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AT II VESPERS

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A. Lucenarium

If the Office begins with “O God, come to my assistance,” turn to p. 5. Otherwise, continue with:

Presiding Minister:

Lght and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All:

Hanks be to God.

Evening Thanksgiving

The candles are lit at this time. A minister invites the assembly to give thanks to God, and sings the following:

ET us give thanks to God the Father, always and for ev’ry-thing.

All:

N the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
L-might-y God, we give you thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of the ves-per light;

and we implore you of your great mer-cy that, as you en-fold us with the radiance of this light, so you would shine into our hearts the brightness of your Ho-ly Spir-it. Through Je-sus Christ our Lord. To him be praise and glo-ry, with you and the Ho-ly Spir-it, now and for ev-er. R: A-men.

The candles are now extinguished. The Hymn follows, p. 5.
ANTIPHON
IN HONOR OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

A
L- ma * Red-emptó-ris Ma-ter, quæ pérvi- a cæ-li Por-
Loving Mother of our Redeemer Lord, Star of the sea
ta manes, et stel-la ma-ris, succûrre ca-dén-ti, Sûrge-re qui
and portal of the skies, Unto thy fallen people help afford— Fallen, but striving
cu-rat, pópu-lo : Tu quæ genu-ísti, Na-tû-ra mi- rânte, tu-u
still anew to rise. Thou who didst once, while wondering worlds adored,
sanctum Ge-ni-tó-rem, Virgo pri- us ac posté- ri- us, Gabri- é-
Breathe thy Creator, Virgin then as now, O by thy holy joy at Gabriel’s word,
lis ab o-re Sumens il-lud A-ve, pecca- tó-rum mi-se- ré- re.
Pity the sinners who before thee bow.

B. Opening Verse and Hymn

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O
God, come to my as-sis-tance. 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
Conditor alme siderum. Mode IV

C
Re-a-tor of the stars of night, Thy peo-ple’s ev-er-
last-ing light, Je-sus, Redeemer, save us all, And hear thy ser-
ants when they call.
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2. Thou, grieving that the ancient curse Should doom to death a
   un- i- verse Hast found the medicine, full of grace, To save and
   heal a ru-ined race.

3. Thou cam'st, the Bridegroom of the bride,
   As drew the world to evening-tide;
   Proceeding from a virgin shrine,
   The spotless Victim all divine:

4. At whose dread name, majestic now,
   All knees must bend, all hearts must bow;
   And things celestial thee shall own,
   And things terrestrial, Lord alone.

5. O thou whose coming is with dread
   To judge and doom the quick and dead,
   Preserve us, while we dwell below,
   From every insult of the foe.

6. To God the Father, God the Son,
   And God the Spirit, Three in One,
   Laud, honor, might, and glory be
   From age to age eternally.

A- men.

At Benediction

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. R Amen.

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

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.
At Benediction

BENEDICTION
OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

O Salutaris Hostia

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.

Unus trinóque Dómino
Sit sempitérna glória:
Qui vitam sine témino
Nobis donet in patria.

Amen.

Tantum ergo Sacramentum

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.

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

Panem de cælo præstísti
eis (T. P. alleluia).
Omne delectaméntum in se
habéntem (T. P. alleluia).

Oremus.

DEUS, qui nobis sub sacraméntum mirábili, passiónis tue memóriam
reliquísti: * tribue, quǽsumus, ita nos Córpóris et Sánгуinis tui sacra
mystériá venerári: ut redemptionis tue fructum in nobis iúgiter sentíámus:
Qui vivís et regnas in sæcula sæculórum. R#: Amen.

Oratio

The cantor begins and alternates verses with the congregation:

Psalm 110:1–5.7

HE Lord's revelation to my Master: † "Sit on my right: * your foes I will put beneath your feet."

1. The Lord will come on the clouds of heaven * with great power and might, / alleluia.

2. The Lord will wield from Zion your scepter of power: * rule in the midst of all your foes.

3. A prince from the day of your birth on the holy mountains: * from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

4. The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. † "You are a priest for ever, * a priest like Melchizedek of old."

5. The Master standing at your right hand * will shatter kings on the day of his great wrath.

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

7. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit:

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

Amen.
The Lord will come on the clouds of heaven * with great power and might, / alleluia.

The Lord will come ; *
he is true to his word.
If he seems to delay, / keep watch for him, *
for he will surely come, / alleluia.

The cantor begins and alternates verses with the congregation:

Psalm 115

The Lord will come on the clouds of heaven * with great power and might, / alleluia.

OT to us, Lord, not to us, * but to your name give the glory 

Pause : cannot feel ; †

2. for the sake of your love and your truth, * lest the heathen say : “ Where is their God ? ”

3. But our God is in the heavens ; * he does whatever he wills.

4. Their idols are silver and gold, * the work of human hands.

5. They have mouths but they cannot speak ; * they have eyes but they cannot see ;
they have ears but they cannot hear; * they have nostrils but they cannot smell.

7. With their hands they cannot feel; † with their feet they cannot walk. * No sound comes from their throats.

8. Their makers will come to be like them * and so will all who trust in them.

9. Sons of Israel, trust in the Lord; * he is their help and their shield.

10. You who fear him, trust in the Lord; * he is their help and their shield.

11. He remembers us, and he will bless us; † he will bless the sons of Israel. * He will bless the sons of Aaron.

12. The Lord will bless those who fear him, * the little no less than the great:

13. to you may the Lord grant increase, * to you and all your children.

14. May you be blessed by the Lord, * the maker of heaven and earth.

15. The heavens belong to the Lord * but the earth he has given to men.

16. The dead shall not praise the Lord, * nor those who go down into the silence.

17. But we who live bless the Lord * now and for ever. Amen.

18. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit:

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

The Lord will come ; *  
he is true to his word.
If he seems to delay, / keep watch for him, *  
for he will surely come, / alleluia.

3 Ant. V

The Lord our King and lawgiver *  
will come to save us, alleluia.

Canticle  

See Revelation 19 : 1-7  
The cantor chants the verses of the Canticle. All respond with the "Alleluia" refrains.

V

Al- va- tion, glo- ry, and pow- er to our God :

S

Al- le- lu- ia.  His judgments are hon- est and true.  Al- le-

R: Al- le- lu- ia.  His judgments are hon- est and true.  R: Al- le-

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

has sent a- way emp- ty.

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

he has re-membered 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
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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.

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

lift- ed up the low- ly.

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1. Glo- ry to the Fa- ther, and to the Son, and to the

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

Ho- ly Spir-it: R: Al- le- lu- ia. as it was in the be-ginning,
is now, and will be for ev- er. A- men. R: Al- le- lu- ia, al-
le- lu- ia.

All :

Anti-

The Lord our King and lawgiver * will come to save us, alleluia.

Reading

Cantor :

IV

Ord, show us * your mer-cy and love.

All :

Lord, show us * your mer-cy and love.

Cantor :

V. And grant us your sal-va-tion,

At Magnificat

Canticle of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Luke 1: 46-55

The cantor begins and alternates verses with the congregation :

E

VIII G

Y soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, * and

M

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

V.

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