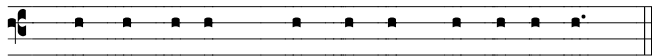


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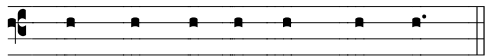
AT COMPLINE

PREPARATORY PRAYERS

The Preparatory Prayers are not said before Compline.



∇ May the divine ✠ help remain with us always.



℞ **And with our absent brethren.**

After the Office is ended, it is praiseworthy to say the following Prayers.

To the holy and undivided Trinity,
To the crucified humanity of our Lord Jesus Christ,
To the fruitful Virginity of the blessed and glorious ever Virgin Mary,
And to the whole company of the Saints
Be everlasting praise, honor, power and glory from every creature,
And unto us the remission of all our sins for ever, world without end.

℞ **Amen.**

∇ Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary, which bore the Son of the Father eternal.

℞ **And blessed are the paps which gave suck to Christ the Lord.**

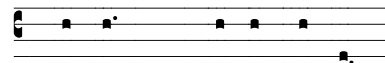
The Pater Noster, Ave Maria & Credo are prayed silently.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, ✠ but deliver us from evil. Amen.

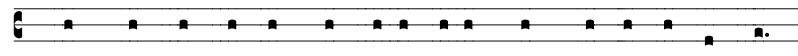
Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners; now, and at the hour of our death. Amen

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the ✠ life everlasting. Amen

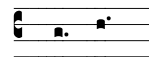
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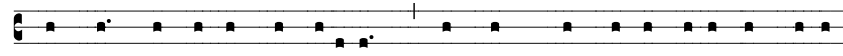
∇ Father (Sir), ask a blessing.



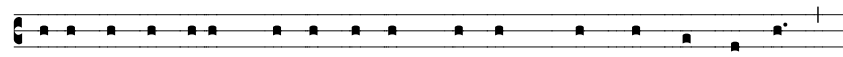
∇ The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night, and a perfect end.



℞ **Amen.**



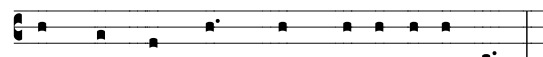
Brethren, be sober, be vigilant; ∇ because your adversary, the devil,



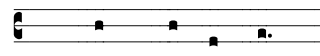
as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he m̄y devour; *



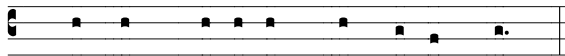
whom resist, steadfast in thē Faith.



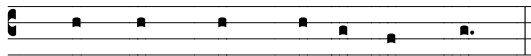
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.



℞ **Thanks be to God.**



∇ Our help ✠ is in the Name of the Lord.



℞ Who hath made heaven and earth.

The Our Father is said silently by all:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, ✠ but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The Officiant, kneeling or bowing profoundly, then makes his confession:

I confess to God Almighty, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you, brethren, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed:

He strikes his breast thrice, saying:

by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault.

Wherefore I beg blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and you brethren, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

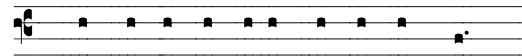
Those assembled answer with this Absolution:

Almighty God have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to everlasting life.

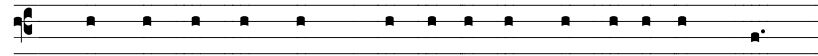
℞ Amen.

Then, kneeling or bowing profoundly, those assembled make their confession:

I confess to God Almighty, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to thee, father that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed:



∇ Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

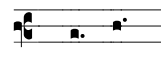


℞ That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.



Let us pray.

