

# VESPERS II – 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, 2024

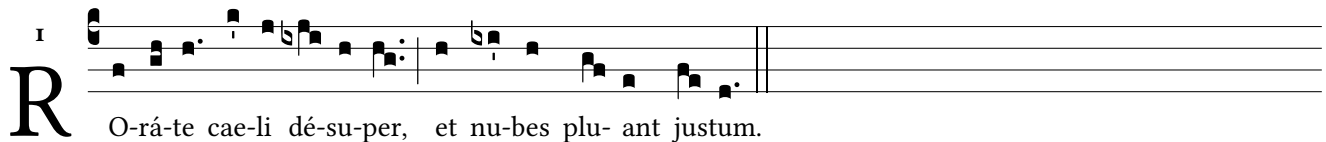
STAND



*Oh God, come to my assistance. –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 with out  
end. Amen. Alleluia.*

HYMN: “RORATE COELI”

P. BOURGET?, 1634; HARMONY BY MARK EMERSON DONNELLY



*Drop down dew, ye heavens from above, and let the clouds rain upon the just.*

Be not angry, O Lord, and remember no longer our iniquity:  
behold the city of thy sanctuary is become a desert,  
Sion is made a desert. Jerusalem is desolate,  
the house of our holiness and of thy glory,  
where our fathers praised thee.

See, O Lord, the affliction of thy people,  
and send him whom thou hast promised to send.  
Send forth the Lamb, the ruler of the earth,  
from the rock of the desert to the mount of the daughter of  
Sion,  
that he himself may take off the yoke of our captivity.

We have sinned, and we are become as one unclean,  
and we have all fallen as a leaf;  
and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away;  
thou hast hid thy face from us,  
and hast crushed us by the hand of our iniquity.

Be comforted, be comforted, my people;  
thy salvation shall speedily come.  
Why wilt thou waste away in sadness?  
why hath sorrow seized thee?  
I will save thee; fear not: for I am the Lord thy God,  
the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer.

## PSALMODY



The Lord's revelation to my Master: †  
“Sit on my right: \*  
your foes I will put beneath your feet.”

“You are a priest for ever, \*  
a priest like Melchizedek of old.”

The Lord will wield from Zion †  
your scepter of power: \*  
rule in the midst of all your foes.

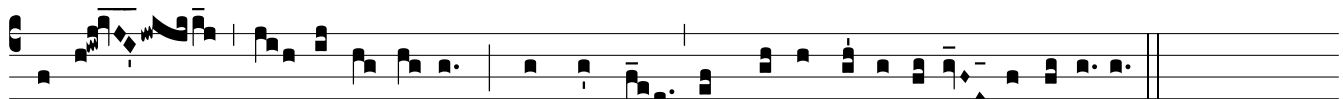
The Master standing at your right hand \*  
will shatter kings in the day of his wrath.

A prince from the day of your birth †  
on the holy mountains; \*  
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

He shall drink from the stream by the wayside \*  
and therefore he shall lift up his head.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. †

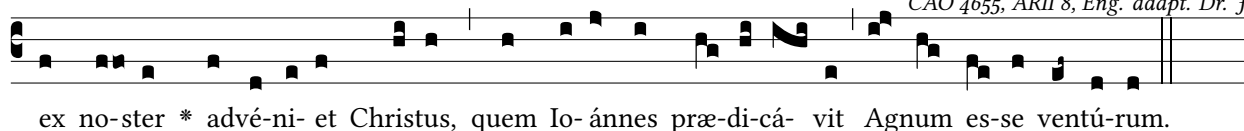
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, \*  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, \*  
and will be for ever. Amen.



RE-joice \* daughter of Zi- on, shout for joy daughter of Je- rú- sa- lem, al- le- lú- ia.

## 2ND ANTIPHON

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ex no-ster \* advé-ni-et Christus, quem Io-annes præ-di-cá- vit Agnum es-se ventú-rum.

When Israel came forth from Egypt, \*  
 Jacob's sons from an alien people,  
 Judah became the Lord's temple, \*  
 Israel became his kingdom.

Why was it, sea, that you fled, \*  
 that you turned back, Jordan, on your course?  
 Mountains, that you leapt like rams, \*  
 hills, like yearling sheep?

The sea fled at the sight: \*  
 the Jordan turned back on its course,  
 the mountains leapt like rams \*  
 and the hills like yearling sheep.

Tremble, O earth, before the Lord, \*  
 in the presence of the God of Jacob,  
 who turns the rock into a pool \*  
 and flint into a spring of water.



