

The Sodality of St. Edmund, King and Martyr

(A Catholic Community in the Diocese of Hamilton)



Evensong

January 28, 2024

Septuagesima

Background:

Our goal, as a Catholic Community, is to join the North American Ordinariate.

On November 4, 2009, Pope Benedict XVI promulgated the **Apostolic Constitution, *Anglicanorum coetibus***, and thereby formally responded to requests of many who embraced an Anglican patrimony to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church within the Latin Rite.

Pope Benedict established 3 Personal Ordinariates:

The Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham (England, Wales, and Scotland)

The Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter (USA, and Canada)

The Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross (Australia, and Japan)

Members of a personal ordinariate are full members of the Roman Catholic Church with all the rights, privileges, and obligations of any other Catholic.

Evensong (Evening Prayer) is one of the gifts of the Anglican patrimony that has been approved by the Holy See.

We, initially, intend to have Evensong, monthly, on the last Sunday of the month.

A bit of history:

Evensong was created in the mid 16th century and is derived from two monastic offices, namely Vespers and Compline. Vespers would have been (and still is) sung at sunset and includes the *Magnificat*, and Compline would have been (and still is) sung at the end of the day, and includes the *Nunc Dimittis*.

For information about The Sodality: visit our website – www.stedmund.ca, or email us – info@stedmund.ca

All stand for the Hymn

Lucis Creator optime.

Mode viii.



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| 2 Whose wisdom joined in meet array
The morn and eve, and named them Day:
Night comes with all its darkling fears;
Regard thy people's prayers and tears, | 4 But grant them grace that they may strain
The heavenly gate and prize to gain:
Each harmful lure aside to cast,
And purge away each error past. |
| 3 Lest, sunk in sin, and whelm'd with strife,
They lose the gift of endless life;
While thinking but the thoughts of time,
They weave new chains of woe and crime. | 5 O FATHER, that we ask be done,
Through JESUS CHRIST, thine only SON;
Who, with the HOLY GHOST and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. |

Tr. (1851) from the Latin (c. 5th cent.) by Rev. John M. Neale.

Sentence from Holy Scripture

*The Officiant says, all remain **standing***

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart,
O God, thou wilt not despise.

Psalm 51. 17

The Exhortation

The Officiant continues

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our Heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace.

All kneel

A general Confession

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; (*all*) We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

If a Priest is present, standing, he says

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live, and hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins: he pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If a Priest is not present, the Officiant, kneeling, says

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace: that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

*All **stand** and make the Sign of the Cross on their lips with the right thumb.*

Officiant. + O Lord, open thou our lips;

People. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant. + O God, make speed to save us;

People. O Lord, make haste to help us.

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

People. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Officiant. Praise ye the Lord;

People. The Lord's Name be praised.

The Psalm

All sit. It is appropriate to bow, while sitting, at the Gloria Patri.

Psalm 145

Exaltabote, Deus..

VII. 5.



PSALM 145 — *Exaltabo te, Deus.*

- 1 I WILL magnify **thee**, my God[^]and King : and I will praise thy Name for **ev-er**[^]and **ev-er**.
- 2 Every day will I give **thanks** un-to thee : and praise thy Name for **ev-er**[^]and **ev-er**.
- 3 Great is the Lord, and highly **to** be prais-ed : there is no **end** of[^]his grëat-ness.
- 4 One generation shall praise thy works **un-to**[^]an-o-ther : and de-**clare** thy migh-ty[^]deeds.
- 5 As for me, I will be talking **of** thy wor-ship : thy glory, thy **praise**, and wön-drous[^]works.
- 6 And men shall speak of the might of thy **mar-vel-lous** acts : and I will also **tell** of[^]thy grëat-ness.
- 7 The memorial of thy abundant kindness **shall** be show-ed : and men shall sing **of** thy righ-teous[^]ness.
- 8 The Lord is **gra-cious**[^]and mer[^]ci-ful : long-suffering and **of** great kīnd-ness.
- 9 The Lord is **lov-ing** un[^]to all : and his mercies are **o-ver** āll his[^]works.
- 10 All thy works **praise** thee, O Lord : and thy saints give **thanks** un-tō thee.
- 11 They show the glory **of** thy king-dom : and **talk** of thÿ power;
- 12 That thy power, thy glory, and the mightiness **of** thy king-dom : might be **known** un-tō men.
- 13 Thy kingdom is an ever-**last**-ing king-dom : and thy dominion endureth through-**out** all ä-ges.
- 14 The Lord is **faith-ful**[^]in all[^]his words : and **gra-cious**[^]in āll his[^]deeds.
- 15 The Lord upholdeth **all** such as fall : and lifteth up all **those** that äre down.
- 16 The eyes of all **wait** up-on thee : and thou givest them their **meat** in[^]due sëa-son.

