

Ave Sanctissima Maria

Motetto a V voci

Andrea Gabrieli (c. 1533 - 1585)

*Hail most holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven, gate of Paradise, ruler of the world.
You are a uniquely pure virgin.
You conceived Jesus without sin.
You bore the creator and saviour of the world in whom I do not doubt.
Free me from all evil and pray for my sins.*

Text source unknown.

Andreae Gabrielis Sacrae Cantiones [...], Liber Primus, published Antonio Gardano, Venice 1565; acknowledgements to the Bavarian State Library, whose website (<http://bildsuche.digitale-sammlungen.de>) contains a scan of the whole publication.

Barlines are editorial (one bar per *tempus*, ie. breve); ficta, ligature brackets, cautionary and courtesy accidentals are above the stave where applicable. Original note-values have been preserved as far as possible. Original mensuration marks are presented rather than imposing modern time signatures. Editorial underlay is in italics where applicable; Latin spelling has been modernised in places to aid legibility, and punctuation has been added.

This is Gabrieli's first published collection of his compositions and shows his early style. 1565 is an interesting date as Gabrieli's star was just rising in Venice - he had travelled to Munich in 1562, befriending Lassus, and then he became organist at S Marco in 1566. Quite possibly this collection, deidcated to Prince Albert, Duke of Bavaria and probably at least partially composed while in Munich, helped Gabrieli to gain the post.

As suggested on the 1565 title page, instrumental support or substitution is optional but worth considering.

CANTVS A - ve sanc-tis - si-ma Ma - ri - a, A - ve sanc - tis -

ALTVS A - ve sanc-tis - si - ma Ma - ri - a, A -

TENORE A - - ve sanc-tis - si - ma Ma - ri -

QVINTVS A -

BASSVS A - - ve sanc-tis - si-ma Ma -

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- si - ma Ma-ri - a, Ma - ter De - i, Re-gi-na Cae - li,

ve sanc-tis - si-ma Ma - ri - a, Ma - ter De - i, Re - gi-na Cae -

a, A - ve sanc - tis - si-ma Ma - ri - a, Ma - ter De - i, Re-gi-na

- ve sanctis - si - ma Ma-ri - a, Ma - ter De - i, Re -

ri - a, Ma - ter De - i, Re - gi-na Cae - li,

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Por - ta Pa-ra-di - si, Re-gi-na Cae - li, Por - ta Pa-ra-di -
 li, Por - ta Pa - ra - di - si, Re - gi-na Cae - li, Por - ta Pa-ra-di -
 Cae - li, Re - gi-na Cae - li, Por - ta Pa-ra-di - si, Re-gi-na Cae - li, Por - ta Pa - ra - di -
 gi-na Cae - li, Por - ta Pa-ra-di - si, Re - gi-na Cae - li, Por - ta Pa-ra-di -
 Re - gi-na Cae - li, Por - ta Pa - ra - di - si,

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si, Do - mi-na mun - di. Pu-ra sin - gu-la - ris,
 si, Do - mi-na mun - di, Do - mi-na mun - di. Pu - ra sin - gu - la - ris,
 si, Do - mi-na mun - di, Do - mi-na mun - di, Pu - ra sin -
 si, Domi - na mun - di. Pu - ra sin - gu-la - ris, Pu - ra
 Do - mi - na mun - di. Pu - ra sin - gu-la - ris, Pu -

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Pu - ra sin-gu-la - ris tu es vir - go. Tu concep-ti - sti Ie -
 Pu - ra sin - gu - la - ris tu es vir - go. Tu concep-ti - sti Ie -
 - gu-la - ris tu es vir - go. Tu con-cep-ti - sti, Tu con-cep-ti - sti Ie -
 sin - gu - la - ris tu es vir - go. Tu concep-ti - sti Ie - sum si-ne pec -
 ra sin - gu - la - ris tu es vir - go. Tu con-cep-ti - sti, Tu concep - ti - sti

