

*Cantor* : Blessed be the great Mother of God, / Mary most **holy**. \*  
Blessed be her holy and Immaculate *Conception*.

*All* : Blessed be her glorious *Assumption*. \*  
Blessed be the name of Mary, / virgin *and mother*.

*Cantor* : Blessed be Saint **Joseph**, \*  
her most *chaste spouse*.

*All* : Blessed be **God** \*  
in his angels and in *his saints*.

*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*

Holy God, we praise thy Name ;	Hark ! The loud celestial hymn
Lord of all, we bow before thee ;	Angel choirs above are raising ;
All on earth thy scepter 'claim ;	Cherubim and seraphim,
All in heav'n above adore thee ;	In unceasing chorus praising,
Infinite thy vast domain ;	Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord :
Everlasting is thy reign.	Holy, holy, holy Lord.

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**PRAYER AFTER THE DIVINE OFFICE**

Let every creature give unending praise, honor, power and glory throughout all eternity to the Most Holy and Undivided Trinity, the crucified humanity of our Lord Jesus Christ, the chaste Motherhood of Mary, the ever glorious and blessed Virgin, and to the entire assembly of saints, and may we be granted the forgiveness of our sins.

Blessed is the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary which bore the Son of the Eternal Father. And blessed are the breasts which nursed Christ our Lord.

**CHRIST THE KING. AT SECOND VESPERS**



**PRAYER BEFORE THE DIVINE OFFICE**

Open my lips, O Lord, to praise your holy Name. Cleanse my heart of any vain, evil, or distracting thoughts. Give light to my mind and fervor to my will; enable me to recite this Office worthily, attentively, and devoutly, so that my prayer will be heard in the presence of your divine Majesty. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, I offer you this Hour with the divine intention you had while on earth offering praises to God.

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION  
OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT**

*O Salutaris Hostia*

O salutáris hóstia,  
Quæ cæli pandis óstium,  
Bella premunt hostília ;  
Da robur, fer auxiliium.

Uni trinóque Dómino  
Sit sempitérna glória :  
Qui vitam sine término  
Nobis donet in pátria.

Amen.

O Saving Victim opening wide  
The gate of heav'n to man below :  
Our foes press on from every side ;  
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend  
For evermore, blest One in Three ;  
O grant us life that shall not end  
In our true native land with thee.

Amen.

*A time of silent adoration follows.*

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## CHRIST THE KING. AT SECOND VESPERS

*King of kings, and crown of all the Saints*

The Feast of Christ the King is celebrated at the end of the liturgical year as the commemoration of all the mysteries by which Jesus has established his royal powers, he who is the “King of kings, and crown of all the Saints” — until he shall be the crown of all those on earth whom he saves, especially by the Mass. It is indeed principally by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass which is both a sacrifice and a sacrament, that Christ, now in glory, assures the results of the victorious sacrifice of Calvary, by taking possession of souls through the application of the merits of his Passion and thereby unites them as members to their Head. The end of the Eucharist is “to form one sole mystic body of all the faithful” and so to draw them in the cult which Christ, king-adorer, as Priest and Victim, rendered in a bloody manner on the Cross and now renders in an unbloody manner, on the stone altar of our churches and on the golden altar in heaven, to Christ, king-adored, as Son of God, and to his Father to whom he offers these souls.

### OPENING VERSE

**STAND**



**O** God, come to my as-sistance. *R.* O Lord, make haste to help me. Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it : as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for ev-er. A-men. Al- le- lu- ia.

### HYMN

*Vittorio Genovesi. † 1967*

*Te sæculorum principem. (L.M.)*

*C* : 1. *O Christ, the Ruler of all time,  
You hold the world beneath your sway.  
As Judge supreme of ev'ry soul  
We offer you our hearts this day.*

*A* : 2. **Before your throne the angels sing  
And down in adoration fall,  
We praise you with our heart's delight,  
Proclaiming you the King of all.**

*C* : 3. *O Christ, our Shepherd, Prince of Peace,  
A: Our rebel hearts and minds subdue,  
And draw the sheep that roam astray,  
Within the fold, at one with you.*

*C* : 4. **For this you hung upon the Tree,  
With saving arms extended wide;  
To prove the measure of your love  
The cruel lance would pierce your side.**

*A* : 5. *Upon our altars you descend,  
Beneath the forms of bread and wine,  
That we may our salvation win,  
And even share your life divine.*

*A* : 6. **All glory, Jesus, be to you,  
Who with the Father reign above,  
Who with the Spirit rule all things  
With infinite and wondrous love. Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

### OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

*Tantum ergo Sacramentum*

Tantum ergo Sacramentum  
Veneremur cernui ;  
Et antiquum documentum  
Novo cedat ritui ;  
Præstet fides supplementum  
Sensuum defectui.

