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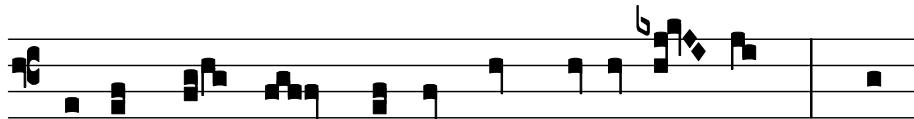
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¶ *On the Day of Saint John,
Apostle and Evangelist.*

At Matins.

Adoremus Regem apostolorum.

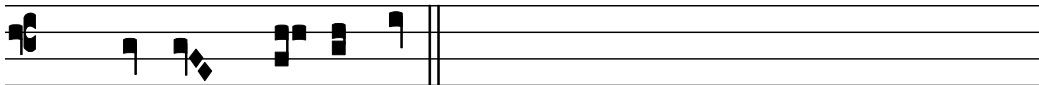
Invit.
IV. ii; i.



Et us wor-ship * the King of the Apos-tles. †Who

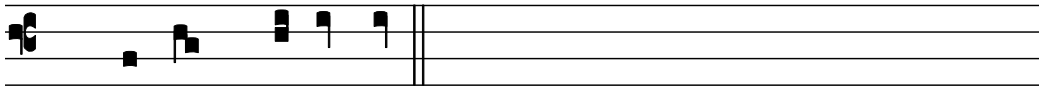


with pri-vi-leg-ed affec-tion lov-ed John the A-postle.



Ps. O come, let us sing. 16.*

¶ *Another melody is sung on the Octave Day if it is not a Sunday.*



Ps. O come, let us sing. 13.*

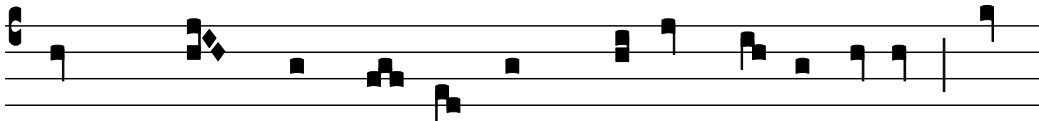
This melody is sung at this Matins only on this Hymn.

Bina celestis.

Hymn.
I.

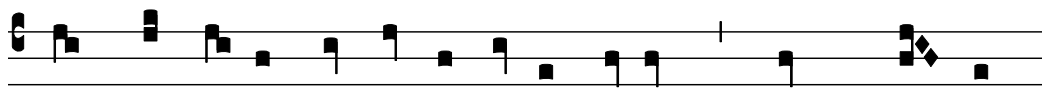


Win lamps, a-dorning heaven's e-ternal pa-la-ces,

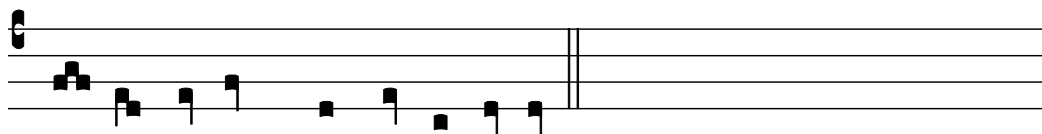


James, with thy bro-ther John, di-vine E-vange-list! En-

Saint John the Apostle.

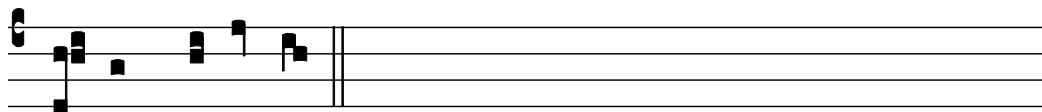


treat that pardon for his lowly suppli- ants Which Christ hath



free-ly promised to the pe-ni-tent.

Verse.



Mo-narch of a-ges. [845].

And in this Hymn is sung The merits of these saints so dear to thee. *&c.*

The following melody is sung on the Octave Day : whether it is a Sunday or not.

Hymn.
IV.



Win lamps, a-dorning heaven's e-ternal pa-la-ces,



James, with thy brother John, di-vine E-vange-list ! En-



treat that pardon for his lowly suppli- ants Which Christ hath



free-ly promised to the pe-ni-tent.

Saint John the Apostle.

Verse.



Mo- narch of a- ges, Je- su, of thy clemency. [849].

And in this Hymn is sung The merits of these saints so dear to thee. &c.



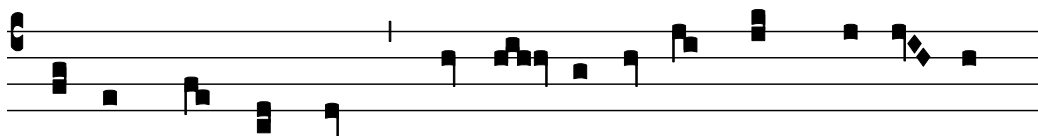
¶ *In the First Nocturn.*

Johannes apostolus.

1. Ant.
I.v.



Ohn, * the Apostle and E- vange- list, was a vir- gin



cho- sen by the Lord, moreov- er among all the oth- ers



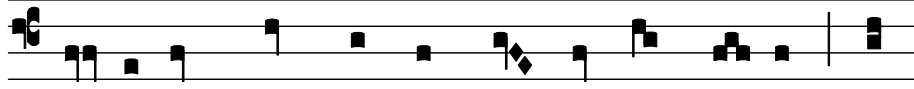
the most be- lov- ed. *Ps.* The heavens declare. (19./xviiij.) [41].

Saint John the Apostle.

Supra pectus.

2. Ant.

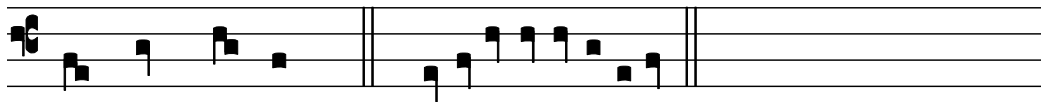
II.i.



E-clin-ing * on the breast of the Lord Je- sus : he



drank the stream of the Gospel from the fount of the sacred



breast of the Lord. *Ps.* I will always give thanks. (34./xxxiiij.)

[214].

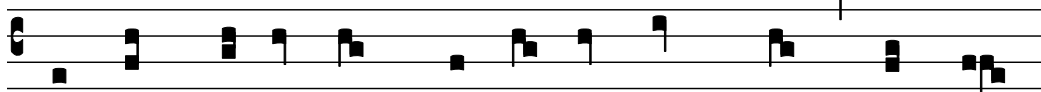
Quasi unus de paradisi.

3. Ant.

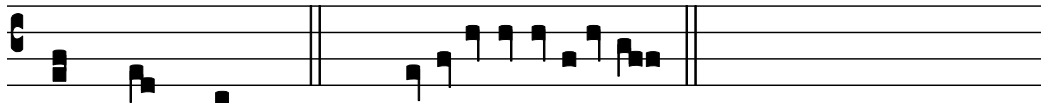
III.v.



Ike one * of the riv-ers of pa-ra-dise, the E-vange-



list John poured forth the grace of God's Word throughout



the whole world. *Ps.* My heart is inditing. (45./xliiiij.) [259].

V. Their sound is gone out into all lands. *R.* And their words unto the ends of the world. *Let the Response be made Privately.*

Lesson j.



ohn the Apostle and
Evangelist, son of Zebedee,
brother of James, was a

virgin beloved of the Lord : moreover,
among all the others the most
beloved. Indeed, reclining on the

breast of the Master, he drank of the stream of the gospel from the fount of the sacred breast of the Lord : and, like one of the rivers of paradise, he poured forth the grace of God's Word throughout the whole world. And he it was who, at Christ's bidding, succeeded to the place of Christ : for when the disciple received the Mother of his Master, he was in a certain sense left behind to be another son to her after Christ. Now while he was preaching the gospel of Christ in Asia : he was banished by the Emperor Domitian to a mine on the island of Patmos. In which place nevertheless : he wrote the Apoca-

lypse. However, with Domitian having been assassinated by the Senate, John, being released from exile, returned to Ephesus : and there, in order to refute the cunning of the heretics, at the urgent request of the bishops of Asia, he proceeded to spread the gospel afresh. Moreover, among his other works, this chosen disciple of the Lord performed these great signs. He changed into gold the woody branches of trees : and he turned stones of the seashore into precious jewels. Likewise fragments of gems : he restored into their original form. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Valde honorandus est.

1. Resp.
II.



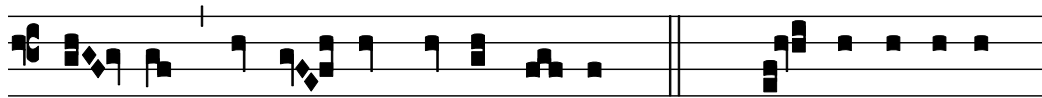
Reat-ly * to be honoured is bles- sed



John, who leaned up-on the breast of the Lord at the

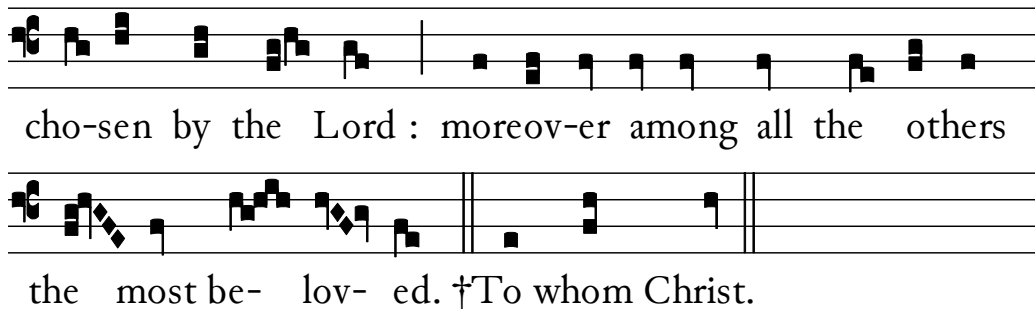


sup-per. †To whom Christ on the cross commended his



Moth- er, a vir- gin to a Vir-gin. ✂ He was a virgin

Saint John the Apostle.



Lesson ij.

