

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

SECOND VESPERS

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e- us, in adiu-tó-ri- um me- um inténde.

℞. Dómi-ne, ad adiu-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 sem-

per, et in sæcu-la sæcu-ló-rum. Amen. Alle-lú-ia.

God, come to my assistance. ℞. Lord, make haste to help me. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, unto the age of ages. Amen. Alleluia.

HYMNUS

Vexilla regis prodeunt

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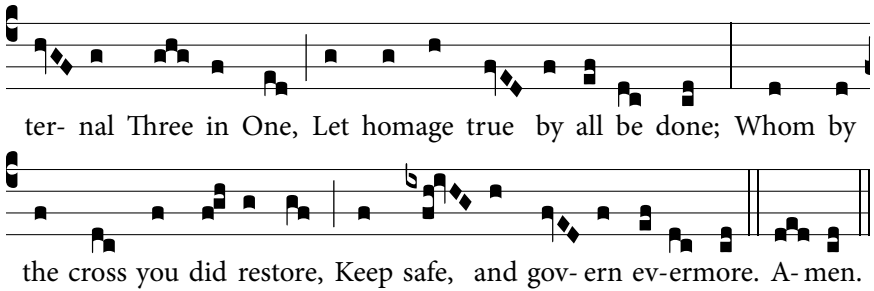
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he roy-al ban-ners for-ward go, ★ The cross shines forth in

mystic glow; On which our Maker, to redeem, Did hang incar-nate

from the beam. 2. On this the Lord, whom all revere, Was wounded

by the cru-él spear; To wash us clean from ev'-ry sin, Came blood
and wa- ter from within. 3. Fulfilled is all that Da-vid told In true
prophet- ic song of old; "Amidst the nations, God" said he, "Has
reigned and triumphed from the Tree." 4. O tree of beau-ty, tree of
light, O tree with roy- al purple dight; The tree long chosen from
of old Those limbs so ho- ly to uphold. 5. The blessed tree whose
branch-es bare Upheld the world's high ransom fair, As body's balance,
weighed it well, And took a-way its prey from hell. 6. O Cross, our
one re-li-ance, hail! This ho-ly Pas-siontide, a-vail To give the just
increase of grace, And par- doning, all guilt ef-face. 7. To you, E-



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magnum ★ pi- e- tá- tis opus! Mors mórtu- a tunc est,



quando in ligno mórtu- a vi- ta fu- it. † ★

O great work of love! Death was then dead, when Life had died on the tree.

PSALM 109

The Lord's revelation to my Master: †"Sit on my right: ★your foes I will put beneath your feet."The Lord will wield from Zion †your scepter of power: ★rule in the midst of all your foes.A prince from the day of your birth †on the holy mountains; ★from the womb before the dawn I begot you.The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. †"You are a priest for ever, ★

a priest like Melchizedek of old."

The Master standing at your right hand ★will shatter kings in the day of his great wrath.He shall drink from the stream by the wayside ★and therefore he shall lift up his head.

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.

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rux be-ne-dícta ★ ni-tet, Dó-mi-nus qua car-ne pe-pén-

dit, atque cru-ó-re su-o vúlne-ra nostra la-vit.

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The blessed cross blooms; the Lord hung upon it in the flesh, and with his blood washed our wounds.

PSALM 115

I trusted, even when I said: ★
 “I am sorely afflicted,”
 and when I said in my alarm: ★
 “No man can be trusted.”
 How can I repay the Lord ★
 for his goodness to me?
 The cup of salvation I will raise; ★
 I will call on the Lord’s name.
 My vows to the Lord I will fulfill ★
 before all his people.
 O precious in the eyes of the Lord ★
 is the death of his faithful.
 Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; ★
 you have loosened my bonds.

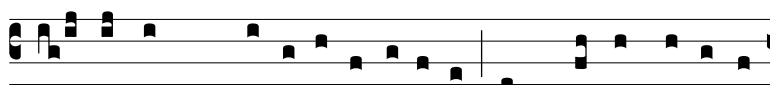
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make; ★
 I will call on the Lord's name.
 My vows to the Lord I will fulfill ★
 before all his people,
 in the courts of the house of the Lord, ★
 in your midst, O Jerusalem.
 Glory to the Father, and to the Son, ★
 and to the Holy Spirit:
 as it was in the beginning, is now, ★
 and will be for ever. Amen.

