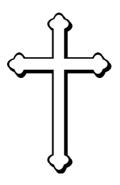
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VESPERS

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Roman Rite. Psalter: Week I
Ordinary Form



EWTN

EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

O Salutaris Hostia

O salutáris hóstia, Quæ cæli pandis óstium, Bella premunt hostília ; Da robur, fer auxílium.

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.

PENTECOST SUNDAY. AT II 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

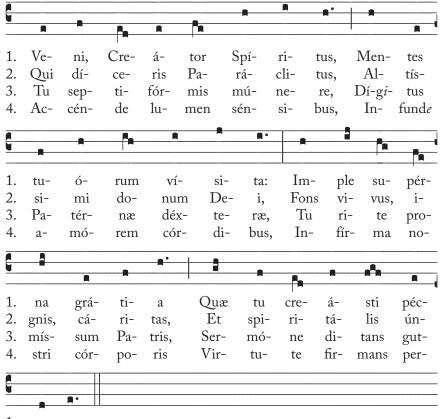


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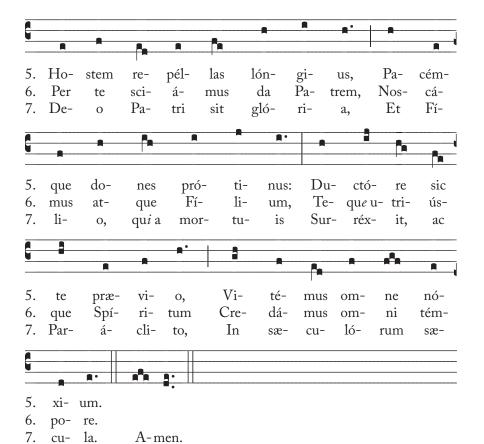
The Cantor begins and alternates verses with All:

Veni, Creator Spiritus

Mode VIII. Roman Use. Traditional text



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- 2. cti- o.
- 3. tu- ra.
- 4. pe- ti.



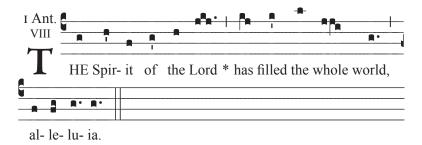
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Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

Veni, Creator, Spiritus

- Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest, And in our hearts take up thy rest; Come with thy grace and heav'nly aid To fill the hearts which thou hast made.
- O Comforter, to thee we cry,
 Thou heav'nly Gift of God most high;
 Thou fount of life and fire of love,
 And sweet anointing from above.
- Thy seven gifts to us appear,
 Signs that our God to man draws near;
 The promise from the Father thou,
 Who dost the tongue with fire endow.

- Our senses with thy light inflame, Our hearts to heav'nly love reclaim; With patience firm and virtue high, The weakness of our flesh supply.
- 5. Drive far from us the foe we dread, And grant us thy true peace instead; So shall we not, with thee for guide, Turn from the path of life aside.
- 6. O Holy Ghost, through thee alone Know we the Father and the Son; Be this our never changing creed: That thou dost from them both proceed.
- Praise we the Father and the Son,
 And the blest Spirit with them one;
 And may the Son on us bestow
 The gifts that from the Spirit flow. Amen.



ANTIPHON I



Cantor: The Spirit | of the Lord *

has filled the whole world, / | al-le-lu-ia.

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 (I Corinthians 15:25)

Appointed King by God

Cantor: The Lord's revelation to my Master:/

"Sit | on my right: *

your foes I will put be- | neath your feet."

All: The Lord will wield from Sion your scep- | ter of pow-er: *

rule in the midst of | all your foes.

Cantor: A prince from the day of your birth on the | ho-ly moun-tains; *

from the womb before the dawn | I be-got you.

Appointed Priest by God

All: The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.

"You are a | priest for ev-er, *

a priest like Melchize- | dek 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 way-side *

and therefore he shall lift | up his head.

Doxology

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and | to the Son, *

and to the | *Ho-ly* **Spir**-it:

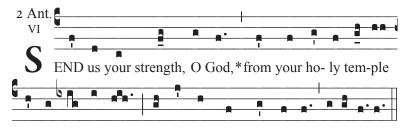
All: as it was in the begin- | ning, is **now**, *

and will be for ev- | er. A-men.

ANTIPHON

All: The Spirit | of the Lord *

has filled the whole world, / | al-le-lu-ia.



in Je- ru- sa- lem, and perfect your work in us, al-le-lu-ia.

ANTIPHON 2



Cantor: Send us your strength, O God, /

from your holy temple | *in Je-ru-*sa-lem, * and perfect your work in us, / al- | *le-lu-* ia.

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 E-gypt, *

Jacob's sons from an ali- | en peo-ple,

All: Judah became | the Lord's tem-ple, *

Israel became | his king-dom.

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 year- | ling 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 year- | *ling* **sheep** ?

