

VESPERS ON FRIDAY
FOR SEMIDOUBLE FEASTS, FERAL DAYS,
AND SIMPLES



When the leader kneels, all **kneel** and pray the following, silently:

Aperi, Domine, os meum ad benedicendum nomen sanctum tuum: munda quoque cor meum ab omnibus vanis, perversis, et alienis cogitationibus; intelluctum illumina, affectum inflamma: ut digne, attente, ac devote hoc Officium recitare valeam et exaudiri merear ante conspectum divinae Majestatis tuae; per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.
Domine, in unione illius divinae intentionis, qua ipse in terris laudes Deo persolvisti, has tibi Horas persolvo.

Pater noster, qui es in caelis, sanctificetur nomen tuum. Adveniat regnum tuum, fiat voluntas tua, sicut in caelo et in terra. Panem nostrum quotidianum, da nobis hodie. Et dimitte nobis debita nostra, sicut et nos dimittimus, debitoribus nostris. Et ne nos inducas in tentationem: sed libera nos a malo. Amen.

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum; benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus. Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

Open my mouth, O Lord, to bless thy holy name: cleanse my heart also from all vain, perverse, and distracting thoughts; enlighten my understanding, inflame my affections, that I may recite this Office with worthy attention and devotion, and may deserve to be heard in the sight of thy Divine Majesty; through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

O Lord, I offer these Hours unto thee, in union with that divine intention wherewith thou didst thyself offer praises to God, whilst thou wast on earth.

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed by 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: but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst 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.

When the leader stands, all rise with him. Then all make the Sign of the Cross with the Officiant as he intones:

If the Office is that of a Semidouble, the Festal Tone is used:

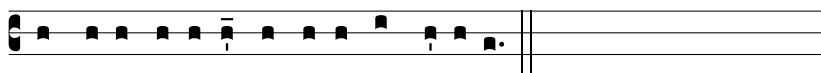
D E- us ✠ in adju-tó-ri- um me- um inténde. **R.** Dómi-ne

ad adju-vándum me fe-stí-na. (*bow*) Gló-ri- a Pa-tri, et Fí-li- o,

et Spi-rí-tu- i Sancto. (*rise*) Si-cut e-rat in princí-pi- o, et nunc,

et semper et in sæcu-la sæ-cu-ló-rum. Amen. Al-le-lú-ia.

After Septuagesima Sunday until Easter, *Alleluia* is replaced with



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

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. Or: Praise to Thee, O Lord, King of endless glory.

If the Office is that of a Feria or Simple, the Ferial Tone is used:

D E- us ✠ in adju-tó-ri- um mé- um inténde. R̃. Dómi-ne

ad adju-vándum me fes-tí-na. (*bow*) Gló-ri- a Pá-tri, et Fí- li- o,

et Spi- rí- tu- i Sáncto. (*rise*) Si- cut é- rat in princí- pi- o, et nunc,

et semper, et in sæcu- la sæ- cu- ló- rum. Amen. Al- le- lú- ia.

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All stand and remain standing while the cantor intones the antiphon to the first asterisk, and then intones the first half of the first Psalm verse. After the double asterisk, all sit.

Psalm 138 (1-13)

Ant. 1. Lord, * thou hast proved me, and known me. Ps. Lord, thou hast proved me, and known me: * thou hast known my sitting down, and my rising up.

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D O mi-ne * pro-bás-ti me, et **cogno-vís-ti** me: ** tu cogno-

vís-ti sessi- ó-nem me- am, et re-surrecti- ó-nem **me-** am. E u o

u a e.

2. Intellexísti cogitatiónes **meas** de **longe**: * sémitam meam, et funiculum meum **investigásti**.

3. Et omnes vias meas **prævidísti**: * quia non est sermo in **lingua mea**.

4. Ecce, Dómine, tu cognovísti ómnia novíssima, **et** **antíqua**: * tu formásti me, et posuísti super **me manum tuam**.

