

The Divine Praises

Blessed be God.  
Blessed be his holy Name.  
Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.  
Blessed be the Name of Jesus.  
Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.  
Blessed be his most Precious Blood.  
Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar.  
Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.  
Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.  
Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.  
Blessed be her glorious Assumption.  
Blessed be the name of Mary, virgin and mother.  
Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.  
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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*AT II VESPERS*



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**BENEDICTION  
OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT**

*O Salutaris Hostia*

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

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.

*Tantum ergo Sacramentum*

Tantum ergo Sacraméntum  
Venerémur cernui ;  
Et antiquum documéntum  
Novo cedat ritui ;  
Præstet fides suppleméntum  
Sénsuum deféctui.

Genitóri, Genitóque  
Laus et iubilátio,  
Salus, honor, virtus, quoque  
Sit et benedíctio :  
Procedénti ab utróque  
Compar sit laudátio. Amen.

Therefore we, before him bending,  
This great Sacrament revere ;  
Types and shadows have their ending,  
For the newer Rite is here ;  
Faith, our outward sense, befriending,  
Makes the inward vision clear.

Glory let us give and blessing,  
To the Father and the Son ;  
Honor, might, and praise addressing,  
While eternal ages run ;  
Ever too his love confessing,  
Who from Both, with Both, is One.

Amen.

℣. Panem de cælo præstitisti  
eis.

℞. Omne delectaméntum in se  
habéntem.

℣. You have given them bread from  
heaven.

℞. Containing all sweetness within it.

**Oratio**

*Oremus.*

**D**EUS, qui nobis sub sacraménto mirábili, passiónis tuæ memóriam reliquisti : \* tribue, quæsumus, ita nos Córporis et Sánguini tui sacra mystéria venerári ; ut redemptiónis tuæ fructum in nobis iúgiter sentiámus : Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculórum. ℞. Amen.

**Prayer**

*Let us pray.*

**O** God, who under a wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion : \* grant us, we beseech you, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may ever feel within us the fruit of your Redemption. Who live and reign for ever and ever. ℞. Amen.

Prayer

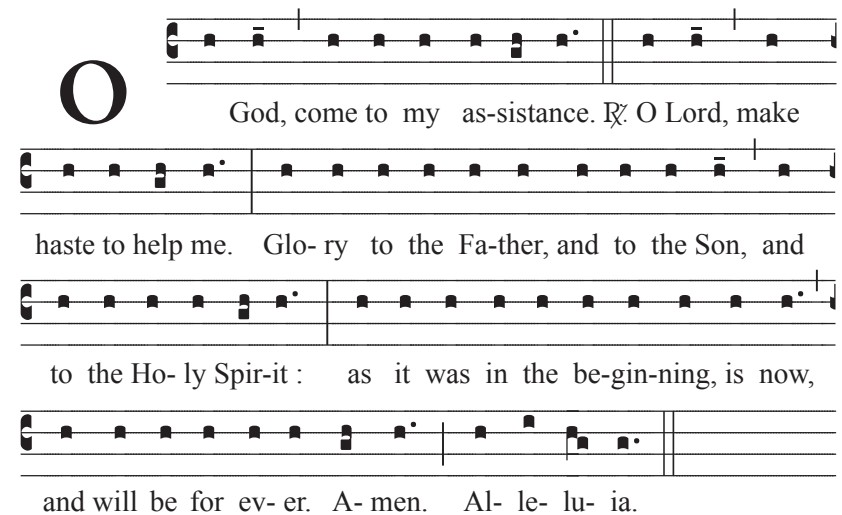
**G**OD our Father, in a wonderful way you guide the work of angels and men. \* May those who serve you constantly in heaven keep our lives safe from all harm on earth. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, \* one God, for ever and ever. *℟̄* Amen.

**SAINTS MICHAEL,  
GABRIEL AND  
RAPHAEL, Archangels**

*AT II VESPERS*

Opening Verse

**O** God, come to my as-sistance. *℟̄* 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

*Festiva vox, Archangeli.*

Mode I

*Cantor :*

1. Our festive joy now turns to you,  
Archangels in the honored place  
You hold, as spirits pure and strong,  
In God's divine, creative plan.

