

BELMONT ABBEY



THE OFFICE OF VESPERS FOR THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM (PROVISIONAL)

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1. Introduction

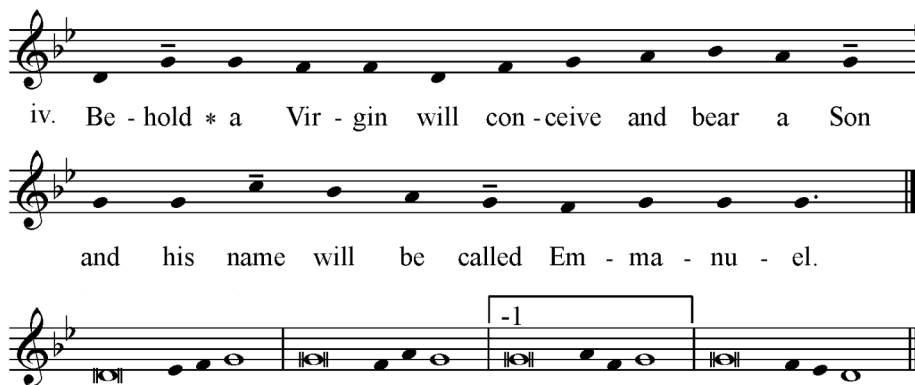
viii. V. O God, come to my aid. Lord, make haste
to help me. Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and
e - ver shall be, world with-out end. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia.

2. Psalmody - three Psalms and a NT Canticle with Antiphons

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.

Repeated after each Psalm and Canticle

OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM



Psalm 110

I will thank the Lord with all my heart
in the meeting of the just and their assembly.
Great are the works of the Lord;
to be pondered by all who love them.

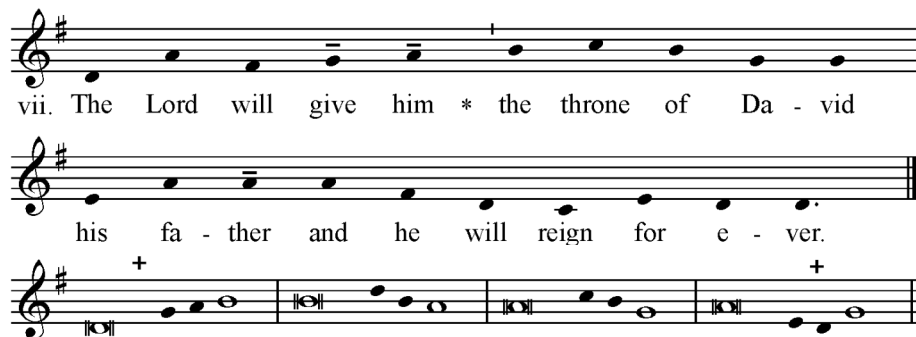
Majestic and glorious his work,
his justice stands firm for ever.
He makes us remember his wonders.
The Lord is compassion and love.

He gives food to those who fear him;
keeps his covenant ever in mind.
He has shown his might to his people
by giving them the lands of the nations.

His works are justice and truth:
his precepts are all of them sure,
standing firm for ever and ever:
they are made in uprightness and truth.

He has sent deliverance to his people
and established his covenant for ever.
Holy his name, to be feared.

To fear the Lord is the first stage of wisdom;
all who do so prove themselves wise.
His praise shall last for ever!



Psalm 121

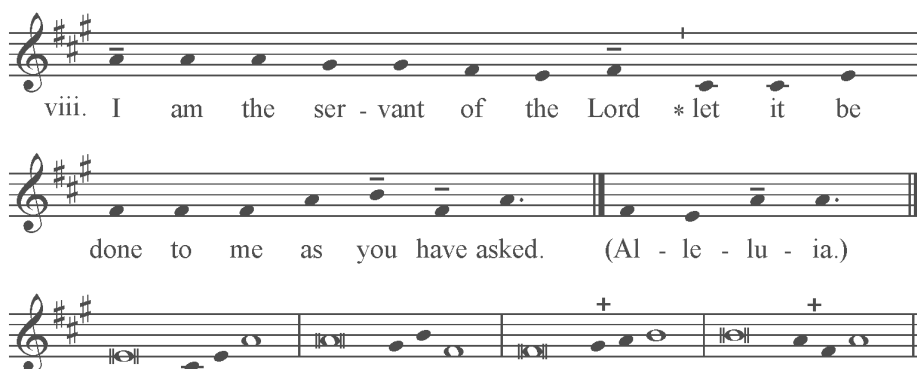
I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city
strongly compact.
It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.

For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgment
of the house of David.

For the peace of Jerusalem pray:
 'Peace be to your homes!
 May peace reign in your walls,
 in your palaces, peace!'

