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| *All stand for the beginning of Vespers.*  Invitatory  *Make the Sign of the Cross (*  ) *with the Officiant as he intones:*  *Officiant: All:*        *(bow)*    *(upright*)    Antiphon 1  *All make the sign of the cross as Officiant begins.*  *Officiant: \* All:*    Psalm 109  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *All sit.*  *Cantor: \* Cantors*      1. Dí-xit Dóminus **Dó**mino **mé**- o : \* Séde a *déxtris* **mé**- is.  2. *(All)* Donec pónam ini**mí**cos **tú**os, \*  scabéllum pé*dum tu***ó**rum.  3. Vírgam virtútis túæ emíttet Dómi**nus** ex **Si**on: \*  domináre in médio inimicó*rum tu***ó**rum.  4. Técum princípium in díe virtútis túæ in splendóri**bus**  san**ctó**rum: \*  ex útero ante luciférum *génu* **i** te.  5. Jurávit Dóminus, et non pæni**té**bit **é**um: \*  Tu es sacérdos in ætérnum secúndum órdi*nem*  *Mel***chí**sedech.  6. Dóminus a **déx**tris **tú**is, \*  confrégit in díe íræ *suae* **ré**ges.  7. Judicábit in natiónibus, im**plé**bit ru**í**nas: \*  conquassábit cápita in tér*ra mul***tó**rum.  8. De torrénte in **ví**a **bí**bet: \*  proptérea exal*tábit* **cá**put.  9. *(bow)* Glória **Pá**tri, et **Fí**lio, \*  et Spirí*tui* **Sán**cto.  10. *(sit upright)* Sícut érat in princípio, et **núnc**, et **sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæcu*lórum*. **A**men.  *All:*    Antiphon 2  *Cantors: \* All:*          Psalm 110  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *Cantor: \* Cantors:*    1. Confitébor tí-bi Dómine in tóto **cór-** de **mé**- o: \* in consí-li-o      justórum et congre**ga***-* ti- **ó**- ne. *Flex :* su-órum †  2. *(All)* Mágna **ó**pera **Dó**mini: \*  exquisita in ómnes volun**tá**tes**é**jus.  3. Conféssio et magnificéntia **ó**pus **é**jus: \*  et justítia éjus mánet in **sæ**culum**sæ**culi.  *All:*    4. Memóriam fécit mirabílium suó-rum, † miséricors et mise -      **rá-** tor **Dó-**minus: \* éscam dédit ti-**mén**ti-**bus** se.  5. *(Cantors)* Mémor érit in sæculum testa**mén**ti **sú**i: \*  virtútem opérum suórum annuntiábit **pó**pulo**sú**o:  6. Ut det íllis hæredi**tá**tem **gén**tium: \*  opera mánuum éjus véritas **et** ju**dí**cium.  7. Fidélia ómnia mandáta éjus: † confirmáta in **sæ**culum  **saé**culi: \*  fácta in veritáte et **ae**qui**tá**te.  8. Redemptiónem mísit **pó**pulo **sú**o: \*  mandávit in ætérnum testa**mén**tum**sú**um.  9. *(bow head)* Sánctum et terríbile **nó**men **é**jus: \*  *(sit upright)* inítium sapiéntiæ **tí**mor**Dó**mini.  10. Intelléctus bonus ómnibus faci**én**tibus **é**um: \*  laudátio éjus mánet in **sæ**culum**saé**culi.  11. *(bow)* Glória **Pá**tri, et **Fí**lio, \*  et Spi**rí**tui**Sán**cto.  12. *(sit upright)* Sícut érat in princípio, et **nunc**, et **sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæcu**ló**rum. **A**men.  *All:*          Antiphon 3  *Cantors: \* All:*      Psalm 111  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *Cantor: \* Cantors:*    1. Be-átus vir qui tímet **Dó**minum: \* in mandá-tis é-jus *vó- let* **ní**-    mis. *Flex :* cómmodat, †  2. *(All)*  Pótens in térra érit semen **é**jus: \*  generátio rectórum be*nedi***cé**tur.    3. Glória et divítiæ in dómo **é**jus: \*  et justítia éjus mánet in sæ*culum* **sæ**culi.  4. Exórtum est in ténebris lúmen**ré**ctis: \*  miséricors, et miserá*tor*, *et* **jú**stus.  5. Jucúndus hómo qui miserétur et cómmodat, † dispónet  sermónes súos in ju**dí**cio: \*  quia in ætérnum non *commo***vé**bitur.  6. In memória ætérna érit**jú**stus: \*  ab auditióne mála *non* *ti***mé**bit.  7. Parátum cor éjus speráre in Dómino, † confirmátum est cor  **é**jus: \*  non commovébitur dónec despíciat ini*mícos* **sú**os.  8. Dispérsit, dédit paupéribus: † justítia éjus mánet in sæculum  **sæ**culi: \*  córnu éjus exaltábi*tur in* **gló**ria.  9. Peccátor vidébit, et irascétur, † déntibus súis frémet et  ta**bé**scet: \*  desidérium peccató*rum per***í**bit.  10. *(bow)* Glória Pátri, et **Fí**lio, \*  et Spir*ítui* **Sán**cto.  11. *(sit upright)* Sícut érat in princípio, et nunc, et**sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæcu*lórum.