Cantor: Tremble, O earth, be- | fore the Lord, *

in the presence of the God | of Ja-cob,

All: who turns the rock in- | to a **pool** *

and flint into a spring | of wa-ter.

Doxology

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and | to the Son, *

and to the Ho- | ly Spir-it:

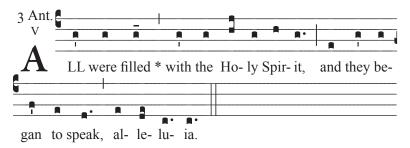
All: as it was in the begin- | ning, is **now**, *

and will be for ever. | A-men.

ANTIPHON

All: Send us your strength, O God, /

from your holy temple | *in Je*-ru-sa-lem, * and perfect your work in us, / al- | *le*-lu- ia.

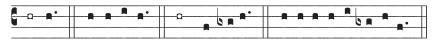


ANTIPHON 3

Cantor: All were filled with the Holy | **Spir**-it, * and they began to speak, / | **al**-le-**lu**-ia.

CANTICLE

Apocalypse 19: 1-7



Ÿ. R. Al-le-lu-ia. Ÿ.

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

The wedding of the Lamb

Cantor: Salvation, glory, and power to our God: *

All: R. Alle- | lu-ia.

Cantor: his judgments are hon- | est and true.

All: R. Alleluia, | al-le-lu-ia.

Cantor: Sing praise to our God, all you his servants, *

All: R. Alle- | lu-ia.

Cantor: all who worship him rev'rently, / | great and small.

All: R. Alleluia, | al-le-lu-ia.

Cantor: The Lord our all-powerful God is King; *

All: R. Alle- | lu-ia.

Cantor: let us rejoice, sing praise, and | give him glo-ry.

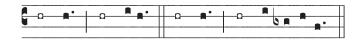
All: R. Alleluia, | al-le-lu-ia.

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

All: R. Alle- | lu-ia.

Cantor: and his bride is pre- | pared to wel-come him.

All: R. Alleluia, | al-le-lu-ia.

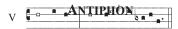


Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, /

and to the Holy | **Spir**-it:

All: as it was in the beginning, is now, /

and will be for | ev-er. A-men.

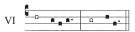


All: All were filled with the Holy | **Spir**-it, * and they began to speak, / | **al**-le-**lu**-ia.

READING

Ephesians 4:1-6

Make every effort to preserve the unity which has the Spirit as its origin and peace as its binding force. There is but one body and one Spirit, just as there is but one hope given all of you by your call. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all, and works through all, and is in all.



RESPONSORY

Cantor: The Spirit of the Lord has filled | the whole world, *

alleluia, al- | le-lu-ia.

All: The Spirit of the Lord has filled | the whole world, *

alleluia, al- | *le-lu-*ia.

Cantor: He sustains all creation /

and knows every word | that is spok-en,

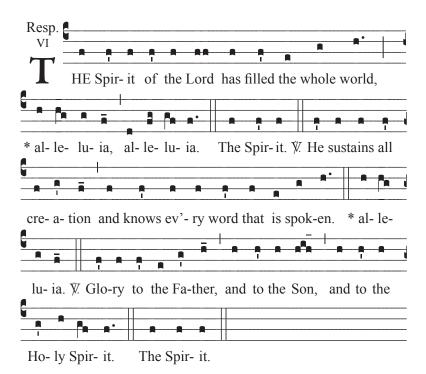
All: alleluia, al- | *le-lu-*ia.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and | to the Son, *

and to the Ho- | ly Spir-it:

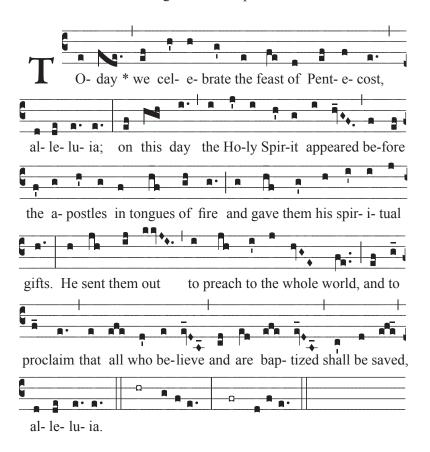
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alleluia, al- | le-lu-ia.



ΙO

At Magnificat. Antiphon VIII



ANTIPHON. AT MAGNIFICAT

VIII

Cantor: Today we celebrate the feast of Pentecost, | al-le-lu-ia; * on this day the Holy Spirit appeared before the apostles in tongues of fire / and gave them his spir- | i-tual gifts.

He sent them out to preach to the whole world, / and to proclaim that all who believe and | *are bap-tized* * shall be saved, / | *al-le-lu-*ia.

Magnificat

The cantor begins and alternates verses with the congregation:

Canticle of the Blessed Virgin Mary Lk 1: 46-55

Cantor: I. My soul ∓ proclaims the greatness | of the Lord, * my spirit rejoices in | God my Sav-ior.

