SUNDAY VESPERS

Throughout the Year



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| *All stand for the beginning of Vespers.*  Invitatory  *Make the Sign of the Cross (*  ) *with the Officiant as he intones:*  *Officiant: All:*        *(bow)*    *(upright*)    *From Septuagesima to Wednesday in Holy Week, the following is said*  *instead of Alleluia:*    Antiphon 1  *All make the sign of the cross as Officiant begins.*  *Officiant: \* All:*        \*  Psalm 109  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *All sit.*  *Cantor: \* Cantors*    2. Donec ponam ini- **mí-**cos **tu**- os, \* scabéllum **pe**dum tu-**ó**-rum.  3. *(All)* Vírgam virtútis túæ emíttet Dómi**nus** ex **Si**on: \*  domináre in médio inimi**có**rum tu**ó**rum.  4. Técum principium in díe virtútis túæ in splendóri**bus**  san**ctó**rum: \*  ex útero ante luciférum **gé**nu**i** te.  5. Jurávit Dóminus, et non pæni**té**bit **é**um: \*  Tu es sacérdos in ætérnum secúndum órdi**nem**  Mel**chí**sedech.  6. Dóminus a **déx**tris **tú**is, \*  confrégit in díe íræ **sú**æ **ré**ges.  7. Judicábit in natiónibus, im**plé**bit ru**í**nas: \*  conquassábit cápita in **tér**ra mul**tó**rum.  8. De torrénte in **ví**a **bí**bet: \*  proptérea exal**tá**bit **cá**put.  9. *(bow)* Glória **Pá**tri, et **Fí**lio, \*  et Spi**rí**tui **Sán**cto.  10. *(sit upright)* Sícut érat in princípio, et **nunc**, et **sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæcu**ló**rum. **A**men.  *All:*    Antiphon 2  *Cantors: \* All:*    \*  Psalm 110  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *Cantor: \* Cantors:*    2. *(All)* Mágna **ó**pera **Dómi**ni: \*  exquisita in ómnes voluntá*tes* **é**jus.  3. Conféssio et magnificéntia **ó**pus **é**jus: \*  et justítia éjus mánet in sæcu*lum* **sæ**culi.  4. Memóriam fécit mirabílium suórum, † miséricors et  mise**rá**tor **Dómi**nus: \*  éscam dédit timén*ti***bus** se.  5. Mémor érit in sæculum testa**mén**ti **sú**i: \*  virtútem opérum suórum annuntiábit pópu*lo* **sú**o:  6. Ut det íllis hæredi**tá**tem **génti**um: \*  opera mánuum éjus véritas et *ju***dí**cium.  7. Fidélia ómnia mandáta éjus: † confirmáta in **sæ**culum  **sæ**culi: \*  fácta in veritáte et æ*qui***tá**te.  8. Redemptiónem mísit **pó**pulo **sú**o: \*  mandávit in ætérnum testamén*tum* **sú**um.  9. *(bow head)* Sánctum et terríbile **nó**men **é**jus: \*  *(sit upright)* inítium sapiéntiæ tí*mor* **Dó**mini.  10. Intelléctus bonus ómnibus faci**én**tibus **é**um: \*  laudátio éjus mánet in sæcu*lum* **sæ**culi.  11. *(bow)* Glória **Pá**tri, et **Fíli**o, \*  et Spirítu*i* **Sán**cto.  12. *(sit upright)* Sícut érat in princípio, et **nunc**, et **sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæculó*rum*. **A**men.  *All:*    Antiphon 3  *Cantors: \* All:*    \*  Psalm 111  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *Cantors: \* Cantors:*    *All:*      2. Pótens in térra érit *sémen* **é-** jus: \* generátio rectórum bene-    di - **cé-** tur.    3. *(Cantors)* Glória et divítiæ in *dómo* **é**jus: \*  et justítia éjus mánet in sæculum **sæ**culi.  4. *(All)* Exórtum est in ténebris *lúmen* **ré**ctis: \*  miséricors, et miserátor, et **jú**stus.  5. Jucúndus hómo qui miserétur et cómmodat, † dispónet  sermónes súos *in ju***dí**cio: \*  quia in ætérnum non commo**vé**bitur.  6. In memória ætérna *érit* **jú**stus: \*  ab auditióne mála non ti**mé**bit.  7. Parátum cor éjus speráre in Dómino, † confirmátum *est cor*  **é**jus: \*  non commovébitur dónec despíciat inimícos **sú**os.  8. Dispérsit, dédit paupéribus: † justítia éjus mánet in sæ*culum*  **sæ**culi: \*  córnu éjus exaltábitur in **gló**ria.  9. Peccátor vidébit, et irascétur, † déntibus súis frémet *et*  *ta***bé**scet: \*  desidérium peccatórum per**í**bit.  10. *(bow)* Glória Pá*tri*, *et* **Fí**lio, \*  et Spirítui **Sán**cto.  11. *(sit upright)* Sícut érat in princípio, et *nunc*, *et* **sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæculórum. **A**men.  *All:*    Antiphon 4  *Cantors: \* All:*    \*  Psalm 112  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *Cantor: \* Cantors:*    2. *(bow) (All)* Sit nómen Dómini **be**ne**dí**ctum, \*  *(sit upright)* ex hoc nunc, et **ús**que in **sæ**culum.  