HE also, at the entreaty of the people, raised up a widow : and revived the body of a young man, bringing back his soul. Moreover, every city of the Ephesians and all the provinces of Asia held John in honour and praised him : but the worshippers of idols, keen to stir up sedition, dragged John to the temple of Diana, to make him offer foul sacrifices to her. Then blessed John said, Let me lead you to the church of our Lord Jesus Christ, and if by invoking the name of your Diana, you are able to make his church to fall : I shall consent to your wish. But if I, invoking the name of my Lord, should make this temple of yours to fall : and your idol shatter in pieces, then when that happens : it will be

fair that ye, abandoning your superstition, should be converted unto my God. Now to this proposition most of the people gave their consent. And so blessed John warned the people to distance themselves from the temple : then before them all he said, O Lord Jesus Christ, I beseech thee to topple this temple with all the idols that are worshipped within it, yet so that no injury should come to any person : that all of this crowd may know that this idol Diana is a demon and not a god. At this invocation of the apostle all the idols together with the temple collapsed : and were made into dust. At this sight : many were converted to faith in Christ. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Hic est discipulis.

2. Resp.
VII.



His is the disci-ple * which testi- fi- eth of

these things and wrote these things. †And we know

that his testimony is true. ✎ Who was

a witness of the Word of God, and the testimo-ny

of Je-sus Christ : in all those things that he saw.

†And we know.

Lesson iij.

Now Aristodimus the high-priest of the idols : stirred up sedition among the people. Then blessed John said, Tell me, Aristodimus, what shall I do that shall remove the indignation from thy spirit ? To which Aristodimus, If

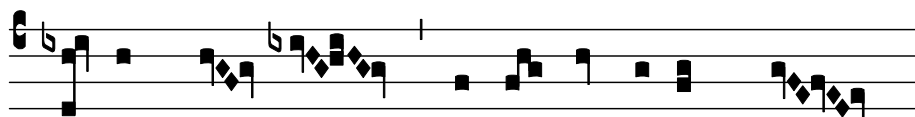
thou wilt (he said) that I should believe in thy God : I shall give thee poison, which if thou drink and die not, it shall appear that thy God is true. To which the Apostle answered, If thou give the poison to me : when I call upon the name of my God, it

shall not be able to harm me. Aristodimus said, I will that thou first see others drink it and die straightway. To which blessed John replied, I am prepared to drink it that thou mayest believe in my God : when thou shall see me healthy after drinking the cup of poison. Aristodimus therefore went to the proconsul : and asked from him two men which were due to be executed for their crimes. And setting them in the midst of the people : he made them drink of the poison. Which, as soon as they had drunk : gave up the ghost. Then Aristodimus said to the apostle, Depart, John, from that teaching : whereby thou hast called away the people from the worship of the gods : or else drink this, that thou mayest show thy God to be omnipotent. Then blessed John, undaunted, took the cup, and making the sign of the

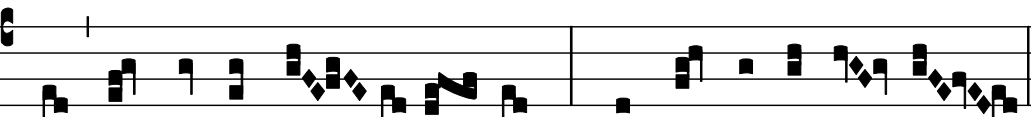
cross over it : spake thus, My God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whose word the heavens were established, whom all creatures serve, and unto whom all power is subject : quench thou the venom of this poison, and grant to all these people a heart, that they may understand thy greatness. After this he armed himself with the sign of the cross : and drank all that was in the cup, and said, I entreat that all they for whose sake I have drunk be converted unto thee O Lord : and that by thine enlightening they may merit the salvation which is in thee. Then the people, watching John for three hours and seeing in him no sign of paleness : cried out with a loud voice saying, He whom John worshippeth : is the one true God. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Iste est Johannes.

3. Resp. I.

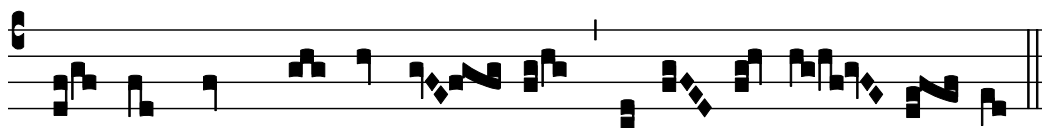


T His is that John * who lean-ed upon the



breast of the Lord at the sup-per. † The Bles-sed Apos-tle.

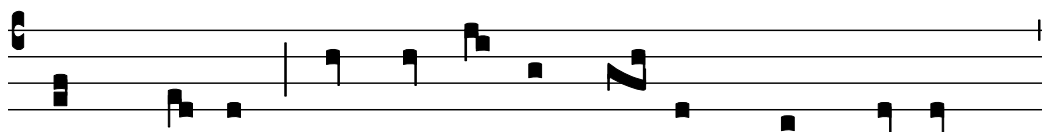
Saint John the Apostle.



‡Un-to whom were re-veal- ed the se- crets of hea- ven.



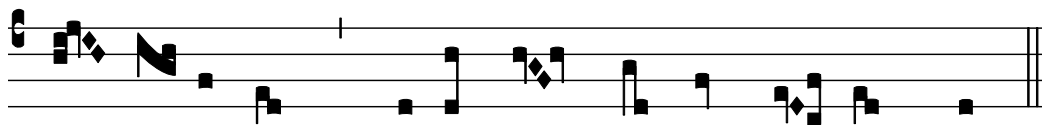
∇. John is that dear the- o-lo-gi- an Who by the Spi- rit



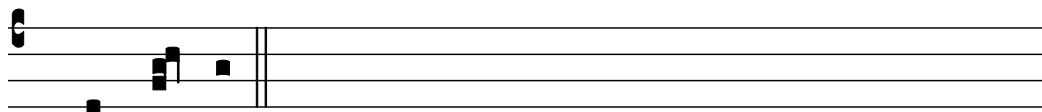
made drunken, Like an eagle speed-ing from heaven :



Sheweth forth un- to mor- tal men The Christ, the Son

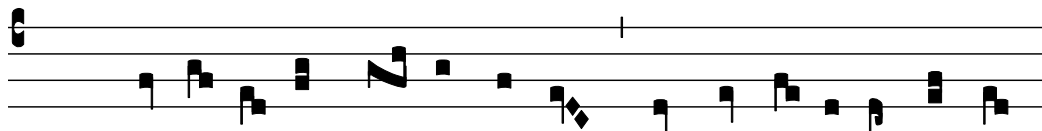


of Ma- ry born, Who is both Word of God and God.



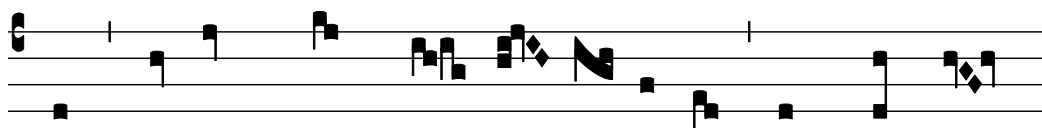
†The Bles- sed.

This preceding Verse together with Gloria Patri. is sung in the middle of the Quire by whichever Priests are willing to sing, in Surplices : except for him who undertakerth the ritual of the Priest.



∇. Glo-ry be now to the Highest, To the Father unbe-got-

Saint John the Apostle.

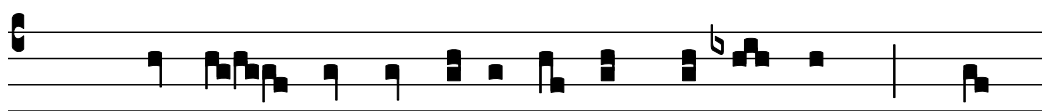


ten, To him whom the Fa-ther be-gat, And to the

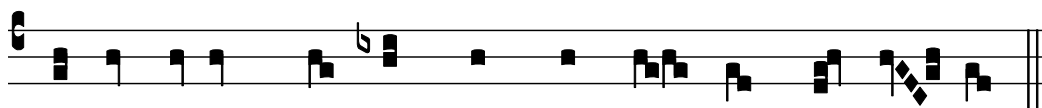


comforting Spi-rit. †The Bles-sed.

¶ *Another Verse on the Octave Day, only if it is a Sunday.*



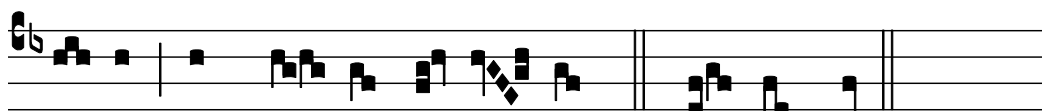
∇. Greatly to be honoured is blessed John : who



leaned upon the breast of the Lord at the sup-per.



†The Bles-sed. ∇. Glo-ry be to the Father, and to

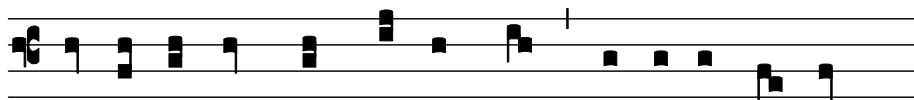


the Son : and to the Ho-ly Ghost. ‡Un-to whom.

¶ *In the Second Nocturn.*

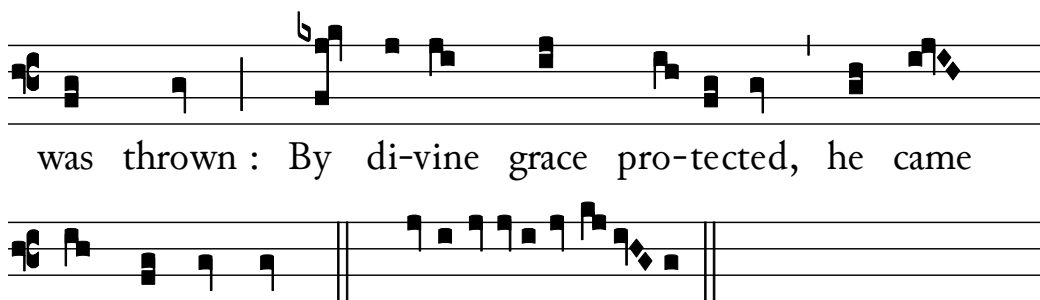
In ferventis olei.