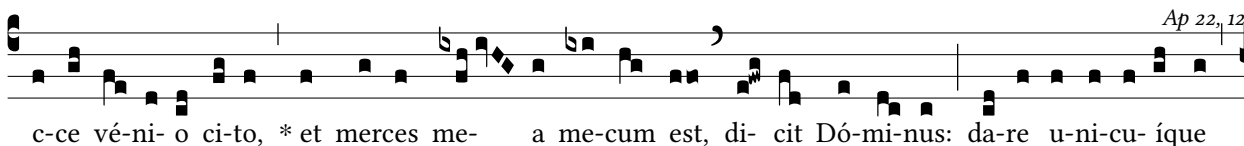
Christ our King \* will come to us, the Lamb of God foretold by John.

## CANTICLE: THE WEDDING OF THE LAMB

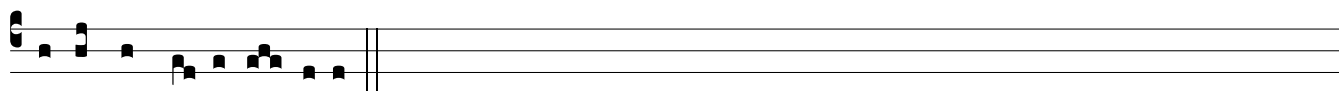
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c-ce vé-ni-o ci-to, \* et merces me- a me-cum est, di- cit Dó-mi-nus: da-re u-ni-cu-ique



se-cúndum ó-pe-ra su-a.

Salvation, glory, and power to our God: \*  
 Alleluia.  
 his judgments are honest and true. \*  
 Alleluia, alleluia.

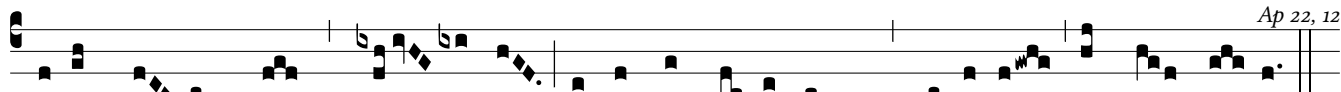
The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun, \*  
 Alleluia.  
 and his bride is prepared to welcome him. \*  
 Alleluia, alleluia.

Sing praise to our God, all you his servants, \*  
 Alleluia.  
 all who worship him reverently, great and small. \*  
 Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, \*  
 Alleluia.  
 and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
 Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord our all-powerful God is King; \*  
 Alleluia.  
 Let us rejoice, sing praise, and give him glory. \*  
 Alleluia, alleluia.

as it was in the beginning, is now, \*  
 Alleluia.  
 and will be for ever. Amen. \*  
 Alleluia, alleluia.




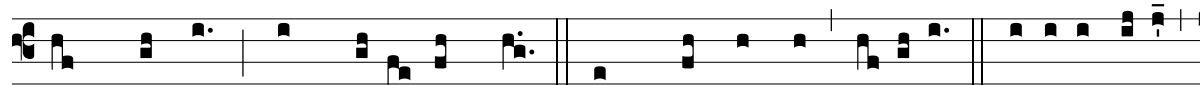
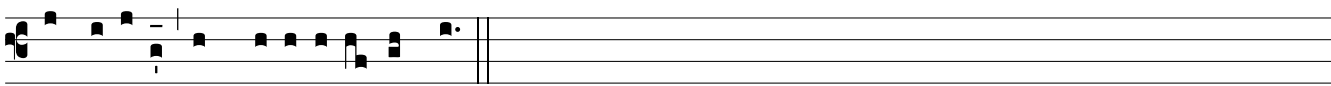
I am com- ing soon, \* says the Lord; I will give to ev'ry- one the reward his deeds de- serve.

# READING



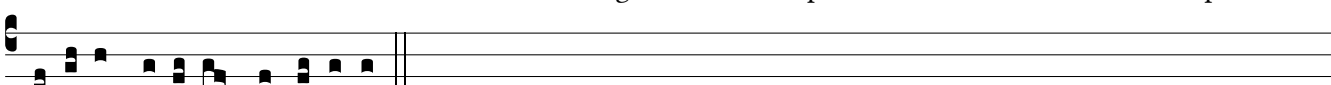
# PHILIPPIANS 4:4-5

Rejoice in the Lord always! I say it again. Rejoice! Everyone should see how unselfish you are. The Lord is near.

## RESPONSORY

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 ord, show us \* Your mercy and love ♪. And grant us your salvation. Gló-ri- a Patri,  
  
 et Fí-li- o, et Spi-rí-tu- i Sancto.

## GOSPEL CANTICLE

   
 E tí-me- as, Ma-rí- a, \* inve-ní-sti grá- ti- am a-pud Dómi-num: ecce concí- pi- es et  
  
 pá-ri- es Fí-li- um, al-le-lú-ia.

My + soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, †  
 my spirit rejoices in God my Savior \*  
 for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed: †  
 the Almighty has done great things for me, \*  
 and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him \*  
 in every generation.