* **A**men.  *All:*        Antiphon 4  *Cantors: \* All*      Psalm 112  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *Cantor: \* Cantors:*    1. Laudáte pú**-**e-ri **Dó**minum : \* laudá-te  **nó**- men **Dó**mi-ni.  2. *(bow) (All)* Sit nómen Dómini bene**dí**ctum, \*  *(sit upright)* ex hoc nunc, et **ús**que in **sæ**culum.  3. A sólis órtu usque ad oc**cá**sum, \*  laudábile **nó**men **Dó**mini.  4. Excélsus super ómnes géntes **Dó**minus, \*  et super cælos **gló**ria **é**jus.  5. Quis sicut Dóminus Déus nóster, qui in áltis **há**bitat, \*  et humília respícit in cælo **et** in **tér**ra?  6. Súscitans a térra **ín**opem, \*  et de stércore **é**rigens **páu**perem:  7. Ut collócet éum cum prin**cí**pibus, \*  cum princípibus **pó**puli **sú**i.  8. Qui habitáre fácit stérilemin **dó**mo, \*  mátrem fili**ó**rum læ**tán**tem.  9. *(bow)* Glória Pátri, et **Fí**lio, \*  et Spi**rí**tui **Sán**cto.  10. *(sit upright)* Sícut érat in princípio, et nunc, et **sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæcu**ló**rum. **A**men.  *All:*      Antiphon 5  *Cantors: \* All:*    Psalm 113  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *Cantor: \* Cantors:*    1. In éxi-tu Isra-el de Ae**gý**-pto, \* dómus Jácob de pópu*-lo* **bár**baro.        *Flex :* palpabunt : †    2. *(All)* Facta est Judaéa sanctificátio **é**jus, \*  Israel poté*stas* **é**jus.  3. Máre vídit, et**fú**git: \*  Jordánis conversus est *re***trór**sum.  4. Móntes exsultavérunt ut a**rí**etes, \*  et cólles sicut á*gni* **ó**vium.  5. Quid est tíbi marequod fu**gí**sti? \*  et tu Jordánis, quia convérsus es *re***trór**sum?  6. Móntes exsultástis sicut a**rí**etes, \*  et cólles sicut á*gni* **ó**vium?  7. A fácie Dómini móta est**tér**ra, \*  a fácieDé*i* **Já**cob:  8. Qui convértit pétram in stágna a**quá**rum: \*  et rúpem in fóntes *a***quá**rum.  9. Non nóbis, Dómine, non **nó**bis, \*  sed nómini túo *da* **gló**riam:  10. Super misericórdia túa et veritáte **tú**a: \*  nequándo dícant géntes: Ubi est Déus *e***ó**rum?  11. Déus autem nóster in **cæ**lo: \*  ómnia quæcúmque vólu*it*, **fé**cit.  12. Simulácra géntium argéntum et **áu**rum, \*  ópera mánu*um* **hó**minum.  13. Os hábent, et non lo**quén**tur: \*  óculos hábent, et non *vi***dé**bunt.  14. Aures hábent, et non **áu**dient: \*  náres hábent, et non o*do***rá**bunt.  15. Mánus hábent, et non palpábunt: † pédes hábent, et non  ambu**lá**bunt: \*  non clamábunt in gúttu*re* **sú**o.  16. Símiles íllis fíant qui fáciunt **é**a: \*  et ómnes qui confídunt *in* **é**is.  17. Dómus Israel sperávit in**Dó**mino: \*  adjútor eórum et protéctor *e***ó**rum est.  18. Dómus Aaron sperávit in**Dó**mino: \*  adjútor eórum et protéctor *e***ó**rum est.  19. Qui tíment Dóminum speravérunt in **Dó**mino: \*  adjútor eórum et protéctor *e***ó**rum est.  20. Dóminus mémor fúit**nó**stri: \*  et benedí*xit* **nó**bis.  21. Benedíxit dómui **Is**rael: \*  benedíxit dómu*i* **A**aron.  22. Benedíxit ómnibus qui tíment**Dó**minum, \*  pusíllis cum *ma***jó**ribus.  23. Adjíciat Dóminus **sú**per vos: \*  super vos, et super fíli*os* **vé**stros.  24. Benedícti vos a**Dó**mino, \*  qui fécit cælum *et* **tér**ram.  25. Cælum cæli**Dó**mino: \*  térram autem dédit fíli*is* **hó**minum.  26. Non mórtui laudábunt te**Dó**mine: \*  neque ómnes qui descéndunt in *in***fér**num.  27. Sed nos qui vívimus, benedícimus **Dó**mino, \*  ex hoc nunc et úsque *in* **sæ**culum.  28. *(bow)* Glória Pátri, et**Fí**lio, \*  et Spirítu*i* **Sán**cto.  29. *(sit upright)* Sícut érat in princípio, et nunc, et **sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæculó*rum*. **A**men.  *All:*    *All Stand*  Litte chapter  *Phil 4:4-5*  *Officiant:*  Fratres: Gaudéte in Dómino semper: íterum dico, gaudéte. †  Modéstia vestra nota sit ómnibus homínibus: \* Dóminus prope est.  *All:* **Deo grátias.