

# OFFICE OF VESPERS

## WEDNESDAY, PSALTER WEEK II IN ORDINARY TIME

**D** E-us in adju-tó-ri-um me-um inténde. R. Dómi-ne ad adju-vándum me festí-  
na. Gló-ri-a Patri, et Fí-li-o, et Spi-rí-tu-i Sancto. Sic-ut e-rat in princí-pi-o, et nunc,  
et semper, et in saécu-la saecu-ló-rum. Amen. Alle-lú-ia.  
*Vel:* Laus ti-bi Dómi-ne Rex ae-térnae gló-ri-ae.

HYMN: "SOL ECCE LENTUS"

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**B** e-hold, the slowly set-ting sun de-parts from mountain, field, and sea; it leaves  
with sadness, yet re-news the promise of tomorrow's light.

For we in wonder recognize  
that you, Creator, thus provide  
and give to shadows, as to light,  
the laws that guide the change of hours.

So while the darkness shrouds the sky  
and weighs in silence on the world,  
when pow'r and strength for labor fail,  
then rest is sought with keen desire.

Endowed with faith and hope in you,  
we find all blessing in your Light,  
refulgent glory born from you:  
your Word before the dawn of time.

He is the Sun that knows no end,

that never rises, never sets,  
in whose protection earth exults,  
whom heaven sings with endless joy.

Grant us at length to find our joy  
for ever in this light serene,  
repeating hymns of praise to you  
and to the Son and Spirit blest. Amen.

## PSALMODY

ANT. Ps. 62

PEACE IN GOD

3g  Ps 61,2, PM 147

**N**onne De-o \* súbdi-ta e-rit á-ni-ma me-a? E u o u a e.

In God alone is my soul at rest; \*  
my help comes from him.  
He alone is my rock, my stronghold, \*  
my fortress: I stand firm.

How long will you all attack one man \*  
to break him down,  
as though he were a tottering wall, \*  
or a tumbling fence?

Their plan is only to destroy; \*  
they take pleasure in lies.  
With their mouth they utter blessing \*  
but in their heart they curse.

In God alone be at rest, my soul; \*  
for my hope comes from him.  
He alone is my rock, my stronghold, \*  
my fortress: I stand firm.

In God is my safety and glory, \*  
the rock of my strength.  
Take refuge in God, all you people. \*

Trust him at all times.  
Pour out your hearts before him \*  
for God is our refuge.

Common folk are only a breath, \*  
great men an illusion.  
Placed in the scales, they rise; \*  
they weigh less than a breath.

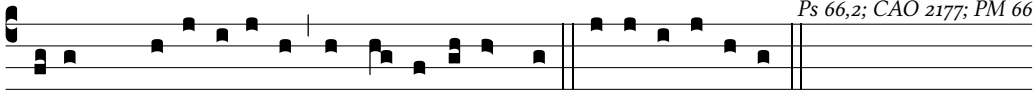
Do not put your trust in oppression \*  
nor vain hopes on plunder.  
Do not set your heart on riches \*  
even when they increase.

For God has said only one thing: \*  
only two do I know:  
that to God alone belongs power \*  
and to you, Lord, love;  
and that you repay each man \*  
according to his deeds.

*Gloria Patri.*  
*Nonne Deo.*

ANT. Ps. 67

PEOPLE OF ALL NATIONS WILL WORSHIP THE LORD.

8g  Ps 66,2; CAO 2177; PM 66

**D**e-us \* mi-se-re-á-tur, et be-ne-dí-cat nos. E u o u a e.

O God, be gracious and bless us \*  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth \*  
and all nations learn your saving help.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.

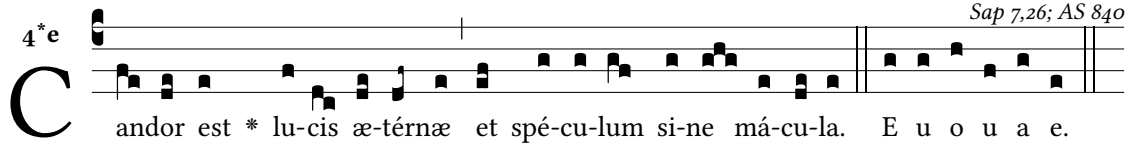
Let the nations be glad and exult \*  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples, \*  
you guide the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has yielded its fruit \*  
for God, our God, has blessed us.  
May God still give us his blessing \*  
till the ends of the earth revere him.

*Gloria Patri.*  
*Deus misereatur.*

ANT. COLOSSIANS 1:12-20 CHRIST THE FIRST-BORN OF ALL CREATION AND THE FIRST-BORN FROM THE DEAD

4<sup>e</sup>  Sap 7,26; AS 840

Let us give thanks to the Father \*  
for having made you worthy  
to share the lot of the saints \*  
in light.

He rescued us \*  
from the power of darkness  
and brought us \*  
into the kingdom of his beloved Son.  
Through him we have redemption, \*  
the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, \*  
the first-born of all creatures.  
In him everything in heaven and on earth was crea-  
ted, \*  
things visible and invisible.

All were created through him; \*

all were created for him.  
He is before all else that is. \*  
In him everything continues in being.

It is he who is head of the body, the church! \*  
he who is the beginning,  
the first-born of the dead, \*  
so that primacy may be his in everything.

It pleased God to make absolute fullness reside in  
him \*  
and, by means of him, to reconcile everything in his  
person,  
both on earth and in the heavens, \*  
making peace through the blood of his cross.