4. Ant.
IV.i.



N-to a vat * of boil-ing oil the Apostle John

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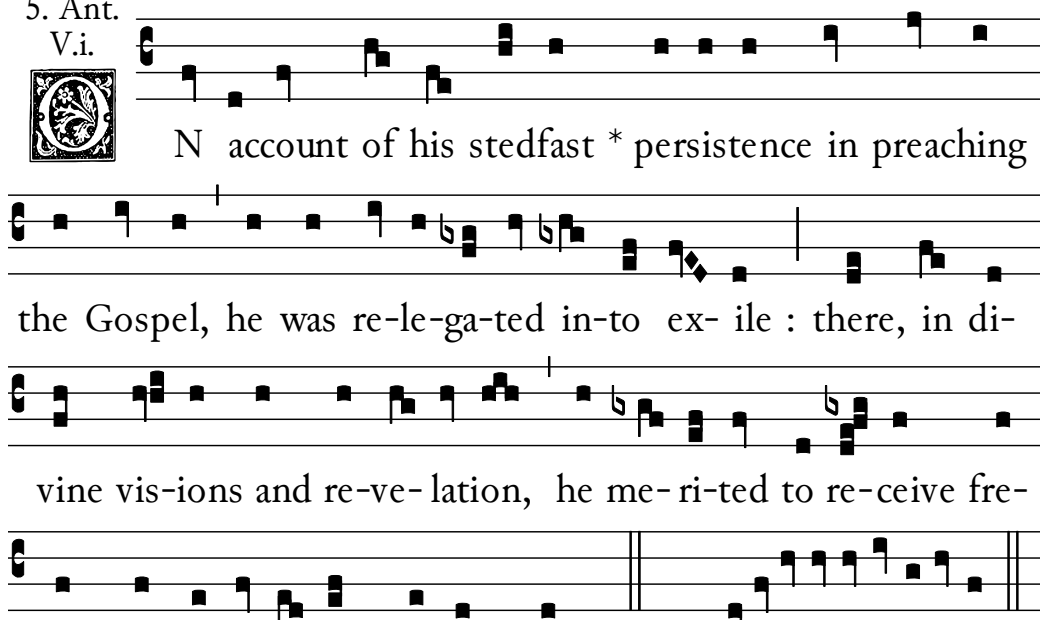


was thrown : By di-vine grace pro- tected, he came
forth unharmed. *Ps.* O clap your hands. (47./xlvj.) [261].

Propter insuperabilem.

5. Ant.

V.i.

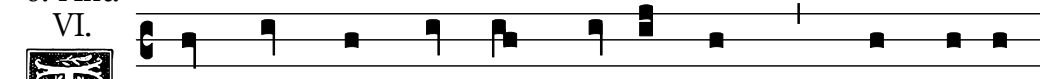


N account of his stedfast * persistence in preaching
the Gospel, he was re-le-ga-ted in-to ex- ile : there, in di-
vine vis-ions and re-ve- lation, he me- ri- ted to re- ceive fre-
quent conso- lation and refreshment. *Ps.* Hear my crying.
(61./lx.) [282].

Occurrit beato Johanni.

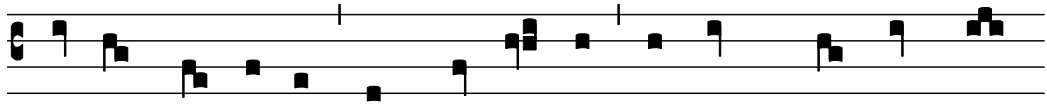
6. Ant.

VI.

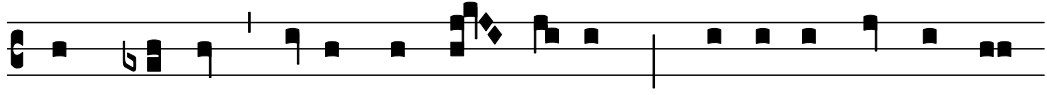


Here came out to meet blessed John, * when he re-

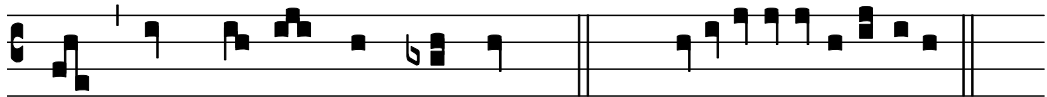
Saint John the Apostle.



turned from ex-ile, all the people, a great throng of men



and women, cry- ing out and say- ing : Blessed is he that com-



eth in the name of the Lord. *Ps.* Hear my voice. (64./lxiiij.)

[284].

℣. Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth.

℟. They shall remember thy name, O Lord. *Let the Response be made privately.*

Lesson iv.

Now Aristodimus, turning to the apostle, said, My mind shall be cleansed from all doubt : if these which by the poison have died, thou shalt revive in the name of thy God. John therefore removing his tunic : gave it to Aristodimus, and said, Go and cast this tunic over the bodies of the dead : and say thus, The apostle of our Lord Jesus Christ hath sent me to you, that in His name ye should rise again : that all may know that life and death are servants of my Lord Jesus Christ. Which, when Aristodimus had done, and having seen them arise : worshipping John, he ran quickly to the proconsul. And when he had

related to him that which had occurred : both parties coming prostrated themselves before the apostle, entreating pardon. Which, receiving them : offered prayer and thanksgiving to God. Then a fast of one week being completed : he baptized them. After this, having broken up all the idols, they built a church in the name of God and of Saint John : wherein the same Saint John was taken up, as the following discourse will make known. When blessed John was in his ninety-ninth year : the Lord Jesus Christ appeared to him and to his disciples, and said unto him, Come unto me my beloved : for the time is come that

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thou shalt feast at my banquet with
thy brethren. But thou, O Lord,

have mercy upon us.

In illa die.

4. Resp.
VI.



N that day * shall I take thee up, O my

ser- vant, and set thee as a seal in my sight.

†Be- cause I have cho- sen thee, saith the Lord.

℣. Be thou faithful un-to death : and I will give thee

a crown of life. †Be- cause.

Lesson v.

Now John arising : made ready
to go. For the Lord had said
to him, On Sunday, the day of my
resurrection, which is in five days'
time : thou shalt come to me. And
when he had said this : he was
received back into heaven. And so,
when the Sunday came : a whole

multitude gathered about John in the
aforementioned church. Now from
the first cock-crow the apostle was
conducting the mysteries of God :
and he addressed all the people until
the third hour of the day saying,
Brethren and fellow-servants, co-heirs
and partakers in the kingdom of God,

ye know the mighty works of our Lord Jesus Christ : and what great wonders and gifts God hath put before you by my teaching. Persevere therefore in his commandments. For now the Lord deigneth to call me from this world. After this the blessed apostle John bade a grave to be dug near the altar : descending into which he lifted his hands towards God and said, Invited to thy feast, I come giving thanks, because thou, O Lord Jesus Christ, hast

deigned to invite me to thy banquet : knowing that with all my heart I do desire thee. I have seen thy face : and I have been awakened as if from a tomb. Thine odour : hath stirred in me a desire for eternal things. Thy voice is full of sweetness and flowing honey : and thy comfort without compare. Unto thee have I always desired to come : but thou hast said unto me, Tarry until thou hast delivered the people entrusted to me. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Ecce puer meus.

5. Resp.

VII.

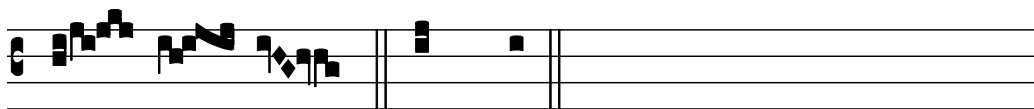


E- hold * my ser- vant whom I have cho-

sen, saith the Lord, mine e- lect.

†In whom my soul de-light-eth. ⁊. I have put my

Spi- rit upon him : he shall bring forth judgement to



the Gen- tiles. †In whom.

Lesson vj.

AND thou hast preserved my body from all pollution, and, my soul hast thou always illumined : and thou hast not forsaken me when I went into exile and when I returned. And thou hast placed in my mouth the word of thy truth, and I have written of those things which mine eyes have seen : and the words which I have heard from thy mouth. And now O Lord do I commend unto thee the sons which thy true Church as a mother hath regenerated to thee through water and the Holy Ghost. And blessed John also said, Receive me O Lord, that I may be with my brethren : to be with whom thou hast invited me to come. Do thou open unto me, knocking, the gate of life : and may the princes of darkness not oppose me. Let not the foot of pride come against me : and let not the foreign hand seize me from thee. Receive me therefore according to thy word, and lead me unto the feasting of thy banquet : where all thine elect feast with thee. For thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God,

who at the command of the Father hast saved the world : who hast deigned to send down upon us the Holy Ghost, that he might bring to our remembrance thy precepts. Through the same Spirit we render thanks unto thee : through the endless ages of ages. And when all the people had replied Amen : a great light appeared over the apostle for about an hour, of such brightness that none were able to behold it. After this the grave was found to be full, containing in it nothing other than manna : which it produceth even unto this day. Whence it happeneth, that some assert him to be alive, not dead in the grave, but they contend that he lieth in sleep : mainly because in that place the earth floweth up gently, rising up to the surface of the grave and, like the breath of one resting, bubbleth back down again onto the surrounding dust. Moreover mighty works are done in that same place by his prayers : and all the faithful are delivered from all infirmities and

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dangers, and obtain the fruits of their petitions. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Apparuit caro suo.

6. Resp.

I.



He Lord * appear- ed with his dis- ciples to John,

his dear one : and said unto him. †Come unto me,

my be- lov-ed. ‡Be-cause the time hath come for thee to

feast at my ban- quet with thy brethren.

℣. And when the Apostle had complet-ed the course of

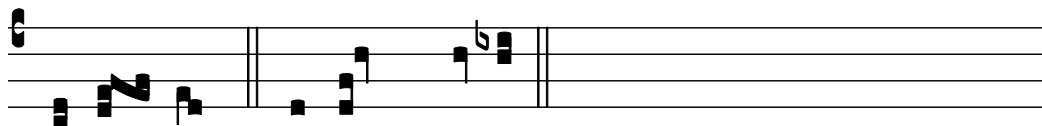
his earthly life : the Sav-iour of the world ap- peared

to him, and said unto him. †Come unto me.

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∞. Glo-ry be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the



Ho-ly Ghost. ‡Be-cause the time.

¶ *In the Third Nocturn.*

Apparuit caro suo.

7. Ant.

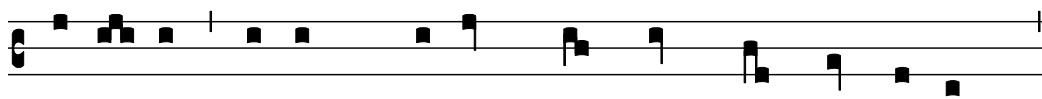
VII.i.