**  Hymn  *Creator Alme Siderum*  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *Cantors:*        *(All:)*    *(Cantors:)*      *(All:)*    *(Cantors:)*    *(Bow) (All:)*        *(stand upright)*    *Cantors:*    Roráte cæli désuper, et núbes plúant jús-tum.  *All:*      **Aperiátur térra, et gérminet Salvató-rem.**  *Remain standing.*    *(All:)*  Magnificat antiphon and Tone  antiphon  *Cantors: \* All:*    Magnificat  *Canticle of the Blessed Virgin - Luc. 1:46-55*  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*    *Cantor: \* Cantors:*  *Make the*  *sign of the cross.*    *All:*          2. Et exsultávit spí-ritus **mé**- us \* in Dé-o salu-*tá-ri* **mé**- o.  3. *(Cantors)* Quia respéxit humilitátem ancíllæ **sú**æ: \*  ecce enim ex hoc beátam me dícent ómnes gene*rati***ó**nes.  4. Quia fécit míhi mágna qui **pó**tens est: \*  *(bow)* et sánctum *nómen* **é**jus.  5. *(rise)* Et misericórdia éjus a progénie inpro**gé**nies \*  ti*ménti*bus **é**um.  6. Fécit poténtiam in bráchio **sú**o: \*  dispérsit supérbos ménte *córdis* **sú**i.  7. Depósuit poténtes de **sé**de, \*  et exal*távit* **hú**miles.  8. Esuriéntes implévit **bó**nis: \*  et dívites dimí*sit* *in***á**nes.  9. Suscépit Israel púerum **sú**um, \*  recordátus misericór*diæ* **sú**æ.  10. Sicut locútus est ad pátres **nó**stros, \*  Abraham et sémini é*jus in* **saé**cula.  11. *(bow)* Glória Pátri, et **Fí**lio, \*  et Spirí*tui* **Sán**cto.  12. *(rise)* Sícut érat in princípio, et nunc, et **sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæcu*lórum.* **A**men.  *All:*    *Remain standing*  Collect  *Officiant:*  Dóminus vobíscum.  *All:* **Et cum spíritu túo.**  *Officiant:*  Orémus.  Aurem tuam, quæsumus Dómine, précibus nostris accómmoda: † et mentis nostræ ténebras \* grátia tuæ visitatiónis illústra. Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus: \* per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.  *All:* **Amen.**  Conclusion  *Officiant:* Dóminus vobíscum.  *All:* **Et cum spíritu tuo.**  *Cantors:*      *All:*    *Officiant (in recto tono):* Fidélium ánimæ per misericórdiam Dei requiéscant in pace.  *All:* **Amen.**  Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament  *All kneel.*  *The Blessed Sacrament is taken out of the tabernacle and placed in the monstrance and exposed to the view of the people (Exposition).*  *All:*    *After a period of meditation and reflection the* Tantum ergo *is sung:*  *(upright)*))  *(bow)*    1    2.  *Officiant:* Panem de cælo præstitísti eis.  *All:* **Omne delectaméntum in se habéntem.**  *Officiant:* Orémus: Deus, qui nobis sub Sacraménto mirábili passiónis tuæ memóriam reliquísti: *†* tríbue, quaésumus, ita nos córporis et sánguinis tui sacra mystéria venerári; ut redemptiónis tuæ fructum in nobis júgiter sentiámus. Qui vivis et regnas in saécula sæculórum.  *All:* **Amen.**  *The celebrant will then bless all present with the Blessed Sacrament.*  *The celebrant descends the steps and while kneeling all recite* The Divine Praises.  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 St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.  Blessed be God in his Angels and in his Saints.  Reposition  *Cantors: \* All:*    \*    *All stand and sing the Marian Antiphon* Alma Redemptoris Mater.  Alma redemptoris Mater  *Cantor: \* All*        *Officiant:* Ángelus Dómini nuntiávit Ma - rí - ae.  *All:* Et concépit de Spíritu San-cto.  Collect  *Officiant:* Oremus.  Grátiam tuam, quaésumus, Dómine, méntibus nostris infúnde: ut qui, Angelo nuntiánte, Christi Fílii tui incarnatiónem cognóvimus; per passiónem eius et crucem, ad resurrectiónis glóriam perducámur. Per eundem Christum Dóminum nostrum.  *All:* **Amen.**  *Officiant (recto tono):* Divínum auxílium máneat semper nobíscum.  *All:* **Amen***.* |  |  | *O God, come to my assistance. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As is was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, Amen. Alleluia*  ***Ant****. The Lord will come, \* and will not tarry; He both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make Himself manifest to all people. Alleluia.