*All :*

2. Saint Michael, prince of hosts above,  
Unconquered leader in the fight,  
Extend your arm and strengthen us,  
And keep us in God's holy grace.

*Cantor :*

3. Saint Gabriel the messenger  
Of myst'ries both sublime and deep,  
Teach us to love the ways of light,  
And ever guide our straying feet.

*All :*

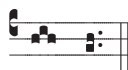
4. Be present, Raphael, at our side  
And lead us on to heaven's home,  
Preserve our bodies and our souls  
From ev'ry danger and all harm.

*Cantor :*

5. Bright hosts of angels, fair as light,  
Surround us with your pow'rful aid,  
That we may join your company  
In blessedness for evermore.

*All :*

6. To God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One,  
Let praise resound and never die  
From Saints and Angel hosts on high.

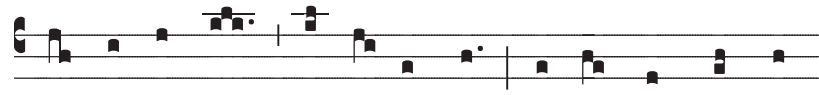


A-men.

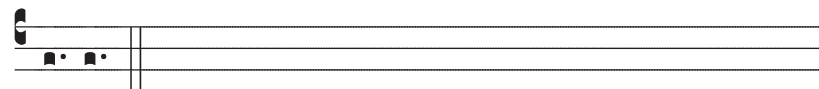
*The Antiphons and Psalms follow. The Cantor sings the Antiphons. The Cantor begins and alternates the Psalms with All.*

Anti-  
phon

The an- gel Ga- bri- el spoke to Mar- y and said :



You will con-ceive and bear a son, and you shall name him



Je- sus.

## Intercessions



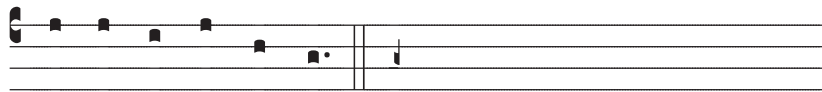
\* Ky-ri- e e- lé- i- son.

The angels carry out God's **will**. \*

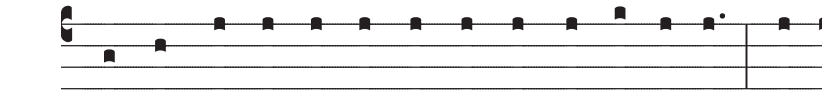
Let us pray that we too  
may listen carefully for his voice  
and hear his call, as *we say* : Kyrie eléison.

1. That our prayers may rise  
like a pleasant fragrance **before** you, \*  
—through the hands of *your* **angels**. Kyrie eléison.
2. That our prayers may be brought to your altar on **high**, \*  
—through the hands of *your* **angels**. Kyrie eléison.
3. That we may proclaim glory to God in the highest  
and peace to his people on **earth**, \*  
—with the multitude of the heavenly **armies**. Kyrie eléison.
4. That the angels may receive us at the end of our **days**, \*  
—and lead us home *to* **paradise**. Kyrie eléison.
5. That the holy standard-bearer, Michael,  
may bring into the light of your **presence**, \*  
—the souls of those who *have* **died**. Kyrie eléison.

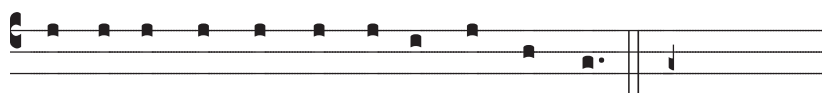
*Our Father.*



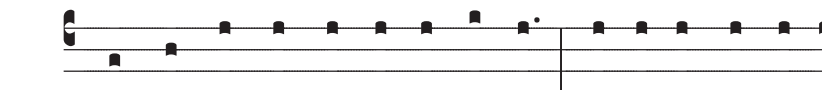
has sent a-way emp-ty.