5. Mirábilis facta est sciéntia **tua ex** me: * confortáta est, et non pótero **ad eam**.

6. Quo ibo a **spíritu tuo**? * et quo a fácie tua **fúgiam**?

7. Si ascéndero in **cælum**, tu **illic** es: * si descéndero in **inférnum**,

2. Thou hast understood my thoughts afar off: * my path and my life thou hast searched out.

3. And thou hast foreseen all my ways: * for there is no speech on my tongue.

4. Behold, O Lord, thou hast known all things, the last and those of old: * thou hast formed me, and hast laid thy hand upon me.

5. Thy knowledge is become wonderful to me: * it is high, and I cannot reach to it.

6. Whither shall I go from thy spirit? * or whither shall I flee from thy face?

7. If I ascend into heaven, thou art there: * if I descend into hell, thou art present.

8. If I take my wings early in the morning, * and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea:

ades.

8. Si sumpsero pennas **meas**
dilúculo, * et habitávero in extrémis
maris.

9. Etenim illuc manus **tua dedúcet**
me: * et tenébit me **déxtera tua**.

10. Et dixi: Fórsitan ténebræ
conculcábunt me: * et nox
illuminátio mea in delíciis **meis**.

11. Quia ténebræ non obscurabúntur
a te, † et nox sicut dies
illuminábitur: * sicut ténebræ ejus,
ita et lumen ejus.

12. Quia tu possedísti **renes meos**: *
suscepísti me de útero **matris meæ**.

13. *(bow while seated)* Glória Patri,
et Fílio, * et Spirítui Sancto.

14. *(rise, remaining seated)* Sicut
erat in princípio, et **nunc**, et **semper**,
et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.
all



DO mi-ne * pro bá-sti me et cogno-ví-sti me.

Ant. Lord, thou hast proved me, and known me: * thou hast known my
sitting down, and my rising up.

9. Even there also shall thy hand lead me:
* and thy right hand shall hold me.

10. And I said: Perhaps darkness shall
cover me: * and night shall be my light
in my pleasures.

11. But darkness shall not be dark to
thee, and night shall be light as the day: *
the darkness thereof, and the light thereof
are alike to thee.

12. For thou hast possessed my reins: *
thou hast protected me from my mothers
womb.

13. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
* and to the Holy Ghost.

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

The remaining Psalms are said in the same manner as the first.

Psalm 138 (14-24)

Ant. 2. Wonderful are thy works * and my soul knoweth right well. Ps. I will praise thee, for thou art fearfully magnified: * wonderful are thy works, and my soul knoweth right well.

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I-ra-bí-li- a * Confi-té-bor ti-bi qui- a ter-ri-bí-li-ter

choir

magni-fi-cá-tus es: † mi-ra-bí-li- a ó-pe-ra tu- a, ** et á-ni-ma

me- a cognó-scit ni-mis. E u o u a e.

2. Non est occultátum os meum a te, quod fecísti **in occulto**: * et substántia mea in **inferióri-bus terræ**.

3. Imperféc-tum meum vidérunt óculi tui, † et in libro tuo **omnes scribén-tur**: * dies formabúntur, et nemo in eis.

4. Mihi autem nimis honorificáti sunt amíci **tui**, **Deus**: * nimis confortátus est principátus **eórum**.

5. Dinumerábo eos, et super arénam **multiplícabúntur**: * exsurréxi, et adhuc sum **tecum**.

6. Si occíderis, Deus, **peccatóres**: * viri sánguinem, declínáte a me.

7. Quia dícitis in cogitatióne: * Accipient in vanitáte civitatés **tuas**.

2. My bone is not hidden from thee, which thou hast made in secret: * and my substance in the lower parts of the earth.

3. Thy eyes did see my imperfect being, and in thy book all shall be written: * days shall be formed, and no one in them.

