

*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.



**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 salutaris 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.

*A time of silent adoration follows.*

EASTER. SUNDAY 3  
AT SECOND VESPERS

*Psalter: Week III*

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.

*Ad cenam Agni providi. (L.M.)*

The *Cantor* begins and alternates verses with **All**.

1. *The Lamb's high banquet we await  
In snow-white robes of royal state ;  
And now, the Red Sea's channel past,  
To Christ, our Prince, we sing at last.*

2. **Upon the altar of the Cross  
His Body hath redeemed our loss ;  
And tasting of his roseate Blood  
Our life is hid with him in God.**

3. *That Paschal eve God's arm was bared ;  
The devastating angel spared :  
By strength of hand our hosts went free  
From Pharaoh's ruthless tyranny.*

4. **Now Christ our Paschal Lamb is slain,  
The Lamb of God who knows no stain ;  
The true Oblation offered here,  
Our own unleavened Bread sincere.**

5. *O thou from whom hell's monarch flies,  
O great, O very Sacrifice,  
Thy captive people are set free,  
And endless life restored in thee.*

6. **For Christ, arising from the dead,  
From conquered hell victorious sped ;  
He thrusts the tyrant down to chains,  
And Paradise for man regains.**

7. *Maker of all, to thee we pray,  
Fulfill in us thy joy today ;  
When death assails grant, Lord, that we  
May share thy Paschal victory.*

8. **To thee, who dead, again dost live,  
All glory, Lord, thy people give ;  
All glory, as is ever meet,  
To Father and to Paraclete. 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

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.

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

*Oremus.*

**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

*Let us pray.*

**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* : With joy in our hearts, let us call upon Christ the Lord, /  
who died and rose again, /  
and lives always to intercede for **us** :

*All* : Victorious King, / hear *our prayer*.

*Cantor* : Light and salvation of all **peoples**,

*All* : send into our hearts the fire of your Spirit, /  
as we proclaim your *resurrection*.

*Cantor* : Let Israel recognize in you her longed-for **Messiah**,

*All* : and the whole earth be filled with the knowledge  
of *your glory*.

*Cantor* : Keep us in the communion of your **saints**,

*All* : and grant us rest for our labors in *their company*.

*Cantor* : You have triumphed over death, your enemy ; /  
destroy in us the power of **death**,

*All* : that we may live only for you, /  
victorious and immortal **Lord**.

*Cantor* : Savior Christ,  
you were obedient even to accepting death,  
and were raised up to the right hand of the **Father**,

*All* : in your goodness welcome your brothers and sisters  
into the kingdom of *your glory*.

*Celebrant* : Our Father . . .

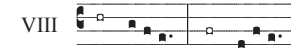
*Celebrant* : May your people exult forever, O God,  
in renewed youthfulness of spirit, \*  
so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption,  
we may look forward in confident hope  
to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, \*  
for ever and ever.

*All* : Amen.

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

## ANTIPHON I

*SIT*



*Cantor* : He purified us *from our sins*, \*  
and is seated at God's right hand, / *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*.

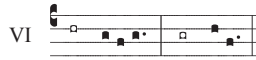
*All* : He shall drink from the stream *by the wayside* \*  
and therefore he shall lift up *his head*.

#### 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 purified us *from our sins*, \*  
and is seated at God's right hand, / *alleluia*.



ANTIPHON 2

Cantor : The Lord has *redeemed his people*, \*  
alleluia, *alleluia*.

Psalm 110

Thanksgiving and deliverance out of Egypt

*This Psalm is a hymn of thanksgiving for God's care over his chosen people, especially in delivering them out of Egypt (a type of our redemption). We pray it as the thanksgiving prayer of the Church (and of souls) journeying through the world, away from the bondage of the devil and into the promised land of heaven.*

*We are lost in wonder at all that you have done for us,  
our Lord and mighty God (Apocalypse 15 : 3)*

Statement of theme

Cantor : I will thank the Lord with *all my heart* \*  
in the meeting of the just and their *assembly*.

Divine Providence in the history of his people

All : Great are the works of *the Lord* ; \*  
to be pondered by all *who love* them.

Cantor : Majestic and glorious *his work*, \*  
his justice stands firm *for ever*.

All : He makes us remember *his wonders*. \*  
The Lord is compassion *and love*.

Cantor : He gives food to *those who fear* him ; \*  
keeps his covenant ever *in mind*.

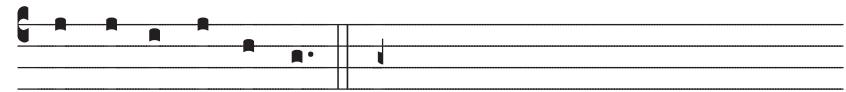
All : He has shown his might *to his people* \*  
by giving them the lands of *the nations*.