3. A sólis órtu usque **ad** oc**cá**sum, \*  laudábile **nó**men **Dó**mini.  4. Excélsus super ómnes **gén**tes **Dó**minus, \*  et super cælos **gló**ria **é**jus.  5. Quis sicut Dóminus Déus nóster, qui in **ál**tis **há**bitat, \*  et humília respícit in cælo **et** in **tér**ra?  6. Súscitans a **tér**ra **ín**opem, \*  et de stércore **é**rigens **páu**perem:  7. Ut collócet éum **cum** prin**cí**pibus, \*  cum princípibus **pó**puli **sú**i.  8. Qui habitáre fácit stéri**lem** in **dó**mo, \*  mátrem fili**ó**rum læ**tán**tem.  9. *(bow)* Glória **Pá**tri, et **Fí**lio, \*  et Spi**rí**tui **Sán**cto.  10. *(sit upright)* Sícut érat in princípio, et **nunc**, et **sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæcul**ó**rum. **A**men.  *All:*    Antiphon 5  *Cantors: \* All:*    \*  Psalm 113  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *Cantor: \* Cantors:*      *(All:)*    3. Máre *vídit*, *et* **fú**git: \*  Jordánis conversus est *re***trór**sum.  4. Móntes exsultavé*runt ut a***rí**etes, \*  et cólles sicut á*gni* **ó**vium.  5. Quid est tíbi ma*re quod fu***gí**sti? \*  et tu Jordánis, quia convérsus es *re***trór**sum?  6. Móntes exsultástis *sicut a***rí**etes, \*  et cólles sicut á*gni* **ó**vium?  7. A fácie Dómini *móta est* **tér**ra, \*  a fácie Dé*i* **Já**cob:  8. Qui convértit pétram in *stágna a***quá**rum: \*  et rúpem in fóntes *a***quá**rum.  *(Cantors:)*    9. Non nóbis, Dó - *mi-ne*, *non* **nó**-bis, \* sed nómini túo *da* **gló**ri-am:    10. *(All)* Super misericórdia túa et ve*ritáte* **tú**a: \*  nequándo dícant géntes: Ubi est Déus *e***ó**rum?  11. Déus autem *nóster in* **cæ**lo: \*  ómnia quæcúmque vólu*it*,**fé**cit.  12. Simulácra géntium ar*géntum et* **áu**rum, \*  ópera mánu*um* **hó**minum.  13. Os hábent, *et non lo***quén**tur: \*  óculos hábent, et non *vi***dé**bunt.  14. Aures há*bent*, *et non* **áu**dient: \*  náres hábent, et non o*do***rá**bunt.  15. Mánus hábent, et non palpábunt: † pédes hábent, et *non*  *ambu***lá**bunt: \*  non clamábunt in gúttu*re* **sú**o.  16. Símiles íllis fíant qui *fáciunt* **é**a: \*  et ómnes qui confídunt *in* **é**is.  17. Dómus Israel spe*rávit in* **Dó**mino: \*  adjútor eórum et protéctor *e***ó**rum est.  18. Dómus Aaron spe*rávit in* **Dó**mino: \*  adjútor eórum et protéctor *e***ó**rum est.  19. Qui tíment Dóminum spera*vérunt in* **Dó**mino: \*  adjútor eórum et protéctor *e***ó**rum est.  20. Dóminus mé*mor fúit* **nó**stri: \*  et benedí*xit* **nó**bis.  21. Benedíxit *dómui* **Is**rael: \*  benedíxit dómu*i* **A**aron.  22. Benedíxit ómnibus *qui tíment* **Dó**minum, \*  pusíllis cum *ma***jó**ribus.  23. Adjíciat *Dóminus* **sú**per vos: \*  super vos, et super fíli*os* **vé**stros.  24. Benedí*cti vos a* **Dó**mino, \*  qui fécit cælum *et* **tér**ram.  25. Cæ*lum cæli* **Dó**mino: \*  térram autem dédit fíli*is* **hó**minum.  26. Non mórtui lau*dábunt te* **Dó**mine: \*  neque ómnes qui descéndunt in *in***fér**num.  27. Sed nos qui vívimus, bene*dícimus* **Dó**mino, \*  ex hoc nunc et úsque *in* **sæ**culum.  28. *(bow)* Glória *Pátri*, *et* **Fí**lio, \*  et Spirítu*i* **Sán**cto.  29. *(sit upright)* Sícut érat in princípio, *et nunc*, *et* **sém**per, \*  et in sæcula sæculó*rum*. **A**men.  *All:*    *All Stand*  Litte chapter  *II Corinthians 1: 3 – 4.*  *Officiant:*  BENEDÍCTUS Deus, et Pater Dómini nostri Jesu Christi, † Pater misericordiárum, et Deus tótius consolatiónis, \* qui consolátur nos in omni tribulatióne nostra.  *All:* **Deo grátias.**  Hymn  *Lucis Creator Optime*  *Alternate verses Cantors and All*  *Verse 5: All*  *Cantors:*    *(Cantors:)*  *(All:)*  \*        *(Bow) (All:)*  *(All:)*      *(stand upright)*    *Cantors:*    *All:*    Sicut incénsum in conspectus tu-o.  *Remain standing.*  Magnificat antiphon and Tone  ***Turn now to the Proper of the Sunday (see separate handout)***  ***for the Magnificat Antiphon, the Magnificat, and the Collect.***  Conclusion  *Officiant:* Dóminus vobíscum.  *All:* **Et cum spíritu tuo.