- ## The First Lesson

The People remain **seated** for the First Lesson

The First Lesson is written in The First Book of Moses commonly called Genesis, chapter 2, beginning at the 4th verse: (4 - end)

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens,
when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field
had yet sprung up - for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon
the earth, and there was no man to till the ground;

but a mist went up from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground -

then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and
breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living
soul.

And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

And out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and there it divided and became four rivers.

The name of the first is Pishon; it is the one which flows around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold;

and the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there.

The name of the second river is Gihon; it is the one which flows around the whole land of Cush.

And the name of the third river is Tigris, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.

and the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden;

but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him."

So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name.

The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper fit for him.

So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh;

and the rib which the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man.

Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called Woman,
because she was taken out of Man.”

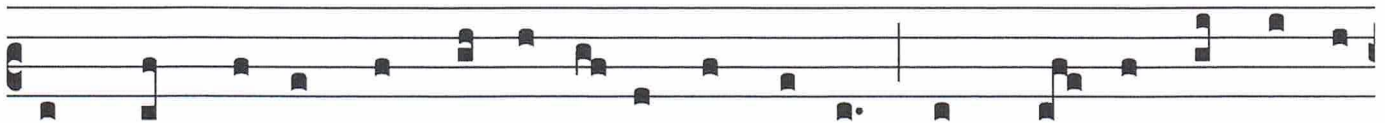
Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

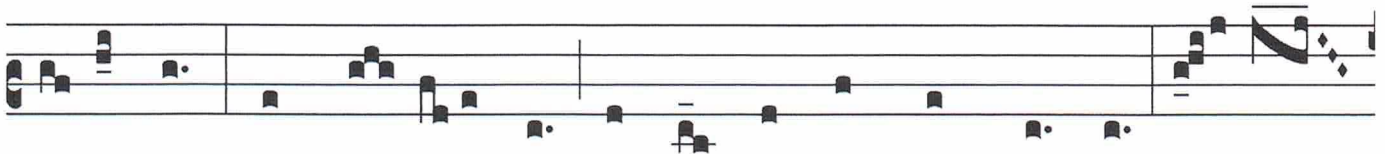
Here endeth the First Lesson.

Antiphon

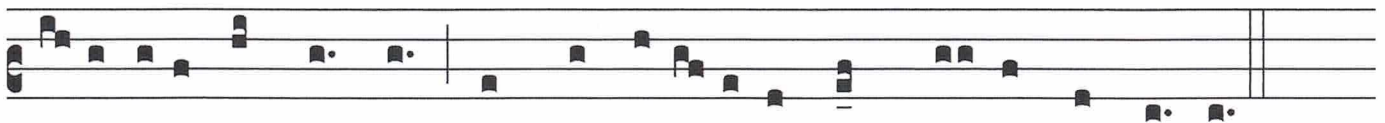
*Sung, by all, before the Magnificat, **standing***



The householder spake to the labourers, saying: Why stand ye here all the



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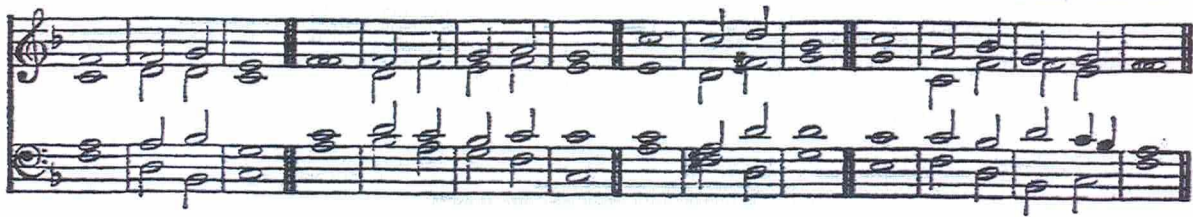
Magnificat

(The Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

St Luke 1. 46

Sung by all, standing

JAMES TURLE, 1802-82.



+ MY soul doth ' magnify • the ' LORD : and my spirit hath re- ' joiced •
in ' God my ' Saviour.

For ' he hath • re- ' garded : the ' lowli-ness ' of his ' hand-maiden.

For be- ' hold from ' henceforth : all gene- ' rations • shall ' call me '
blessèd.

For he that is mighty hath ' magni- • fied ' me : and ' holy ' is his '
Name.