In the holy covenant

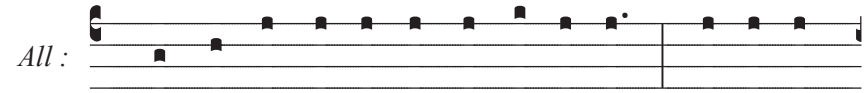
Cantor : His works are *justice and truth* : \*  
his precepts are all of *them sure*,

All : standing firm for *ever and ever* : \*  
they are made in uprightness *and truth*.

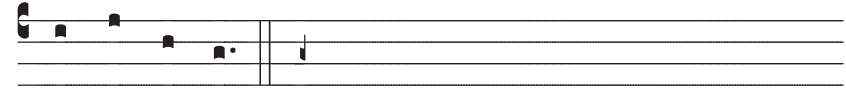
Cantor : He has sent deliverance to his people /  
and established his covenant *for ever*. \*  
Holy his Name, to *be feared*.



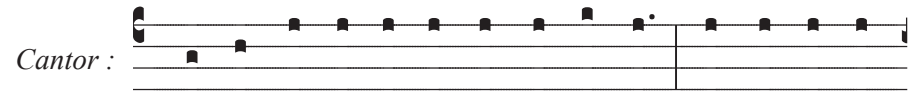
his children for ev- er.



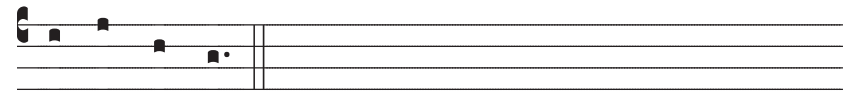
10. Glo- ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, \* and to the



Ho- ly Spir- it :



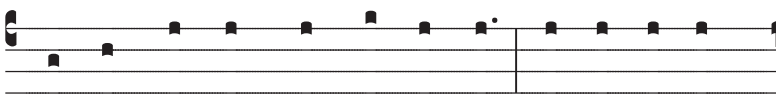
11. as it was in the be- gin-ning, is now \* and will be for



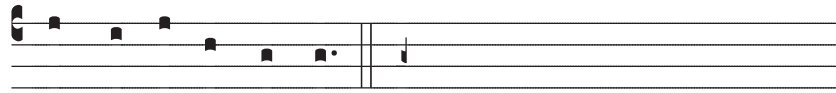
ev- er. A- men. *The antiphon is repeated by the Cantor.*



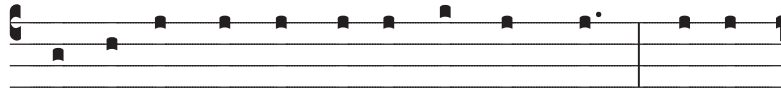
Ant : Jesus said to *his disciples* : \*  
Bring me some of the fish / *you have just caught*.  
Simon Peter went aboard and hauled *ashore the net*, \*  
full of large fish, / *alleluia*.

Cantor : 

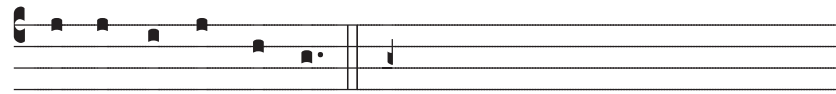
5. He has shown the strength of his arm, \* he has scattered



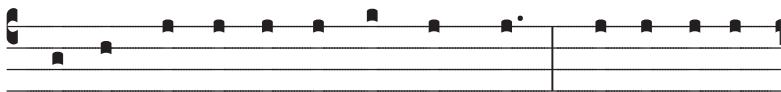
the proud in their con-ccit.

All : 

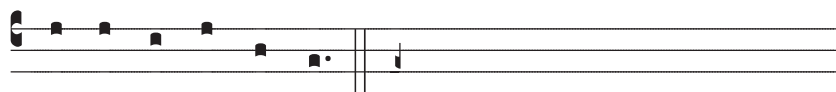
6. He has cast down the might-y from their thrones, \* and has



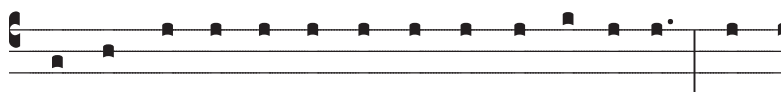
lift-ed up the low-ly.

