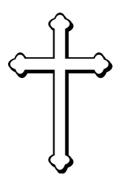
THE OFFICE of VESPERS

TRINITY 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.

TRINITY 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.

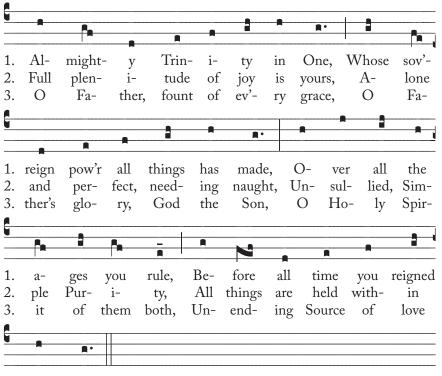
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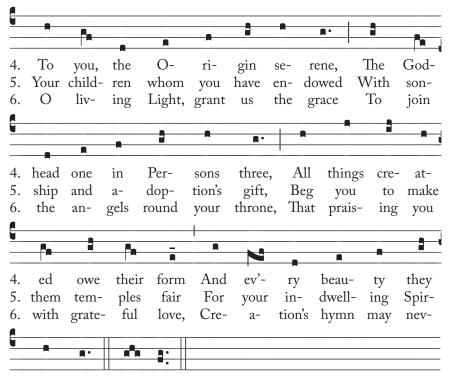
Almighty Trinity in One

Immensa et una Trinitas. Mode VIII

The Cantor begins and alternates verses with All:



- 1. su- preme.
- 2. your sway.
- 3. di- vine.



- 4. con- tain.
- 5. it's joy.
- 6. er end. A-men.

ANTIPHON I



Cantor: O Trinity most high, / eter- | nal and true: * Father, Son and | Ho-ly Spir-it.

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, *

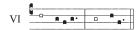
and will be for ev- | er. A-men.

ANTIPHON

All: O Trinity most high, / eter- | nal and true: *

Father, Son and | *Ho-ly* **Spir**-it.

ANTIPHON 2



Cantor: Save us, set us free and | give us life, * O bless- | ed Trin-i-ty.

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,

in the presence of the God | of Ja-cod

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, *

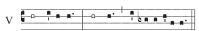
and will be for ever. | A-men.

ANTIPHON

All: Save us, set us free and | give us life, *

O bless- | *ed* **Trin**-i-ty.

ANTIPHON 3



Cantor: Holy, holy, | ho-ly Lord, *

God of power and might, /

the God who is, who | was, and who is to come.

CANTICLE

Apocalypse 19:1-7



The wedding of the Lamb

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

All: R. Alle- | lu-ia.

Cantor: his judgments are hon-lest 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.

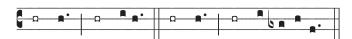
All: R. Alleluia, | al-le-lu-ia.

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.

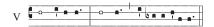


Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, /

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

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

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



ANTIPHON

All: Holy, holy, | **ho**-ly Lord, *

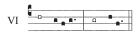
God of power and might. /

the God who is, who | was, and who is to come.

READING

Ephesians 4:3-6

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: Let us worship the Father, and the Son, and the | Ho-ly Spir-it; *

let us praise God | for ev-er.

All: Let us worship the Father, and the Son, and the | Ho-ly Spir-it; *

let us praise God | for ev-er.

Cantor: To God alone be hon- | or and glo-ry; *

All: let us praise God | *for* ev-er.

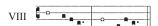
Cantor: Glory to the Father, and | to the Son, *

and to the Ho- | ly Spir-it :

All: Let us worship the Father, and the Son, and the | Ho-ly Spir-it; *

let us praise God | for ev-er.

ANTIPHON. AT MAGNIFICAT



Cantor: With our whole | heart and voice * we acclaim | you, O God;

we offer you our | *praise and* wor-ship, * unbegotten Father, / only-begotten Son, / Holy Spirit, constant | *friend and* guide;

most holy and undi- | *vid-ed* **Trin-**i-ty, * to you be glo- | *ry for* **ev-**er.

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.

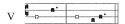
ANTIPHON

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most holy and undi- | *vid-ed* **Trin-**i-ty, * to you be glo- | *ry for* **ev-**er.

INTERCESSIONS



Celebrant: The Father through the Holy Spirit has given life

to the humanity of Christ his Son, and has made him a source of life for us;

let us raise our voices in praise to the triune | **God**:

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho- | ly Spir-it.

Cantor: Father, almighty and eternal God,

send the Holy Spirit upon your Church in your Son's name,

— preserve her in the unity of charity and in the fullness of | **truth**.

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

Cantor: Send laborers into your harvest, Lord,

to teach the truth to all nations,

and to baptize them

in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

— and to confirm their | faith.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho- | ly Spir-it.

Cantor: Father,

send help to all who suffer persecution in the name of your Son,
— for he promised to send the Spirit of Truth to answer for | **them**.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho- | ly Spir-it.

Cantor: Father omnipotent,

may all men come to acknowledge you, together with the Word and the Holy Spirit,

as the one true God,

— may they believe in you, hope in you, | love you.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho- | ly Spir-it.

Cantor: Father of all the living,

bring the dead to share in your glory,
the glory of your eternal reign with your Son and the Holy | Spir-it.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho- | ly Spir-it.

Celebrant: Our Father . . .

Celebrant: God our Father, who by sending into the world

the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification

made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty.

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.

- V. You have given them bread from **heav**en (*P.T.* alleluia).
- Ry Having all sweetness within it (P.T. alleluia).

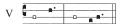
Oratio Oremus.

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.

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

Blessed be the Name | of Je-sus.

Blessed be his most Sacred | Heart. * Cantor:

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.

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

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.

Blessed be Saint | Jo-seph, * Cantor:

her most | chaste spouse.

Blessed be | God * All:

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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