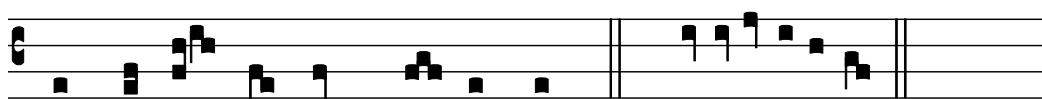
He Lord * Je-sus Christ appeared with his disciples



to John, his dear one, and said unto him, Come unto me, my



be-lov-ed, be-cause the time hath come for thee to feast



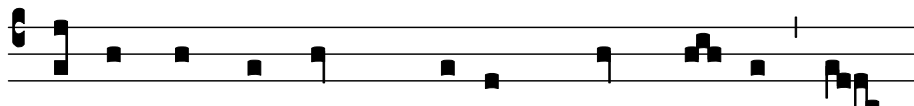
at my banquet with thy brethren. *Ps.* Unto thee, O God.

(75./lxxiiij.) [306].

Expandens manus suas.


8. Ant.

VIII.i.



Ift-ing up his hands * towards God, he said, In-

Saint John the Apostle.

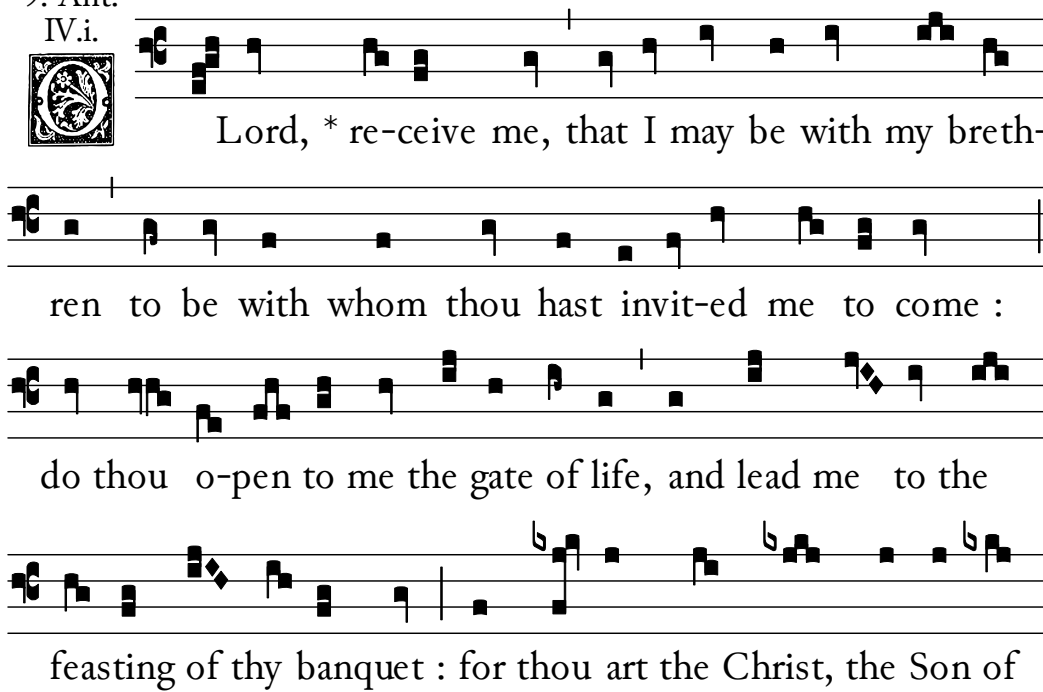


vi-ted to thy feast, I come giv- ing thanks : be-cause thou,
O Lord Je-sus Christ, hast deigned to invite me to thy ban-
quet, knowing that with all my heart I have de-sir-ed thee.

Ps. The Lord is King. (97./xcvj.) [339].

Domine suscipe me.

9. Ant.
IV.i.



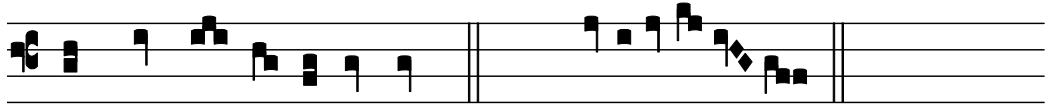
Lord, * re-ceive me, that I may be with my breth-
ren to be with whom thou hast invit-ed me to come :
do thou o-pen to me the gate of life, and lead me to the
feasting of thy banquet : for thou art the Christ, the Son of



the liv-ing God, who at the command of the Father hast sav-



ed the world : we render thanks unto thee, through the



endless ag-es of ag-es. *Ps.* The Lord is King. (99./xcviij.)
[350].

℣ Exceedingly honoured are thy friends, O God.

℟ Firmly established is their principedom. *Let the Response be made privately.*

¶ *Lesson vij. The Holy Gospel according to John. last. John 21. 19-24.*



AT that time,
Jesus saith unto
Peter, Follow me.
Then Peter, turning
about, seeth the
disciple whom Jesus

loved following ; which also leaned on
his breast at supper. And that which
followeth.

A Homily of the Venerable Bede, Priest.

vj. Book. j.

FOr us the most blessed
evangelist and apostle John
commendeth the privilege of the
especial love : by which he merited to
be more amply honoured by the Lord.
He commendeth the testimony of the
Gospel description : which relying on

divine truth, none of the faithful is
permitted to doubt. He commendeth
the placid release from his flesh :
which he gained in a special way
when the Lord visited him. Indeed
after his resurrection the Lord
appeared to seven disciples among
which were Peter and John, and the
same were invited to a meal : while
they were eating, thrice he asked
Peter to confess his love and thrice
committed him to the feeding of his
sheep : and then for the sake of the
care of the same sheep he told him
that he would come even to martyr-
dom on a cross. But lest perhaps the
suffering on a cross predicted by the
Lord might appear burdensome to

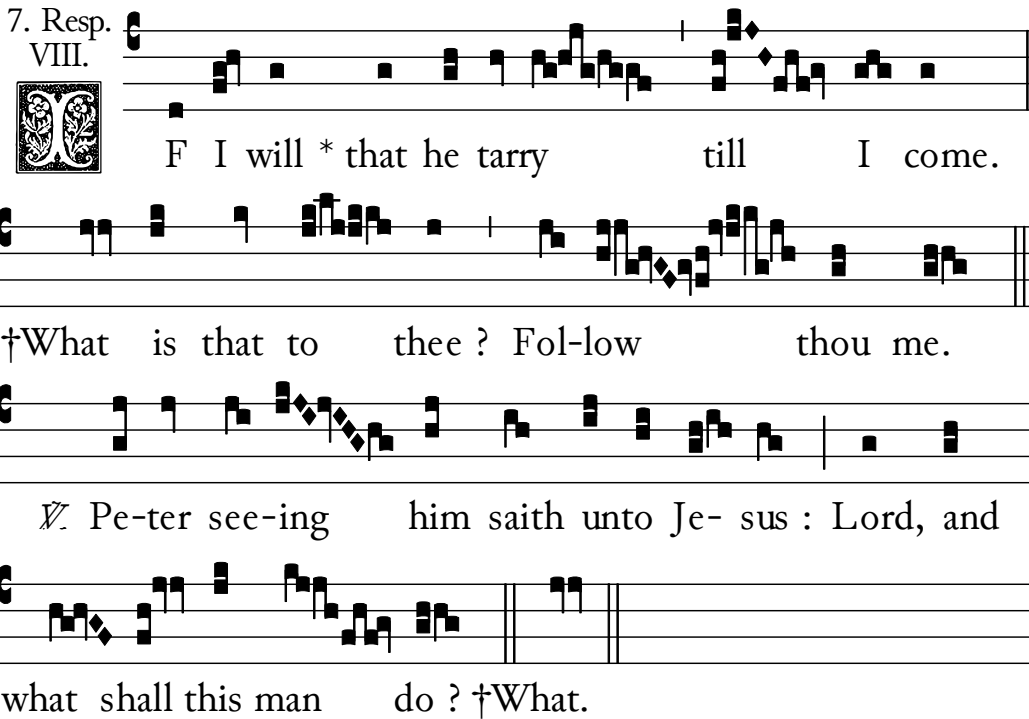
Saint John the Apostle.

Peter : immediately, to assuage this, he provided his own example, saying, Follow me. As if he were to have said, Because previously for thy redemption I feared not to endure the suffering of

the cross : thou ought by no means to dread to suffer the cross for the confession of my name. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Sic eum volo manere.

7. Resp.
VIII.



F I will * that he tarry till I come.

†What is that to thee? Fol-low thou me.

Pe-ter see-ing him saith unto Je-sus : Lord, and
what shall this man do? †What.

Lesson viij.

The Lord was followed indeed by Peter, and by that disciple which Jesus loved, evidently the same John whose feast we celebrate this day, and who wrote this Gospel. Indeed Jesus loved him : as one whom the special prerogative of chastity had made worthy of greater love. Indeed a virgin chosen by Him : a virgin he

remained in old age. In so much as stories handed down say that He summoned him from a marriage when he wished to marry : and for that reason he whom He had withdrawn from carnal delight, granted His more desirable love. At the end, when dying on the cross, He commended to him His mother : that

virgin might watch over virgin. Indeed in so far as that disciple reclined on the Master's breast : it was a sign of future mystery. Indeed because in the breast of Jesus are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge : rightly he on His breast reclined, who, more strongly than the others setting forth divine nature, explained the mysteries : he drank,

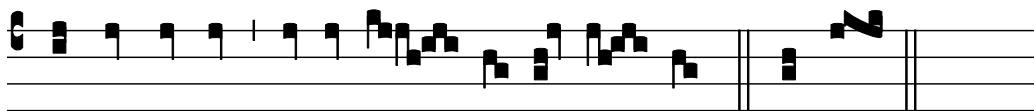
clearly taking in the heavenly doctrine which flowed from Jesus' breast (which he belched forth for us). Because indeed blessed Peter had heard that by suffering on a cross he himself would glorify God : he wished as well to know about his fellow disciple, by what death he would pass over to eternal life. But thou O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Diligebat autem meum.

8. Resp.
III.



Ow Je-sus * lov- ed him, for the spe-cial
 pre-ro-ga-tive of chas- ti- ty had made him wor- thy
 of great-er love. †Be-cause, a virgin chos-en by
 him, a vir-gin he remained in old age ⁊. At the
 end, when dy- ing on the cross, he commended his



mother to him, a virgin to a virgin. †Be-cause.

Lesson ix.