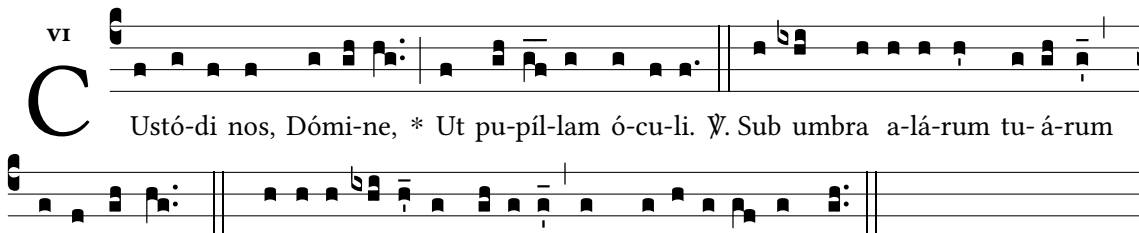
*Gloria Patri.*  
*Candor est.*


## READING

1 PETER 5:5B-7

In your relations with one another, clothe yourselves with humility, because God “is stern with the arrogant but to the humble he shows kindness.” Bow humbly under God’s mighty hand, so that in due time he may lift you high. Cast all your cares on him because he cares for you.

## RESPONSORY

VI  Ustó-di nos, Dómi-ne, \* Ut pu-píl-lam ó-cu-li. V. Sub umbra a-lá-rum tu-á-rum

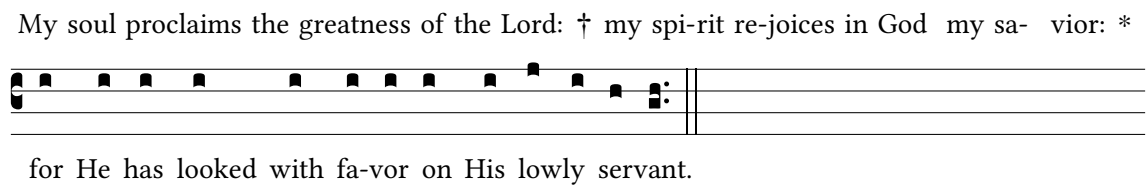
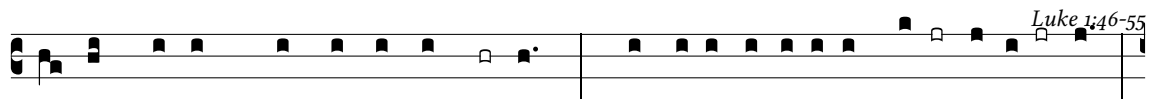
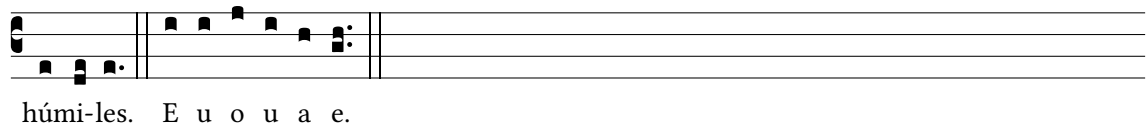
 pró-te-ge nos. V. Gló-ri- a Patri, et Fí-li- o, et Spi-rí-tu- i Sancto.

# GOSPEL CANTICLE

# MAGNIFICAT (CANTICLE OF MARY)

ANT.

LK 1:51,52; AM 154



From this day all generations will call me blessed: † He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
the Almighty has done great things for me, \* and the rich he has sent away empty.  
and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him \* for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  
in every generation. the promise he made to our fathers, \*  
to Abraham and his children for ever.

He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

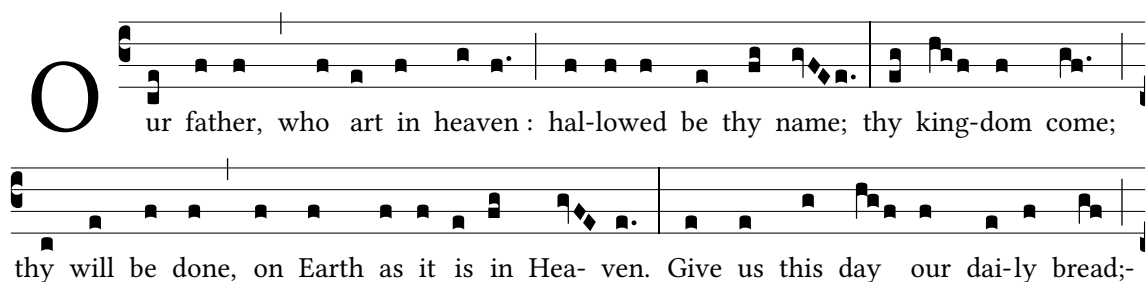
*Gloria Patri.*  
*Fac Deus potentiam.*

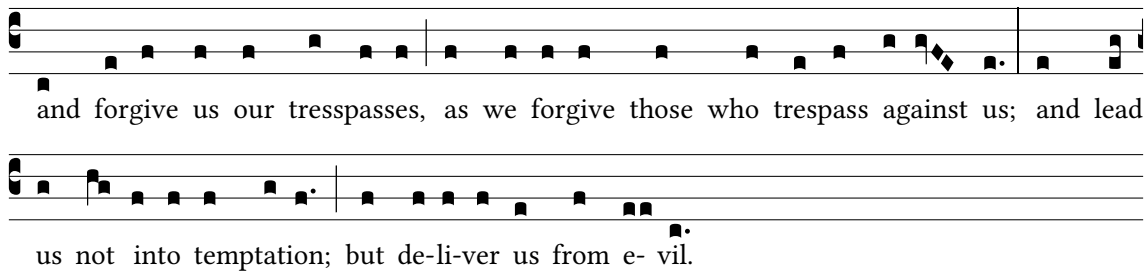
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
and has lifted up the lowly.

## 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.**