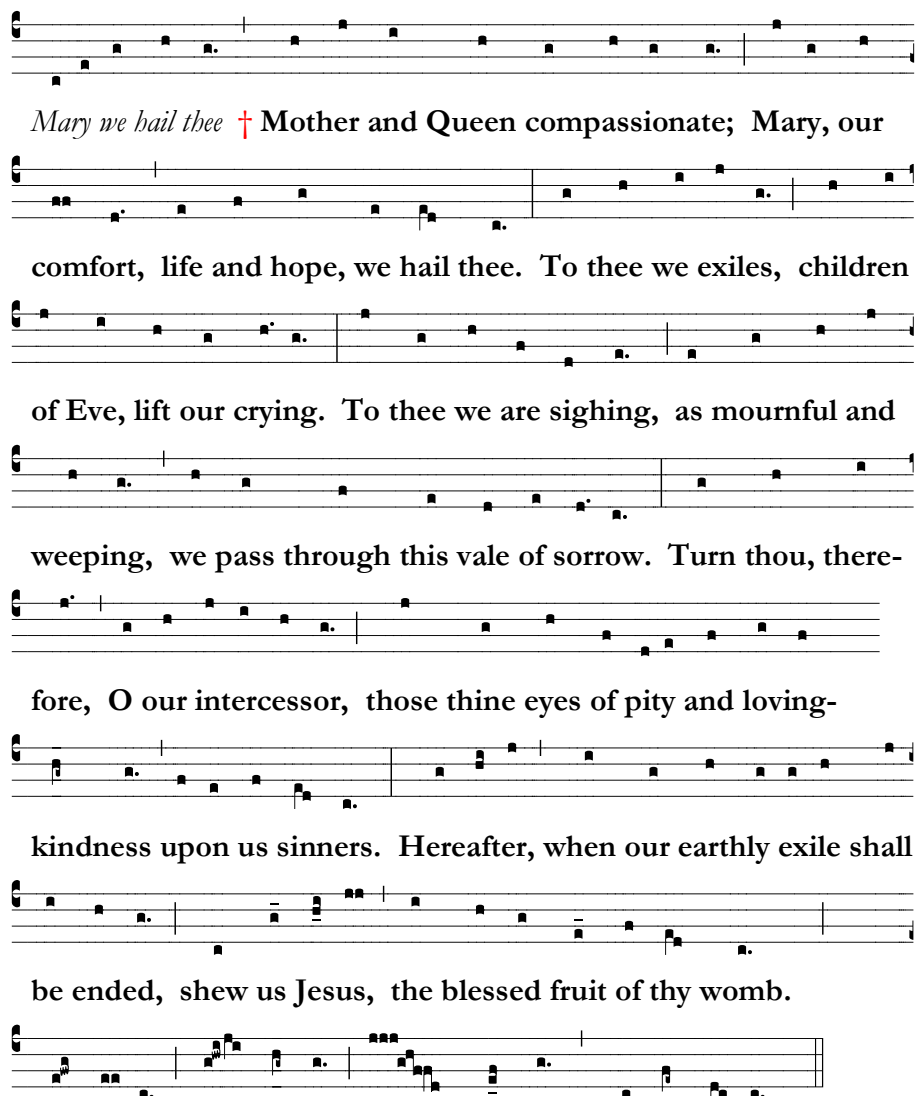
Almighty, everlasting God, who by the co-operation of the Holy Ghost didst prepare the body and soul of the glorious Virgin-Mother Mary to become a habitation meet for thy Son: grant that as we rejoice in her commemoration; we may be delivered by her loving intercession from our present evils and from eternal death. Through the same Christ our Lord.



℞ Amen.

The prayers conclude on p. 22.

From I Vespers of Trinity Sunday through None of the Saturday before Advent.



Mary we hail thee † Mother and Queen compassionate; Mary, our
comfort, life and hope, we hail thee. To thee we exiles, children
of Eve, lift our crying. To thee we are sighing, as mournful and
weeping, we pass through this vale of sorrow. Turn thou, there-
fore, O our intercessor, those thine eyes of pity and loving-
kindness upon us sinners. Hereafter, when our earthly exile shall
be ended, shew us Jesus, the blessed fruit of thy womb.
O gentle, O tender, O gracious Virgin Mary.

They strike their breasts thrice, saying:

by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault.

Wherefore I beg blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and thee, father, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

The Officiant then says this Absolution:

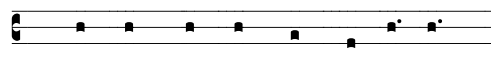
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℟ Amen

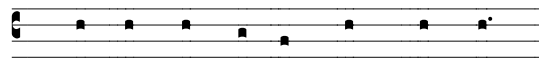
Stand. Then the Officiant says:

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, † absolution, and remission of our sins.

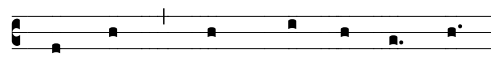
℟ Amen



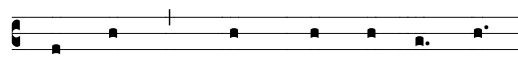
℣ Turn us, then, O God our Savior.



℟ And let thine anger cease from us.

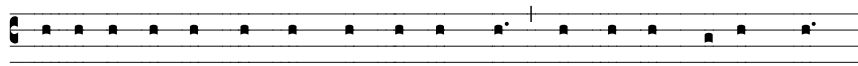


℣ O God, † make speed to save me.