4. But to me thy friends, O God, are made exceedingly honourable: * their principality is exceedingly strengthened.

5. I will number them, and they shall be multiplied above the sand: * I rose up and am still with thee.

6. If thou wilt kill the wicked, O God: * ye men of blood, depart from me:

7. Because you say in thought: * They shall receive thy cities in vain.

8. Have I not hated them, O Lord, that hated thee: * and pined away because of thy enemies?

8. Nonne qui odérunt te, **Dómine**,
óderam? * et super inimícos tuos
tabescébam?

9. Perfécto ódio **óderam illos**: * et
inimíci facti sunt **mihi**.

10. Proba me, Deus, et **scito cor**
meum: * intérroga me, et cognósce
sémitas **meas**.

11. Et vide, si via iniquitátis in **me**
est: * et deduc me in via **ætérna**.

12. (*bow while seated*) Glória **Patri**,
et **Fílio**, * et Spirítui **Sancto**.

13. (*rise, remaining seated*) Sicut
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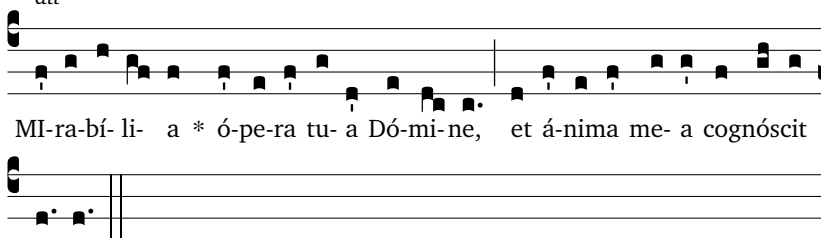
9. *I have hated them with a perfect
hatred: * and they are become enemies
to me.*

10. *Prove me, O God, and know my
heart: * examine me, and know my
paths.*

11. *And see if there be in me the way
of iniquity: * and lead me in the eternal
way.*

12. *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
* and to the Holy Ghost.*

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



ni-mis.

Ant. *Wonderful are thy works * and my soul knoweth right well.*

Psalm 139

Ant. 3. *Do not thou forsake me, * O Lord, the strength of my salvation. Ps. Deliver me, O Lord, from the evil man: * rescue me from the unjust man.*

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E de-re-línquas me * E-ri-pe me, Dómi-ne, ab hómi-ne
choir



ma-lo: ** a vi-ro in-íquo é-ri-pe me. E u o u a e.

2. Qui cogitavérunt iniquitátes in corde: * tota die constituébant **prælia**.

3. Acuérunt linguas suas sicut **serpéntis**: * venénúm áspidum sub lábiis **eórum**.

4. Custódi me, Dómine, de manu **peccatóris**: * et ab homínibus iníquis **éripe** me.

5. Qui cogitavérunt supplantáre gressus **meos**: * abscondérunt supérbi **láqueum mihi**:

6. Et funes extendérunt in **láqueum**: juxta iter scándalum posuérunt **mihi**.

7. Dixi Dómino: Deus **meus** tu: * exáudi, Dómine, vocem deprecaciónis **meæ**.

8. Dómine, Dómine, virtus salútis **meæ**: * obumbrásti super caput meum in die **belli**.

9. Ne tradas me, Dómine, a desidério meo peccatóri: † cogitavérunt **contra** me, * ne derelínquas me, ne forte **exalténtur**.

10. Caput circúitus **eórum**: * labor labiórum ipsórum **opériet** eos.

2. Who have devised iniquities in their hearts: * all the day long they designed battles.

3. They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent: * the venom of asps is under their lips.

4. Keep me, O Lord, from the hand of the wicked: * and from unjust men deliver me.

5. Who have proposed to supplant my steps: * the proud have hidden a net for me.

6. And they have stretched out cords for a snare: * they have laid for me a stumbling block by the wayside.

7. I said to the Lord: Thou art my God: * hear, O Lord, the voice of my supplication.

8. O Lord, Lord, the strength of my salvation: * thou hast overshadowed my head in the day of battle.

9. Give me not up, O Lord, from my desire to the wicked: * they have plotted against me; do not thou forsake me, lest they should triumph.