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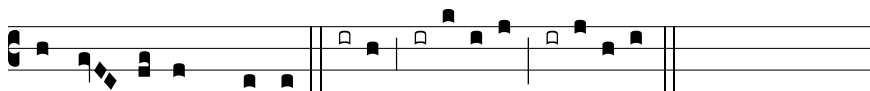
Gal 6:14

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os au-tem ★ glo-ri- á-ri opórtet in Cru-ce Dómi-ni



nostri Ie-su Chri-sti. † ★

It is fitting for us to glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

CANTICLE: AP 4:11; 5:9-10, 12

O Lord our God, you are worthy ★
 to receive glory and honor and power.
 For you have created all things; ★
 by your will they came to be and were made.
 Worthy are you, O Lord, ★
 to receive the scroll and break open its seals.
 For you were slain; ★
 with your blood you purchased for God
 men of every race and tongue, ★
 of every people and nation.
 You made of them a kingdom, †
 and priests to serve our God, ★
 and they shall reign on the earth.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain ★
to receive powerer and riches,
wisdom and strength, ★
honor and glory and praise.
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.

LECTIO BREVIS

1 Cor 1:23-24


We preach Christ crucified—a stumbling block to Jews, and an absurdity to Gentiles; but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

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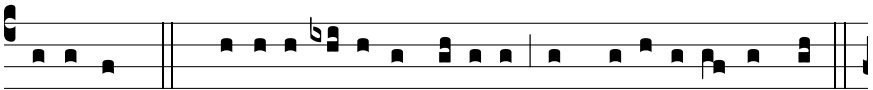
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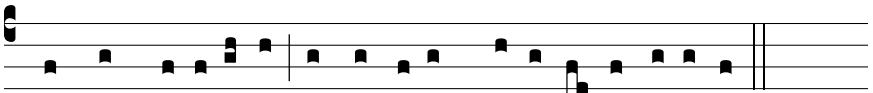
℞. O crux glo-ri- ó-sa, in te tri- umphá-vit rex ange-ló-rum. ʘ. Et



cru- ó-re su- o vúlne- ra nostra la- vit. In te tri- umphá-vit rex an-



ge-ló-rum. ʘ. Gló-ri- a Patri, et Fí- li- o, et Spi- rí- tu- i Sancto.



℞. O crux glo-ri- ó-sa, in te tri- umphá-vit rex ange-ló-rum.

O glorious cross, upon you the King of Angels triumphed. ʘ. And his blood washed our wounds.

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u-per ómni- a ★ ligna cedró-rum tu so-la excél-si-or,

in qua vi-ta mundi pe-péndit, in qua Christus tri-umphá-vit,

et mors mor-tem su-pe-rá-vit, al-le-lú-ia.

You alone are nobler than all cedar woods. On you hung the Life of the world; on you Christ triumphed, and death conquered death, alleluia.

CANTICUM EVANGELICUM

THE SOUL REJOICES IN THE LORD

Lc 1:46-55

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agní-fi-cat ★ á-nima me-a Dómi-num, et exsultá-vit spí-

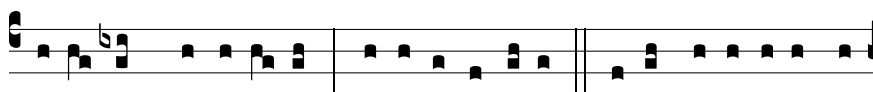
ri-tus me-us ★ in De-o sa-lu-tá-ri me-o, qui-a respé-xit humi-

li-tá-tem an-cíl-læ su-æ. ★ Ecce e-nim ex hoc be-á-tam me di-

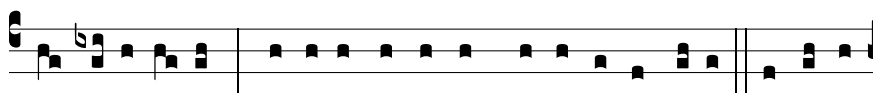
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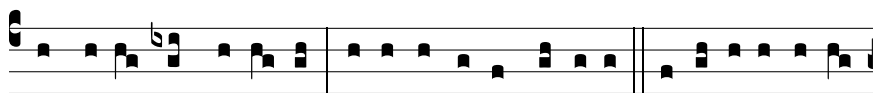
est, * et sanctum nomen e-ius, et mi-se-ri-córdi- a e-ius a pro-gé-