For love of my brethren and friends
 I say: 'Peace upon you.'
 For love of the house of the Lord
 I will ask for your good.



Psalm 131

O Lord, remember David
 and all the many hardships he endured,
 the oath he swore to the Lord,
 his vow to the Strong One of Jacob.

"I will not enter the house where I live
 nor go to the bed where I rest.
 I will give no sleep to my eyes
 to my eyelids I will give no slumber
 till I find a place for the Lord,
 a dwelling for the Strong One of Jacob."

At Ephrata we heard of the ark;
 we found it in the plains of Yearim.
 "Let us go to the place of his dwelling;
 let us go to kneel at his footstool."

Go up, Lord, to the place of your rest,
you and the ark of your strength.
Your priests shall be clothed with holiness:
your faithful shall ring out their joy.
For the sake of David your servant
do not reject your anointed.

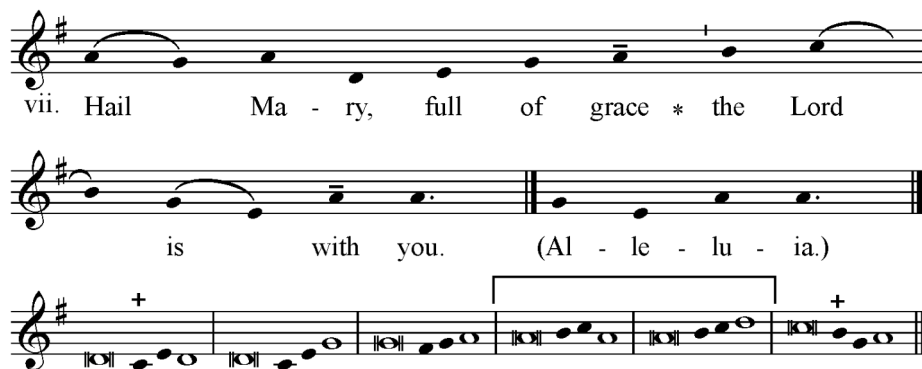
The Lord swore an oath to David;
he will not go back on his word:
"A son, the fruit of your body,
will I set upon your throne.

If they keep my covenant in truth
and my laws that I have taught them,
their sons also shall rule
on your throne from age to age."

For the Lord has chosen Zion;
he has desired it for his dwelling:
"This is my resting-place for ever,
here have I chosen to live.

I will greatly bless her produce,
I will fill her poor with bread.
I will clothe her priests with salvation
and her faithful shall ring out their joy.

There David's stock will flower:
I will prepare a lamp for my anointed.
I will cover his enemies with shame
but on him my crown shall shine."



Canticle: From the Byzantine Office of the Mother of God

The Angel who stands before God's throne
 was sent down to greet the Mother of God;
 and seeing you become incarnate, O Lord,
 speechless he stood in fear, until he said:
 'Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
 Hail Mary, lowly handmaid of the Lord.

Hail Mary, through you will joy shine forth.
 Hail Mary, through you the curse will be lifted.
 Hail Mary, hope of fallen Adam.
 Hail Mary, by you Eve's tears are dried.
 Hail Mary, height beyond the reach of human thought.
 Hail Mary, depth which can never be fathomed.

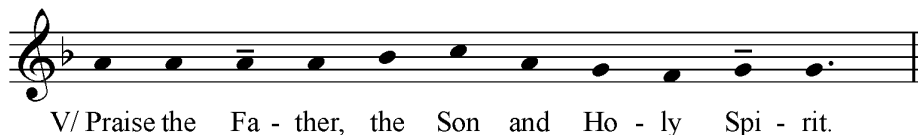
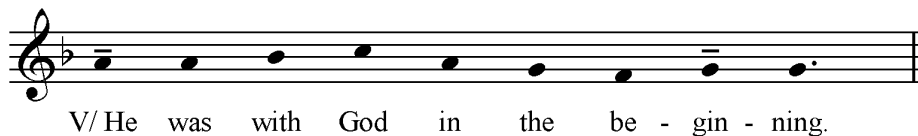
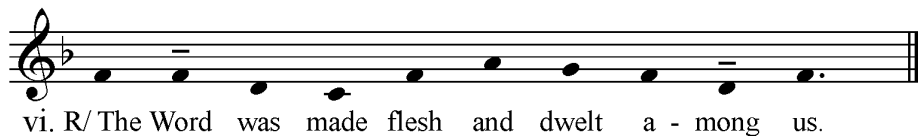
Hail Mary, you are the throne of the King.
 Hail Mary, you bear the Saviour of the world.
 Hail Mary, star proclaiming the dawn.
 Hail Mary, womb in which God was made man.
 Hail Mary, through you all creation is made new.
 Hail Mary, both Virgin and Mother'.

