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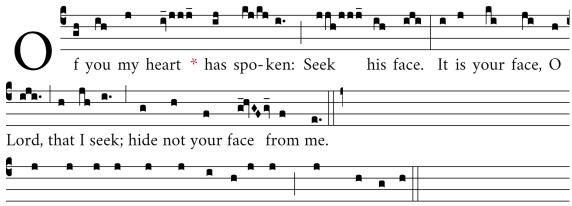
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INTRODUCTORY RITES

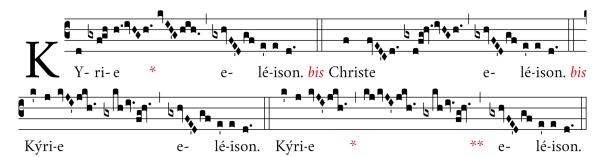
ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Psalm 27:8-9, 1 Music by Columba Kelly, OSB



v. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?



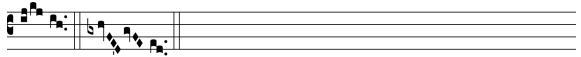


GLORIA De Angelis





nus. Tu solus Al-tíssimus, Jesu Christe. Cum Sancto Spíritu, in glóri-a Dei



Pa-tris. A- men.

COLLECT

O God, who in the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son confirmed the mysteries of faith by the witness of the Fathers and wonderfully prefigured our full adoption to sonship, grant, we pray, to your servants, that, listening to the voice of your beloved Son, we may merit to become co-heirs with him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

A reading from the Book of the prophet Daniel

As I watched:

Thrones were set up and the Ancient One took his throne.
His clothing was bright as snow, and the hair on his head as white as wool; his throne was flames of fire, with wheels of burning fire.
A surging stream of fire flowed out from where he sat;
Thousands upon thousands were ministering to him,

and myriads upon myriads attended him.

The court was convened and the books were opened.

As the visions during the night continued, I saw:

One like a Son of man coming, on the clouds of heaven;
When he reached the Ancient One and was presented before him, the one like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship; all peoples, nations, and languages serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away, his kingship shall not be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9

Response:



The LORD is king; let the earth rejoice;

let the many islands be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about him,

justice and judgment are the foundation of his throne. R.

Because you, O LORD, are the Most High over all the earth, exalted far above all gods. **R**.

SECOND READING 2 Peter 1:16-19

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Peter

Beloved:

We did not follow cleverly devised myths
when we made known to you
the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ,
but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty.
For he received honor and glory from God the Father
when that unique declaration came to him from the majestic glory,
"This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased."
We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven
while we were with him on the holy mountain.
Moreover, we possess the prophetic message that is altogether reliable.
You will do well to be attentive to it,
as to a lamp shining in a dark place,
until day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 17:5c



This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

GOSPEL Luke 9:28b-36

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up a mountain to pray.

While he was praying his face changed in appearance

and his clothing became dazzling white.

And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah,

who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus

that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem.

Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep,

but becoming fully awake,

they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.

As they were about to part from him,

Peter said to Jesus,

"Master, it is good that we are here;

let us make three tents,

one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

But he did not know what he was saying.

While he was still speaking,

a cloud came and cast a shadow over them,

and they became frightened when they entered the cloud.

Then from the cloud came a voice that said,

"This is my chosen Son; listen to him."

After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone.

They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

RITE OF PROFESSION

After the Gospel, the choir remains standing, facing the altar. The sister who is to be professed prostrates herself.

Prioress: What do you seek?

Sister: God's mercy and yours.

Prioress: Arise.

The one who is to be professed returns to her place and everyone sits down.

When this has been done, the priest gives a homily or allocution in which appropriate attention is paid to the gift of contemplative life, which Blessed Dominic joined to the "holy preaching."

QUESTIONING

When the homily is finished, the prioress turns to the one who is being professed and asks,

Prioress: Do you wish to make solemn profession

according to the Constitutions of the Nuns of the Order of Preachers?

Sister: I do wish it, with the help of God and yours.

Prioress: Beloved sister,

who through baptism have already died to sin

and been consecrated to the Lord,

do you wish to be bound more closely to Christ and to the Church

by the title of solemn profession?

Sister: I do wish it, with the help of God and yours.

Prioress: Do you wish to advance in the love of God and neighbor

and to be truly a member of Christ,

expending yourself entirely in winning souls,

just as the Lord Jesus, the Savior of all, offered himself completely

for our salvation?

Sister: I do wish it, with the help of God and yours.