℟ O Lord, † make haste to help me.

Bow profoundly.



Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Stand.

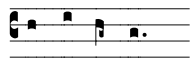


As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,



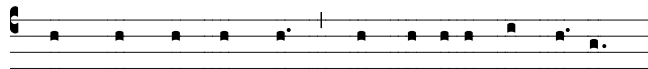
world without end. Amen.

Throughout the Year:



Al-le-lu-ia.

During Lent & Passiontide:



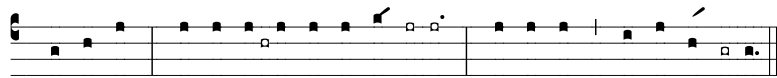
Praise to thee, O Lord, King of eternal glory.

PSALMS

The Psalms are sung without antiphon.

Psalm 4. Cum invocárem

VIII.1



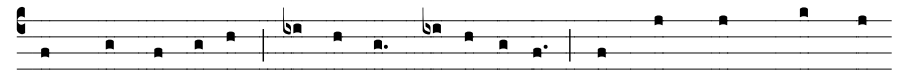
HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness: *

Be Seated.

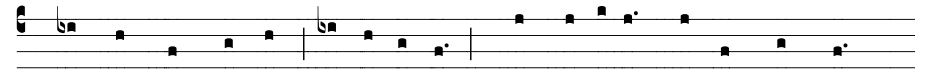
thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, and hearken • unto my prayer.

² O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour, * and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek • after léasing?

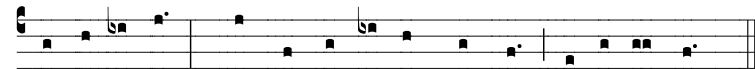
From Compline at Easter Sunday until None of the Saturday before Trinity Sunday.



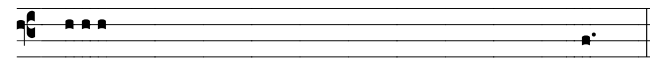
O Queen of heaven † Be joyful, al-le-lu-ia; Because He whom so



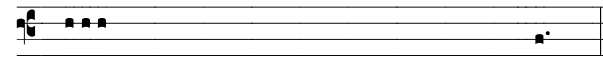
meetly thou barest, al-le-lu-ia, Hath a-risen, as He promis'd,



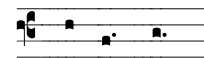
al-le-lu-ia: Pray for us to the Father, al-le-lu-ia.



∇ Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, allelu-ia.

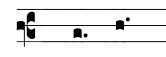


℞ For the Lord is risen indeed, allelu-ia.



Let us pray.

O God, who, by the resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ, didst vouchsafe to give gladness unto the world: grant, we beseech thee; that we, being holpen by the Virgin Mary, his Mother, may attain unto the joys of everlasting life, through the same Christ our Lord.



℞ Amen.

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From Compline of the Purification through Compline of Wednesday in Holy Week.



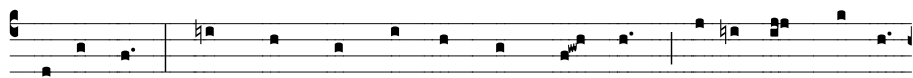
Queen of the heavens, we hail thee † Hail thee, Lady of all the Angels;



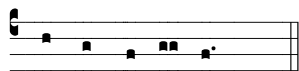
Thou the dawn, the door of morning Whence the world's true



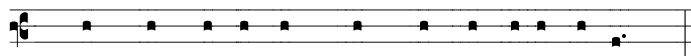
Light is risen: Joy to thee, O Virgin glorious, Beautiful beyond



all other; Hail, and farewell, O most gracious, Intercede for us



always to Jesus.

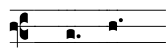


∇ Vouchsafe that I may praise thee, O holy Virgin.



℞ Give me strength against thine enemies.

Let us pray. Grant us, O merciful God, protection in our weakness: that we who celebrate the memory of the holy Mother of God; may, through the aid of her intercession, rise again from our sins. Through the same Christ our Lord.



℞ Amen.

The prayers conclude on p. 22.

³ Know this also, that the LORD hath chosen to himself the man that is gódlý; *
when I call upon the LORD • he will héar me.

⁴ Stand in awe, and sín not; *
commune with your own heart, and in your • chamber, ánd be still.

⁵ Offer the sacrifice of ríghteousness, *
and put your • trüüst ín the LORD.

⁶ There be many that sáy, *
Who will • shew us ány good?