All: 2. for he has | looked with fa-vor * on his | low-ly ser-vant.

Cantor: 3. From this day all | gen-er-a-tions * will | call me bless-ed:

All: 4. the Almighty has done great | things for me, * and holy | is his Name.

Cantor: 5. He has mercy on | those who fear him * in every | gen-er-a-tion.

All: 6. He has shown the strength | of his arm, * he has scattered the proud in | their con-ceit.

Cantor: 7. He has cast down the mighty | from their **thrones**, * and has lifted | up the **low**-ly.

All: 8. He has filled the hungry | with good things, * and the rich he has sent | a-way emp-ty.

Cantor: 9. He has come to the help of his | ser-vant Is-ra-el * for he has remembered his prom- | ise of mer-cy,

All: 10. the promise he made | to our fa-thers, * to Abraham and his child- | ren for ev-er.

Cantor: II. Glory to the Father, and | to the Son, * and to the | Ho-ly Spir-it:

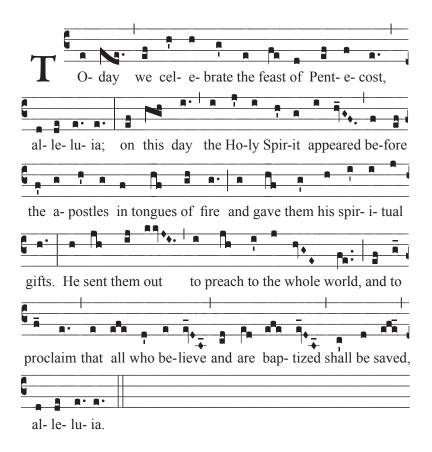
All: 12. as it was in the begin- | ning, is now, * and will be for ev- | er. A-men.

ANTIPHON

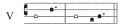
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He sent them out to preach to the whole world, / and to proclaim that all who believe and | *are bap-tized* * shall be saved, / | *al-le-lu-*ia.

At Magnificat. Antiphon VIII



INTERCESSIONS



Celebrant: God the Father has gathered his Church in unity through Christ.

With joy in our hearts let us | ask him:

All: Send your Holy Spirit into | the Church.

Cantor: You desire the unity of all Christians through one baptism in the Spirit,

— make all who believe one in heart and | **soul**.

All: Send your Holy Spirit into | the Church.

Cantor: You desire the whole world to be filled with the Spirit,

— help all mankind to build a world of justice and | **peace**.

All: Send your Holy Spirit into | the Church.

Cantor: Lord God, Father of all mankind,

you desired to gather together your scattered children in unity of faith,

— enlighten the world by the grace of the Holy | **Spir**-it.

All: Send your Holy Spirit into | the Church.

Cantor: Through the Spirit you make all things new,

— heal the sick, comfort the distressed, give salvation to | all.

All: Send your Holy Spirit into | the Church.

Cantor: Through the Spirit you raised your Son from the dead,

— raise up the bodies of the dead into everlasting | **life**.

All: Send your Holy Spirit into | the Church.

Celebrant: Our Father . . .

Celebrant: O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast

sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation,

pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit

across the face of the earth

and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,

for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Vespers concludes with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tantum ergo Sacramentum

Tantum ergo Sacraméntum Venerémur cérnui ; Et antíquum documéntum Novo cedat rítui ; Præstet fides suppleméntum Sénsuum deféctui.

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

- V. Panem de cælo præstitísti eis (T. P. allelúia).
- Ry. Omne delectaméntum in se habéntem (*T. P.* allelúia).

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.

- Ÿ. You have given them bread from heaven (P.T. alleluia).
- Ry Having all sweetness within it (P.T. alleluia).

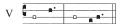
Oratio Oremus.

D^{EUS}, qui nobis sub sacraménto mirábili, passiónis tuæ memóriam reliquísti : * tribue, quæsumus, ita nos Córporis et Sánguinis tui sacra mystéria venerári ; ut redemptiónis tuæ fructum in nobis iúgiter sentiámus : Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculórum. R⁄. Amen.

Prayer Let us pray.

Ogod, 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 ho- | *ly* **Name**.

All: Blessed be Jesus Christ, / true God and true | man. *

Blessed be the Name | of Je-sus.

Cantor: Blessed be his most Sacred | Heart. *

Blessed be his most Pre- | cious **Blood**.

All: Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the | Al-tar. *

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, | the Par-aclete.

Cantor: Blessed be the great Mother of God, / Mary most | ho-ly. *

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate | Con-cep-tion.

All: Blessed be her glorious As- | sump-tion. *

Blessed be the name of Mary, / Virgin | and Moth-er.

Cantor: Blessed be Saint | Jo-seph, *

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; Lord of all, we bow before thee;

All on earth thy scepter 'claim; All in heav'n 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 heav'ns with sweet accord:

Holy, holy, holy Lord.

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