Prioress: Do you wish to be totally consecrated to God

and dedicated to the universal Church in a new way,

in order to announce prophetically the blessings of Christ

and to enlarge the people of God with your hidden fecundity,

and do you wish to be set aside for our Order by solemn profession so that, while persevering in prayer with Mary the Mother of Jesus,

you may ardently desire the fullness of the Spirit?

Sister: I do wish it, with the help of God and yours.

Prioress: May the Lord bring to perfection what he has begun.

All: Amen.

SUPPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE NUN WHO IS TO BE PROFESSED

When the questioning is finished, all rise for the supplication. The celebrant stands and, with hands joined and facing the people, says:

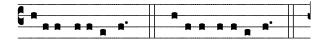
Beloved brethren, let us beseech God the Father almighty in his mercy to pour out upon this servant, whom he has called to the perfect following of Christ, the grace of his blessing and with gracious kindness to strengthen her in her holy purpose.

LITANY OF THE SAINTS

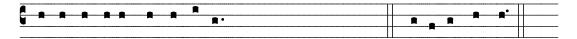
All kneel. According to our custom the one to be professed prostrates; the chantresses remain standing.



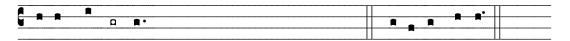
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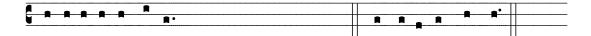


Sancta Marí-a, Mater De-i, (Holy Mary Mother of God) R. O-ra pro no-bis.



Sancte Mí-cha-el, (St. Michael)

R. O-ra pro no-bis.



Sancti Ange-li De-i, (Holy Angels of God)

Sancte Joánnes Baptísta, (St. John the Baptist)

Sancte Joseph, (St. Joseph)

Sancti Petre et Paule, (Sts. Peter & Paul)

Sancte Andréa, (St. Andrew)

Sancte Joánnes, (St. John the Evangelist)

Sancta María Magdaléna, (St. Mary Magdalene)

Sancte Stéphane, (St. Stephen)

Sancte Ignáti Antiochéne, (St. Ignatius of Antioch)

Sancte Laurénti, (St. Lawrence)

Sanctae Perpétua et Felícitas, (Sts. Perpetua & Felicity)

Sancta Agnes, (St. Agnes)

Sancta Catharína Alexandríæ, (St. Catherine of Alexandria)

Sancta María Gorétti, (St. Maria Goretti)

Sancte Gregóri, (St. Gregory)

Sancte Augustíne, (St. Augustine)

Sancte Athanási, (St. Athanasius)

Sancte Basíli, (St. Basil)

Sancte Martíne, (St. Martin)

Sancte Benedicte, (St. Benedict)

Sancte Francisce, (St. Francis)

Sancte Pater Domínice, (Holy Father Dominic)

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Sancte Thoma de Aquíno, (St. Thomas Aquinas)

Sancte Albérte, (St. Albert the Great)

Sancte Martine de Porres, (St. Martin de Porres)

Sancte Francisce Xávier, (St. Francis Xavier)

Sancta Margaríta de Hungaría (St. Margaret of Hungary)

Sancta Catharína Senénsis, (St. Catherine of Siena)

Sancta Rosa de Lima, (St. Rose of Lima)

Sancta Terésia de Ávila, (St. Teresa of Avila)

Sancti et Sanctæ Dei, (All you Saints of God)

R. O-rá-te pro no-bis.

R. Ora pro nobis.

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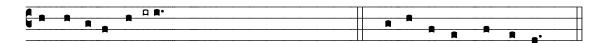
R. Oráte pro nobis.

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R. Oráte pro nobis.



Pro-pí-ti-us e-sto, (Be merciful)

R. Libera nos, Dó-mi-ne.

Ab omni malo, (From all evil)

R. Líbera nos, Dómine.

Ab omni peccáto, (From every sin)

R. Líbera nos, Dómine.

A morte perpétua, (From everlasting death)

R´. Líbera nos, Dómine.R´. Líbera nos, Dómine.

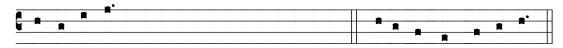
Per incarnatiónem tuam, (By Your incarnation)

Ry Libera nos Dómino

Per mortem et resurrectionem tuam, (By Your death & resurrection)

R. Líbera nos, Dómine.

Per effusiónem Spíritus Sancti, (Through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit) R. Líbera nos, Dómine.