Genitóri, Genitóque  
Laus et iubilatio,  
Salus, honor, virtus, quoque  
Sit et benedictio :  
Procedenti ab utroque  
Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

*V.* Panem de cælo præstitisti  
eis (*T. P.* alleluia).  
*R.* Omne delectamentum in se  
habentem (*T. P.* alleluia).

**Oratio**

**D**EUS, qui nobis sub sacramento mirabili, passionis tuæ memoriam reliquisti : \* tribue, quæsumus, ita nos Cörperis et Sanguinis tui sacra mysteria venerari ; ut redemptionis tuæ fructum in nobis iugiter sentiamus : Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum. *R.* Amen.

**Prayer**

**O** God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, \* grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign for ever and ever. *R.* Amen.

### The Divine Praises



*Cantor* : Blessed be **God**. \*  
Blessed be his holy **Name**.

*All* : Blessed be Jesus Christ, / true God and true **man**. \*  
Blessed be the *Name of Jesus*.

*Cantor* : Blessed be his most Sacred **Heart**. \*  
Blessed be his most **Precious Blood**.

*All* : Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the **Altar**. \*  
Blessed be the Holy Spirit, *the Paraclete*.

## INTERCESSIONS

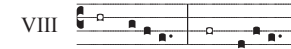


- Celebrant* : Let us pray to Christ our King. / He is the first-born of all creation; / all things exist in **him**.
- All* : May your kingdom come, **O Lord**.
- Cantor* : Christ, our King and Shepherd, / gather your sheep from every land, / give them pasture in green and fertile **meadows**.
- All* : May your kingdom come, **O Lord**.
- Cantor* : Christ, our Leader and Savior, / form all men into your own people, / heal the sick, seek out the lost, guard the strong, / call back those who have wandered far away, / strengthen those who waver, / gather all your sheep into one **flock**
- All* : May your kingdom come, **O Lord**.
- Cantor* : Judge of all ages, / when you hand over the kingdom to your Father, / place us at your right hand, / so that we may inherit the kingdom prepared for us / from the beginning of the **world**.
- All* : May your kingdom come, **O Lord**.
- Cantor* : Prince of peace, break the weapons of war, / and inspire the nations with your **peace**.
- All* : May your kingdom come, **O Lord**.
- Cantor* : Christ, heir of all nations, / gather humanity and all the good things of your creation into the kingdom of your Church / which your Father bestowed on you, / so that the whole body of your people, united in the Holy Spirit, / may acknowledge you as their **head**.
- All* : May your kingdom come, **O Lord**.
- Cantor* : Christ, firstborn of the dead and firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep in death, / bring all who have died to the glory of the resurrection.
- All* : May your kingdom come, **O Lord**.
- Our Father . . .
- Celebrant* : Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- All* : Amen.

*Vespers concludes with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.*

## ANTIPHON I

*SIT*



- Cantor* : He shall sit upon the *throne of David*, \*  
and rule over his kingdom for ever, / *alleluia*.

### Psalm 109

#### King and Priest

*A famous Messianic Psalm. In colorful pictures, the royal psalmist paints the mission, conflict, and triumph of our Savior. We ought to pray this Psalm with sentiments of deepest devotion, homage, adoration; for Christ has applied these words of prophecy to himself.*

*Christ's reign will last until all his enemies  
are made subject to him (1 Corinthians 15 : 25)*

#### Appointed King by God

- Cantor* : The Lord's revelation to my Master : /  
" Sit on my **right** : \*  
your foes I will put beneath your **feet**. "
- All* : The Lord will wield from Sion your scepter of **power** : \*  
rule in the midst of *all your foes*.
- Cantor* : A prince from the day of your birth on the *holy mountains* ; \*  
from the womb before the dawn *I begot* you.