Let every creature born of earth
 exult in soul and shine forth in radiance.
 Let the angels and saints of heaven
 Sing the praises of the Mother of God,
 And let the whole Church proclaim:
 ‘Rejoice, O full of grace, the Lord is with you.’

3. Short Scripture Reading

followed by a short silence and the Brief Respond

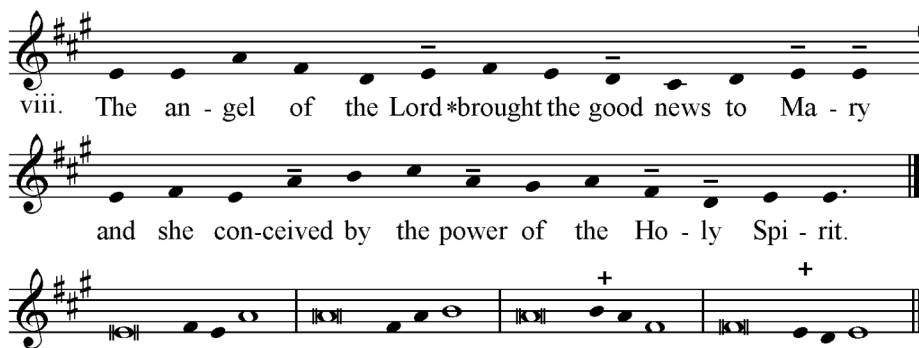
BRIEF RESPOND



4. Hymn

as appointed

5. Magnificat with Proper Antiphon



Luke 1:46-55

My soul glorifies the Lord,
 my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.
 He looks on his servant in her lowliness;
 henceforth all ages will call me blessed.

The Almighty works marvels for me.
 Holy his name!
 His mercy is from age to age,
 on those who fear him.

He puts forth his arm in strength
 and scatters the proud-hearted.
 He casts the mighty from their thrones
 and raises the lowly.
 He fills the hungry with good things
 sends the rich away empty.

He protects Israel, his servant,
 remembering his mercy,
 the mercy promised to our fathers,
 to Abraham and his sons forever.

Antiphon

Glory Be

Antiphon

6. Intercessions with Kyrie Eleison



vi. R. Ký-ri - e e - lé - i - son.

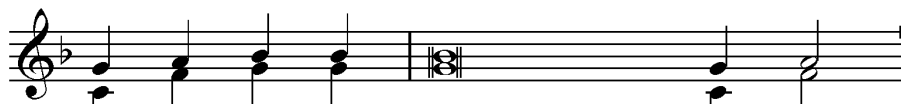
7. The Lord's Prayer



vi. Our Father, who art in hea - ven, hallowed be thy name.



Thy king - dom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it



is in hea - ven. Give us this day our dai - ly bread,



and for - give us our tres - pas - ses, as we forgive those



who tres - pass a - gainst us and lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion,



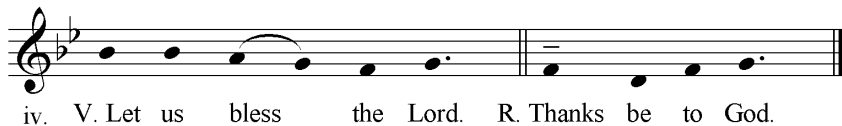
but deliver us from e - vil.

8. Collect

9. Blessing and Conclusion

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.



10. Antiphon of Our Lady (in Latin or English)

following Procession to the Lady Chapel

SIMPLE ANTIPHON TO OUR LADY

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S Alve Re-gí-na, * ma-ter mi-se-ri-córdi- æ, Vi-ta, dul-
cé- do, et spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamámus, éxsu-
les, fí-li-i Hevæ. Ad te suspi-rámus, geméntes et flentes
in hac lacrimárum valle. E-ia ergo, Advo-cá-ta nostra,
il-lo-s tu-os mi-se-ri-córdes ó-cu-los ad nos convér-te. Et
Je-sum, be-ne-díctum fructum ventris tu-i, no-bis post hoc ex-
sí-li-um osténde. O cle-mens, O pi-a, O
dulcis * Virgo Ma-rí-a.

ENGLISH ANTIPHON TO OUR LADY

Hail, Ho - ly Queen, Mo - ther of mer - cy!

Hail, our life, our sweet - ness and our hope!

To thee do we cry, poor ba - nished chil - dren of Eve;

to thee do we send up our sighs,
mourn - ing and weep - ing in this vale of tears.

Turn then, most gra - cious Ad - vo - cate,
thine eyes of mer - cy to - wards us;
and af - ter this our ex - ile show un - to
us the bless - ed fruit of thy womb, Je - sus.

O cle - ment, O lov - ing,
O sweet Vir - gin Ma - ry.