

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.

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 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.

A time of silent adoration follows.

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SUNDAY AT SECOND VESPERS

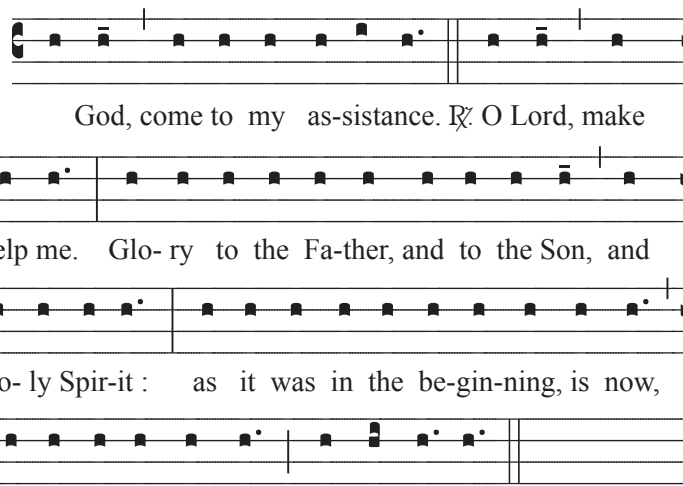
Psalter : Week I

A glimpse into the kingdom of God

Vespers is the evening prayer of the Church. This is the hour of thanksgiving for the graces bestowed during the day of salvation that has just passed. In Sunday Vespers we review gratefully the history of God's kingdom in the Church and in individual souls. We see Christ our victorious King in his power (Ps 109), and the Church in the image of the Jewish people, setting out from the slavery of Egypt into the promised land (Ps 113). There are two principal objects to our Vesper prayers: thanksgiving, and new courage to continue our pilgrimage.

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

St. Gregory the Great. 540-604

Lucis Creator optime. (L.M.)

*C : 1. O blest Creator of the light,
Who mak'st the day with radiance bright,
And o'er the forming world didst call
The light from chaos first of all.*

*C : 3. Lest, sunk in sin, and whelm'd with strife,
They lose the gift of endless life ;
While thinking but the thoughts of time,
They weave new chains of woe and crime.*

**A : 2. Whose wisdom joined in meet array
The morn and eve, and named them
day ;
Night comes with all its darkling fears ;
Regard thy people's prayers and tears.**

**A : 4. But grant them grace that they may
strain
The heav'nly gate and prize to gain :
Each harmful lure aside to cast,
And purge away each error past.**

C : 3. O Father, that we ask be done,

**A : Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son,
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. 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*).

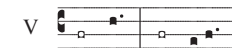
Oratio

DEUS, 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 : Christ the Lord is our head ; / we are his members. / In joy let us call out to **him** :

All : Lord, / may your kingdom **come**.

Cantor : Christ our Savior, / make your Church a more vivid symbol of the unity of all **mankind**,

All : make it more effectively / the sacrament of salvation for **all peoples**.

Cantor : Through your presence, / guide the college of Bishops in union with the **Pope**,

All : give them the gifts of unity, love *and* **peace**.

Cantor : Bind all Christians more closely to yourself, their divine **Head**,

All : lead them to proclaim your kingdom / by the witness of **their lives**.

Cantor : Grant peace to the **world**,

All : let every land flourish / in justice and **security**.

Cantor : Grant to the dead the glory of resurrection,

All : and give us a share in **their happiness**.

Our Father . . .

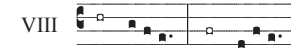
Celebrant : *Prayer proper to the Sunday*

All : Amen.

Vespers concludes with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

ANTIPHON I

SIT



Cantor : The Lord will stretch forth his mighty scepter *from Sion*, *
and he will reign 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*.

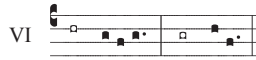
All : He shall drink from the stream *by the wayside* *
and therefore he shall lift *up his head*.

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 : The Lord will stretch forth his mighty scepter *from Sion*, *
and he will reign for ever, / *alleluia*.



ANTIPHON 2

Cantor : The earth is shaken *to its depths* *
before the glory of *your face*.

Psalm 113

The Israelites are delivered from the bondage of Egypt

This Psalm in its simplicity is full of poetry : nature rejoices as it sees God marching by in the Ark of the Covenant. In our prayers, this is God's solemn procession through time in the forward progress of his Church. Christ is in procession, a Corpus Christi procession ; and it is our privilege to march along with him.

You too left Egypt when, at Baptism, you renounced that world which is at enmity with God (Saint Augustine)

God and his people

Cantor : When Israel came *forth from Egypt*, *
Jacob's sons from an alien **people**,

All : Judah became *the Lord's temple*, *
Israel became *his kingdom*.