#### Appointed Priest by God

- All* : The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. /  
" You are a *priest for ever*, \*  
a priest like Melchizedek of **old**. "

#### Conqueror and Judge in God

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

#### Doxology

- Cantor* : Glory to the Father, and to the **Son**, \*  
and to the *Holy Spirit* :
- All* : as it was in the beginning, *is now*, \*  
and will be for ever. **Amen**.
- Cantor* : He shall sit upon the *throne of David*, \*  
and rule over his kingdom for ever, / *alleluia*.



**ANTIPHON 2**

*Cantor* : Your kingdom shall be an everlasting **kingdom**, \*  
and you shall rule from generation to generation.

**Psalm 144: 1-13**

**Praise of God's majesty**

*This particularly fervent song easily becomes a prayer of thanks for the favors bestowed by Christ the King. He has shown himself great, benign, and faithful.*

*Lord, you are the Just One, who was and who is (Revelation 16: 5)*

**Theme: praise of God**

*Cantor* : I will give you glory, O **God my King**, \*  
I will bless your name *for ever*.

*All* : I will bless you day *after day* \*  
and praise your name *for ever*.

**God's greatness**

*Cantor* : The Lord is great, highly *to be praised*, \*  
his greatness cannot *be measured*.

*All* : Age to age shall *proclaim your works*, \*  
shall declare your mighty **deeds**,

*Cantor* : shall speak of your *splendor and glory*, \*  
tell the tale of your wonderful **works**.

*All* : They will speak of your *terrible deeds*, \*  
recount your greatness *and might*.

**God's kindness**

*Cantor* : They will recall your *abundant goodness*; \*  
age to age shall ring out *your justice*.

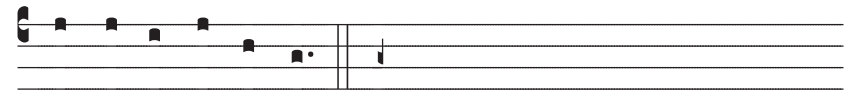
*All* : The Lord is kind and full *of compassion*, \*  
slow to anger, abounding *in love*.

*Cantor* : How good is the *Lord to all*, \*  
compassionate to all *his creatures*.

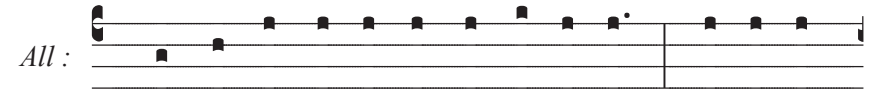
**God's royal glory**

*All* : All your creatures shall thank *you, O Lord*, \*  
and your friends shall repeat *their blessing*.

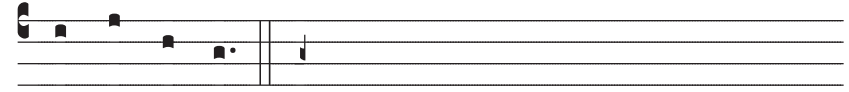
*Cantor* : They shall speak of the *glory of your reign* \*  
and declare your might, **O God**,



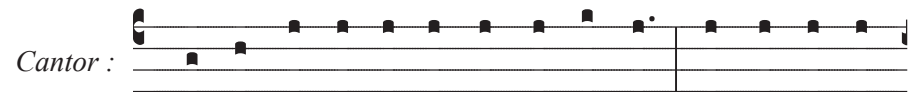
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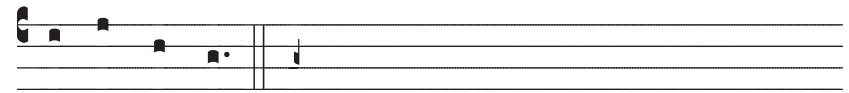
10. Glo- ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, \* and to the



Ho- ly Spir- it:



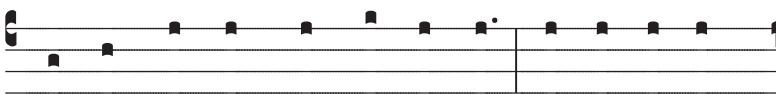
11. as it was in the be- gin-ning, is now \* and will be for



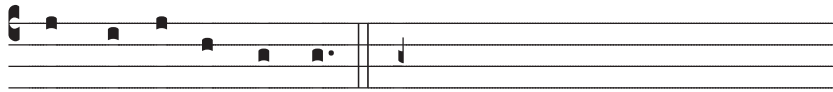
ev- er. A- men. *The antiphon is repeated by the Cantor.*

*Antiphon* : All authority in heaven *and on earth* \*  
has been given to me, *says the Lord*.




