pés-si-mum.

5. Præsta, Pa-ter pi-ís-si-me, Patri-que compar U-ni-ce, Cum  
Spí-ri-tu Pa-rácli-to Regnans per omne sácu-lum. A-men.

¶ Di-ri-gá-tur, Dó-mi-ne, o-rá-ti-o me-a.  
R: Si-cut incénum in conspéctu tu-o.

Ad Magnificat. Antiphona

VIII

**M** Agní- fi- cat \* á-ni-ma me- a Dómi- num, qui a re-  
spéxit De-us humi- li- tát- em me- am.

4. But grant them grace that they may strain  
The heavenly gate and prize to gain :  
Each harmful lure aside to cast,  
And purge away each error past.

5. O Father, that we ask be done,  
Through Jesus Christ, Thine only Son,  
Who, with the Holy Ghost and Thee,  
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

¶ Let my prayer be directed, O Lord.  
R: As incense in your sight.

At Magnificat. Antiphon

My soul magnifies the Lord, for God has regarded the humility of his handmaid.

## Canticum B. Mariæ Virginis

*Luc. I: 46 - 55.*

VIII G

**M** Agní- fi- cat \* á- nima me- a Dó-mi-num :

2. Et exsul-tá-vit spí- ri- tus me- us \* in De- o sa- lu- tár- i  
me- o.

3. Qui- a respé-xit humi- li- tá-tem ancíllæ su- æ : \* ecce e-nim  
ex hoc be- á- tam me di-cent omnes ge-ne- rá- ti- o-nes.

4. Qui- a fe- cit mi-hi magna qui pot-ens est: \* et sanctum no-  
men e- ius.

5. Et mi- se- ri- cór-di- a e- ius a pro-gé-ni- e in pro- gé-

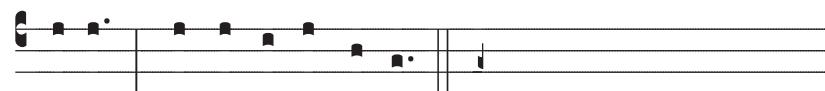
My soul \*  
magnifies the Lord.

And my spirit has rejoiced \*  
in God my Savior.

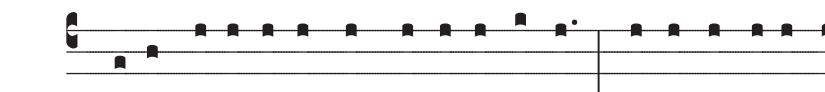
Because he has regarded the humility of his handmaid : \*  
for behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

Because he who is mighty has done great things for me : \*  
and holy is his Name.

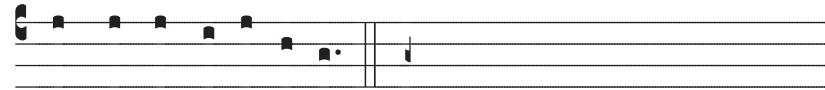
And his mercy is from generation unto generation, \*



ni- es \* ti-mén-ti- bus e- um.



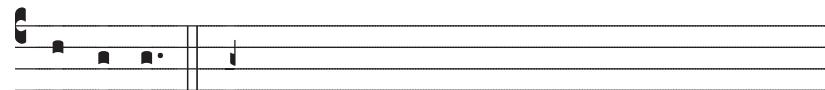
6. Fe-cit po-ténti- am in bráchi- o su- o : \* dispér-sit supér-



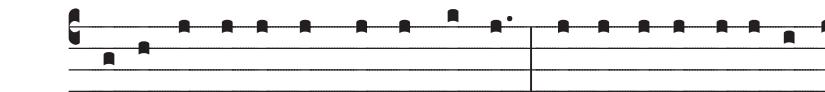
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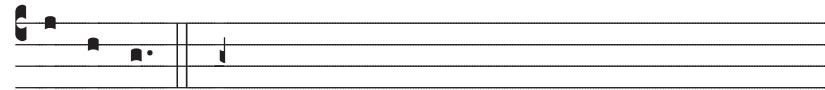
7. De-pó-su- it po- tén-tes de se- de, \* et ex- al- tá- vit



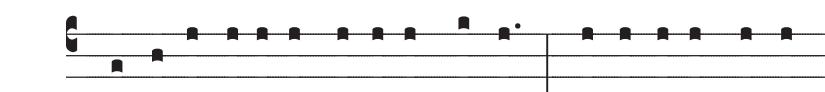
hú-mi- les.



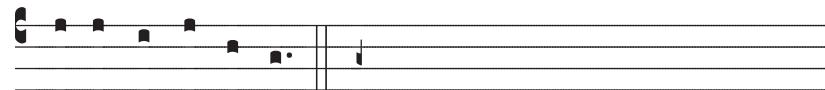
8. E-su- ri- éntes implé- vit bo- nis : \* et dí- vi- tes dimí- sit



in- á- nes.



9. Suscé-pit Isra- el, pú- e-rum su- um, \* re-cordá-tus mi- se-



ri- cór-di- æ su- æ.