Nature's holy fear

Cantor : The sea fled *at the sight* : *
the Jordan turned back on *its course*.

All : the mountains *leapt like rams* *
and the hills like *yearling sheep*.

Cantor : Why was it, sea, *that you fled*, *
that you turned back, Jordan, on *your course* ?

All : Mountains, that you *leapt like rams*, *
hills, like *yearling sheep* ?

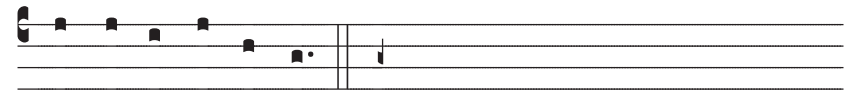
Cantor : Tremble, O earth, *before the Lord*, *
in the presence of the God of **Jacob**,

All : who turns the rock into a **pool** *
and flint into a spring of **water**.

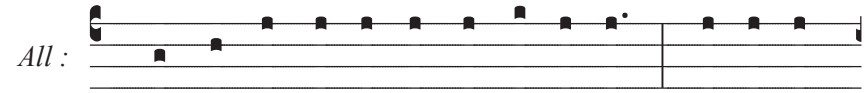
Doxology

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

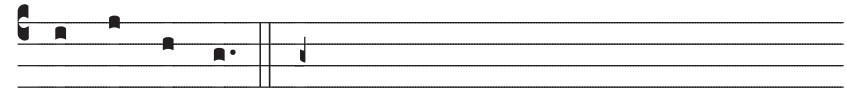
All : as it was in the *beginning, is now*, *
and will be for ever. **Amen**.



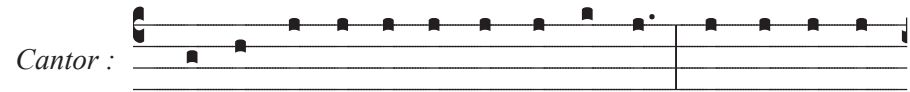
his children for ev- er.



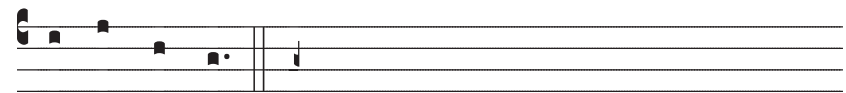
All : 10. Glo- ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, * and to the



Ho- ly Spir- it :

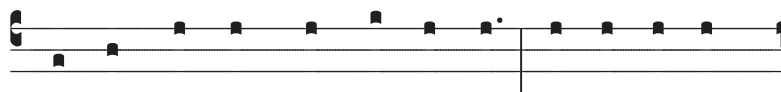


Cantor : 11. as it was in the be- gin-ning, is now * and will be for

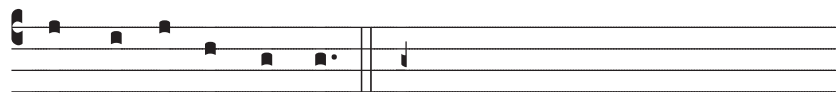


ev- er. A- men. *The antiphon is repeated by the Cantor.*

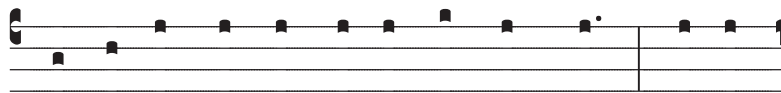


Cantor : 

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



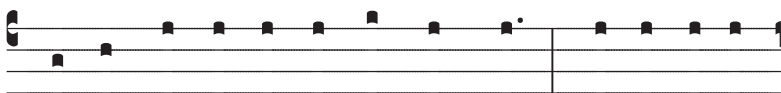
the proud in their con-ccit.

All : 

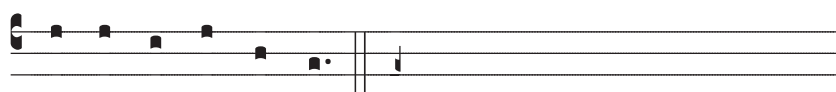
6. He has cast down the might-y from their thrones, * and has



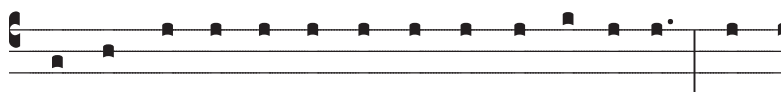
lift-ed up the low-ly.