Cantor : 

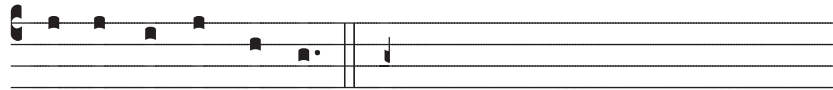
5. He has shown the strength of his arm, \* he has scattered



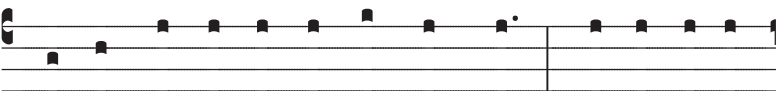
the proud in their con-ccit.

All : 

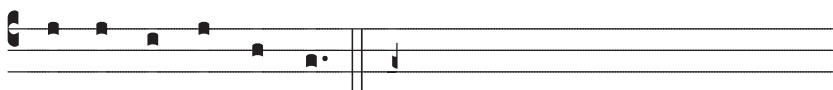
6. He has cast down the might-y from their thrones, \* and has



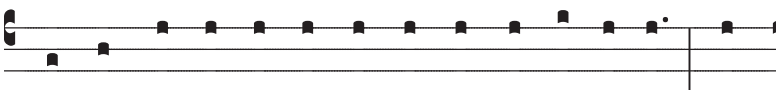
lift-ed up the low-ly.

Cantor : 

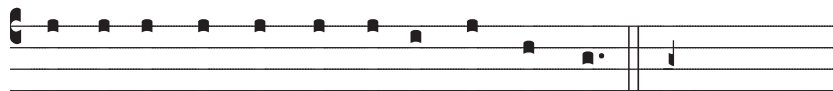
7. He has filled the hun-gry with good things, \* and the rich he



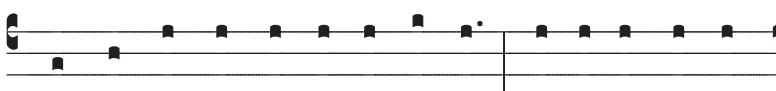
has sent a-way emp-ty.

All : 

8. He has come to the help of his ser-vant, Is- ra- el \* for



he has re-mem-bered his promise of mer- cy,

Cantor : 

9. the prom-ise he made to our fa-thers, \* to A-bra-ham and

All : to make known to men your *mighty deeds* \*  
and the glorious splendor of *your reign*.

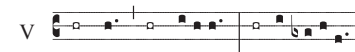
Cantor : Yours is an everlasting **kingdom** ; \*  
your rule lasts from age to **age**.

**Doxology**

All : Glory to the Father, and to *the Son*, \*  
and to the Holy **Spirit** :

Cantor : as it was in the beginning, *is now*, \*  
and will be for ever. **Amen**.

Cantor : Your kingdom shall be an everlasting **kingdom**, \*  
and you shall rule from generation to generation.

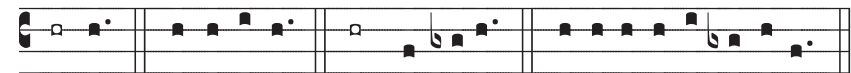


**ANTIPHON 3**

Cantor : On his cloak and on his thigh a name was written : /  
King of kings and **Lord** of lords. \*  
To him be glory and **power** for ever.

**CANTICLE**

*Apocalypse 19 : 1-7*



∩ Al-le-lu-ia. ∩ Al-le-lu-ia, al- le-lu-ia.

*The wedding of the Lamb*

Cantor : Salvation, glory, and power to our God : \*

All : ∩ Alleluia.

Cantor : his judgments are honest and **true**.

All : ∩ Alleluia, **alleluia**.

Cantor : Sing praise to our God, all you his servants, \*

All : ∩ Alleluia.

Cantor : all who worship him rev'rently, / *great and small*.

All : ∩ Alleluia, **alleluia**.

Cantor : The Lord our all-powerful God is King ; \*

All : ∩ Alleluia.

Cantor : let us rejoice, sing praise, and *give him glory*.

All : ∩ Alleluia, **alleluia**.

Cantor : The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun, \*

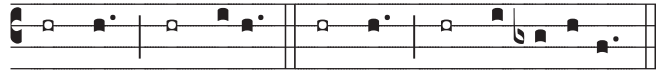
All : ∩ Alleluia.