And his mercy is on ' them that ' fear him : throughout ' all ' gene- '
rations.

He hath showed ' strength • with his ' arm : he hath scattered the
proud in the imagi- ' nation ' of their ' hearts.

He hath put down the mighty ' from their ' seat : and hath ex- ' alted •
the humble • and ' meek.

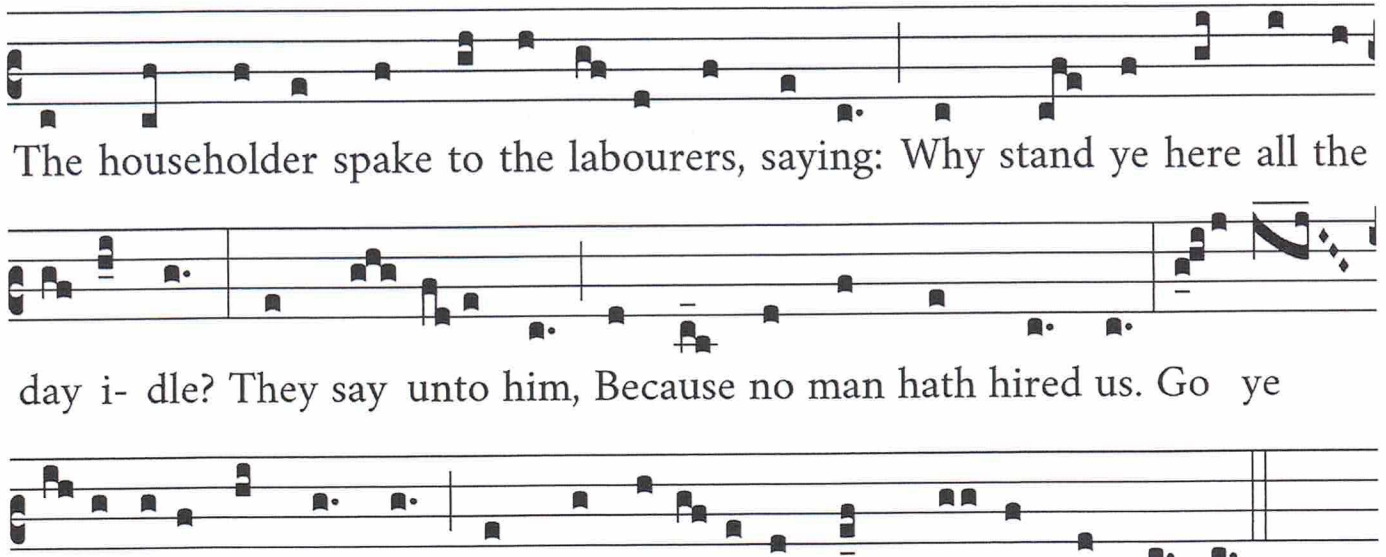
He hath filled the ' hungry • with ' good things : and the rich he ' hath
sent ' empty • a- ' way.

He re- ' membering • his ' mercy : hath ' holpen • his ' servant ' Israel ;
As he promised ' to our ' forefathers : Abraham ' and his ' seed for '
ever.

GLORY be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son : and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost ;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ' ever ' shall be : world without
' end. ' A- ' men.

Antiphon

*Sung, by all, after the Magnificat, **standing***



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The image shows three staves of musical notation. The first staff contains the first line of the text, the second staff contains the second line, and the third staff contains the third line. The notation is a simple square-note style with a single melodic line on a four-line staff.

The Second Lesson

*The People **sit** for the Second Lesson*

The Second Lesson is written in The Gospel according to St. Mark, chapter 10, beginning at the 1st verse: (1 - 16)

And he left there and went to the region of Judea and beyond the Jordan, and crowds gathered to him again; and again, as his custom was, he taught them.

And Pharisees came up and in order to test him asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"

He answered them, "What did Moses command you?"

They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce, and to put her away."

But Jesus said to them, "For your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment.

But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife,

and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh.

What therefore God has joined together, let not man put asunder."

And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter.

And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another, commits adultery against her;

and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

And they were bringing children to him, that he might touch them; and the disciples rebuked them.

But when Jesus saw it he was indignant, and said to them, "Let the children come to me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God.

Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands upon them.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

Nunc Dimittis

(The Song of Simeon)

St Luke 2. 29

*Sung by all, **standing***

Unison.

Tonus Peregrinus.



+ LORD, now lettest thou thy servant de- ' part in ' peace :
ac- ' cording ' to thy ' word.