Cantor : 

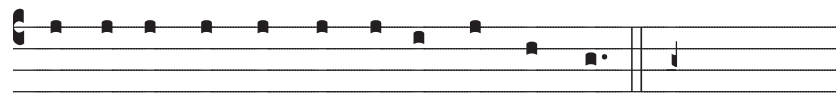
7. He has filled the hun-gry with good things, \* and the rich he



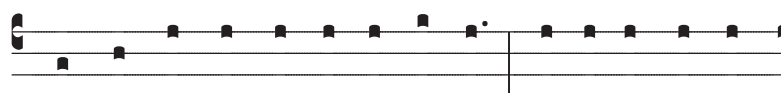
has sent a-way emp-ty.

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

**Finale**

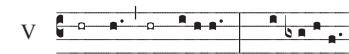
All : To fear the Lord is the first stage of wisdom ; /  
all who do so prove *themselves wise*. \*  
His praise shall last *for ever*.

**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 : The Lord has redeemed his **people**, \*  
alleluia, **alleluia**.



**ANTIPHON 3**

Cantor : Alleluia, our **Lord** is king ; \*  
let us rejoice and give glory to him, / **alleluia**.

**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*.

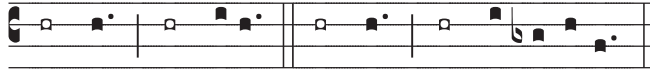
All : ∩ Alleluia, **alleluia**.

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

All : *R*: Alleluia.

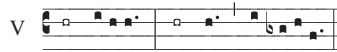
Cantor : and his bride is prepared to welcome him.

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.



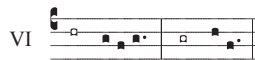
Cantor : Alleluia, our Lord is king ; \*  
let us rejoice and give glory to him, / alleluia.

**READING**

*Hebrews 10:12-14*

Jesus offered one sacrifice for sins and took his seat forever at the right hand of God; now he waits until his enemies are placed beneath his feet. By one offering he has forever perfected those who are being sanctified.

**RESPONSORY**



Cantor : The Lord is truly risen, \*  
alleluia, alleluia.

All : The Lord is truly risen, \*  
alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor : He has appeared to Simon, \*

All : alleluia, alleluia.

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

All : The Lord is truly risen, \*  
alleluia, alleluia.

**CANTICLE OF MARY**

VIII

**STAND**

Ant : Jesus said to his disciples : \*

Bring me some of the fish / you have just caught.

Simon Peter went aboard and hauled ashore the net, \*  
full of large fish, / alleluia.

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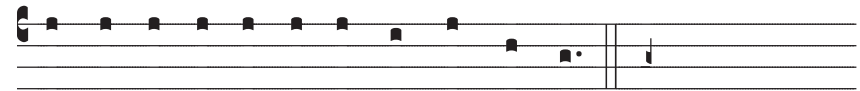
**The soul rejoices in the Lord**

*Luke 1:46-55*

Cantor : VIII G

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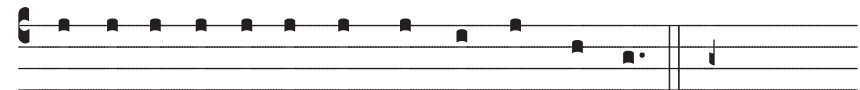
Y soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, \* and



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

All :

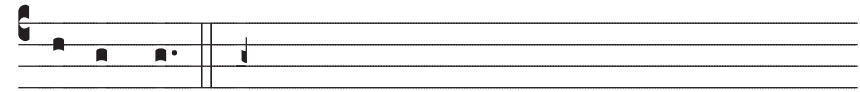
2. for he has looked with fav- or on his low-ly servant. \* From



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

Cantor :

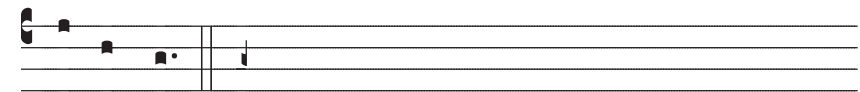
3. the Al- might- y has done great things for me, \* and ho- ly



is his Name.

All :

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

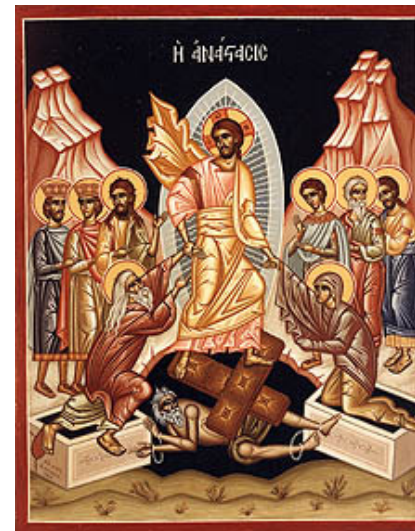


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**THE OFFICE OF SUNDAY VESPERS  
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

*Roman Rite. Psalter : Week III At II Vespers*

Ordinary Form



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