Ido not wish (said the Lord) that He be brought to perfection until I come. And indeed the brethren took this response of the Lord at that time : to mean that John was never to die. Which John himself took care to admonish that it should not be so understood : but rather that while the rest of Christ's disciples would be brought to perfection through suffering, he himself would await in peace the coming of his call. Indeed as we find in the writings of the fathers, when he had come to a great age, he knew the day of his passing to be drawing near : gathering his disciples, and after admonishing them with exhortation and celebration of the mass, at last he made his farewell. Then, descending into the place of his grave, having made prayer, he was taken to his fathers, being as much free from the sorrow of death : as he had been a stranger to corruption of the flesh. And thus was fully accomplished the truth of the Saviour's words : that he wished him to remain, until He should come.

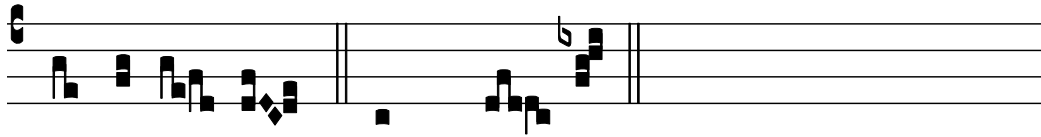
This is the disciple which hath given testimony, proclaiming the word of God : given and written. From the time of the Lord's ascension until the final years of the ruler Domitian : during about sixty-five years, he preached the word of God. By Domitian however who came forth as the second persecutor of the Christians after Nero, he was sent into exile : after the assasination of Domitian he was allowed to return to Ephesus. Then he was compelled by almost all the bishops of Asia, and by delegations from many churches, to compose a discourse concerning the coeternal divinity of Christ with the Father : but he thus responded, that he would in no wise do so, unless by a fast being proclaimed in which everyone together entreated the Lord, he might be enabled to write worthily. Which being done : he, being intoxicated by the grace of the Holy Ghost, revealed the mysteries of divine truth which had been granted to no other mortal. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Saint John the Apostle.

R. 9. In the midst of the congregation. 423. and it is sung together with its Prose, namely Born was he. and with Glory be. by all the Priests, as is indicated above at Matins of Saint Stephen.



V. Glo ry be to the Father, and to the Son : and to



the Ho-ly Ghost. †And the Lord.

Before Lauds.

V. Greatly to be honoured is blessed John.

R. Who leaned on the breast of the Lord at supper.

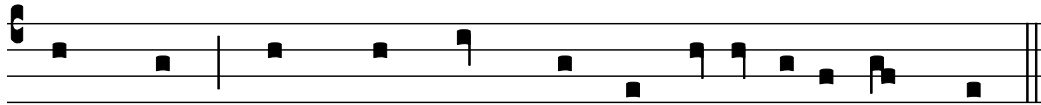
At Lauds.

Hic est discipulus.

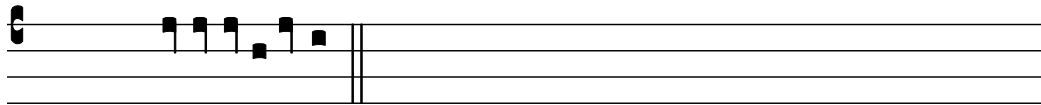
1. Ant.
III.iv.



His is the disciple * which testi-fi-eth of



these things : and we know that his testimony is true.



Ps. The Lord is King. (93./xcij.) [53].

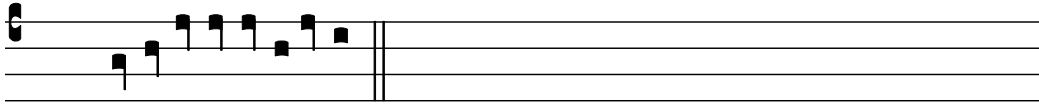
Saint John the Apostle.

Hic est discipulus meus.

2. Ant.
III.iv.



His is my disciple : * so I will that he tarry till I come.



Ps. O be joyful. (100./xcix.) [54].

Ecce puer meus.

3. Ant.
I.i.



E-hold my ser-vant, * mine e-lect, whom I have cho-



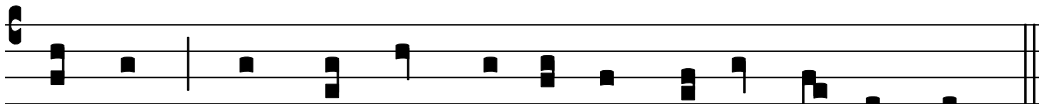
sen : I have put my Spi- rit up-on him. *Ps.* O God, thou art
my God. (63. & 67./lxiij. & lxvj.) [55].

Sunt de hic stantibus.

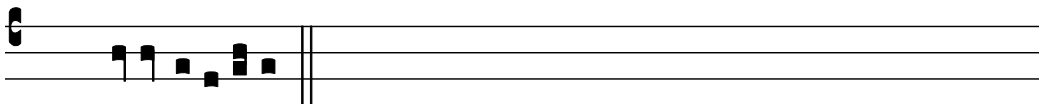
4. Ant.
I.i.



Here be some standing here, * which shall not taste



of death : till they see the Son of man in his kingdom.



Ps. O all ye works of the Lord. (*Daniel iij.*) [56].

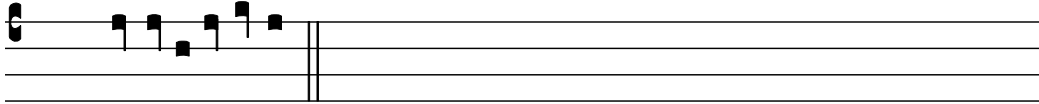
Saint John the Apostle.

Sic eum volo.

5. Ant.
VIII.ii.



O I will * that he tar-ry till I come : follow thou me.



Ps. O Praise the Lord. (148-150./cxlviij-cl.) [58].

Chapter. Ecclesiasticus 15. 1-2.

HE that feareth the Lord will do
good, and he that hath the
knowledge of the law shall obtain

wisdom : and as an honoured mother
shall she meet him. *R.* Thanks be
to God.

Exultet celum laudibus.

Hymn.
III.



Et heaven's ex-ultant prais-es ring. [868].

R. They declared the works of God.

R. And wisely considered of his doings. *Let the Response be made privately.*

Iste est Johannes.

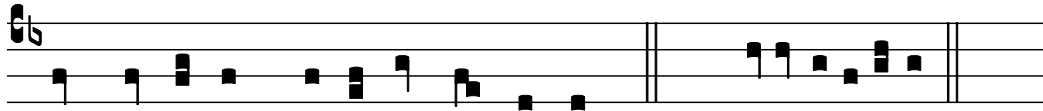
Ant.
I.i.



His is that John * who leaned upon the breast of



the Lord at the sup-per : the bles-sed Apos-tle unto whom



were re-vealed the secrets of heaven. *Ps.* Blessed be the Lord.
52*.

Prayer.

Mercifully enlighten thy Church,
we beseech thee, O Lord : that
being illuminated by the doctrines of
blessed John thy Apostle and
Evangelist, she may attain to

everlasting gifts. Through Jesus
Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth
and reigneth with thee in the unity of
the Holy Ghost, one God, world
without end. *R.* Amen.

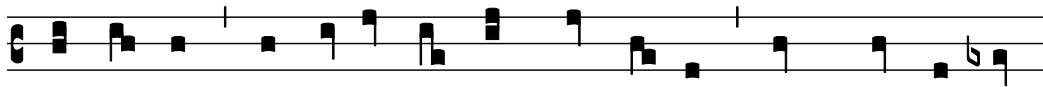
Memorial of the Nativity.

Hodie intacta virgo.

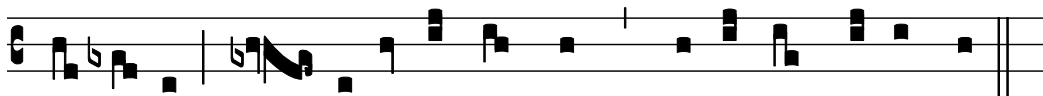
Ant.
VI.



His day * an unde-fil-ed Virgin hath born to us



the Godhead, tenderly cloth-ing his bo-dy, whom she meetly



nur-tur-ed : let us all a-dore him, who cometh to save us.

R. Blessed be he that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

R. God is the Lord, who hath shewed us light.

Prayer.

Grant, we beseech thee, almighty
God : that the new birth in the
flesh of thy Only Begotten may
deliver us, whom the ancient bondage

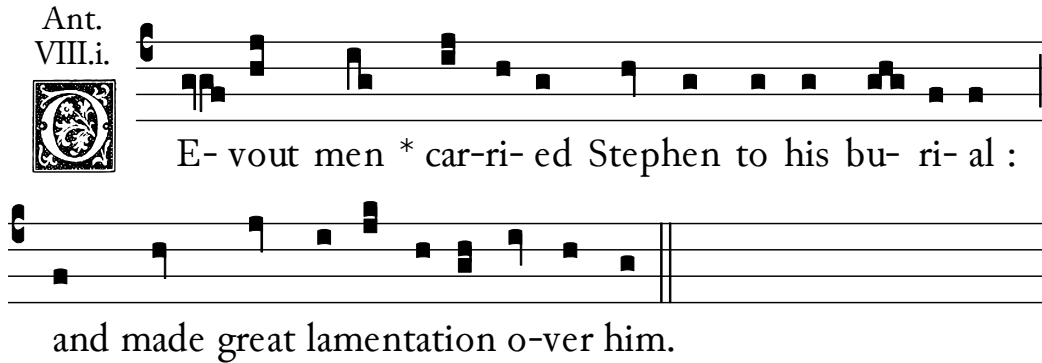
holdeth under yoke of sin. Through
the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *R.*
Amen.

Memorial of St. Stephen.

Let a Memorial of S. Stephen be made at this Matins with this Antiphon if a Procession for him has been made earlier : or not.

Sepelierunt Stephanum.

Ant.
VIII.i.



E- vout men * car-ri- ed Stephen to his bu- ri- al :
and made great lamentation o-ver him.

℣. The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree.

℞. He shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus.

Prayer.

GRant unto us, we beseech thee,
O Lord, to imitate what we
revere, that we may learn to love even
our enemies : forasmuch as we
celebrate the nativity of him who
knew how to pray even for his

persecutors to our Lord Jesus Christ
thy Son. Who liveth and reigneth
with thee in the unity of the Holy
Ghost, one God, world without end.
℞. Amen.

¶ *At j.*

Ant. This is the disciple. 451.

Ps. Save me, O God. (54./liij.) [113].

¶ *At iij.*

Ant. This is my disciple. 452.

Ps. Teach me, O Lord. (119. iij./cxviiij. iij.) [161].

Chapter. He that feareth. 453.

