

**Benediction****Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament***O Salutaris Hostia*

O salutáris hóstia,  
Quæ cæli pandis óstium,  
Bella Prémunt 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 heaven 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*

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Venerémur cernui ;  
Et antíquum documéntum  
Novo cedat rítui ;  
Præstet fides suppléméntum  
Sénsuum deféctui.

Genitóri, Genitóque  
Laus et iubilátió,  
Salus, honor, virtus, quoque  
Sit et benedíctio :  
Procedénti ab utróque  
Compar sit laudátió.

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, alleluia.

℟ Omne delectaméntum in se habéntem, alleluia.

∇ You have given them Bread from heaven, alleluia.

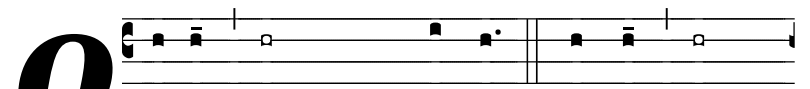
℟ Containing all sweetness within it, alleluia.

*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*

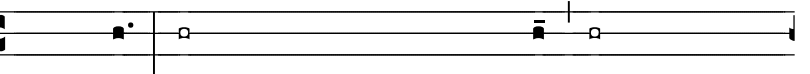
Holy God, we praise thy Name ;  
Lord of all, we bow before thee ;  
All on earth thy sceptre 'claim ;  
All in heaven above adore thee.  
Infinite thy vast domain ;  
Everlasting is thy reign.

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

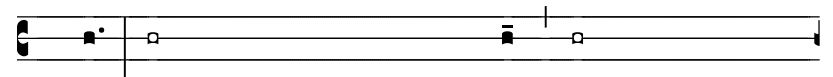
**annunciation  
of the lord***Solemnity**During Paschaltide***AT II VESPERS****Opening Verse**

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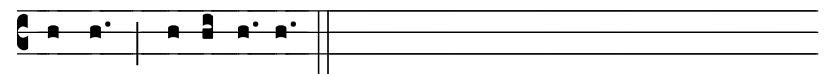
God, come to my as-sis-tance. ℟ O Lord, make haste



to help me. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy



Spir-it : as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever



A-men. Al-le-lu-ia.

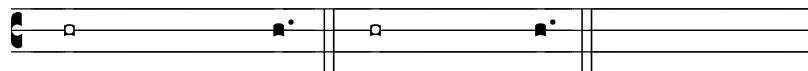


**The Lord's Prayer***Celebrant :***W**

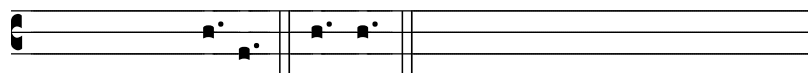
ITH longing for the coming of God's kingdom, let us

offer our prayer to the Fa-ther : *All* : Our Father.**Prayer**

God our Father,  
 your Word became man and was born of the Virgin Mary. \*  
 May we become more like Jesus Christ,  
 whom we acknowledge as our redeemer, God and man.  
 We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, \*  
 one God, for ever and ever. *R.* Amen.

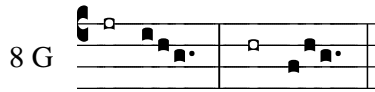
**Blessing***V.* The Lord be with you. *R.* And also with you.**M**

AY almight-y God bless you, the Father, and the Son,

and the Holy Spir-it. *R.* A-men.**Dismissal**

VIII

**G**O in peace. *R.* Thanks be to God.



## Psalmody

**Ant. I** The angel of the Lord, †  
brought God's message to Mary. \*  
And she conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, †  
*alleluia.*

## Psalm 109 : 1-5. 7

**T**HE Lord's revelation to  
my Master : † " Sit on my  
right : \* your foes I will put  
*beneath* your feet. "

The Lord will wield from  
Zion † your sceptre of power : \*  
rule in the midst of *all* your  
foes.

A prince from the day of your  
birth † on the *holy* mountains ; \*  
from the womb before the dawn  
*I* begot you.

The Lord has sworn an oath

he will not change. † " You are  
a *priest* for ever, \* a priest like  
Melchizedech of old. "

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

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

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

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

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brought God's message to Mary. \*  
And she conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, †  
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## Intercessions



On this day  
the eternal Father sent his angel  
to bring to Mary the good news of *our* salvation.  
Let us turn to God and *pray* with confidence :

**R.** Lord, / fill our hearts with *your* love.

You chose the Virgin Mary  
as the mother *of* your Son,  
—have mercy on all,  
who look for your gift *of* salvation. (R.)

You sent Gabriel  
to give Mary your message of *peace* and joy,  
—give to the whole world the joy of salvation  
and your gift *of* true peace. (R.)

Mary gave her consent,  
the Holy Spirit overshadowed her,  
and your Word came to  *dwell* among us,  
—touch our hearts  
that we may welcome *Christ* as Mary did. (R.)