10. The head of them compassing me about: * the labour of their lips shall overwhelm them.

11. Cadent super eos carbónes, † in ignem dejícies eos: * in misériis non subsístent.

12. Vir linguósus non dirigétur in terra: * virum injústum mala cápient in intéritu.

13. Cognóvi quia fáciat Dóminus iudícium ínópis: * et vindíctam páuperum.

14. Verúmtamen justí confitebúntur nómini tuo: * et habitábunt recti cum vultu tuo.

15. *(bow while seated)* Glória Patri, et Fílio, * et Spirítui Sancto.

16. *(rise, remaining seated)* Sicut erat in princípíio, et nunc, et semper, * et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.
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11. Burning coals shall fall upon them; thou wilt cast them down into the fire: * in miseries they shall not be able to stand.

12. A man full of tongue shall not be established in the earth: * evil shall catch the unjust man unto destruction.

13. I know that the Lord will do justice to the needy, * and will revenge the poor.

14. But as for the just, they shall give glory to thy name: * and the upright shall dwell with thy countenance.

15. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost.

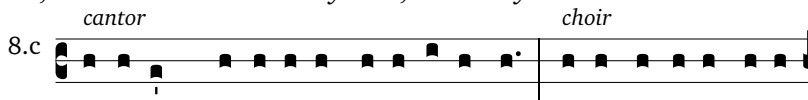
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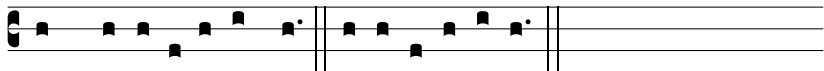
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Psalm 140

Ant. 4. *I have cried to thee, * O Lord, hear me. Ps. I have cried to thee, O Lord, hear me: * hearken to my voice, when I cry to thee.*



DOmi-ne * clamá-vi ad te, exáudi me: ** inténde vo-ci me- æ,



cum clamá-ve-ro ad te. E u o u a e.

2. Dirigátur orátio mea sicut incénsum in conspéctu tuo: * elevátio mánuum meárum sacrificium vespertínium.

3. Pone, Dómine, custódiam ori meo: * et óstium circumstántiæ lábiis meis.

4. Non declínes cor meum in verba malítiae: * ad excusándas excusatiónes in peccátis.

5. Cum homínibus operántibus iniquitátem: * et non comunicábo cum eléctis eórum.

6. Corrípiet me justus in misericórdia, et increpábit me: * óleum autem peccatóris non impínquet caput meum.

7. Quóniam adhuc et orátio mea in beneplácitis eórum: * absórpti sunt juncti petræ júdices eórum.

8. Audient verba mea quóniam potuérunt: * sicut crassitúdo terræ erúpta est super terram.

9. Dissipáta sunt ossa nostra secus inférnum: † quia ad te, Dómine, Dómine, óculi mei: * in te sperávi, non áuferas ánimam meam.

2. Let my prayer be directed as incense in thy sight; * the lifting up of my hands, as evening sacrifice.

3. Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth: * and a door round about my lips.

4. Incline not my heart to evil words; * to make excuses in sins.

5. With men that work iniquity: * and I will not communicate with the choicest of them.

6. The just man shall correct me in mercy, and shall reprove me: * but let not the oil of the sinner fatten my head.

7. For my prayer also shall still be against the things with which they are well pleased: * their judges falling upon the rock have been swallowed up.

8. They shall hear my words, for they have prevailed: * as when the thickness of the earth is broken up upon the ground.

9. Our bones are scattered by the side of hell. * But to thee, O Lord, Lord, are my eyes: in thee have I put my trust, take not away my soul.

10. Keep me from the snare, which they have laid for me, * and from the stumbling blocks of them that work iniquity.

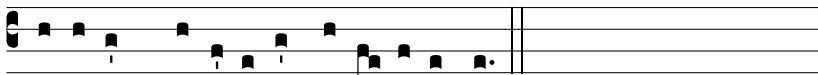
10. Custódi me a láqueo, quem statuérunt **mihi**: * et a scándalis operántium **iniquitátem**.