Cantor : The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun, \*

All : *R.* Alleluia.

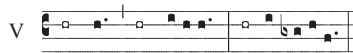
Cantor : and his bride is prepared to welcome him.

All : *R.* Alleluia, alleluia.



Cantor : Glory to the Father, and to the Son, /  
and to the Holy Spirit :

All : as it was in the beginning, is now, /  
and will be for ever. Amen.

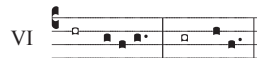


Cantor : On his cloak and on his thigh a name was written : /  
King of kings and Lord of lords. \*  
To him be glory and power for ever.

**READING**

I Corinthians 15 : 25-28

Christ must reign until God has put all his enemies under his feet, and the last enemy to be destroyed is death. Scripture reads that God “has placed all things under his feet.” But when it says that everything has been made subject, it is clear that he who has made everything subject to Christ is excluded. When, finally, all has been subjected to the Son, he will then subject himself to the One who made all things subject to him, so that God may be all in all.



**RESPONSORY**

Cantor : Your throne, O God, \*  
shall stand for ever.

All : Your throne, O God, \*  
shall stand for ever.

Cantor : The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of justice. \*

All : It shall stand for ever.

Cantor : Glory to the Father, and to the Son, \*  
and to the Holy Spirit :

All : Your throne, O God, \*  
shall stand for ever.

**CANTICLE OF MARY**

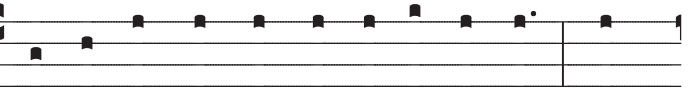
**STAND**

Antiphon : All authority in heaven and on earth \*  
has been given to me, says the Lord.

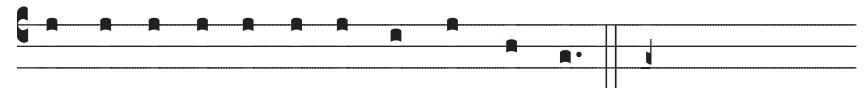
Cantor : The soul rejoices in the Lord Luke I : 46-55

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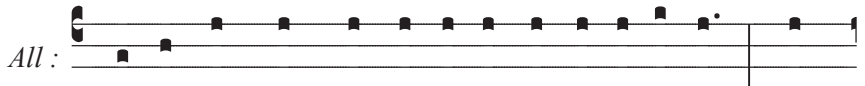
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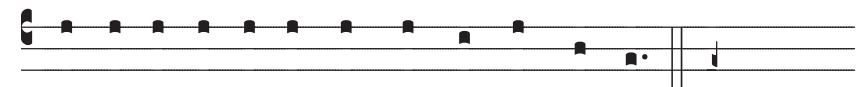
Y soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, \* and



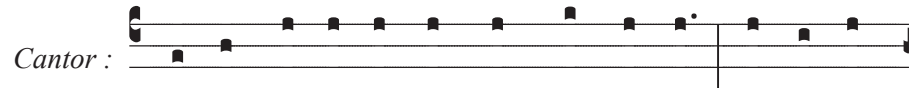
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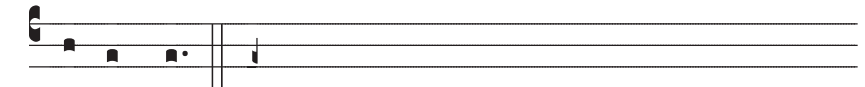
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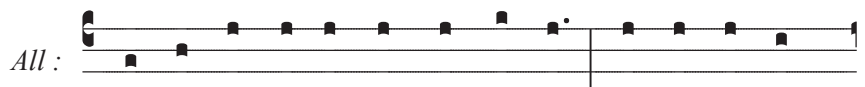
this day all gen- er- a- tions will call me bless- ed :



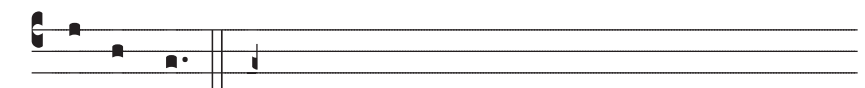
3. the Al- might- y has done great things for me, \* and ho- ly



is his Name.



4. He has mer- cy on those who fear him \* in ev- 'ry gen-



er- a- tion.