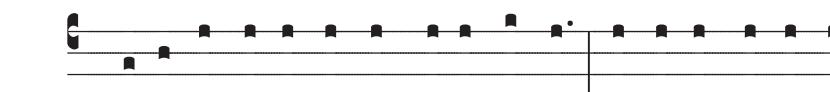
toward those who fear him.

He has shown might in his arm : \*  
he has scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart.

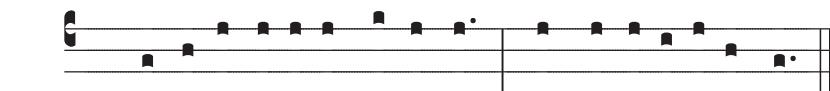
He has put down the mighty from their seat \*  
and has exalted the humble.

He has filled the hungry with good things : \*  
and the rich he has sent away empty.

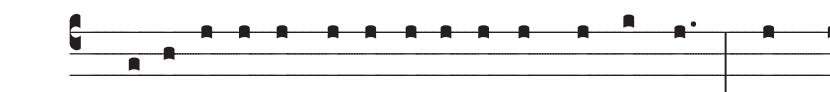
He has received Israel his servant, \*  
being mindful of his mercy



10. Si-cut lo- cù- tus est ad patres nostros, \* Abra-ham, et sé-  
mi- ni e- ius in sácu-la.



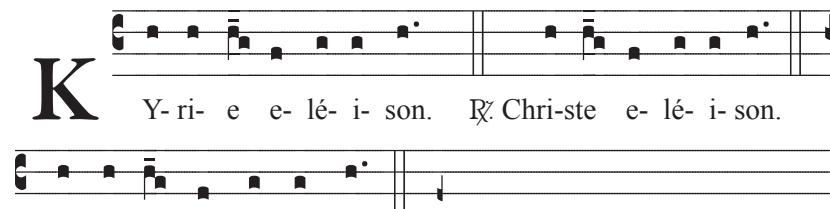
11. Gló- ri- a Patri, et Fí- li- o, \* et Spi- rí- tu- i Sancto.



12. Si-cut e- rat in princí- pi- o, et nunc, et semper, \* et  
in sá- cu- la sá- cu- ló- rum. A-men.



Anti-  
phona. Magní- fi- cat á- ni-ma me- a Dómi- num, qui a re-  
spéxit De- us humi- li- tár- tem me- am.



Ký- ri- e e- le- i- son.

As he spoke to our fathers : \*  
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.

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.

My soul magnifies the Lord, for God has regarded the humility of his  
handmaid.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

**P**

A-ter noster, qui es in cæ- lis : sancti- fi- cé- tur no-  
men tu- um : advé- ni- at regnum tu- um : fi- at vo- lún-tas  
tu- a, sic- ut in cæ- lo et in ter-ra : panem nostrum quo- ti-  
di- á-num da no-bis hó-di- e : et dimít-te no-bis dé-bi- ta nostra,  
sic-ut et nos dimít-timus de-bi-tó-ri-bus nostris : et ne nos  
indú-cas in tenta- ti- ó-nem. Rx. Sed lí-be-ra nos a ma-lo.

**D**

O-mi-nus vo-bís-cum. Rx. Et cum spí- ri- tu tu- o.

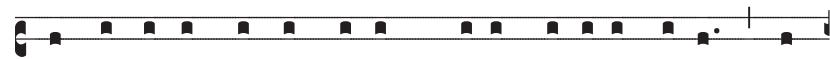
**O**

- re-mus. Da no-bis, quæ-sumus, Dómi-ne : \* ut et  
mundi cursus pa-cí- fi-ce no-bis tu- o ór-di-ne di-ri-gá-tur ; et  
Ecclé- si- a tu- a tranquíl- la de- vo- ti- ó- ne læ- té- tur.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name ;  
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.  
Rx. But deliver us from evil.

The Lord be with you.  
Rx. And with your spirit.

Let us pray. We beseech you, O Lord, grant that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by you that your Church may joyfully serve you in quiet devotion. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Rx. Amen.



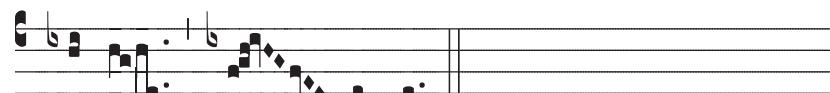
Per Dó-mi-num nostrum Je-sum Christum Fí- li- um tu- um, qui  
 te-cum vi- vit et regnat in u-ni- tá- te Spí- ri- tus Sancti, De- us, \*  
 per ómni- a sáecu- la sáe-cu-lo- rum. R̄. A-men.



**D** O-mi-nus vo-bís-cum. R̄. Et cum spí- ri- tu tu- o.



**B** E-ne-di- cá-mus Dó- mi- no.



R̄. De- o grá- ti- as.

℣. Fidélium ánimæ per misericórdiam Dei requiéscant in pace.  
 R̄. Amen.

The Lord be with you.  
 R̄. And with your spirit.

Let us bless the Lord.  
 R̄. Thanks be to God.

℣. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God  
 rest in peace.  
 R̄. Amen.