**  *Cantors:*    *All:*    *Officiant (in recto tono):* Fidélium ánimæ per misericórdiam Dei requiéscant in pace.  *All:* **Amen.**  Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament  *All kneel.*  *The Blessed Sacrament is taken out of the tabernacle and placed in the monstrance and exposed to the view of the people (Exposition).*  *All:*    *After a period of meditation and reflection the* Tantum ergo *is sung:*  *(upright)*))  *(bow)*    2.  1    *Officiant:* Panem de cælo præstitísti eis.  *All:* **Omne delectaméntum in se habéntem.**  *Officiant:* Orémus: Deus, qui nobis sub Sacraménto mirábili passiónis tuæ memóriam reliquísti: *†* tríbue, quaésumus, ita nos córporis et sánguinis tui sacra mystéria venerári; ut redemptiónis tuæ fructum in nobis júgiter sentiámus. Qui vivis et regnas in saécula sæculórum.  *All:* **Amen.**  *The celebrant will then bless all present with the Blessed Sacrament.*  *The celebrant descends the steps and while kneeling all recite* The Divine Praises.  The Divine Praises  Blessed be God.  Blessed be his Holy Name.  Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.  Blessed be the Name of Jesus.  Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.  Blessed be his most Precious Blood.  Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar.  Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.  Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.  Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.  Blessed be her glorious Assumption.  Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.  Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.  Blessed be God in his Angels and in his Saints.  Reposition  *Cantors: \* All:*    \*    *All stand and sing the Marian Antiphon.*  Marian Anthem  Ordinary Time: Salve Regina page 16  Advent - 2 February: Alma Redemptoris Mater page 18  3 February – Holy Week: Ave Regina Caelorum page 20  Salve Regina  *Ordinary Time*  *Cantor: \* All:*          *Officiant:* Ora pro nobis Sancta Dei Gé-netrix.  *All:* Ut digni efficiámur promissiónibus Chri- sti.  Salve Regina - *Ordinary Time (continued)*  Collect  *Officiant:* Oremus.  Omnípotens sempitérne Deus, qui gloriósae Vírginis Matris Maríae corpus et ánimam, ut dignum Fílii tui habitáculum éffici mererétur, Spíritu Sancto cooperánte, praeparásti: da, ut cuius commemoratióne laetámur; eius pia intercessióne, ab instántibus malis, et a morte perpétua liberémur. Per eundem Christum Dóminum nostrum.  *All:* **Amen.**  *Officiant (recto tono):* Divínum auxílium máneat semper nobíscum.  *All:* **Amen***.*  Alma redemptoris Mater  *Advent - 2 February*  *Cantor: \* All*      Alma redemptoris Mater *(continued)*  Advent :    *Officiant:* Ángelus Dómini nuntiávit Ma - rí - ae.  *All:* Et concépit de Spíritu San-cto.  Collect  *Officiant:* Oremus.  Grátiam tuam, quaésumus, Dómine, méntibus nostris infúnde: ut qui, Angelo nuntiánte, Christi Fílii tui incarnatiónem cognóvimus; per passiónem eius et crucem, ad resurrectiónis glóriam perducámur. Per eundem Christum Dóminum nostrum.  *All:* **Amen.**  *Officiant (recto tono):* Divínum auxílium máneat semper nobíscum.  *All:* **Amen***.*  --------------------------------------------------  From Vespers of Christmas until the Purifification    *Officiant:* Post partum, Virgo invioláta perman - sí - sti.  *All:* Dei Génetrix, intercéde pro no - bis.  Collect  *Officiant:* Oremus.  Deus, qui salútis aetérnae, beátae Maríae virginitáte fecúnda, humáno géneri praémia praestitísti: tríbue, quaésumus; ut ipsam pro nobis intercédere sentiámus, per quam merúimus auctórem vitae suscípere, Dóminum nostrum Iesum Christum, Fílium tuum.  *All:* **Amen.**  *Officiant (recto tono):* Divínum auxílium máneat semper nobíscum.  *All:* **Amen.**  Ave, Regina Caelorum  *3 February - Holy Week*  *Cantor: \*All:*      *Officiant*: Dignáre me laudáre te Virgo sa - crá - ta.  *All:* Da mihi virtútem contra hostes tu - os.  Collect  *Officiant:* Oremus.  Concéde, miséricors Deus, fragilitáti nostrae praesídium; ut, qui sanctae Dei Genetrícis memóriam ágimus; intercessiónis eius auxílio, a nostris iniquitátibus resurgámus. Per eúndem Christum Dóminum nostrum.  *All:* **Amen.**  *Officiant (recto tono):* Divínum auxílium máneat semper nobíscum.  *All:* **Amen***.* |  |  | *O God, come to my assistance. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As is was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, Amen. Alleluia*  ***Ant****. The Lord said to my Lord: \* Sit thou at my right hand.*  *Psalm 109*  *1. The Lord said to my Lord: Sit thou at my right hand:*    *2. Until I make thy enemies \* thy footstool.*  *3. The Lord will send forth the sceptre of thy power out of Sion: \* rule thou in the midst of thy enemies.*  *4. With thee is the principality in the day of thy strength: in the brightness of the saints: \* from the womb before the day star I begot thee.*  *5. The Lord hath sworn, and he will not repent: \* Thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech.*  *6. The Lord at thy right hand \* hath broken kings in the day of his wrath.*  *7. He shall judge among nations, he shall fill ruins: \* he shall crush the heads in the land of many.*  *8. He shall drink of the torrent in the way: \* therefore shall he lift up the head.*  *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As is was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant.*** *The Lord said to my Lord: \* Sit thou at my right hand.*  ***Ant.*** *Great are the works of the Lord, \* sought out according to all his wills.*  *Psalm 110*  *1. I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; \* in the council of the just, and in the congregation.*  *2. Great are the works of the Lord: \* sought out according to all his wills.*  *3. His work is praise and magnificence: \* and his justice continueth for ever and ever.*  *4. He hath made a remembrance of his wonderful works, being a merciful and gracious Lord: \* he hath given food to them that fear him.*  *5. He will be mindful for ever of his covenant: \* he will shew forth to his people the power of his works.*  *6. That he may give them the inheritance of the Gentiles: \* the works of his hands are truth and judgment.*  *7. All his commandments are faithful: confirmed for ever and ever, \* made in truth and equity.*  *8. He hath sent redemption to his people: \* he hath commanded his covenant for ever.*  *9. Holy and terrible is his name: \* the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.*  *10. A good understanding to all that do it: \* his praise continueth for ever and ever.*  *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As is was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant.*** *Great are the works of the Lord, \* sought out according to all his wills.*  ***Ant.*** *Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord; \* he shall delight exceedingly in his commandments.*  *Psalm 111*  *1. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: he shall delight exceedingly in his commandments.*  *2. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: \* the generation of the righteous shall be blessed.*  *3. Glory and wealth shall be in his house: \* and his justice remaineth for ever and ever.*  *4. To the righteous a light is risen up in darkness: \* he is merciful, and compassionate and just.*  *5. Acceptable is the man that sheweth mercy and lendeth: he shall order his words with judgment: \* because he shall not be moved for ever.*  *6. The just shall be in everlasting remembrance: \* he shall not fear the evil hearing.*  *7. His heart is ready to hope in the Lord: his heart is strengthened, \* he shall not be moved until he look over his enemies.*  *8. He hath distributed, he hath given to the poor: his justice remaineth for ever and ever: \* his horn shall be exalted in glory.*  *9. The wicked shall see, and shall be angry, he shall gnash with his teeth and pine away: \* the desire of the wicked shall perish.*  *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant.*** *Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord; \* he shall delight exceedingly in his commandments.*  ***Ant.*** *Blessed be the name of the Lord \* from henceforth now and for ever.