⁷ LORD, lift thou úp *
the light of thy counte • nance upón us.

⁸ Thou hast put gladness in my héart; *
since the time that their corn and wine and • oil increas-ed.

⁹ I will lay me down in peace, and take my rést; *

Stand.

for it is thou, LORD, only, that makest me • dwell in sáfety.

Bow (women genuflect) while singing:

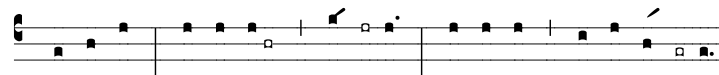
Glory be to the Father and to the Són, *
and • to the Hóly Ghost.

Stand upright.

As it was in the beginning, † is now, and ever sháll be, *
world • without énd. Amen.

Psalm 90. Qui hábitat

VIII.1



*WHOSO dwelleth under the defence of the Most High, **

Be Seated.

shall abide under the shadow of • the Almíghty.

² I will say unto the LORD, † Thou art my hope, and my stronghold; *
my God, in • him will I trust.

³ For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter, *
and from the • noisome pestilence.

⁴ He shall defend thee under his wings, † and thou shalt be safe under his feathers; *
his faithfulness and truth shall be thy • shield and buckler.

⁵ Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night, *
nor for the arrow that • flieth by day;

⁶ For the pestilence that walketh in darkness, *
nor for the sickness that destroyeth • in the noon-day.

⁷ A thousand shall fall beside thee, † and ten thousand at thy right hand; *
but it shall • not come nigh thee.

⁸ Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold, *
and see the reward of • the ungodly.

⁹ For thou, LORD, art my hope; *
thou hast set thine house of de • fence very high.

¹⁰ There shall no evil happen unto thee, *
neither shall any plague come • nigh thy dwelling.

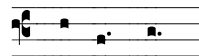
¹¹ For he shall give his angels charge over thee, *
to keep • thee in all thy ways.

¹² They shall bear thee in their hands, *
that thou hurt not thy • foot against a stone.

¹³ Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder: *
the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread • under thy feet.

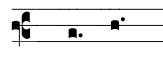
¹⁴ Because he hath set his love upon me, † therefore will I deliver him; *
I will set him up, because • he hath known my Name.

¹⁵ He shall call upon me, and I will hear him; *
yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and bring • him to honour.



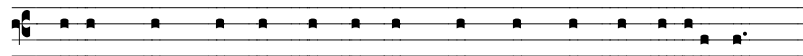
Let us pray.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts: that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel; so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord.

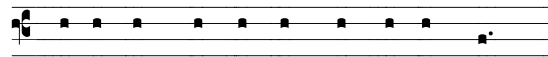


℟ Amen.

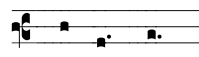
At First Vespers of the Nativity and thenceforward:



℣ After Child-bearing, O Virgin, thou didst remain inviolate.

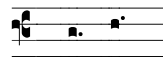


℟ Intercede for us, O Mother of God.



Let us pray.

O God, who by the fruitful virginity of blessed Mary hast bestowed upon mankind the reward of eternal salvation: grant, we beseech Thee; that we may know the help of her intercession, through whom we have been accounted worthy to receive the Author of our life, Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord.

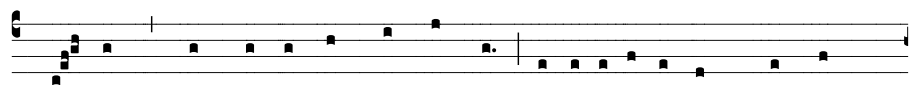


℟ Amen.

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THE MARIAN ANTIPHON

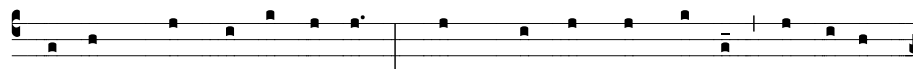
From I Vespers of Advent Sunday through II Vespers of the Purification.



Graciosa † Mother of our Redeemer, forever abiding Heaven's



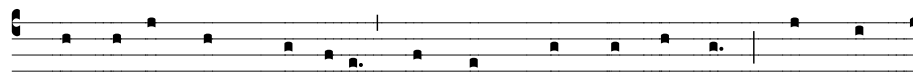
gateway, and star of ocean, O succour the people, Who, though



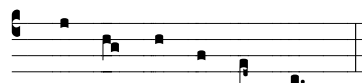
falling, strive to rise again. Thou Maiden who barest thy holy



Creator, to the wonder of all nature; Ever Virgin, after as before

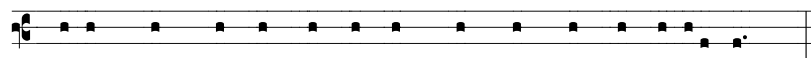


thou receivedst that Ave from the mouth of Gabriel; have com-

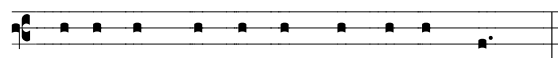


passion on us sinners.