You look with love on the humble,  
and fill the hungry *with* your gifts,  
—raise up the downcast,  
help all in need,  
comfort and *strengthen* the dying. (R.)

Lord our God,  
you alone work wonders  
and with you all *things* are possible,  
—give us the fullness of salvation  
when you raise up the dead / on *the* last day. (R.)



## At Magnificat. Antiphon

**Ant.** The *angel* Gabriel \*  
said to Mary *in* greeting :

Hail, *full* of grace, \*  
the Lord *is* with you ;

blessed are you *among* women \*  
*alleluia.*

**M**Y soul proclaims the great-  
ness *of* the Lord, \* my  
spirit rejoices in God *my* Savior  
for he has *looked* with favor \*  
on his *lowly* servant.

From this day all *generations*  
\* will call *me* blessed :

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

He has mercy on *those* who  
fear him \* in every *generation.*

He has shown the strength *of*  
his arm, \* he has scattered the  
proud in their *conceit.*

He has cast down the mighty

*from* their thrones, \* and has  
lifted up *the* lowly.

He has filled the hungry *with*  
good things, \* and the rich he has  
sent *away* empty.

He has come to the help of his  
*servant* Israel \* for he has  
remembered his promise *of*  
mercy,

the promise he made *to* our  
fathers, \* to Abraham and his  
children *for* ever.

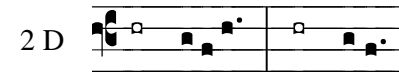
Glory to the Father, and *to* the  
Son, \* and to the Holy Spirit :

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

**Ant.** The *angel* Gabriel \*  
said to Mary *in* greeting :

Hail, *full* of grace, \*  
the Lord *is* with you ;

blessed are you *among* women \*  
*alleluia.*



**Ant. 2** Do not be *afraid,* O Mary ; \*  
you have found favor *with* God.

Behold, / you shall conceive and *bear* a Son, \*  
and he will be called the Son of the Most High, †  
*alleluia.*

## Psalm 129

**O**UT of the depths I cry to  
you, O Lord, \* Lord, hear  
my voice.

O let your ears be attentive \*  
to the voice of my pleading.

If you, O Lord, should mark  
our guilt, \* Lord, who would sur-  
vive ?

But with you is found forgive-  
ness : \* for this we revere you.

My soul is waiting for the Lord,  
\* I count on his word.

My soul is longing for the Lord  
\* more than watchman for day-  
break.

Let the watchman count on  
daybreak \* and Israel on the Lord.

Because with the Lord there  
is mercy \* and fullness of redemp-  
tion,

Israel indeed he will redeem  
\* from all its iniquity.

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

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

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you have found favor *with* God.

Behold, / you shall conceive and *bear* a Son, \*  
and he will be called the Son of the Most High, †  
*alleluia.*



**Ant. 3** I am the handmaid of *the* Lord. \*  
Let it be done unto me as you have said, †  
*alleluia.*

### Canticle

### Colossians 1 : 12-20

**L**ET us give thanks to the Father † for having made *you* worthy \* to share the lot of the saints *in* light.

He rescued us from the power of darkness \* and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son.

Through him we have redemption, \* the forgiveness of *our* sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, \* the first-born of *all* creatures.

In him everything in heaven and on earth was *cre*ated, \* things visible and *in*visible.

All were created *through* him; \* all were created *for* him.

He is before all else *that* is. \*

In him everything continues *in* being.

It is he who is head of the body, *the* church ! \* he who is the *be*ginning,

the first-born of *the* dead, \* so that primacy may be his *in* everything.

It pleased God to make absolute fullness \* reside *in* him

and, by means of him, \* to reconcile everything in *his* person,

both on earth and in *the* heavens, \* making peace through the blood of *his* cross.

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

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

**Ant.** I am the handmaid of *the* Lord. \*  
Let it be done unto me as you have said, †  
*alleluia.*

### Reading

Colossians 3 : 23-24

**T**HIS is what we proclaim to you :  
what was from the beginning,  
what we have heard,  
what we have seen with our eyes,  
what we have looked upon  
and our hands have touched—  
we speak of the word of life.  
This life became visible;  
we have seen and bear witness to it,  
and we proclaim to you the eternal life  
that was present to the Father  
and became visible to us.



### Responsory

- ∇ The Word was made man †  
and he *lived* among us, \*  
*alleluia, alleluia.*
- ℞ The Word was made man †  
and he *lived* among us, \*  
*alleluia, alleluia.*
- ∇ He was in the *beginning* with God, \*  
℞ *alleluia, alleluia.*
- ∇ Glory to the Father, and *to* the Son, \*  
and to the Holy Spirit.
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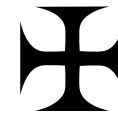
Feasts of March. 25

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