*  *Psalm 112*  *1. Praise the Lord, ye children: \* praise ye the name of the Lord.*  *2. Blessed be the name of the Lord, \* from henceforth now and for ever.*  *3. From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same, \* the name of the Lord is worthy of praise.*  *4. The Lord is high above all nations; \* and his glory above the heavens.*  *5. Who is as the Lord our God, who dwelleth on high: \* and looketh down on the low things in heaven and in earth?*  *6. Raising up the needy from the earth, \* and lifting up the poor out of the dunghill:*  *7. That he may place him with princes, \* with the princes of his people.*  *8. Who maketh a barren woman to dwell in a house, \* the joyful mother of children.*  *Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant.*** *Blessed be the name of the Lord \* from henceforth now and for ever.*  ***Ant.*** *But our God is in heaven, \* he hath done all things whatsoever he would.*  *Psalm 113*  *1. When Israel went out of Egypt, \* the house of Jacob from a barbarous people:*  *2. Judea was made his sanctuary, \* Israel his dominion.*  *3. The sea saw and fled: \* Jordan was turned back.*  *4. The mountains skipped like rams, \* and the hills like the lambs of the flock.*  *5. What ailed thee, O thou sea, that thou didst flee: \* and thou, O Jordan, that thou wast turned back?*  *6. Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams, \* and ye hills, like lambs of the flock?*  *7. At the presence of the Lord the earth was moved, \* at the presence of the God of Jacob:*  *8. Who turned the rock into pools of water, \* and the stony hill into fountains of waters.*  *9. Not to us, O Lord, not to us; \* but to thy name give glory.*  *10. For thy mercy, and for thy truth’s sake: \* lest the Gentiles should say: Where is their God?*  *11. But our God is in heaven: \* he hath done all things whatsoever he would.*  *12. The idols of the Gentiles are silver and gold, \* the works of the hands of men.*  *13. They have mouths and speak not: \* they have eyes and see not.*  *14. They have ears and hear not: \* they have noses and smell not.*  *15. They have hands and feel not: they have feet and walk not: \* neither shall they cry out through their throat.*  *16. Let them that make them become like unto them: \* and all such as trust in them.*  *17. The house of Israel hath hoped in the Lord: \* he is their helper and their protector.*  *18. The house of Aaron hath hoped in the Lord: \* he is their helper and their protector.*  *19. They that fear the Lord have hoped in the Lord: \* he is their helper and their protector.*  *20. The Lord hath been mindful of us, \* and hath blessed us.*  *21. He hath blessed the house of Israel: \* he hath blessed the house of Aaron.*  *22. He hath blessed all that fear the Lord, \* both little and great.*  *23. May the Lord add blessings upon you: \* upon you, and upon your children.*  *24. Blessed be you of the Lord, \* who made heaven and earth.*  *25. The heaven of heaven is the Lord’s: \* but the earth he has given to the children of men.*  *26. The dead shall not praise thee, O Lord: \* nor any of them that go down to hell.*  *27. But we that live bless the Lord: \* from this time now and for ever.*  *Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.*  ***Ant.*** *But our God is in heaven, \* he hath done all things whatsoever he would.*  *Chapter*  *2 Cor 1:3-4*  *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort, who comforteth us in all our tribulation.*  *Thanks be to God.*  *Hymn:*  *O blest Creator of the light*  *1. O blest Creator of the light,*  *Who mak’st the day with radiance bright,*  *And o’er the forming world didst call The light from chaos first of all;*  *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.*  *3. Lest, sunk in sin, and whelmed with strife, They lose the gift of endless life;*  *While thinking but the thoughts of time, They weave new chains of woe and crime.*  *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.*  *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.*  *Amen.*  *V. Let my prayer, O Lord, be set forth.*  *R. As incense before thee.