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 ;
Lord of all, we bow before thee ;
All in heav’n above adore thee ;
Infinite thy vast domain ;
Everlasting is thy reign.

Hark ! The loud celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising ;
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav’ns with sweet accord :
Holy, holy, holy Lord.

CORPUS CHRISTI
AT SECOND VESPERS

EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

O Salutaris Hostia

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

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.

Uni trinóque Dómino
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.

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.
St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)

Sing, my tongue, the Saviour’s glory,
of His Flesh, the mystery sing;
of the Blood, all price exceeding,
shod by our Immortal King,
destined, for the world’s redemption,
from a noble Womb to spring.

Of a pure and spotless Virgin
born for us on earth below,
He, as Man, with man conversing,
then He closed in solemn order
wondrously His Life of woe.

On the night of that Last Supper,
seated with His chosen band,
He, the Paschal Victim eating,
first fulfils the Law’s command;
then as Food to His Apostles
gives Himself with His own Hand.

Word-made-Flesh, the bread of nature
by His Word to Flesh He turns;
wine into His Blood He changes;
what though sense no change discerns?
only be the heart in earnest,
faith her lesson quickly learns.

Down in adoration falling,
This great Sacrament we hail,
O’er ancient forms of worship
Newer rites of grace prevail;
Faith will tell us Christ is present,
When our human senses fail.

To the Everlasting Father,
And the Son who made us free
And the Spirit, God proceeding
From them Each eternally,
Be salvation, honour, blessing,
Might and endless majesty. Amen.

Panis angelicus
fit panis hominum;
Dat panis coelicus
figuris terminum:
O res mirabilis!
Manducat Dominum
Pauper, servus et humilis.

Panis angelicus
= Panem de cælo præstitísti eis (T. P. alleluia).
+= Omne delectaméntum in se habéntem (T. P. alleluia).

Oratio
Oremus.

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

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.

The Divine Praises

Prayer

Let us pray.

The angelic bread
becomes the bread of men;
The heavenly bread
ends all prefigurations:
What wonder!
The Lord is eaten
by a poor and humble servant.
Triune God,
We beg of you:
visit us,
just as we worship you.
By your ways,
lead us where we are heading,
to the light in which you dwell. Amen.

Y. You have given them bread from heaven (P.T. alleluia).
R. Containing all sweetness within it (P.T. alleluia).

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INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Christ invites all to the supper
   in which he gives his Body and Blood
for the life of the world.
   Let us ask him:
All: Christ, the Bread of heaven, /
   grant us everlasting life.

Cantor: Christ, Son of the living God,
you commanded that this thanksgiving meal
be done in memory of you,
All: enrich your Church /
   through the faithful celebration of these mysteries.

Cantor: Christ, eternal priest of the Most High,
you have commanded your priests
to offer your sacraments,
All: may they help them to exemplify in their lives /
   the meaning of the sacred mysteries which they celebrate.

Cantor: Christ, bread from heaven,
you form one body out of all who partake of the one bread,
All: refresh all who believe in you with harmony and peace.

Cantor: Christ, through your bread
you offer the remedy for immortality
and the pledge of future resurrection,
All: restore health to the sick /
   and living hope to sinners.

Cantor: Christ, our King who is to come,
you proclaim that the mysteries which proclaim
your death
be celebrated until you return,
All: grant that all who die in you /
   may share in your resurrection.

Celebrant: Our Father . . .
Celebrant: Prayer.
All: Amen.

Vespers concludes with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

ANTIPHON 1

Cantor: Christ the Lord is a priest forever /
in the line of Melchizedek; * he offered up bread and wine.

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

Cantor: The Master standing at your 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: Repeat antiphon 1, above.
VI

**ANTIPHON 2**

*Cantor:* I will take up the cup of salvation * and I will offer a sacrifice of praise.

**Psalm 115**

*A Psalm of thanksgiving*

*Through Christ let us offer God a continual sacrifice of praise (Hebrews 13:15)*

**Confidence in time of crisis: thanksgiving**

*Cantor:* I trusted, even when I said: *

“All:” I am sorely afflicted,” *

*Cantor:* How can I repay the Lord *

All:” for his goodness to me?*

*Cantor:* My vows to the Lord I will fulfill *

All:” before all his people.

**Refrain**

*Thanksgiving for salvation*

*Cantor:* Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; *

All:” you have loosened my bonds.

*Cantor:* A thanksgiving sacrifice I make; *

All:” I will call on the Lord’s name.

**Refrain**

*Cantor:* My vows to the Lord I will fulfill *

All:” in the courts of the house of the Lord, *

*Cantor:* Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *

All:” and to the Holy Spirit:

**Doxology**

*Cantor:* How holy this feast in which Christ is our food; *

All:” his passion is recalled;

*Cantor:* grace fills our hearts; *

All:” and we receive a pledge of the glory to come, / alleluia.

*Cantor:* Repeat antiphon 2, above.
Cantor: You are the **way**, the truth * and the **life** of the **world**, O Lord.

CANTICLE  
*Apocalypse 19:1-7*

The wedding of the Lamb

Cantor: Salvation, glory, and power to our God : *
All: R Alleluia.

Cantor: his judgments are honest and **true**.
All: R Alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: Sing praise to our God, all you his servants, *
All: R Alleluia.

Cantor: all who worship him rev’rently, / great and **small**.
All: R Alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: The Lord our all-powerful God is King ; *
All: R Alleluia.

Cantor: let us rejoice, sing praise, and give him **glory**.
All: R Alleluia, 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.
READING 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

I received from the Lord what I handed on to you, namely, that the Lord Jesus on the night in which he was betrayed took bread, and after he had given thanks, broke it and said, “This is my Body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, after the supper, he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my Blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

ANTIPHON 3

Cantor: You are the way, the truth * and the life of the world, O Lord.

RESPONSORY

Cantor: He gave them bread from heaven, * alleluia, alleluia.
All: He gave them bread from heaven, * alleluia, alleluia.
Cantor: Man has eaten the bread of angels, * alleluia, alleluia.
All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit:
Cantor: He gave them bread from heaven, * alleluia, alleluia.

Canticle of Mary

The soul rejoices in the Lord Luke 1:46-55

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The Antiphon is sung by the Cantor:

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grace fills our hearts; * and we receive a pledge of the glory to come, / alleluia.

The soul rejoices in the Lord

Y soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, * and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

2. for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. * From this day all generations will call me blessed:

Cantor:

3. the Almighty has done great things for me, * and holy is his Name.
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