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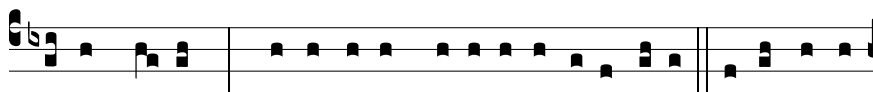
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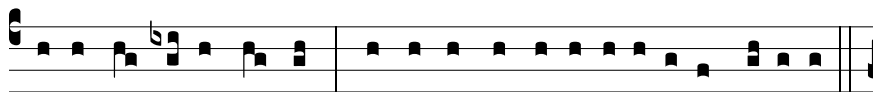
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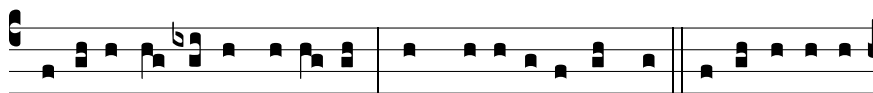
plé-vit bo-nis * et dí-vi-tes dimí-sit in-á-nes. Suscé-pit Isra- el pú-



e-rum su- um, * re-cordá-tus mi-se-ri-córdi- æ su-æ, si-cut lo-cú-



tus est ad patres nostros, * Abra-ham et sémi-ni e-ius in sǽcu-la.



Gló-ri- a Pa-tri, et Fí-li- o, * et Spi-rí-tu- i Sancto. Si-cut e-rat in



prínci-pi- o, et nunc, et semper, * et in sǽcu-la sǽcu-ló-rum. Amen.

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. 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.

PRECES

Let us pray with confidence to Christ who endured the cross to save us:
 Lord, through your cross bring us to the glory of your kingdom.

R. Lord, through your cross bring us to the glory of your kingdom.

O Christ, you emptied yourself, taking the form of a servant and being made like us, – grant that your people may follow the example of your humility.

R. Lord, through your cross bring us to the glory of your kingdom.

O Christ, you humbled yourself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross, – grant that your servants may imitate your obedience and willing acceptance of trials.

R. Lord, through your cross bring us to the glory of your kingdom.

O Christ, you were raised up by the Father and given the name that is above all other names, – may your people, strengthened in the hope of a heavenly resurrection, persevere to the end.

R. Lord, through your cross bring us to the glory of your kingdom.

O Christ, at your name every knee in heaven, on earth and under the earth will bend in adoration, – pour out your love upon all men that they may join together in proclaiming your glory.

R. Lord, through your cross bring us to the glory of your kingdom.

O Christ, every tongue shall confess that you are Lord to the glory of God the Father, – welcome our brothers and sisters who have died into the unending joy of your kingdom.

R. Lord, through your cross bring us to the glory of your kingdom.

PATER NOSTER

P a-ter noster, ★ qui es in cæ-lis: sancti-fi-cé-tur nomen tu-
 um; advé-ni- at régnum tu- um; fi- at vo-lúntas tu- a, sic-ut in
 cæ-lo et in terra. Pa-nem nostrum co-ti-di- á-num da no-bis hó-
 di- e; et dimit-te no-bis dé-bi-ta nostra, sic-ut et nos dimít-ti-
 mus de-bi-tó-ri-bus nostris; et ne nos indú-cas in tenta-ti- ó-nem;
 sed lí-be-ra nos a ma-lo.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.

ORATIO CONCLUSIVA

O God, who willed that your Only Begotten Son should undergo the Cross to save the human race, grant, we pray, that we, who have known his mystery on earth, may merit the grace of his redemption in heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

℟. Amen.

RITUS CONCLUSIONIS

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. And with your spirit.

℣. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

℟. Amen.

BENEDICAMUS DOMINO

B e-ne-di-cá- mus Dó- mi-no.

℟. De- o grá- ti- as.

℣. Let us bless the Lord. ℟. And give him thanks.