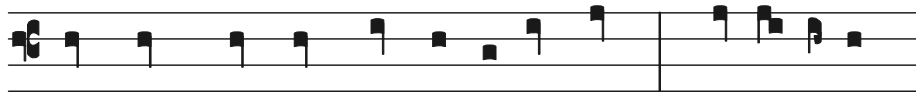
The ℞℞. and ℣℣. of the Common of One Apostle are sung at all the Hours with

Saint John the Apostle.

Alleluya. *And the Responses of the Verses are said without Alleluya.*

In omnem terram.

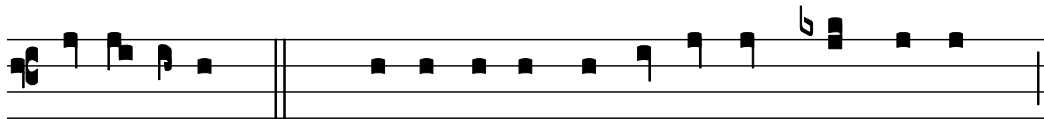
Resp.
VI.



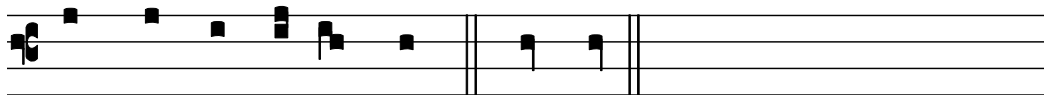
Heir sound is gone out into all lands. †Alle-lu-ya,



al-le-lu-ya. ij. ✠. And their words into the ends of the world.



†Alle-lu-ya. ✠. Glo-ry be to the Father, and to the Son :



and to the Ho-ly Ghost. Their sound.

✠. Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth.

℞. They shall remember thy name, O Lord.

Prayer. Mercifully enlighten thy Church. 454.

¶ *At vj.*

Ant. Behold my servant. 452.

Ps. My soul hath longed. (119. vj./cxviiij. vj.) [179].

Chapter. Ecclesiasticus 15. 3-4.

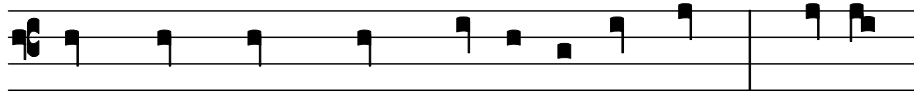
With the bread of life and understanding shall the Lord feed him, and give him the water of wisdom to drink : he shall be stayed upon him, and shall not be moved,

and shall rely on him, and shall not be confounded ; and he shall exalt him above his neighbours. ℞.
Thanks be to God.

Saint John the Apostle.

Constitues eos principes.

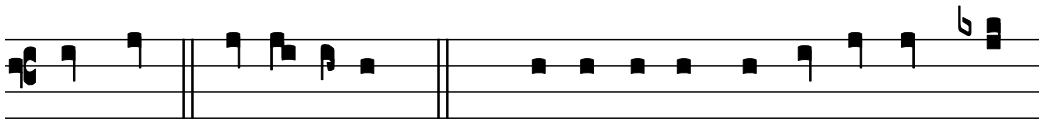
Resp.
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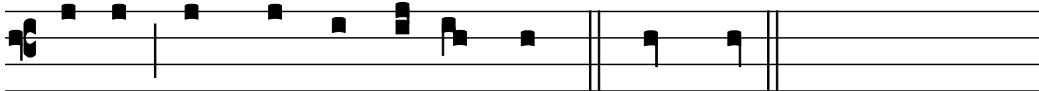
Hou shalt make them princes in all lands. †Alle-



lu-ya, al-le-lu-ya. ij. ⁊. They shall remember thy Name,



O Lord. †Alle-lu-ya. ⁊. Glo-ry be to the Father, and to



the Son : and to the Ho-ly Ghost. Thou shalt.

⁊. Greatly to be honoured is blessed John.

℞. Who leaned on the breast of the Lord at the supper.

¶ *At ix.*

Ant. So I will that he tarry. 453.

Ps. Thy testimonies are wonderful. (119. ix./cxviiij. ix.) [195].

Chapter. Ecclesiasticus 15. 5.

IN the midst of the congregation
he opened his mouth : and the
Lord filled him with the spirit of

wisdom and understanding : in a robe
of glory he arrayed him. ℞. Thanks
be to God.

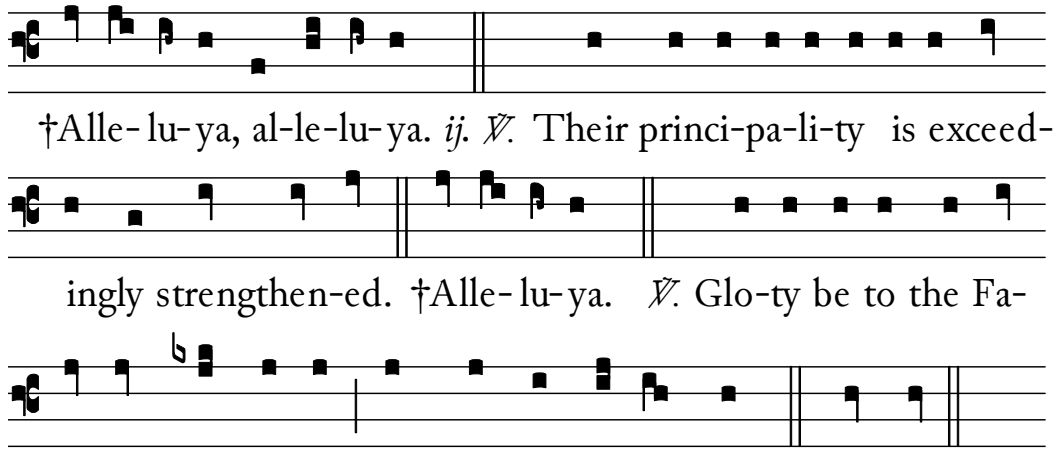
Nimis honorati sunt.

Resp.
VI.



Hy friends, O God, are made exceedingly honourable.

Saint John the Apostle.



†Alle-lu-ya, al-le-lu-ya. *ij.* *℣.* Their princi-pa-li-ty is exceed-
 ingly strengthen-ed. †Alle-lu-ya. *℣.* Glo-ty be to the Fa-
 ther, and to the Son : and to the Ho-ly Ghost. Thy friends.

℣. They declared the works of God. *℞.* And wisely considered of his doings.

¶ *At Vespers.*

Ant. In the day of thy power. 372.

Ps. The Lord said. (110./cix.) [375]. [*etc.*]

Chapter. Ecclesiasticus 15. 1-2.

<p>HE that feareth the Lord will do good, and he that hath the knowledge of the law shall obtain</p>	<p>wisdom ; and as an honoured mother shall she meet him. <i>℞.</i> Thanks be to God.</p>
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Let this ℞. be begun by a single Priest at the Quire Step in a silken Cope. The ℣. namely John is that dear theologian. is sung by all the Priests in Surplices in the manner of a Prose in the station of the boys with the ℣. Glory be now to the highest.

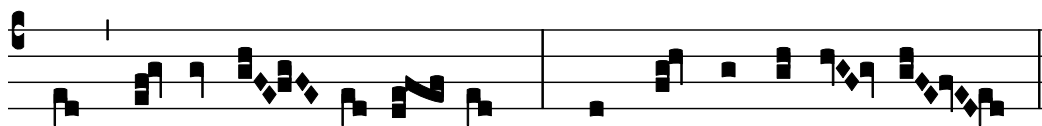
Iste est Johannes.

Resp.
I.

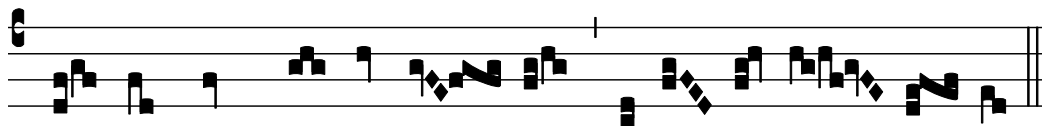


I His is that John * who upon the bos-om of the

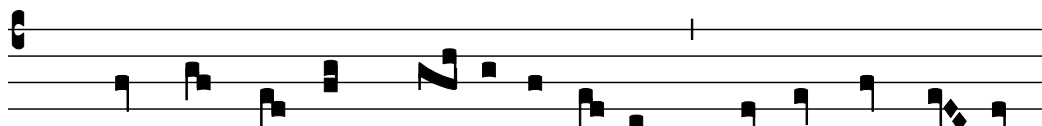
Saint John the Apostle.



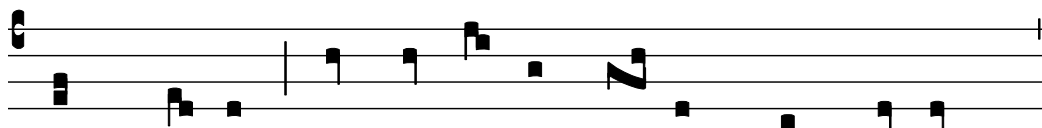
Lord leaned at the sup-per. †The Bles-sed Apos-tle.



‡Un-to whom were re-veal- ed the se-crets of hea-ven.



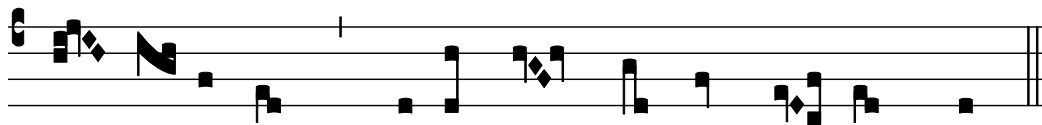
∕. John is that dear the- o-lo-gi- an Who by the Spi- rit



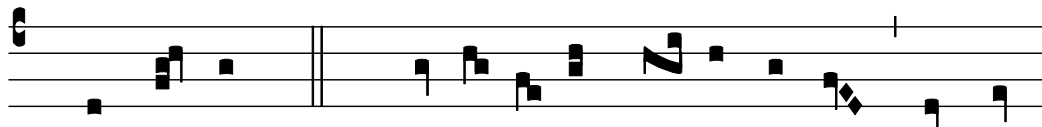
made drunken, Like an eagle speed-ing from heaven :



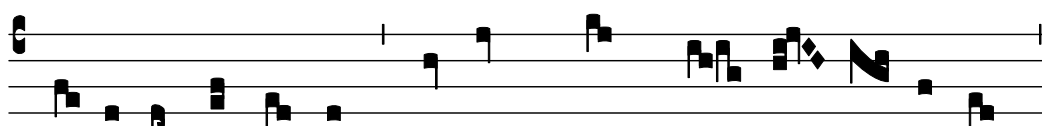
Sheweth forth un- to mor- tal men The Christ, the Son



of Ma- ry born, Who is both Word of God and God.