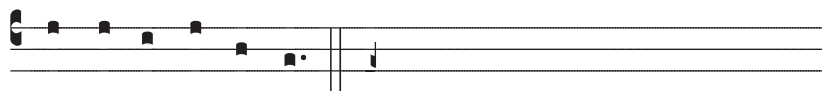
8. He has come to the help of his ser-vant, Is- ra- el \* for



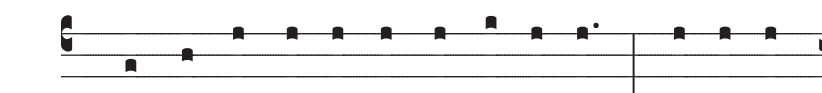
he has re-mem-bered his promise of mer- cy,



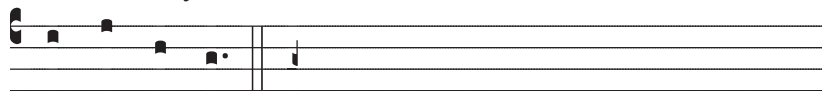
9. the prom-ise he made to our fa-thers, \* to A-bra-ham and



his children for ev- er.



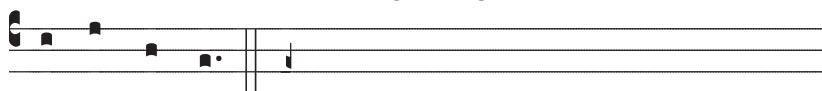
10. Glo- ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, \* and to the



Ho- ly Spir- it :

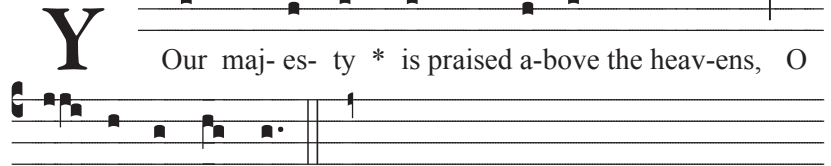


11. as it was in the be- gin-ning, \* is now and will be for



ev- er. A- men.

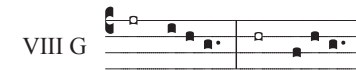
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Our maj- es- ty \* is praised a-bove the heav-ens, O



King of the an- gels.

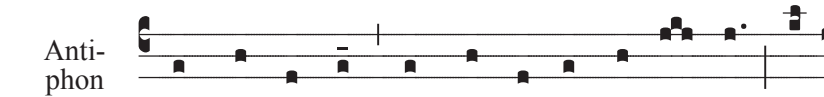


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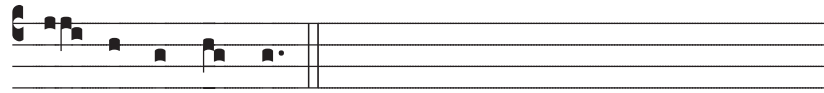
The Cantor begins and alternates verses with All :

### Psalm 8

1. How great is your name, O *Lord our God*, \*  
through *all the earth* !
2. Your majesty is praised *above the heavens* ; \*  
on the lips of children *and of babes*.
3. you have found praise to *foil your enemy*, \*  
to silence the foe *and the rebel*.
4. When I see the heavens, the work *of your hands*, \*  
the moon and the stars which *you arranged*,
5. what is man that you should keep *him in mind*, \*  
mortal man that you *care for him* ?
6. Yet you have made him little less *than a god* ; \*  
with glory and honor *you crowned him*,
7. gave him power over the works *of your hand*, \*  
put all things under *his feet*.
8. All of them, *sheep and cattle*, \*  
yes, even the *savage beasts*,
9. birds of the *air*; *and fish* \*  
that make their way *through the waters*.
10. How great is your name, O *Lord our God*, \*  
through *all the earth* !
11. Glory to the Father, and *to the Son*, \*  
and to the *Holy Spirit* :
12. as it was in the beginning, *is now*, \*  
and will be for ever. *Amen*.



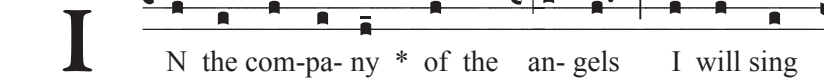
Your maj- es- ty is praised a-bove the heav-ens, O



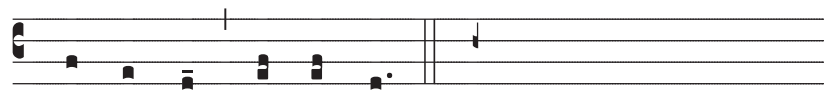
King of the an- gels.