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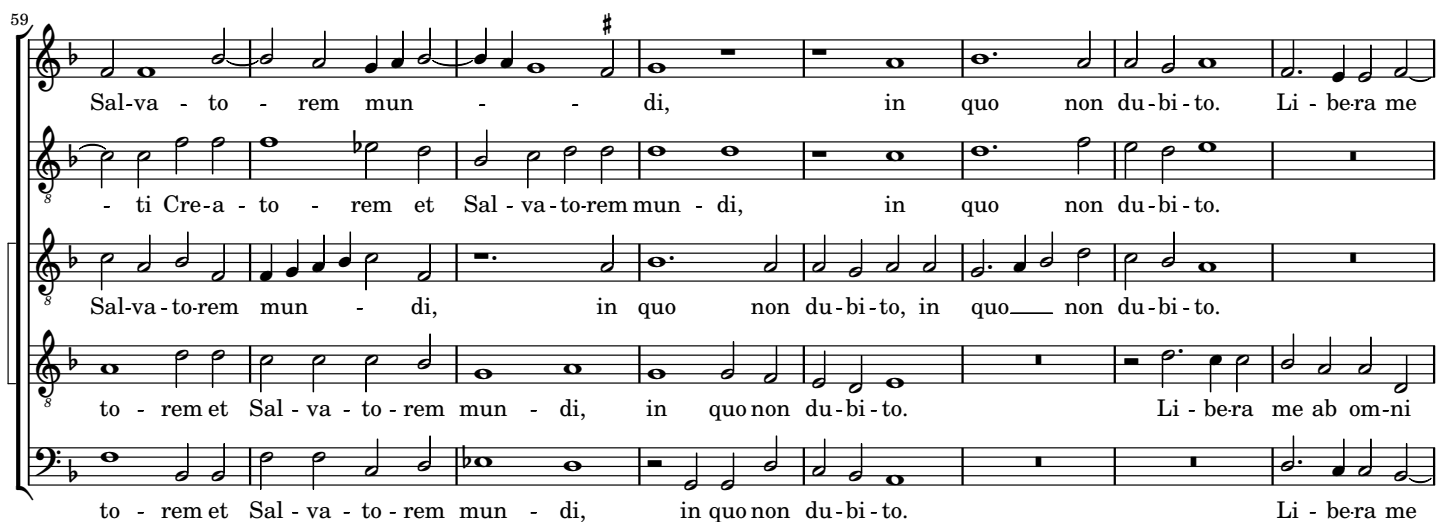
sum si - ne pec - ca - to. Tu pe - pe - ris - ti Cre - a - to - rem et Sal - va -
- sum si - ne pec - ca - to, Iesum si - ne pec - ca - to. Tu pe - pe - ris - ti Cre - a - to - rem, Tu pe -
- sum si - ne pec - ca - to, si - ne pec - ca - to. Tu pe - pe - ris - ti, Tu pe - pe - ris -
ca - to, si - ne pec - ca - to. Tu pe - pe - ris - ti, Tu pe - pe - ris - ti, Tu pe - pe - ris -
Ie - sum si - ne pec - ca - to. Tu pe - pe - ris - ti, Tu

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to - rem mun - di, Tu pe - pe - ris - ti, Tu pe - pe - ris - ti Cre - a - to - rem et
pe - ris - ti Cre - a - to - rem et Sal - va - to - rem mun - di, Tu pe - pe - ris -
ti Cre - a - to - rem, Tu pe - pe - ris - ti Cre - a - to - rem et Sal - va - to - rem mun - di, et
ti Cre - a - to - rem et Sal - va - to - rem Tu pe - pe - ris - ti, Tu pe - pe - ris - ti Cre - a -
pe - pe - ris - ti Cre - a - to - rem et Sal - va - to - rem mun - di, Tu pe - pe - ris - ti Cre - a -

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Sal - va - to - rem mun - di, in quo non du - bi - to. Li - bera me
- ti Cre - a - to - rem et Sal - va - to - rem mun - di, in quo non du - bi - to.
Sal - va - to - rem mun - di, in quo non du - bi - to, in quo non du - bi - to.
to - rem et Sal - va - to - rem mun - di, in quo non du - bi - to. Li - bera me ab om - ni
to - rem et Sal - va - to - rem mun - di, in quo non du - bi - to. Li - bera me

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