In Advent:



∇ The Angel of the Lord announced unto Mary.



℞ And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

¹⁶ With long life will I satisfy him, *

Stand.

and shew him • my salvation.

Bow (women genuflect) while singing:

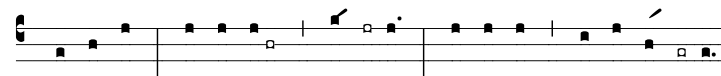
Glory be to the Father and to the Són, *
and • to the Hóly Ghost.

Stand upright.

As it was in the beginning, † is now, and ever shall be, *
wórlđ • without énd. Amen.

Psalm 133. Ecce nunc

VIII.1



*BEHOLD now, praise the LÓRD, **

Be Seated.

all ye • servants óf the LORD;

² Ye that by night stand in the house of the LÓRD, *
even in the courts of the • house of óur God.

³ Lift up your hands in the sanctuáry, *
• and praise thé LORD.

⁴ The LORD that made heaven and éarth *

Stand.

give thee blessing • out of Sión.

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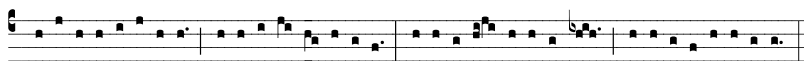
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Stand upright.

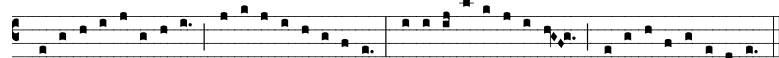
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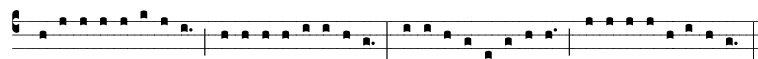
On Sundays



On Double Feasts having no proper melody



On Ferias



To thee, before the close of day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That with thy wonted favour thou
Wouldst be our Guard and Keeper now.

From all ill dreams defend our eyes
From nightly fears and fantasies:
Tread under foot our ghostly foe,
That no pollutions we may know.

Bow.

O Father, that we ask be done
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son,
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Shall live and reign eternally. Amen.

Doxology on Christmass Day until Epiphany

*Doxology on the Feast of the Blessed Virgin
 Mary and throughout their Octaves*

All honour, laud, and glory be,
O Jesu, Virgin-Born, to thee;
All glory as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

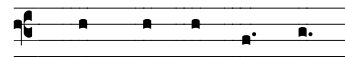
*Doxology on Epiphany and throughout the
 Octaves*

All glory, Lord, to thee we pay
For thine Epiphany to-day;
All glory as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

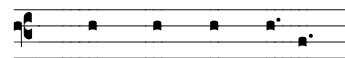
Doxology in Eastertide

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.

THE BLESSING



∴ The Lord be with you.



℟ And with thy spirit.

Feastal Tone

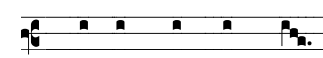


∴ Let us bless the Lord.

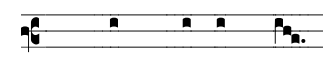


℟ Thanks be to God.

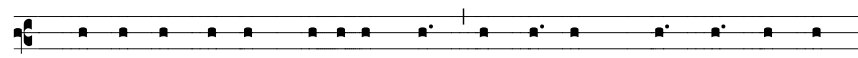
Ferial Tone



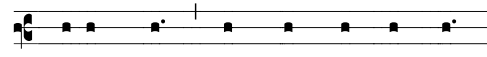
∴ Let us bless the Lord.



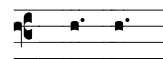
℟ Thanks be to God.



∴ The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, ✠ the Son and the



Holy Ghost, bless and preserve us.

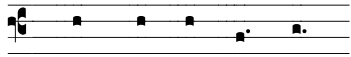


℟ Amen.

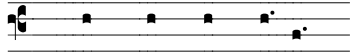
Compline concludes with the proper Marian Antiphon.