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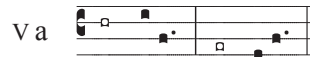
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N the com- pa- ny \* of the an- gels I will sing



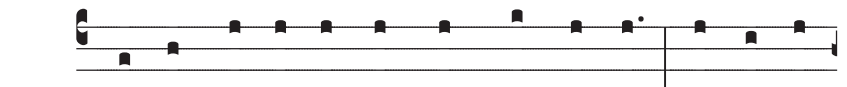
psalms to you, O my God.



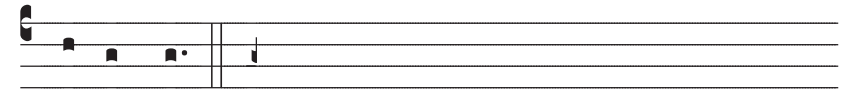
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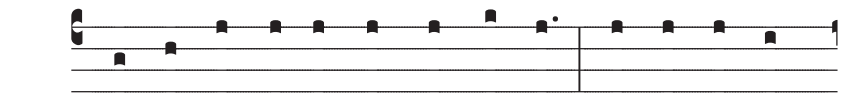
1. I thank you, Lord, with all *my heart*, \*  
you have heard the words of *my mouth*.
2. In the presence of the angels I *will bless* you. \*  
I will adore before your *holy temple*.
3. I thank you for your faithfulness *and love* \*  
which excel all we ever knew of *you*.
4. On the day I called, *you answered* ; \*  
you increased the strength of *my soul*.
5. All earth's kings *shall thank* you \*  
when they hear the words of *your mouth*.
6. They shall sing of *the Lord's* ways : \*  
“ How great is the glory of *the Lord* ! ”
7. The Lord is high yet he looks on *the lowly* \*  
and the haughty he knows from *afar*.
8. Though I walk in the midst of *affliction* \*  
you give me life and frustrate *my foes*.
9. You stretch out your hand *and save* me, \*  
your hand will do all things *for me*.



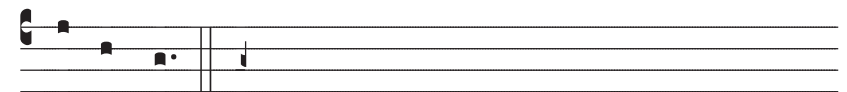
3. the Al- might- y has done great things for me, \* and ho- ly



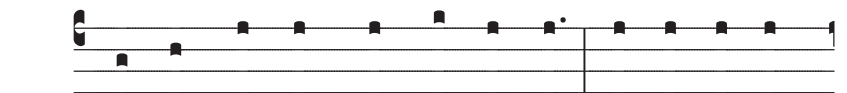
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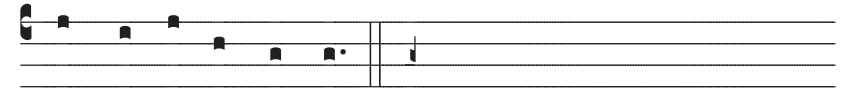
4. He has mer- cy on those who fear him \* in ev- 'ry gen-



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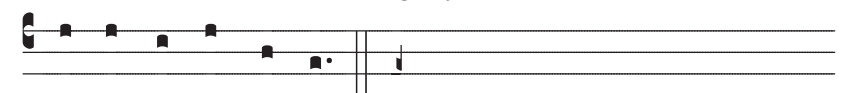
5. He has shown the strength of his arm, \* he has scattered



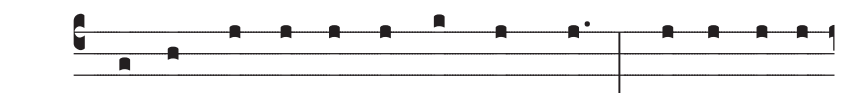
the proud in their con- ceit.