*  *Psalm 109*  *1. The Lord said to my Lord: Sit thou at my right hand:*    *2. Until I make thy enemies \* thy footstool.*  *3. The Lord will send forth the sceptre of thy power out of Sion: \* rule thou in the midst of thy enemies.*  *4. With thee is the principality in the day of thy strength: in the brightness of the saints: \* from the womb before the day star I begot thee.*  *5. The Lord hath sworn, and he will not repent: \* Thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech.*  *6. The Lord at thy right hand \* hath broken kings in the day of his wrath.*  *7. He shall judge among nations, he shall fill ruins: \* he shall crush the heads in the land of many.*  *8. He shall drink of the torrent in the way: \* therefore shall he lift up the head.*  *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As is was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant.*** *The Lord will come, \* and will not tarry; He both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make Himself manifest to all people. Alleluia.*  ***Ant****. Rejoice greatly, O Jerusalem, \* for thy Saviour cometh unto thee. Alleluia.*  *Psalm 110*  *1. I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; \* in the council of the just, and in the congregation.*  *2. Great are the works of the Lord: \* sought out according to all his wills.*  *3. His work is praise and magnificence: \* and his justice continueth for ever and ever.*  *4. He hath made a remembrance of his wonderful works, being a merciful and gracious Lord: \* he hath given food to them that fear him.*  *5. He will be mindful for ever of his covenant: \* he will shew forth to his people the power of his works.*  *6. That he may give them the inheritance of the Gentiles: \* the works of his hands are truth and judgment.*  *7. All his commandments are faithful: confirmed for ever and ever, \* made in truth and equity.*  *8. He hath sent redemption to his people: \* he hath commanded his covenant for ever.*  *9. Holy and terrible is his name: \* the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.*  *10. A good understanding to all that do it: \* his praise continueth for ever and ever.*  *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As is was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant****. Rejoice greatly, O Jerusalem, \* for thy Saviour cometh unto thee. Alleluia.*  ***Ant.*** *I will place salvation in Zion, \* and My glory in Jerusalem. Alleluia.*  *Psalm 111*  *1. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: he shall delight exceedingly in his commandments.*  *2. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: \* the generation of the righteous shall be blessed.*  *3. Glory and wealth shall be in his house: \* and his justice remaineth for ever and ever.*  *4. To the righteous a light is risen up in darkness: \* he is merciful, and compassionate and just.*  *5. Acceptable is the man that sheweth mercy and lendeth: he shall order his words with judgment: \* because he shall not be moved for ever.*  *6. The just shall be in everlasting remembrance: \* he shall not fear the evil hearing.*  *7. His heart is ready to hope in the Lord: his heart is strengthened, \* he shall not be moved until he look over his enemies.*  *8. He hath distributed, he hath given to the poor: his justice remaineth for ever and ever: \* his horn shall be exalted in glory.*  *9. The wicked shall see, and shall be angry, he shall gnash with his teeth and pine away: \* the desire of the wicked shall perish.*  *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant.*** *I will place salvation in Zion, \* and My glory in Jerusalem. Alleluia.*  ***Ant****. Every mountain and hill \* shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain O Lord, come and make no tarrying. Alleluia.*  *Psalm 112*  *1. Praise the Lord, ye children: \* praise ye the name of the Lord.*  *2. Blessed be the name of the Lord, \* from henceforth now and for ever.