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- During Paschaltide.....p. 19*
- From Trinity Sunday until Advent.....p. 20*

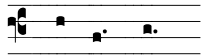
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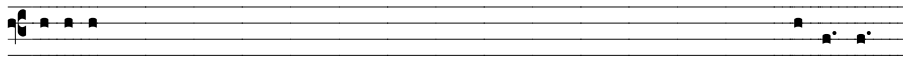
∇ The Lord be with you.



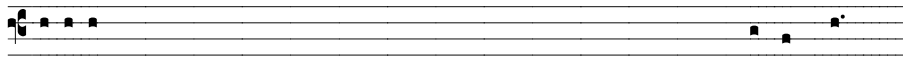
℞ And with thy spirit.



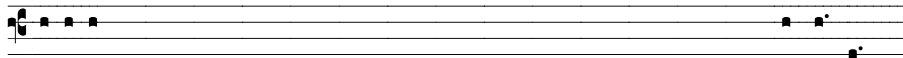
Let us pray.



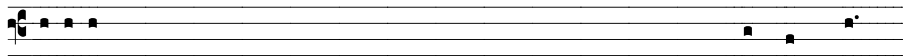
Visit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this habitation,
and drive far from it all snares of the enemy:



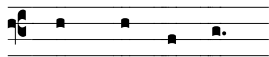
let thy holy Angels dwell herein, to preserve us in peace;



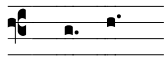
and let thy blessing be ever upon us.



Through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God



world without end.



℞ Amen.

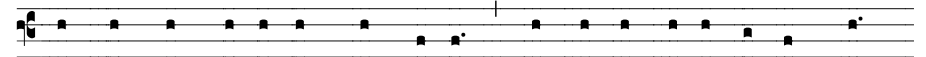
Doxology in Ascensiontide

All glory, Lord, to thee we pay
Ascending o'er the stars to-day;
All glory as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

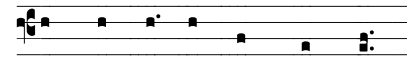
Doxology on Pentecost and throughout the Octaves

To thee who, dead, again dost live,
All glory, Lord, thy people give;
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Ghost for evermore.
Amen.

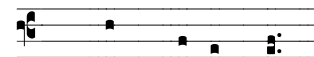
LITTLE CHAPTER & VERSICLE



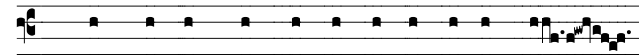
Thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us, y and we are called by thy Name *



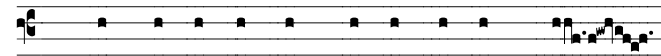
leave us not, O Lord our God.



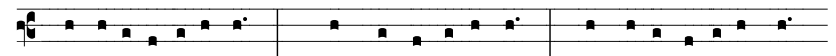
℞ Thanks be to God.



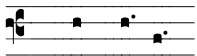
∇ Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of an eye.



℞ Hide us under the shadow of thy wings.



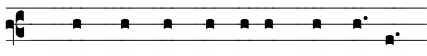
Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Chris-te e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.



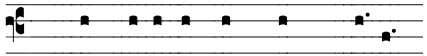
∇ Our Father ...

The body of the Pater noster is said silently.

who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.



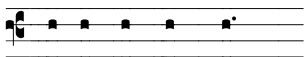
∇ And lead us not into temptation.



℞ But deliver us from ✠ evil.

PRECES

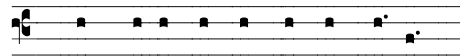
When the Preces are not said (on Doubles, within Octaves, when there has been a Commemoration at Vespers, on the Friday after the Octave of the Ascension, or on the Vigil of the Epiphany), then proceed immediately to the Collect.



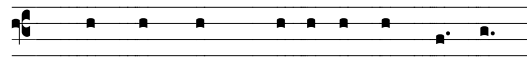
∇ I believe in God ...

The body of the Creed is said silently.

the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins.



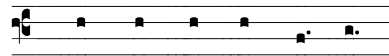
∇ The Resurrection of the body.



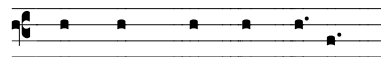
℞ And the Life ✠ everlasting. Amen.



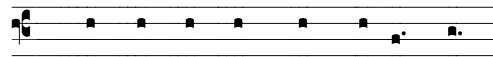
∇ Vouchsafe, O Lord, this night.



℞ To keep us without sin.



∇ O Lord, hear my prayer.



℞ And let my cry come unto thee.