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SAINT JOSEPH

INTROIT

Iustus ut palma

Ps 92 (91): 13, 14

I HE righteous man shall flourish like the palm tree; *
he shall grow up like the cedar of Lebanon; for he
is planted in the house of the Lord, in the courts of
our God.

Psalm 92 (91)

1. It is good to give thanks *to the LORD*, *
to make music to your name, O *Most High*,
to proclaim your loving mercy *in the morning*, *
and your truth in the watches of *the night*,
on the tenstringed lyre *and the lute*, *
with the sound of song on *the harp*.
2. You have gladdened me, O LORD, *by your deeds*; *
for the work of your hands I shout *with joy*.
O LORD, how great *are your works*! *
How deep are your *designs*!
The senseless *cannot know* this, *
and the fool cannot *understand*.

3. Though the wicked spring *up like grass*, *
and all who do *evil thrive*,
they are doomed to be eternally *destroyed*. *
But you, O LORD, are eternally *on high*.

Glory be to the Father ...

OFFERTORY

Veritas mea

Ps 89 (88): 25

II
M Y fi-del-i-ty and my mercy are with him; and

in my name shall his horn be exalt-ed.

Psalm 89 (88)

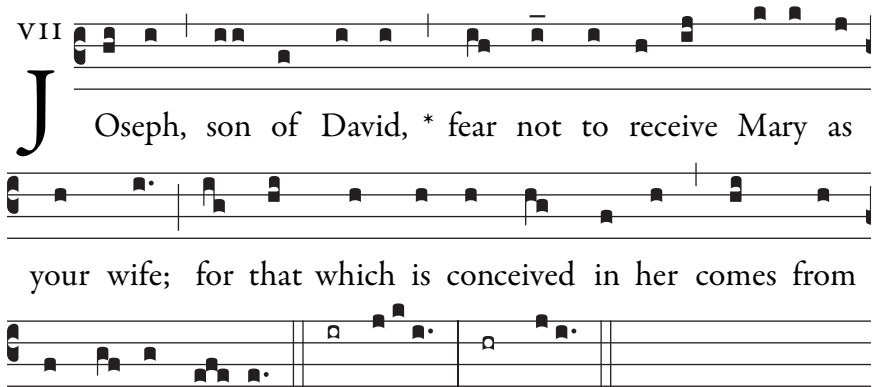
1. Then you spoke in *a vision*. *
To your faithful *ones you said*,
“I have set the crown on *a warrior*, *
I have exalted one chosen *from the people*.
2. I have found my *servant David*, *
and with my holy oil *anointed him*.
My hand shall always *be with him*, *
and my arm shall *make him strong*.
3. The enemy shall never *outwit him*, *
nor shall the son of iniquity *humble him*.
I will beat down his foes *before him*, *
and those who hate him *I will strike*.

COMMUNION (Option 1)

Ioseph, fili David

Mt 1: 20

VII



Joseph, son of David, * fear not to receive Mary as
your wife; for that which is conceived in her comes from
the Ho-ly Spi-rit.

Psalm 112 (111)

1. Blessed the man who *fears the LORD*, *
who takes great delight in his *commandments*.
His descendants shall be *powerful on earth*; *
the generation of the upright will *be blest*.
2. Riches and wealth are *in his house*; *
his justice stands firm *forever*.
A light rises in the darkness *for the upright*; *
he is generous, merciful, *and just*.
3. It goes well for the man who deals *generously and lends*, *
who conducts his affairs *with justice*.
He will *never be moved*; *
forever shall the just be *remembered*.
4. He has no fear of *evil news*; *
with a firm heart, he trusts in *the LORD*.
With a steadfast heart he *will not fear*; *
he will see the downfall of *his foes*.

5. Openhanded, he gives to the poor; †
his justice stands *firm forever*. *
His might shall be exalted *in glory*.

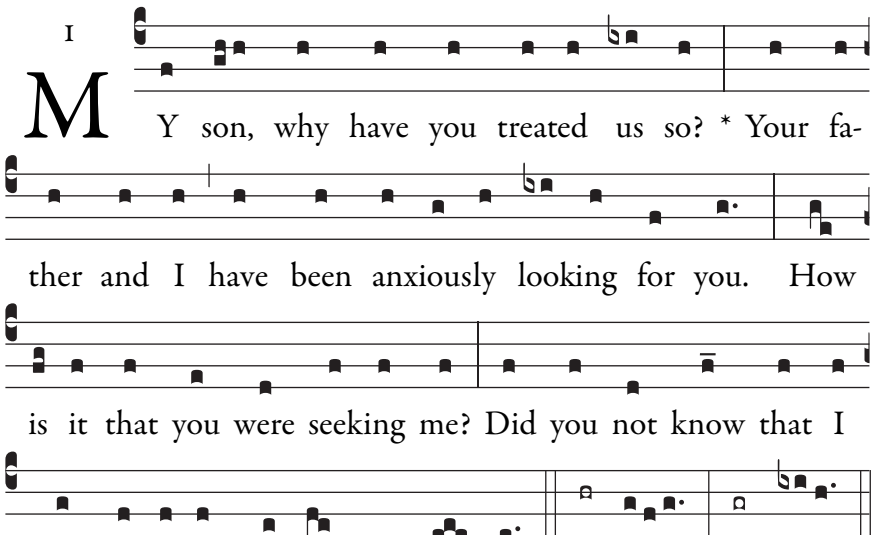
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COMMUNION (Option 2)

Fili, quid fecisti

Lk 2: 48, 49

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M Y son, why have you treated us so? * Your fa-
ther and I have been anxiously looking for you. How
is it that you were seeking me? Did you not know that I
must be about my Father's business?



Psalm 27 (26)

1. The LORD is my light and *my salvation*; *
whom shall *I fear*?
The LORD is the stronghold *of my life*; *
whom should *I dread*?

2. There is one thing I ask *of the LORD*, *
only this do *I seek*:
to live in the house *of the LORD* *
all the days of *my life*,
to gaze on the beauty *of the LORD*, *
to inquire at *his temple*.
3. For there he keeps me safe *in his shelter* *
in the day *of evil*.
He hides me under cover *of his tent*; *
he sets me high upon *a rock*.
4. Of you my heart has spoken, †
“*Seek his face.*” *
It is your face, O LORD, that *I seek*; *
5. I believe I shall see *the LORD's goodness* *
in the land of *the living*.

Glory be to the Father ...

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