Lauds of the Blessed Virgin Mary According to the Washtenaw Use

It is written in the Gospel of St. Mark, that Our Lord, after healing many afflicted with disease for an entire night, rose "very early, going out, he went into a desert place: and there he prayed." And so, in praying *Lauds* we imitate our tireless Saviour, folowing him as did Simon, to center our hearts on God, that we may receive the strength to carry out His Will. O Immaculate Virgin, pray for us that we may overcome sloth and malaise, and join thy Son in prayer and obesiance to the will of the Almighty Father. Amen.

BEFORE LAUDS

Preparatory Prayers

All kneel and pray silently. As you say the prayer Aperi, Domine, make the sign of the cross with your thumb first over your lips, and then over your heart.

Áperi, Momine, os meum ad benedicéndum nomen sanctum tuum: Mominum num ad omnibus vanis, pervérsis et aliénis cogitatiónibus; intelléctum illúmina, afféctum inflámma, ut digne, atténte ac devóte hoc Offícium beátæ Vírginis Maríæ recitáre váleam, et exaudíri mérear ante conspéctum divínæ Majestátis tuæ. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

Domine, in unióne illíus divínæ intentiónis, qua ipse in terris laudes Deo persolvísti, has tibi Horas persólvo.

Ave María, grátia plena, Dóminus tecum. Benedícta tu in muliéribus, et benedíctus fructus ventris tui, Jesus. Sancta María, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatóribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostræ. Amen.

Open, ♣ O Lord, my mouth to bless Thy holy Name; ♣ cleanse also my heart from all vain, evil, and wandering thoughts; enlighten my understanding and kindle my affections; that I may worthily, attentively, and devoutly say this Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and so merit to be heard before the presence of Thy divine Majesty. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

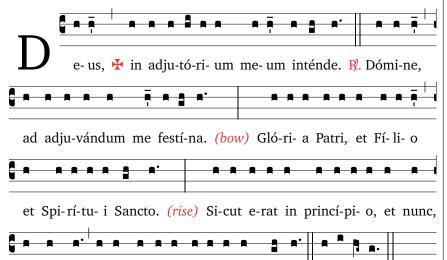
O Lord, in union with that divine intention wherewith thou, whilst here on earth, didst render praises unto God, I desire to offer this my Office of prayer unto thee.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

LAUDS

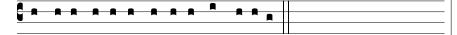
Invitatory

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Officiant says the "Deus in Adjutorium". All continue together with the entire "Gloria Patri" after the response:



et semper et in sécu-la secu-ló-rum. Amen. Alle-lú-ia.

From Septuagesima until Easter, Alleluia is replaced with:



Laus ti-bi Dómi-ne, Rex æ-térnæ gló-ri-æ.

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O God, come to my assistance.

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.

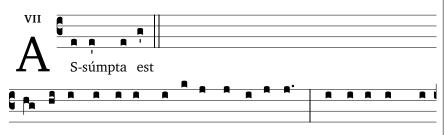
Alleluia.

Praise to thee, O Lord, King of everlasting glory.

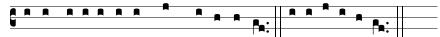
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Psalm 53

The Cantor intones the antiphon and leads the first Psalm verse to the star (*). All sit, while the Cantor's side finishes the first verse together. The Officiants side then says the second Psalm verse, with each side alternating thereafter. The remaining Psalms are intoned up to the asterisk by the Cantor, repeating the pattern of sitting and standing until the antiphon is said in full at the very end.



Dó-mi-nus regná-vit, de-có-rem indú-tus est: * indú-tus est Dó-



mi-nus forti-tú-di-nem, et præ-cínxit se. E u o u a e.

- 2. Etenim firmávit **or**bem **ter**ræ, * qui non **com**mo**vé**bitur.
- 3. Paráta sedes tua ex tunc: * a sculo tu es.
- 4. Elevayérunt flúmina. **Dó**mine: * elevayérunt flúmina **vo**cem **su**am.
- 5. Elevavérunt flúmina fluctus suos, * a vócibus aquárum multárum.
- 6. Mirábiles elatiónes maris: * mirábilis in altis Dóminus.
- 7. Testimónia tua credibília **fac**ta sunt **ni**mis: * (*stand*) domum tuam decet sanctitúdo, Dómine, in longitúdi**nem** di**é**rum.
- 8. (bow) Glória Patri, et Fílio, * et Spirítui Sancto.
- 9. *(rise)* Sicut erat in princípio, et **nunc**, et **sem**per, * et in scula sæcu**ló**rum. **A**men.



ASsúmpta est * Ma-rí- a in cæ- lum : * gaudent Ange-li, lau-



dántes be-ne-dí-cunt Dómi-num.

Mary was taken up...

- 1. The Lord hath reigned, he is clothed with beauty: the Lord is clothed with strength, and hath girded himself.
- 2. For he hath established the world: And it shall not be moved.
- 3. Thy throne is prepared from of old: thou art from everlasting.
- 3. The floods have lifted up, O Lord: the floods have lifted up their voice.
- 4.The floods have lifted up their waves: With the noise of many waters.
- 5. Wonderful are the surges of the sea: wonderful is the Lord on high.
- 5. Thy testimonies are become exceedingly credible: holiness becometh thy house, O Lord, unto length of days.
- 8. 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.

Mary was taken up into heaven, the angels rejoice, and with praises bless The Lord.

ADVENT

CHRISTMASTIDE