Pec-cá-to-res,

R. Te ro-ga-mus, au-di nos.

(Even though we are sinners)

(We beseech you to hear us)

Ut in fámulo tuo Papa nostro Francísco,

ceterísque Epíscopis,

Sancti Spíritus dona

in dies adaugére dignéris,

R. Te rogamus, audi nos.

(That it may please You to increase daily the gift of your Holy Spirit upon Pope Francis and all the bishops)

Ut univérsos hómines

ad vitæ christiánæ plenitúdinem

dúcere dignéris,

R. Te rogamus, audi nos.

(That it may please You to lead all to the fullness of Christian living)

Ut in ómnibus famíliis tibi dicátis

Christi caritátem et Fundatórum spíritum

conserváre et augére dignéris,

R. Te rogamus, audi nos.

(That it may please You to increase all religious families dedicated to you and preserve them in the love of Christ and in the spirit of their founders)

Ut huius fámulae paréntes,

pro múnere quod tibi obtulérent,

cæléstis donis locupletáre dignéris,

R. Te rogamus, audi nos.

(That it may please You to enrich the parents of your servant with heavenly gifts, as a reward for what they have offered to you)



Ut hanc fámulam tuam, sorórem nostram,

benedicere

et sanctificáre

et consecráre dignéris,

(That it may please You to bless, sanctify, and consecrate your servant, our sister)

Ut nosmetípsos in tuo sancto servítio,

confortáre et conserváre dignéris,

(That it may please you to strengthen us and keep us in your holy service)

Ut ómnibus benefactóribus nostris sempitérna bona retríbuas, (That it may please you to reward all our benefactors with everlasting gifts)

Ut óculos misericórdiæ tuæ super nos redúcere dignéris,

(That it may please you to turn your eyes of mercy toward us)

Ut obséquium servitútis nostræ rationábile fácias,

(That you would make of our servitude a reasonable service)

Ut reguláribus disciplínis nos instrúere dignéris,

(That it may please you to instruct us by the discipline of the Rule)

Ut mentes nostras ad cæléstia desidéria érigas,

(That you would raise our minds to heavenly desires)

Jesu, Fili Dei vivi, (Jesus, Son of the Living God)

R. Te rogamus, audi nos.



Christe, audi nos. R. Christe, audi nos.



Christe, exáudi nos. R. Christe, exáudi nos.

Then the celebrant with hands extended, prays:

We beg you, O Lord, to be favorable to the prayers of your suppliant people and, through the intercession of Mary the Mother of God the mother and patroness of our Order, and of Blessed Dominic, our Father, to direct the mind of your servant with your heavenly grace so that the fire of the Holy Spirit may purify from every stain of sin the heart that is to be consecrated to you and set it ablaze with burning love.

Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE RELIGIOUS PROFESSION

Then the prioress goes to the chair that has been readied in the sanctuary. The one who is about to be professed kneels before her and, with her hands between those of the prioress and the book of the Constitutions placed over the hands of both of them, makes her profession in an audible voice, using the words of profession according to the following formula that is proper to the Order.

In the Dominican Order, according to ancient tradition, obedience only is explicitly professed as this obedience encompasses an entire way of life of which the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience are a part.

I, Sister Maria Johanna of Our Lady of Grace, make profession and promise obedience to God and to blessed Mary and to blessed Dominic and to the Master of the Order of Friars Preachers, and to you, Sister Mary Martin de Porres of Jesus, prioress of this Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary, Summit, New Jersey, and to your successors, according to the Rule of blessed Augustine and the Constitutions of the Nuns of the Order of Preachers, that I will be obedient to you, and to your successors until death.

THE KISS OF PEACE AND THE SOLEMN PRAYER OF BLESSING

As a sign of reception into the Order by which the bond of obedience and communion is signified the prioress alone receives the newly professed with the Sign of Peace.

Celebrant:

Dearest sister, by this solemn profession you have given yourself to God and to his will. God himself, therefore, has consecrated you to himself through the ministry of the Church in preparation for the gospel of peace so that you may be his own heritage and he may be your heritage forever.

THE BLESSING AND THE IMPOSITION OF THE VEIL

Then the celebrant blesses the veil, saying:

O God, head of all the faithful and Savior of the whole body, bless # with your hand this concealing veil which your servant, out of love for you and for your most blessed Mother, the ever-virgin Mary, is about to place on her head: and may she guard it always with an unsullied body and soul, with the help of your protection, for this is how it is to be mystically understood. Thus, when she has been prepared with the prudent virgins and is to come to the perpetual reward of the saints, she may with your guidance deserve to enter upon the nuptials of perpetual bliss. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Then the prioress covers the one who has been professed with the veil, while the responsory Amo Christum is sung.



me, et imménsis moní-libus ornávit me. * Quem.

