FIRST OFFICE OF VESPERS

SUNDAY, PSALTER WEEK II IN ORDINARY TIME

For the third week in the four-week psalter cycle, not just the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The Nth Sunday in Ordinary Time is in Psalter week III if N divided by 4 has a remainder of three.

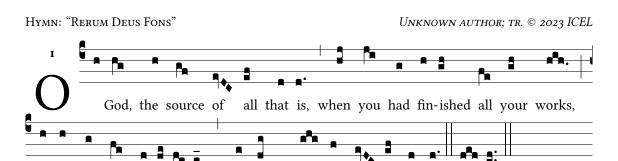
This Office is incomplete - each Sunday has proper antiphons at Magnificat and Benedictus.

Introduction



et semper, et in saécu-la saecu-ló-rum. Amen. Alle-lú-ia.

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.



the compass of the u-ni-verse was filled with gifts in vast array. A-men.

And after forming such a world, you took your rest, as it is said, that we might find most welcome rest and rise refreshed for daily work.

Now grant us in this mortal life to weep in sorrow for our sins, to persevere in righteousness and prosper in your gracious gifts, That when the final terror dawns, before the dread and fearful Judge, we all may find our perfect joy together in your blessed peace.

Most loving Father, hear our prayer, and you, O Christ coequal Son, who with the Spirit Paraclete now reign for all eternity. Amen.

PSALMODY

Ant. Psalm 41



Your word is a lamp for my steps * and a light for my path.

I have sworn and have made up my mind * to obey your decrees.

Lord, I am deeply afflicted: * by your word give me life. Accept, Lord, the homage of my lips * and teach me your decrees.

Though I carry my life in my hands, * I remember your law.

Though the wicked try to ensnare me * I do not stray from your precepts.

Your will is my heritage for ever, * the joy of my heart.

I set myself to carry out your will * in fullness, for ever.

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.



Il-lúmi-na * ó-cu-los me- os, Dómi-ne. E u o u a e.

Ant. Psalm 41



Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. † I say to the Lord: "You are my God. * My happiness lies in you alone."

He has put into my heart a marvelous love * for the faithful ones who dwell in his land.

Those who choose other gods increase their sorrows. †

Never will I offer their offerings of blood. *

Never will I take their name upon my lips.

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; * it is you yourself who are my prize.

The lot marked out for me is my delight: * welcome indeed the heritage that falls to me!

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, * who even at night directs my heart.

I keep the Lord ever in my sight: * since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

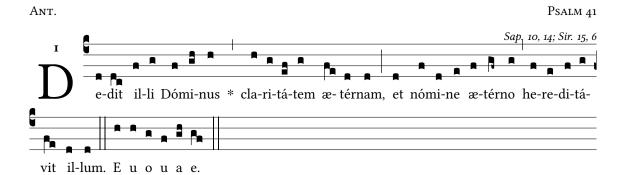
And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; * even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, * nor let your beloved know decay.

You will show me the path of life, † the fullness of joy in your presence, * at your right hand happiness for ever.

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.



Consérva me, Dómi-ne, * quó-ni- am in te spe-rá-vi. E u o u a e.



Though he was in the form of God, † Jesus did not deem equality with God * something to be grasped at.

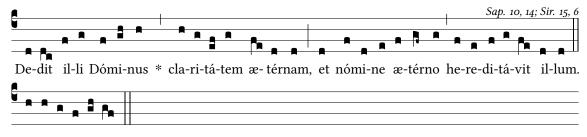
Rather, he emptied himself † and took the form of a slave, * being born in the likeness of men.

He was known to be of human estate, * and it was thus that he humbled himself, obediently accepting even death, * death on a cross!

Because of this, *
God highly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name *
above every other name,

So that at Jesus' name *
every knee must bend
in the heavens, on the earth, *
and under the earth,
and every tongue proclaim †
to the glory of God the Father: *
JESUS CHRIST IS LORD!

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.



E u o u a e.

READING 1 PETER 1:3-5

See iBreviary.

RESPONSORY



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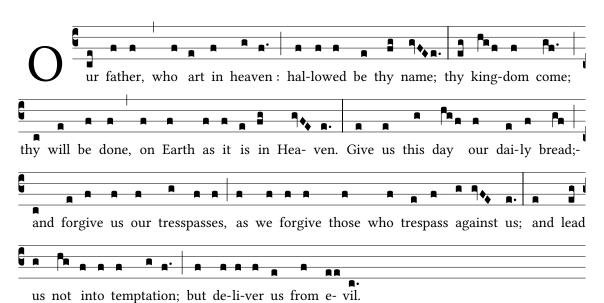
GOSPEL CANTICLE

PROPER TO EACH SUNDAY. See the OCO for this week's.

INTERCESSIONS

See iBreviary

Our Father



Prayer

See iBreviary.

DISMISSAL

If a priest or deacon presides:

The Lord be with you.

— And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. - **Amen**.

Go in peace.

- Thanks be to God.

In the absence of a priest or deacon and in individual recitation, Evening Prayer concludes:

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