*  *3. From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same, \* the name of the Lord is worthy of praise.*  *4. The Lord is high above all nations; \* and his glory above the heavens.*  *5. Who is as the Lord our God, who dwelleth on high: \* and looketh down on the low things in heaven and in earth?*  *6. Raising up the needy from the earth, \* and lifting up the poor out of the dunghill:*  *7. That he may place him with princes, \* with the princes of his people.*  *8. Who maketh a barren woman to dwell in a house, \* the joyful mother of children.*  *Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant****. Every mountain and hill \* shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain O Lord, come and make no tarrying. Alleluia.*  ***Ant.*** *We should live \* righteously and godly, looking for that blessed hope and the coming of the Lord.*  *Psalm 113*  *1. When Israel went out of Egypt, \* the house of Jacob from a barbarous people:*  *2. Judea was made his sanctuary, \* Israel his dominion.*  *3. The sea saw and fled: \* Jordan was turned back.*  *4. The mountains skipped like rams, \* and the hills like the lambs of the flock.*  *5. What ailed thee, O thou sea, that thou didst flee: \* and thou, O Jordan, that thou wast turned back?*  *6. Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams, \* and ye hills, like lambs of the flock?*  *7. At the presence of the Lord the earth was moved, \* at the presence of the God of Jacob:*  *8. Who turned the rock into pools of water, \* and the stony hill into fountains of waters.*  *9. Not to us, O Lord, not to us; \* but to thy name give glory.*  *10. For thy mercy, and for thy truth’s sake: \* lest the Gentiles should say: Where is their God?*  *11. But our God is in heaven: \* he hath done all things whatsoever he would.*  *12. The idols of the Gentiles are silver and gold, \* the works of the hands of men.*  *13. They have mouths and speak not: \* they have eyes and see not.*  *14. They have ears and hear not: \* they have noses and smell not.*  *15. They have hands and feel not: they have feet and walk not: \* neither shall they cry out through their throat.*  *16. Let them that make them become like unto them: \* and all such as trust in them.*  *17. The house of Israel hath hoped in the Lord: \* he is their helper and their protector.*  *18. The house of Aaron hath hoped in the Lord: \* he is their helper and their protector.*  *19. They that fear the Lord have hoped in the Lord: \* he is their helper and their protector.*  *20. The Lord hath been mindful of us, \* and hath blessed us.*  *21. He hath blessed the house of Israel: \* he hath blessed the house of Aaron.*  *22. He hath blessed all that fear the Lord, \* both little and great.*  *23. May the Lord add blessings upon you: \* upon you, and upon your children.*  *24. Blessed be you of the Lord, \* who made heaven and earth.*  *25. The heaven of heaven is the Lord’s: \* but the earth he has given to the children of men.*  *26. The dead shall not praise thee, O Lord: \* nor any of them that go down to hell.*  *27. But we that live bless the Lord: \* from this time now and for ever.*  *Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant.*** *We should live \* righteously and godly, looking for that blessed hope and the coming of the Lord.*  *Chapter*  *Phil 4:4-5*  *Brothers: Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I say, rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all men. The Lord is nigh.*  *Thanks be to God.*  *Hymn:*  *Creator of the Stars*  *1. Dear Creator of the stars, Eternal light of faithful souls,*  *Jesus, Redeemer of mankind,*  *Our humble prayers vouchsafe to mind.*  *2. Lest by demonic deceptions the world would perish; Thou, by an act of love, became the cure for the world.*  *3. Who, that thou mightst our ransom pay And wash the stains of sin away, Wouldst from a Virgin’s womb proceed And on the cross a victim bleed.*  *4. Whose glorious power, whose saving name No sooner any voice can frame, But heaven and earth and hell agree To honour them with trembling knee.