Cantor : 

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



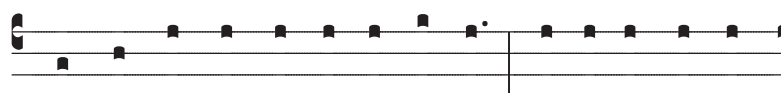
has sent a-way emp-ty.

All : 

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

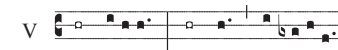


he has re-mem-bered his promise of mer- cy,

Cantor : 

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

Cantor : The earth is shaken *to its depths* *
before the glory of *your face*.

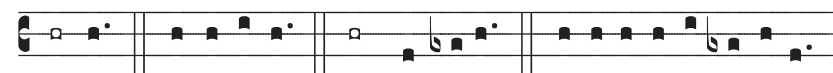


ANTIPHON 3

Cantor : All power is **yours**, Lord God, *
our mighty King, / **alleluia**.

CANTICLE

Apocalypse 19 : 1-7



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

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*.

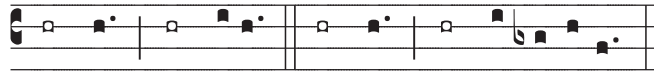
All : R. Alleluia, **alleluia**.

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

All : R. Alleluia.

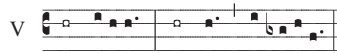
Cantor : and his bride is prepared to **welcome** him.

All : R. Alleluia, **alleluia**.



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.

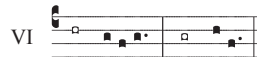


Cantor : All power is **yours**, Lord God, *
our mighty King, / **alleluia**.

READING

1 Peter 1 : 3-5

Praise be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, he who in his great mercy gave us new birth ; a birth unto hope which draws its life from the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ; a birth to an imperishable inheritance, incapable of defilement, which is kept in heaven for you who are guarded with God's power through faith ; a birth to a salvation which stands ready to be revealed in the last days.



RESPONSORY

Cantor : The whole creation **proclaims** *
the greatness of *your* **glory**.

All : The whole creation **proclaims** *
the greatness of *your* **glory**.

Cantor : Eternal **ages** **praise** *

All : the greatness of *your* **glory**.

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

All : The whole creation **proclaims** *
the greatness of *your* **glory**.

CANTICLE OF MARY

STAND

The antiphon is sung by the Cantor. Tone VIII.

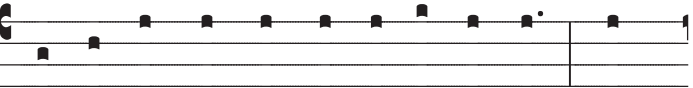
The Cantor begins the Canticle, and alternates verses with All.

The soul rejoices in the Lord

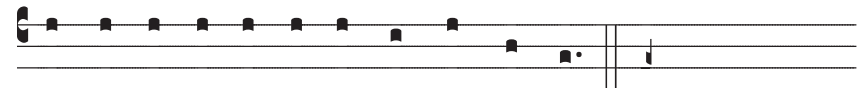
Luke 1 : 46-55

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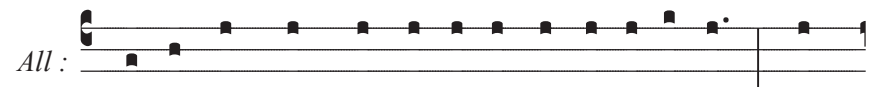
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Y soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, * and

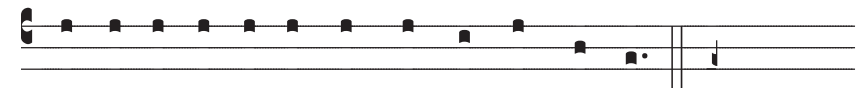


my spir- it re-joic- es in God my Sav- ior.

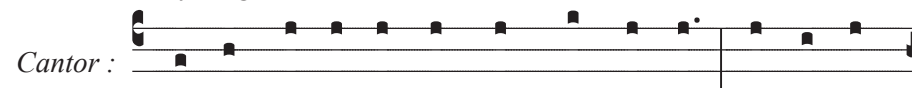


All :

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

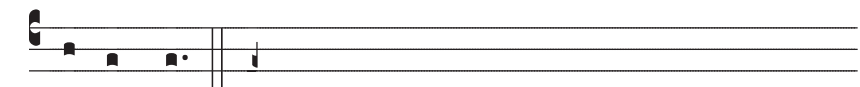


this day all gen- er- a- tions will call me bless-ed :

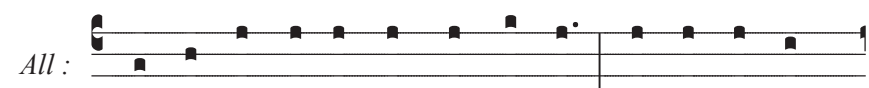


Cantor :

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

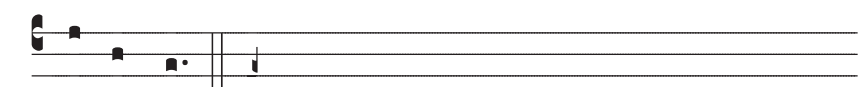


is his Name.