†The Bles-sed. ∕. Glo-ry be now to the Highest, To the



Father unbe-got-ten, To him whom the Fa- ther be-gat,

Saint John the Apostle.



And to the comforting Spi- rit. †The Bles-sed.

Hymn. Let heaven's exultant praises ring. [868].

V. They declared the works of God.

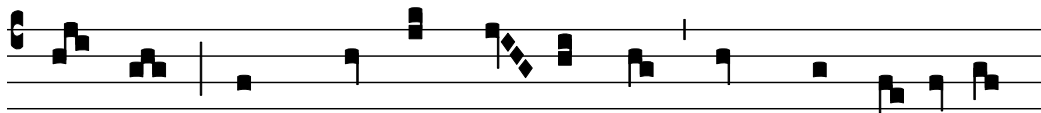
R. And wisely considered of his doings. *Let the Response be made privately.*

In medio ecclesie.

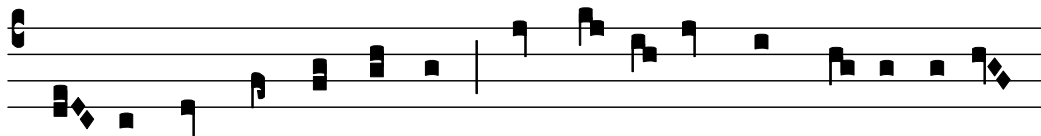
Ant.
VIII.i.



N the midst * of the congre- gation he o-pen-ed



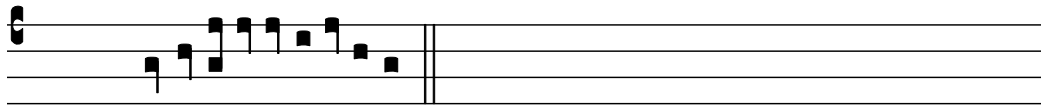
his mouth : and the Lord fil- led him with the spi- rit of



wis- dom and understanding : and in a robe of glo- ry he ar-



ray- ed him, al- le- lu- ya, al- le- lu- ya, al- le- lu- ya.



Ps. My soul doth magnify. 72*.

Prayer.

Mercifully enlighten thy Church,
we beseech thee, O Lord : that

being illuminated by the doctrines of
blessed John thy Apostle and

Saint John the Apostle.

Evangelist, she may attain to everlasting gifts. Through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth

and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *R̄.* Amen.

Memorial of the Nativity.

Gaudeamus omnes fideles.

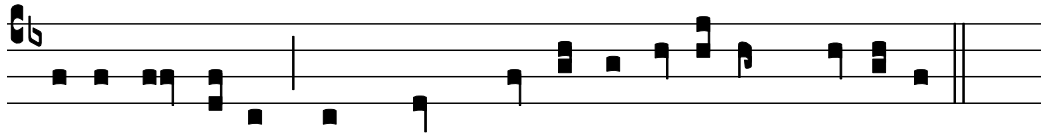
Ant.
VI.



E joyful, all ye faithful, * our Sav- iour is a-ris-en



in the world, this day hath he appear- ed, the offspring



of a no-ble line, and hath pre-served a virgin's pu-ri-ty.

V̄. The Word was made flesh. *R̄.* And dwelt among us, alleluya.

Prayer.

Grant, we beseech thee, almighty God : that the new birth in the flesh of thy Only Begotten may deliver us, whom the ancient bondage

holdeth under yoke of sin. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *R̄.* Amen.

This manner is preserved likewise at the Memorial of the Nativity in saying the Versicles at Matins, namely that at Vespers is sung the V̄. The Word was made flesh. and at Matins is sung the V̄. Blessed be he that cometh. 365.

Memorial of St. Stephen.

Where a Procession of the same was previously made.

Tu principatum tenes.

Ant. I.v.



Hou art the foremost * in the choir of the martyrs,

like unto an Angel, who didst plead with God for them

that stoned thee : O bles-sed Stephen, intercede for us to

the Lord.

Where a Procession of the same was not made.

Lapidverunt Stephanum.

Ant. VIII.i.



Hey stoned * Stephen, as he cal-led upon the Lord

saying, Lay not this sin to their charge.

℣. Thou hast crowned him, O Lord, with glory and worship.

℟. And madest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands.

Prayer.

GRant unto us, we beseech thee,
 O Lord, to imitate what we
 revere, that we may learn to love even
 our enemies : forasmuch as we
 celebrate the nativity of him who
 knew how to pray even for his

persecutors to our Lord Jesus Christ
 thy Son. Who liveth and reigneth
 with thee in the unity of the Holy
 Ghost, one God, world without end.
R. Amen.

Now when the proper Antiphons of Saint Stephen have been said : let a Memorial be made of the same with the Antiphons of Lauds in their order : which having been said, let the Antiphons of the Nocturns be said. Let Memorials be made likewise in their order for Saint John, and for the Innocents, and for Saint Thomas in the same way.


However on the Octaves of the aforementioned Saints one of the proper Antiphons is sung at the Memorial, which will be found indicated in that place.

Procession of the Boys.

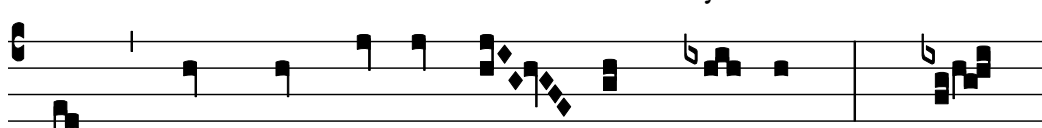
Then let the Procession of the Boys be made through the midst of the Quire to the Altar of the Innocents or the Holy Trinity, with Silken Copes, and lighted Candles in their hands, while singing.

Centum quadragintaquattuor.


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N hun- dred * and for- ty four thou-

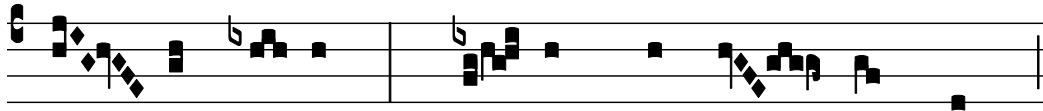


sand, which were re-deemed from the earth. These

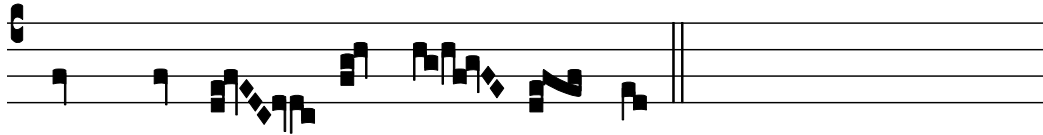


are they which were not de-fil- ed with wo- men, for they

Saint John the Apostle.

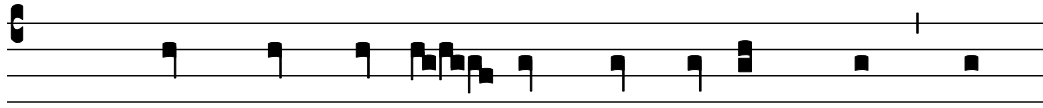


re- main vir-gins. †There-fore they reign with God,

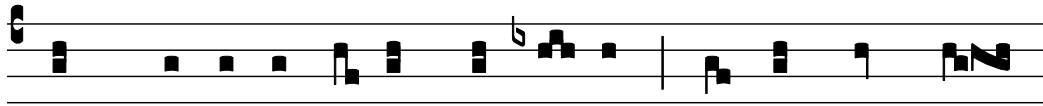


and the Lamb of God with them.

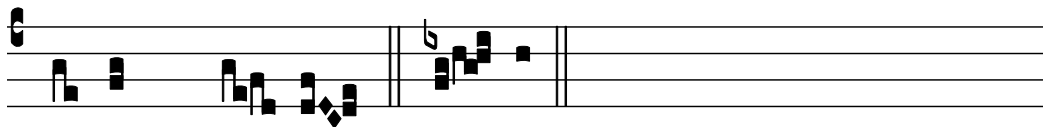
The Boy-Bishop, if he be present, shall begin this Responsory. Let three boys sing.



∇. These were re-deem- ed from among men, the



first-fruits unto God and to the Lamb : and in their mouth



was found no guile. †There-fore.

Let all the boys sing together the Prose, which follows here.

Sedentem in superne majestatis.

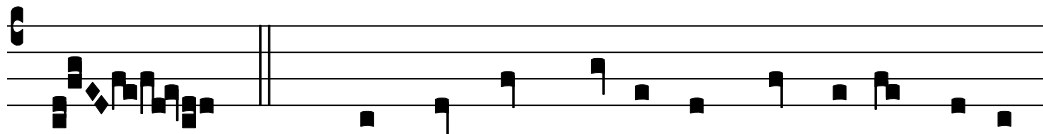
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Eated in the ma-jesty of the heavenly ci-ty.

And let the Choir respond with the melody of the Prose after each Verse with the letter

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∇. They worship, proclaiming to thee in humi-

Saint John the Apostle.

li-ty. C . V . Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly, King of Sa-ba-

oth. C . V . Heaven and earth are full of thy glo-ry.

C . V . So to-gether with those nineteen and five.

C . V . Are now heard this most inno-cent com-

pa-ny. C . V . Which art without a-ny blemish.

C . V . Cry- ing out in their high voices. C .

V . Praise be unto thee, O Lord, King of e-ternal glo-ry.

†There-fore.


At this Procession Glory be. is not sung, but while the Prose is sung the Boy-Bishop shall cense the Altar : and afterwards the image of the Holy Trinity : and afterwards let the

Priest sing in a moderate voice this.

℣. Be ye glad in the Lord, and rejoice, ye righteous.

℟. And shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.

Prayer.

 God, whose praise the martyred Innocents confessed this day, not by speaking but by dying : mortify all evils of vice in us, that thy faith which our tongue


professeth, our life may also shew forth by its deeds. Who livest and reignest with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

While returning, let the Instructor of the boys introduce som Antiphon, or this ℟. of Saint Mary. Happy indeed. [693]. with its ℣. : and thus in procession let the Choir enter throught the West Doorway as above : and all the boys from either side of the Choir themselves assume the Superior Grade. And from this time through to the end of the Procession at Vespers of the next day following, none of the Clerics is to ascend to the Superior Grade no matter what the circumstances may be. At that Procession at the disposition of the boys is written which Canons shall attend to them, the greater to attend to the censuring and to bearing the Book : however the lesser to attend to the Candlesticks.