(I love Christ, into whose bridal chamber I shall enter, whose Mother is a Virgin, whose Father knows not woman, whose organs sing to me with melodious voice: When I will have loved Him, I am chaste; when I will have touched Him, I am pure; When I will have accepted Him, I am a virgin. With his ring He has betrothed me and with innumerable jewels He has adorned me.)

BLESSING AND GIVING OF THE RING

Celebrant:

Creator and sustainer of the human race, giver of all spiritual grace, send forth your blessing # upon this ring, so that, sealed with the sign of holy faith, she who wears it may be strengthened by your power and assisted by your protection to persevere in love and fidelity all the days of her life.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: (he places it on the 3rd finger)

Receive this ring of divine faith, given in the name of the most Holy Trinity. Be faithful to Jesus, your Spouse, so that you may come to the wedding feast of eternal joy.

Sister: Amen.

Then the newly Professed goes inside to the Nuns' choir to receive the Sign of Peace while Psalm 133 is sung.

How good and how pleasant it is, * when brothers live in unity!

It is like precious oil upon the head, * running down upon the beard, running down upon Aaron's beard, * upon the collar of his robes;

like the dew of Hermon, which runs down* on the mountains of Zion.
For there the Lord bestows his blessing: * life forever.

Mass continues. The intercessions are omitted as is the sign of peace before Communion.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Sanctify, O Lord, we pray, these offerings here made to celebrate the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son, and by his radiant splendor cleanse us from the stains of sin. Through Christ our Lord.

PREFACE

- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with your spirit.
- V. Lift up your hearts.
- R. We lift them up to the Lord.
- V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- R. It is right and just.

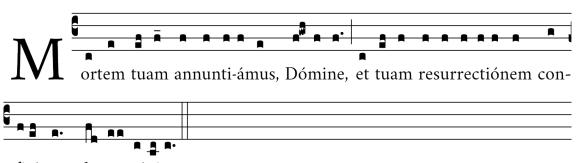
It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For he revealed his glory in the presence of chosen witnesses and filled with the greatest splendor that bodily form which he shares with all humanity, that the scandal of the Cross might be removed from the hearts of his disciples and that he might show how in the body of the whole Church is to be fulfilled what so wonderfully shone forth first in its Head.

And so, with the Powers of heaven, we worship you constantly on earth, and before your majesty without end we acclaim: SANCTUS De Angelis

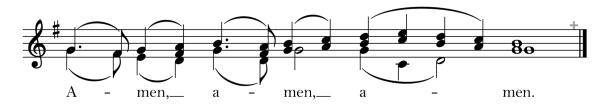


MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



fitémur, donec vénias.

GREAT AMEN

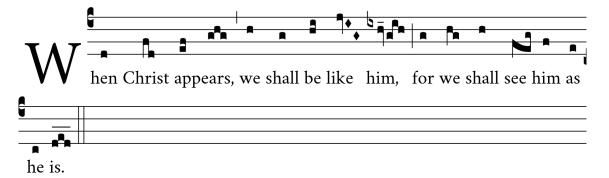




lis peccáta mundi: dona no-bis pacem.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. 1 Jn 3: 2 Music by Columba Kelly, OSB



COMMUNION HYMN

Janet Erskine Stuart COLUMCILLE, Gaelic melody 1. Spir - it seek - ing light and Heart that beau ty, 2. Taste and see Him, feel and hear Him, Hope and for thy long - est Soul thirst for un - der rest, a dark - ness grasp His hand; Though the un-seen seem to stand - ing, On - ly ye be blest: Through the thus can Faith and un-der - stand. God, Who hide Him. love can Though of tion your cre vast ness a all Thy All lov est crea tures, our thought may rest - less roam, God is all that you can known to Thee: through the land of Lead us hearts are for, God is all long_ His crea-tures' home.

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FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

When the post communion prayer has been said, the rite concludes with the celebrant's blessing over the newly professed nun and over all who are present:

May God, the author and guardian of so great a work, protect you with his heavenly grace so that you may carry out the responsibilities of your vocation with a faithful heart.

All: Amen.

May he make you a witness and sign of divine love in the presence of all, so that the people of God may respond promptly and eagerly.

All: Amen.

May the grace of his divine Spirit, the Advocate, fructify your heart so that your service may be efficacious on behalf of the Church and the human family.

All: Amen.

And may almighty God bless all of you who are present at these sacred rites, the Father, the Son ₮ and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Then the celebrant dismisses the nuns and those who are present, saying:

℣. Go in peace.

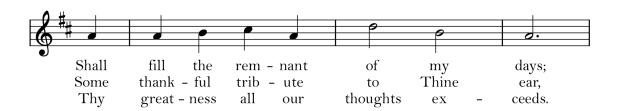
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Isaac Watts

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