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



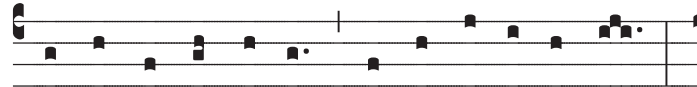
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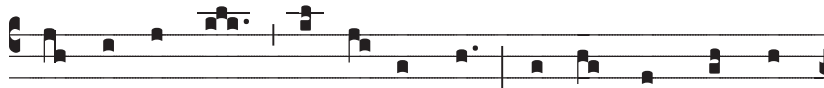
7. He has filled the hun- gry with good things, \* and the rich he

Antiphon at Magnificat

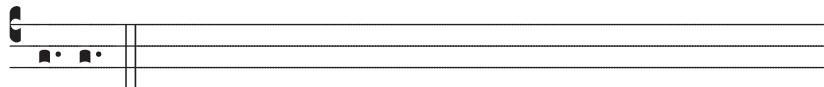
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**T** HE an- gel Ga- bri- el \* spoke to Mar- y and said :



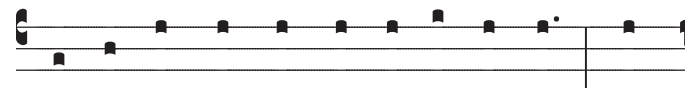
You will con-ceive and bear a son, and you shall name him




Je-sus.

Canticle of the Blessed Virgin Mary. *Luke 1 : 46-55*  
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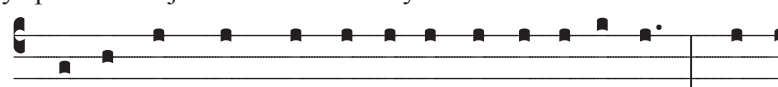
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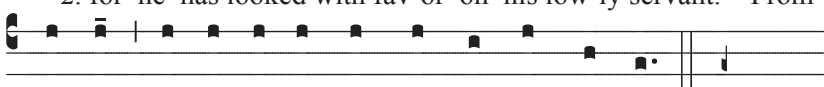
**M** Y soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, \* and



my spir- it re-joic- es in God my Sav- ior.



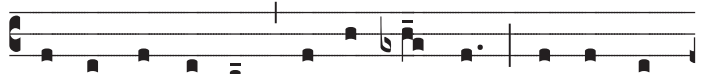
2. for he has looked with fav- or on his low-ly servant. \* From



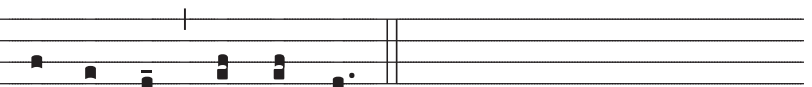
this day all gen- er- a- tions will call me bless- ed :

10. Your love, O Lord, is *eternal*, \*  
 discard not the work of *your hands*.
11. Glory to the Father, and to *the Son*, \*  
 and to the Holy **Spirit** :
12. as it was in the beginning, *is now*, \*  
 and will be for ever. *Amen*.

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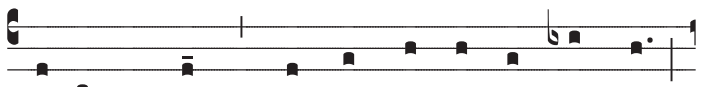


In the com- pa- ny of the an- gels I will sing

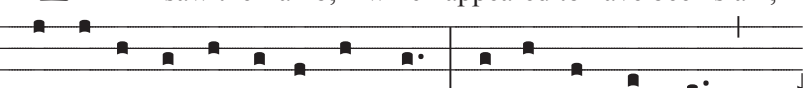


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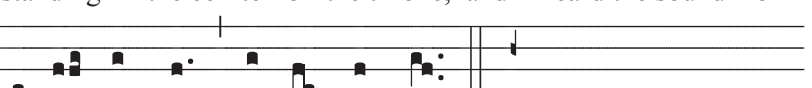
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**I** saw the Lamb, \* which appeared to have been slain,



standing in the cen- ter of the throne, and I heard the sound of



an- gel- ic choirs a- round the throne.