All :

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



er- a- tion.

THE OFFICE
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Roman Rite. Psalter : Week I

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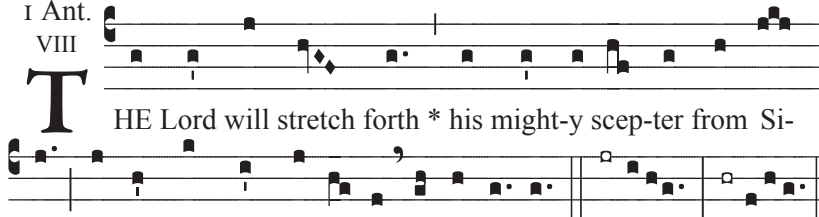
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Psalter : Week I

Antiphons *In Cantu*
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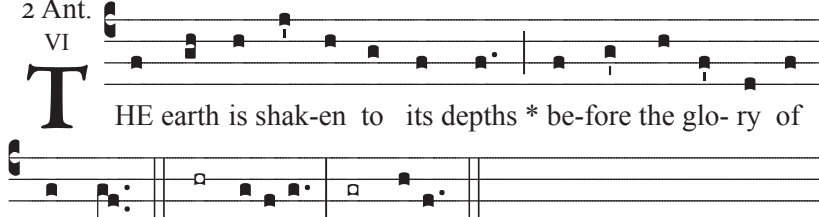
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VIII



T HE Lord will stretch forth * his might-y scep-ter from Si-

on, and he will reign for ev- er, al- le- lu- ia. *Psalm 109*

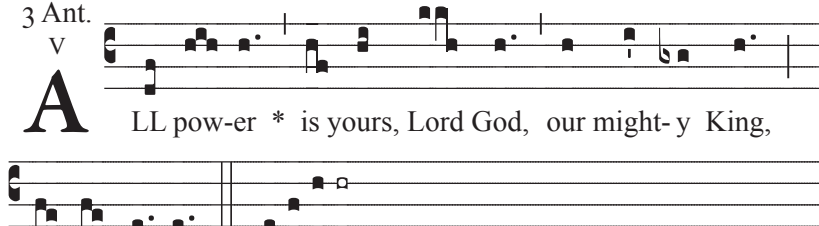
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VI



T HE earth is shak-en to its depths * be-fore the glo- ry of

your face. *Psalm 113 B*

3 Ant.
V



A LL pow-er * is yours, Lord God, our might-y King,

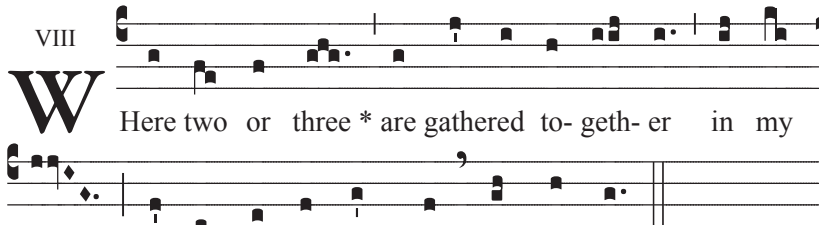
al- le- lu- ia. [*intonation from antiphon*] *Canticle, Apocalypse 19 : 1-7*

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At Magnificat. Antiphon *ad libitum*

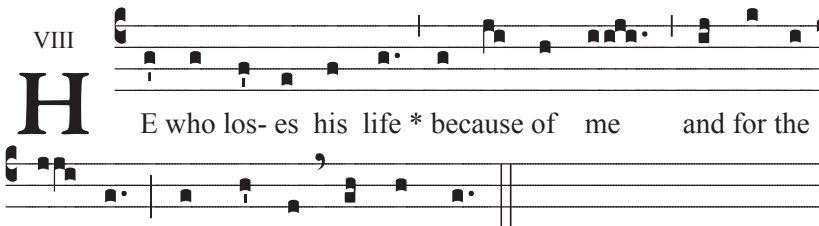
The Antiphon is taken from the proper of the Season, to agree with the Gospel of the day. Or the following may be sung :

VIII



W Here two or three * are gathered to- geth- er in my
name, I am there a-mong them, says the Lord.

VIII



H E who los- es his life * because of me and for the
Gos- pel, shall save it, says the Lord.

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