Which Responsory being finished, let the Boy-Bishop sing in a moderate voice in his Seat this.

℣. Thou art fairer than the children of men. *℟.* Full of grace are thy lips.

Prayer.

 God, who by the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary hast bestowed upon the human race the rewards of eternal salvation : grant, we beseech thee, that we may perceive her intercession for us, through

whom we have merited to receive the Author of life, our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son. Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *℟.* Amen.

℣. The Lord be with you. *℟.* And with thy spirit.

Then let follow Benedicamus Domino. sung by two or three, outside the rule.

Then let the Boy-Bishop enter his Stall, and meanwhile let the Crucifer take the Bishop's staff turning to the Bishop : and let him begin this Antiphon O thou Head of the

Saint John the Apostle.

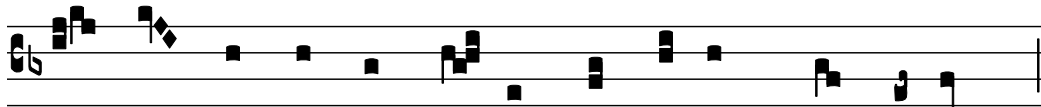
Church. which is not sung if the Bishop is absent. And when he shall come to these words, With all thy gentleness. let him turn himself to the people and sings the rest of the Antiphon through to the end, this way.

Princeps ecclesie.

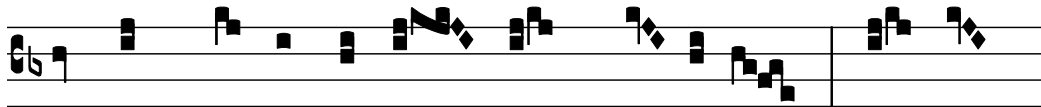
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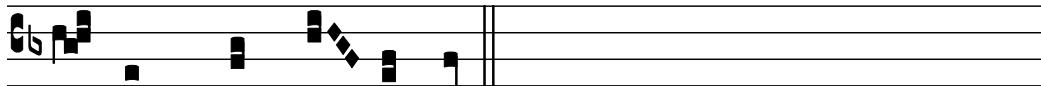
thou Head of the Church, Shep-herd of thy sheep,



On all people be pleas-ed to bestow thy blessing,

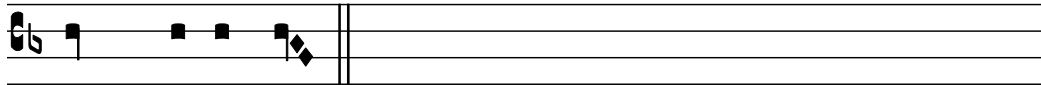


With all thy gentle-ness and cha-ri-ty. Humble



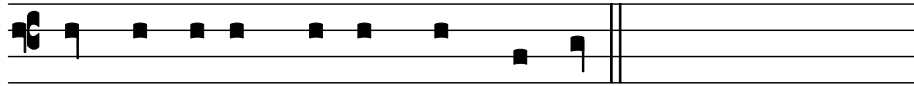
yourselves for the blessing.

Let the Choir respond thus.



Thanks be to God.

Then let him hand over the Staff to the Boy-Bishop : and then let the Boy-Bishop begin first to sign himself on the forehead, beginning this way.



Ur help is in the name of the Lord.

Saint John the Apostle.

Let the Choir respond.



Who hath made heaven and earth.

Likewise let the Bishop, signing himself on his breast, say.



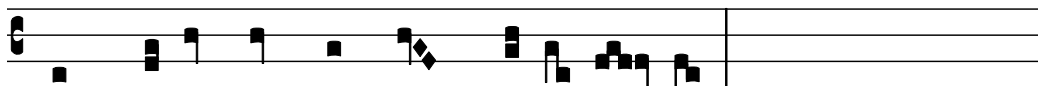
Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Let the Choir respond thus.



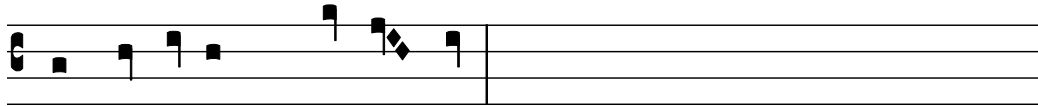
From this time forth for ev-ermore.

Then let the Boy-Bishop, turned to the Choir, raise his arms : and begin this Benediction this way.



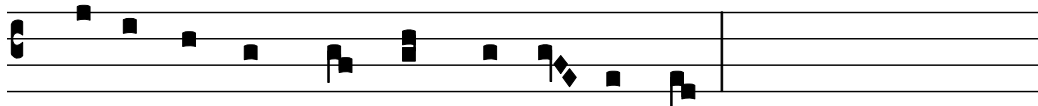
With the sign of the Cross : do I seal you.

Here let him turn himself to the people, singing.



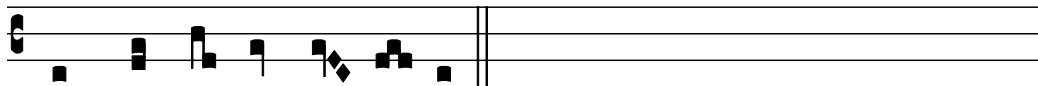
May he be your pro-tec-tion.

Then let him turn himself to the Altar, singing thus.



Who sendeth you forth and re-deemeth you.

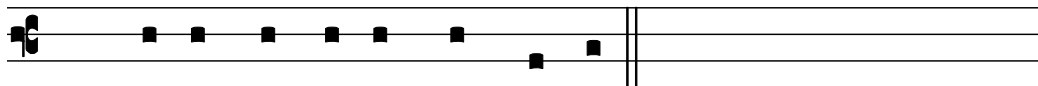
Afterwards, returning his hands to their place over his breast, let him sing.



At the price of his bo-dy.

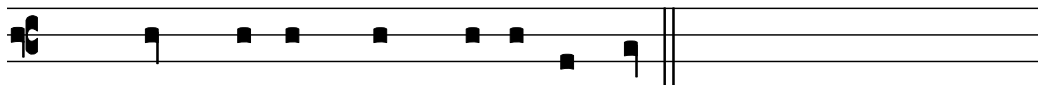
Saint John the Apostle.

The Boy-Bishop.



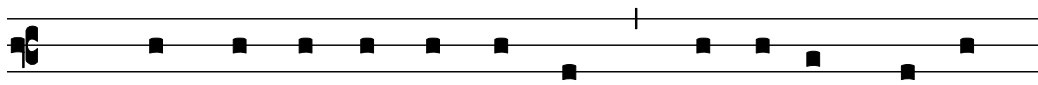
℣. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

The Choir.

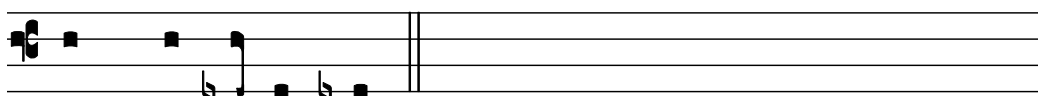


℣. From this time forth for ev-ermore.

Then let the Boy-Bishop sing this way.

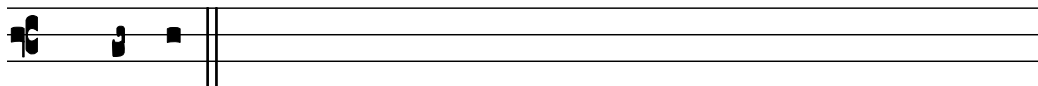


℣. May God Almighty bless you : the Father, the Son,



and the Ho-ly Ghost.

Let the Choir respond thus.



℣. Amen.

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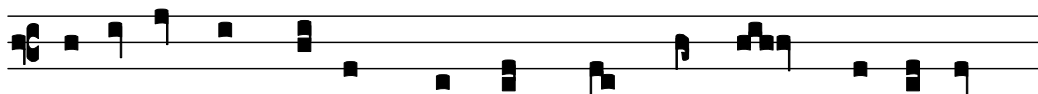
Innocentes pro Christo.

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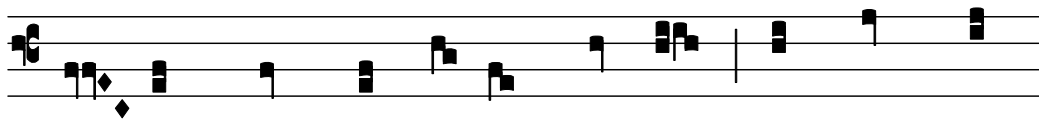


He inno-cent infants * were slain instead of Christ,

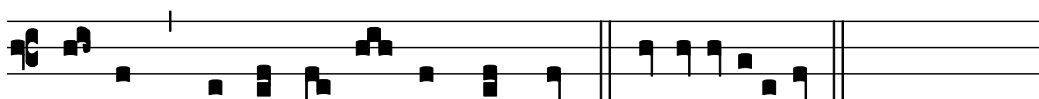


by a ruthless ty-rant were all those sucklings murder-ed :

Saint John the Apostle.



with- out spot, they fol-low the Lamb : and sing they




ev-er, Glo-ry be to thee, O Lord. Amen.

V. Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord.

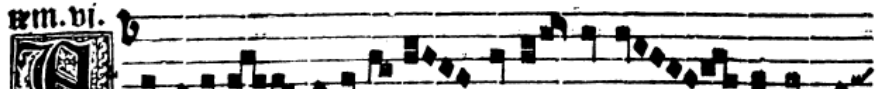
R. And be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

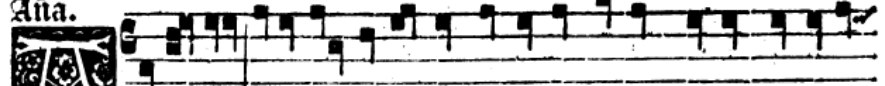
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De sancto iohāne euangelista. Fo. lxxiiij.

em. vi. 

Apparuit caro suo iohanni domino cum
discipulis suis et ait illi. Veni dilecte mi
ad me. Quia tempus est ut epuleris in convivio meo
cum fratribus tuis. v. Quos complect
set apostolus cursum vite presentis: apparuit ei salvator
mundi: et ait illi. Veni. v. Gloria patri et
fili: et spiritui sancto. Quia. *In tertio nocturno Antiphona.*
Añā. 

Apparuit caro suo iohanni dominus iesus christus cum disci-
pulis suis et ait illi. Veni dilecte meus ad me: quia
tempus est ut epuleris in convivio meo cum fratribus
tuis.

[1519:74r.]