

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

INTROIT

Ecce advenit

Cf. Mal 3: 1; 1 Chron 29: 12

II

B

Ehold, * the Sovereign Lord is coming; kingship,
government and power are in his hands.

Psalm 72 (71)

1. O God, give your judgment *to the king*, *
to a king's son your **justice**,
that he may judge your people *in justice*, *
and your poor in right **judgment**.
2. The kings of Tarshish *and the islands* *
shall pay him **tribute**.
The kings of Sheba *and Seba* *
shall bring him **gifts**.
Before him all kings *shall fall* **prostrate**, *
all nations shall **serve** him.

3. For he shall save the needy *when they cry*, *
 the poor, and those who are **helpless**.
 He will have pity on the weak *and the needy*, *
 and save the lives of the **needy**.
 From oppression and violence he *redeems their souls*; *
 to him their blood is **dear**.

Glory be to the Father ...

OFFERTORY

Reges Tharsis

Ps 72 (71): 10, 11

V
T HE kings of Tarshish and the islands shall offer
 presents; * the kings of the A-ra-bians and of Sheba
 shall bring gifts; all the kings of the earth shall adore
 him, all nations shall serve him.

Psalm 72 (71)

1. O God, give your judgment to *the king*, *
 to a king's *son your justice*,
 that he may judge your people *in justice*, *
 and your poor *in right judgment*.

2. May the mountains bring forth peace for *the* **people**, *
and *the hills* **justice**.

May he defend the poor of the people, †
and save the children of *the* **needy**, *
and crush *the* **oppressor**.

3. He shall endure like the sun and *the* **moon** *
through all *generations*.

He shall descend like rain on *the* **meadow**, *
like showers that *water* **the earth**.

In his days shall *justice* **flourish**, *
4. and great peace till the moon *is no* **more**.

He shall rule from sea *to* **sea**, *
from the River to the bounds *of* **the earth**.

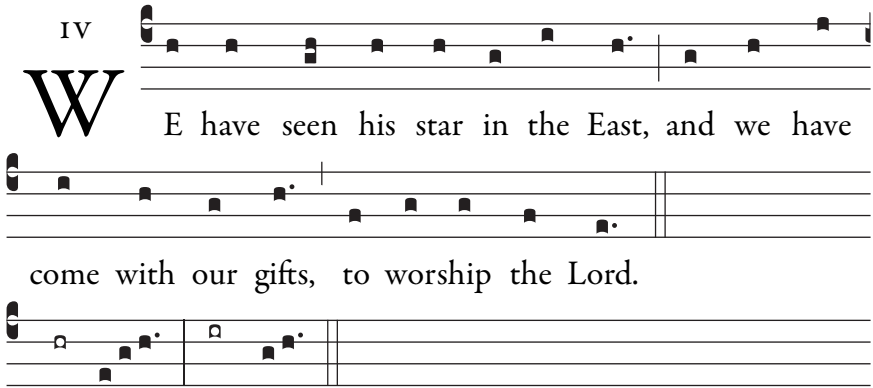
Let the desert dwellers fall *before* him, *
and his enemies *lick* **the dust**.

COMMUNION

Vidimus stellam

Cf. Mt 2: 2

IV



W E have seen his star in the East, and we have
come with our gifts, to worship the Lord.
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that he may judge your people *in justice*, *
and your poor in *right judgment*.
2. May the mountains bring forth peace *for the people*, *
and the *hills justice*.
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and great peace till the moon is *no more*.
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from the River to the bounds of *the earth*.
5. The kings of Tarshish *and the islands* *
shall pay *him tribute*.
The kings of Sheba *and Seba* *
shall bring *him gifts*.
Before him all kings *shall fall prostrate*, *
all nations *shall serve* him.

6. For he shall save the needy *when they cry*, *
the poor, and those who *are* **helpless**.

7. May his name *endure forever*, *
his name continue like *the sun*.
Every tribe *shall be* **blest** in him, *
all nations shall call *him* **blessed**.

8. Blest be the LORD, *God of Israel*, *
who alone *works* **wonders**,

Glory be to the Father ...

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