For mine eyes have ' seen thy • sal- ' vation : which thou hast
prepared be- ' fore the ' face of • all ' people;

To be a light to ' lighten • the ' Gentiles : and to be the ' glory of • thy ' people ' Israel.

GLORY be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son : and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ' ever ' shall be : world without
' end. ' A- ' men.

The Confession of the Faith

(called the Apostles' Creed)

Said by all, standing

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, (*all*) 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 again 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.

All kneel

Officiant. O Lord hear our prayer.

People. And let our cry come unto thee.

Officiant. Lord, have mercy upon us.

People. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Officiant. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer

OUR Father (*all*) 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.

All remain kneeling

Suffrages

Officiant. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

People. And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant. O Lord, save the King.

People. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Officiant. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

People. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Officiant. O Lord, save thy people.

People. And bless thine inheritance.

Officiant. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

People. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Officiant. O God, make clean our hearts within us.

People. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collects

The Officiant says

The Collect of the Day

O LORD, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people: that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name, through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

The Second Collect: For Peace

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

The Third Collect: For Aid against All Perils

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

All stand for the Hymn

ST. DENIO (JOANNA). 11 11. 11 11.

R. MILLS's *Caniadau Seion*, 1840.



Rev. W. Chalmers Smith, 1867.

IMMORTAL, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

3 To all life thou givest—to both great and small;
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—but nought changeth thee.

4 Great FATHER of Glory, pure FATHER of Light,
Thine Angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

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All kneel, the Officiant says

A Prayer for the King and the Commonwealth

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless our Sovereign Lord, King *CHARLES*, the Parliaments of the Commonwealth, and all who are set in authority under him; that they may order all things in wisdom, righteousness, and peace, to the honour of thy holy Name, and the good of thy Church and people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for the Pope, Clergy, and People

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Send down upon Francis, our Pope, Douglas and Wayne our Bishops, all bishops, priests, and deacons, and upon the congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

A Prayer for all Conditions of men.

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for the good estate of the Catholic Church; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those, who are any ways afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or estate; especially Bob and Marie; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. **Amen.**

For the Faithful Departed

O GOD of the spirits of all flesh: We praise and magnify thy holy Name for all thy servants who have finished their course in thy faith and fear; especially thy servant Bob; grant them refreshment, light, and peace; and we beseech thee that encouraged by their examples and strengthened by their fellowship, we also may be found meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A General Thanksgiving

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, We thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks For all thy goodness and loving-kindness To us and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; But above all for thine inestimable love In the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; For the means of grace, And for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, That our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, And that we show forth thy praise, Not only with our lips, but in our lives; By giving up ourselves to thy service, And by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, To whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

If a Priest is present, standing, he says

May the Lord grant a peaceful night and a perfect end to us and to all our absent sisters and brothers. **Amen.**

Priest. The Lord be with you.

People. And with thy spirit.

May Almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

If a Priest is not present, the Officiant, kneeling, says

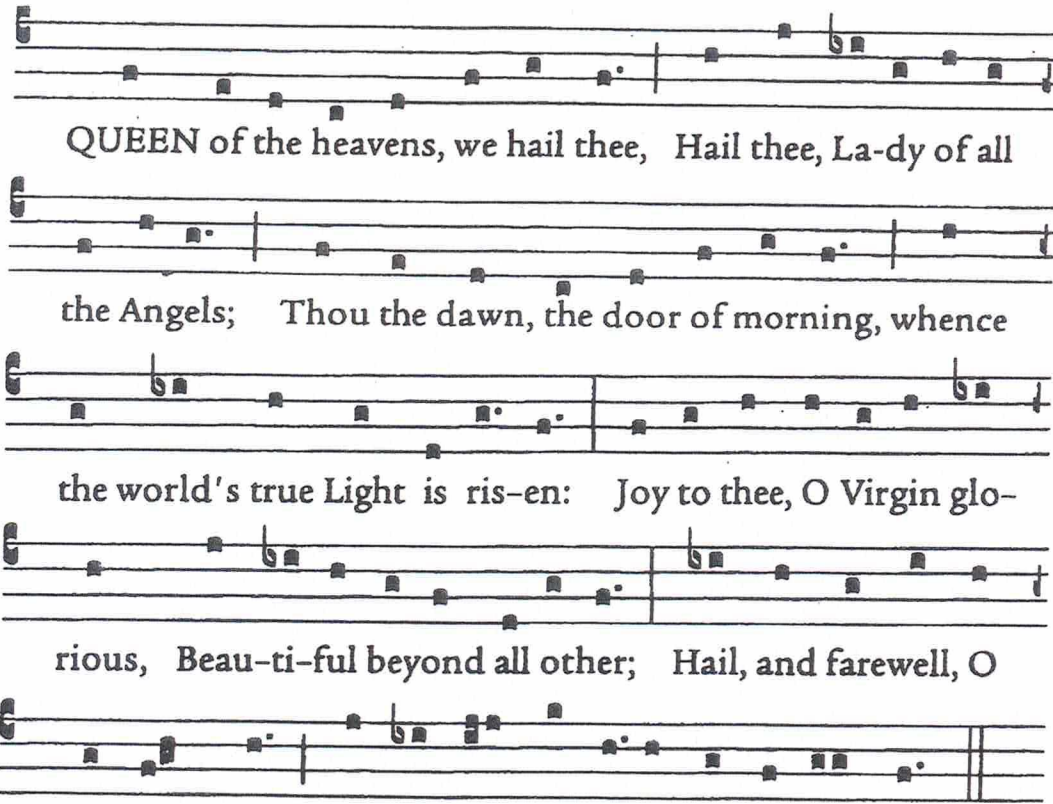
The Grace

2 Corinthians 13:14

+ THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

All stand

Ave Regina Caelorum



QUEEN of the heavens, we hail thee, Hail thee, La-dy of all
the Angels; Thou the dawn, the door of morning, whence
the world's true Light is ris-en: Joy to thee, O Virgin glo-
rious, Beau-ti-ful beyond all other; Hail, and farewell, O
most gra-cious, In-ter-cede for us al-way to Je - sus.

The Officiant continues, all remain standing

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

People. Give me strength against thine enemies.

Let us pray.

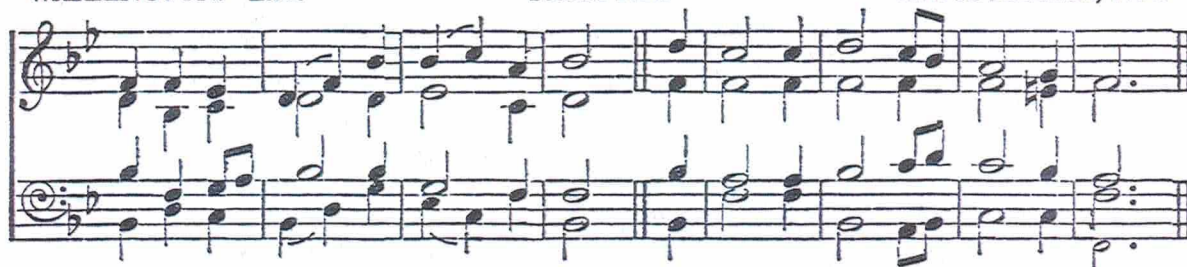
GRANT us, O merciful God, protection in our weakness: that we who celebrate the memory of the holy Mother of God may, through the aid of her intercession, rise again from our sins; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

All remain standing for the Hymn

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Second Tune

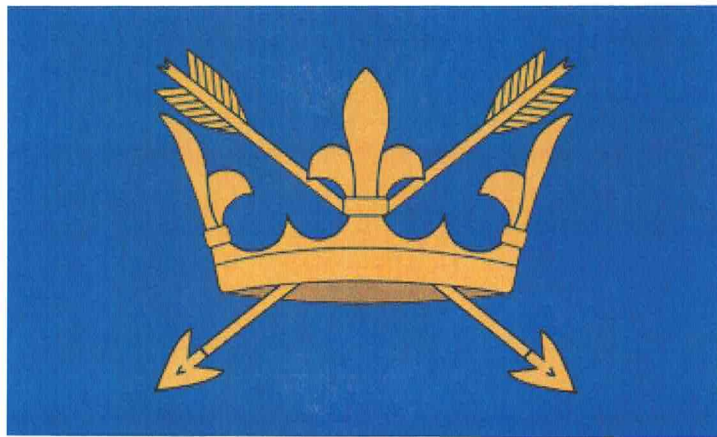
Rev. R. HARRISON, 1784.



Rev. Charles Wesley, 1749.

- F**ORTH in thy Name, O LORD, I go,
My daily labour to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know,
In all I think, or speak, or do.
- 2 The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
In all my works thy presence find,
And prove thy good and perfect will.
- 3 Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes my inmost substance see,

- And labour on at thy command,
And offer all my works to thee.
- 4 Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray,
And still to things eternal look,
And hasten to thy glorious day;
- 5 For thee delightfully employ
Whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given,
And run my course with even joy,
And closely walk with thee to heaven.



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