*  *Prayer {from the Proper of the season} for the Magnificat Antiphon, the Magnificat, and the Collect.*  *V. The Lord be with you.*  *R. And with your spirit.*  *V. Let us bless the Lord.*  *R. Thanks be to God.*  *V. May the souls of the faithful through the mercy of God rest in peace.*  *R. Amen.*  *Hymn: O Saving Victim*  *1. O Saving Victim, opening wide The gate of heav’n to man below; Our foes press on from every side; Thine aid supply, Thy strength bestow.*  *2. To thy great name be endless praise, Immortal Godhead, One in Three; O grant us endless length of days In our true native land with Thee. Amen.*  *Hymn: Tantum ergo*  *1. Therefore we, before him bending, This great Sacrament revere; Types and shadows have their ending, For the new rite is here; Faith, our outward sense befriending, Makes the inward vision clear.*  *2. Glory let us give, and blessing To the Father and the Son; Honor, might, and praise addressing, While eternal ages run; Ever too his love confessing, Who from both, with both is one. Amen.*  *V. You gavest them Bread from heaven.*  *R. Containing within itself all sweetness.*  *V. Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood, help us to experience the salvation won for us and the peace of the kingdom, where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.*  R. Amen.  *Hymn:*  *Let us worship forever the most holy Sacrament. Ps. O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise Him, all ye people. For His mercy is confirmed upon us: and the truth of the Lord remaineth for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*  *Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, O most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!*  *V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.*  *R. That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.*  *V. Let us pray.*  *Almighty, everlasting God, who by the cooperation of the Holy Spirit, didst prepare the body and soul of the glorious Virgin-Mother Mary to become a worthy dwelling for Thy Son; grant that we who rejoice in her commemoration may, by her loving intercession, be delivered from present evils and from the everlasting death.*  *R. Amen.*  *V. May the divine assistance remain always with us.*  *R. Amen.*  *Holy Mother of our Redeemer, thou gate leading to heaven and star of the sea; help the falling people who seek to rise, thou who, all nature wondering, didst give birth to thy holy Creator. Virgin always, hearing that Ave from Gabriel’s lips, take pity on us sinners.*  Advent*:*  *V. The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.*  *R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.*  *V. Let us pray.*  *Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts: that as we have known the incarnation of Thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel, so too by His Cross and passion may we be brought to the glory of His resurrection.*  *R. Amen.*  *V. May the divine assistance remain always with us.*  *R. Amen.*  After Compline on Dec 24.  *V. After childbirth thou didst remain a virgin.*  *R. Mother of God, pray for us.*  *V. Let us pray*  *O God, who, by the fruitful virginity of blessed Mary, hast bestowed upon mankind the reward of eternal salvation: grant, we beseech Thee, that we may experience her intercession, through whom we have been made worthy to receive the author of life, our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son.*  *R. Amen.*  *V. May the divine assistance remain always with us.*  *R. Amen.*  *Hail, Queen of heaven, hail Lady of the angels. Hail root and gate from which the Light of the world was born. Rejoice glorious Virgin, fairest of all. Fare thee well, most beautiful, and pray for us to Christ.*  *R. Make me worthy to praise you, O sacred Virgin.*  *V. Give me strength against your enemies.*  *V. Let us pray.*  *Grant, O merciful God, to our weak natures Thy protection, that we who commemorate the holy Mother of God may, by the help of her intercession, arise from our iniquities. Through the same Christ our Lord.*  *R. Amen.*  *V. May the divine assistance remain always with us.*  *R. Amen.* |