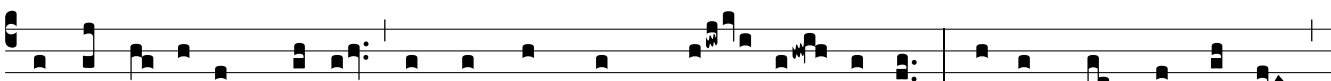
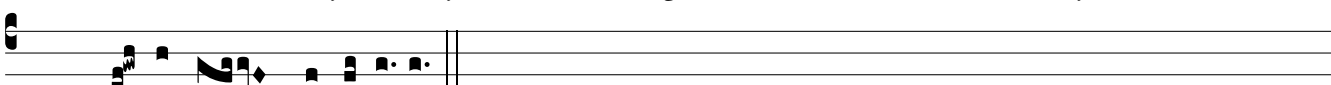
He has shown the strength of his arm, \*

he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
 and has lifted up the lowly.

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

He has come to the help of his servant Israel \*  
 for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  
 the promise he made to our fathers, \*  
 to Abraham and his children for ever.

  
 DO not be afraid, Ma-ry, \* for you have found grace with the Lord. Be-hold, you will conceive  
  
 and bear a Son, al-le-lú-ia.

## INTERCESSIONS

To Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the way, the truth, and the life,  
— let us make our humble prayer:  
**Come and stay with us, Lord.**

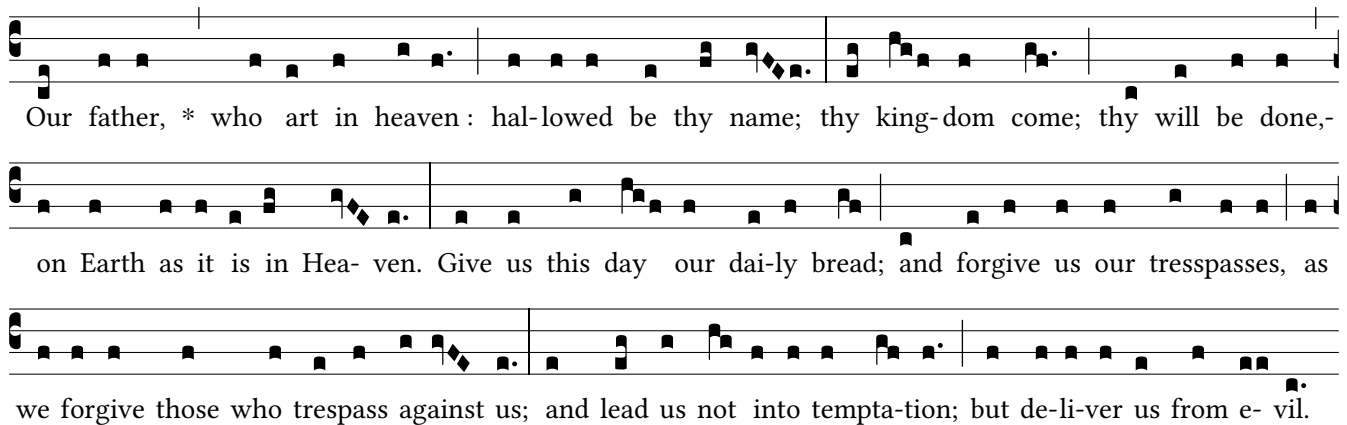
Jesus the Savior, the angel revealed your name to Joseph the just man,  
— come and save your people from their sins.  
**Come and stay with us, Lord.**

Son of the Most High, your coming was announced to the Virgin Mary by Gabriel,  
— come and rule over your people for ever.  
**Come and stay with us, Lord.**

Light of the world, for whom Simeon and all the just waited,  
— come and comfort us.  
**Come and stay with us, Lord.**

Holy One of God, in your presence John the Baptist leapt in Elizabeth's womb, — bring the joy of salvation to all the earth.  
**Come and stay with us, Lord.**

O Rising Sun that never sets, Zechariah foretold that you would visit us from above,  
— come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.  
**Come and stay with us, Lord.**



Our father, \* who art in heaven: hal-lowed be thy name; thy king-dom come; thy will be done,-  
on Earth as it is in Hea- ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread; and forgive us our tresspasses, as  
we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into tempta-tion; but de-li-ver us from e- vil.

### PRAYER

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly kingdom. 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.

### DISMISSAL

May the Lord + bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life. — **Amen.**

*Hermann of Reichenau, 11th C.*



**A** *v* *L*- ma \* Red-emptó-ris Ma-ter, quae pérví- a cae-li porta ma-nes, Et stel-la ma-ris, succúrre ca-  
dénti, súrgre qui cu-rat pópu-lo : Tu quae genu- í-sti, na-tú-ra mi-ránte, tu-um sanctum Ge-ni-tó-rem :  
Virgo pri- us ac posté-ri- us, Gabrí- é-lis ab o-re sumens il-lud Ave, pecca-tó-rum mi-se-ré-re.