*  *5. Thee, Christ, who at the latter day Shalt be our Judge, we humbly pray Such arms of heavenly grace to send As may thy Church from foes defend.*  *6. Be glory given and honour done To God the Father and the Son And to the Holy Ghost on high, From age to age eternally.*  *Amen.*  *V. Drop down, ye heavens, from above,*  *R. And let the earth be opened, and bud forth the Savior.*  ***Ant.*** *Blessed art thou, \* O Mary, that hast believed the Lord for there shall be a performance of those things which were told thee from the Lord. Alleluia.*  *(Canticle of the Blessed Virgin Luke 1:46-55)*  *1. My soul (*) *\* doth magnify the Lord.*  *2. And my spirit hath rejoiced \* in God my Saviour.*  *3. Because he hath regarded the humility of his handmaid; \* for behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.*  *4. Because he that is mighty, hath done great things to me; \* and holy is his name.*  *5. And his mercy is from generation unto generations, \* to them that fear him.*  *6. He hath shewed might in his arm: \* he hath scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart.*  *7. He hath put down the mighty from their seat, \* and hath exalted the humble.*  *8. He hath filled the hungry with good things; \* and the rich he hath sent empty away.*  *9. He hath received Israel his servant, \* being mindful of his mercy:*  *10. As he spoke to our fathers, \* to Abraham and to his seed for ever.*  *11. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.*  *12. As is was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant.*** *Blessed art thou, \* O Mary, that hast believed the Lord for there shall be a performance of those things which were told thee from the Lord. Alleluia.*  *Prayer (the Proper of the season)*  *R. The Lord be with you.*  *V. And with thy spirit.*  *R. Let us pray*  *O Lord, we beseech thee, mercifully incline thine ears unto our prayers, and lighten the darkness of our minds by the grace of thy heavenly visitation.*  *V. Amen.*  *V. The Lord be with you.*  *R. And with your spirit.*  *V. Let us bless the Lord.*  *R. Thanks be to God.*  *V. May the souls of the faithful through the mercy of God rest in peace.*  *R. Amen.*  *Hymn: O Saving Victim*  *1. 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.*  *2. To thy great name be endless praise, Immortal Godhead, One in Three; O grant us endless length of days In our true native land with Thee. Amen.*  *Hymn: Tantum ergo*  *1. Therefore we, before him bending, This great Sacrament revere; Types and shadows have their ending, For the new rite is here; Faith, our outward sense befriending, Makes the inward vision clear.*  *2. 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 gavest them Bread from heaven.*  *R. Containing within itself all sweetness.*  *V. Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood, help us to experience the salvation won for us and the peace of the kingdom, where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.*  R. Amen.  *Hymn:*  *Let us worship forever the most holy Sacrament. Ps. O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise Him, all ye people. For His mercy is confirmed upon us: and the truth of the Lord remaineth for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*  *Holy Mother of our Redeemer, thou gate leading to heaven and star of the sea; help the falling people who seek to rise, thou who, all nature wondering, didst give birth to thy holy Creator. Virgin always, hearing that Ave from Gabriel’s lips, take pity on us sinners.*  *V. The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.*  *R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.*  *V. Let us pray.*  *Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts: that as we have known the incarnation of Thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel, so too by His Cross and passion may we be brought to the glory of His resurrection.*  *R. Amen.*  *V. May the divine assistance remain always with us.*  *R. Amen.* |