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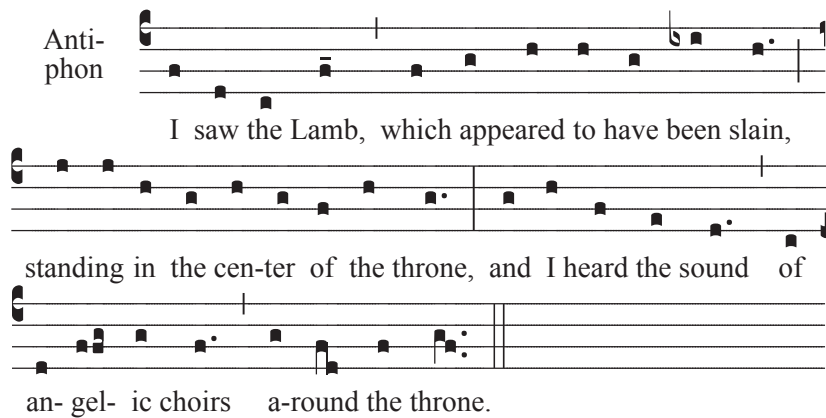
*The Cantor begins and alternates verses with All :*

Canticle. *Colossians 1 : 12-20*

1. Let us give thanks to the Father /  
 for having *made you worthy* \*  
 to share the lot of the saints *in light*.
2. He rescued *us from darkness* \*  
 and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved **Son**.
3. Through him we *have redemption*, \*  
 the forgiveness of *our sins*.
4. He is the image of the invisible **God**, \*  
 the first-born of *all creatures*.

5. In him / everything in heaven and on earth *was created*, \* things visible and *invisible*.
6. All were created *through him* ; \* all were created *for him*.
7. He is before all *else that is*. \* In him / everything continues *in being*.
8. It is he who is head of the body, *the church* ! \* he who is the *beginning*,
9. the first-born *of the dead*, \* so that primacy may be his *in everything*.
10. Glory to the Father, and *to the Son*, \* and to the Holy **Spirit** ;
11. as it was in the beginning, *is now*, \* and will be for ever. *Amen*.

Anti-phon



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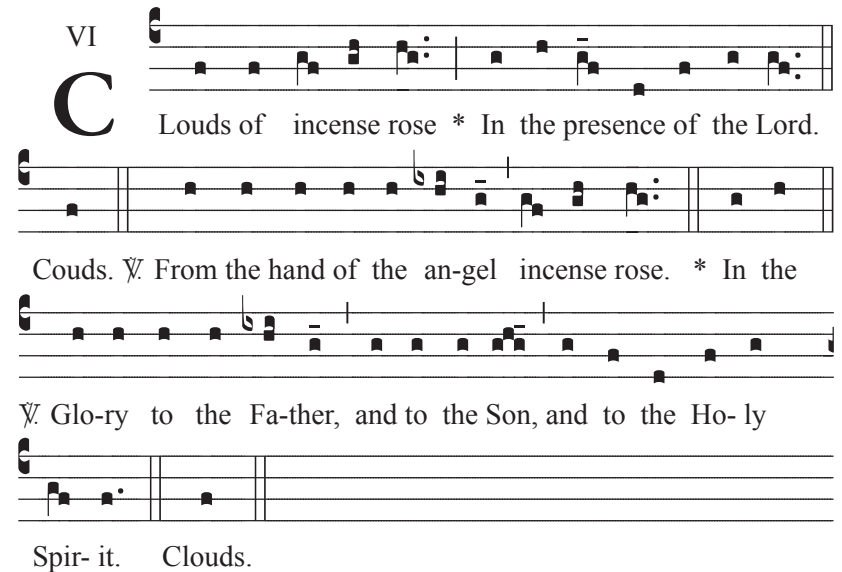
Reading

*Apocalypse 1 : 4b-5*

**G**Race and peace—from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the first-born from the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth, who loves us and freed us from our sins by his own Blood.

Homily followed by sung Responsory :

Responsory



VI  
**C**louds of incense rose \* In the presence of the Lord.  
Couds. √ From the hand of the an-gel incense rose. \* In the  
√ Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly  
Spir- it. Clouds.