11. Cadent in retiáculo ejus
peccat**ó**res: * singuláriter sum ego
*donec trán*seam.

12. *(bow while seated)* Glória Patri,
et Fílio, * et Spirítui **Sancto**.

13. *(rise, remaining seated)* Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et **semper**, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

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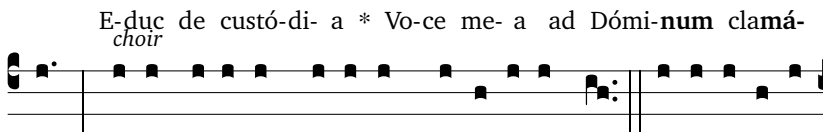
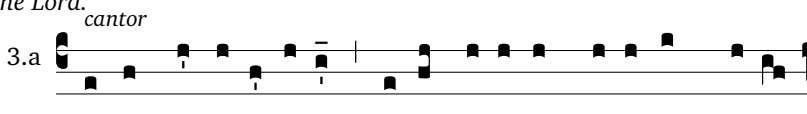
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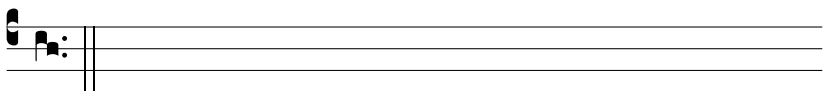
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* and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.

Psalm 141

Ant. 5. *Bring my soul * out of prison, O Lord, that I may praise thy name.*
 Ps. *I cried to the Lord with my voice: * with my voice I made supplication to the Lord.*



vi: ** vo-ce me- a ad Dómi-num depre-cá-tus sum: E u o u a



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2. Effúndo in conspéctu ejus oratió**ne**m **meam**, * et tribulatió**ne**m meam ante ipsum pronú**ntio**.

3. In defi-ci-éndo ex me spíritum **meum**: * et tu cognovísti sémitas **meas**.

4. In via hac, qua **ambulábam**, * abscondérunt láqueum **mihi**.

5. Considerábam ad d-éxteram, **et vidébam**: * et non erat qui cognósceret me.

6. Périit fuga **a** me: * et non est qui requírat ánimam **meam**.

7. Clamávi ad te, Dómine, † dixi: Tu es spes **mea**, * pórtio mea in terra vivéntium.

8. Inténde ad deprecatió**ne**m **meam**: quia humiliátus sum **nimis**.

9. Líbera me a persecuéntibus me: * quia confortáti sunt **super** me.

2. In his sight I pour out my prayer, * and before him I declare my trouble.

3. When my spirit failed me, * then thou knewest my paths.

4. In this way wherein I walked, * they have hidden a snare for me.

5. I looked on my right hand, and beheld, * and there was no one that would know me.

6. Flight hath failed me: * and there is no one that hath regard to my soul.

7. I cried to thee, O Lord: * I said: Thou art my hope, my portion in the land of the living.

8. Attend to my supplication: * for I am brought very low.

9. Deliver me from my persecutors; * for they are stronger than I.

10. Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name: * the just wait for me, until thou reward me.

11. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost.

10. Educ de custódia ánimam
meam ad confiténdum **nómini tuo**: *
me expéctant justí, donec retríbuas
mihi.

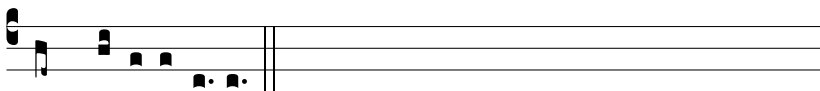
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12. *As it was in the beginning, is now,
* and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.*



E-duc de custó-di- a * á-nimam me- am Dó-mi-ne, ad confi-tén-



dum nómi-ni tu- o.

Ant. Bring my soul out of prison, O Lord, that I may praise thy name.

All stand. Continue on to the insert for the day, containing the Hymn, Magnificat, Collect, Commemorations if any are present, and Conclusion.