

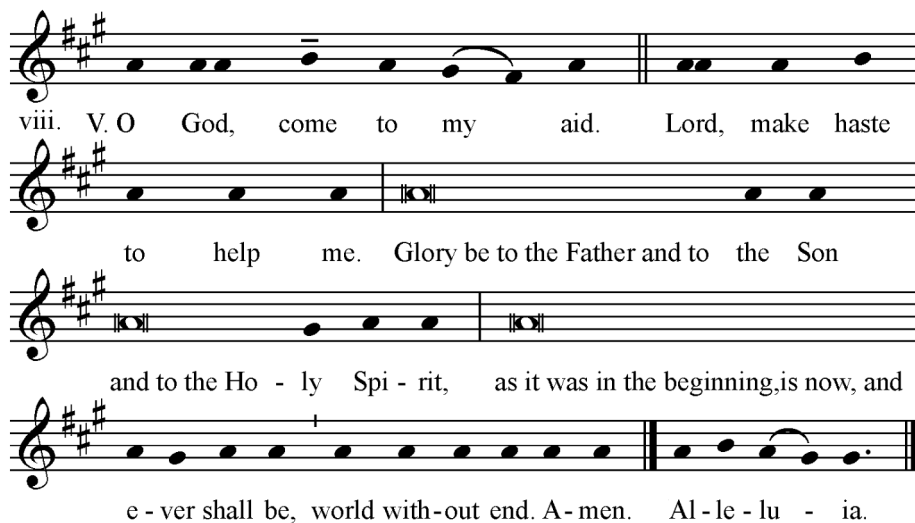
BELMONT ABBEY



**OFFICE OF 2nd VESPERS
SUNDAYS IN ADVENT
WEEKS 1&2
WITH BENEDICTION**

ORDER FOR THE OFFICE OF VESPERS

1. Introduction



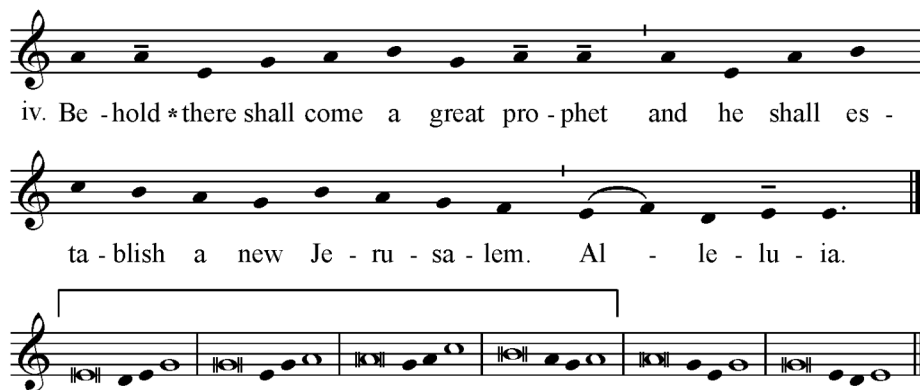
viii. V. O God, come to my aid. Lord, make haste
to help me. Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and
e - ver shall be, world with-out end. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia.

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

ADVENT
SECOND VESPERS OF SUNDAY

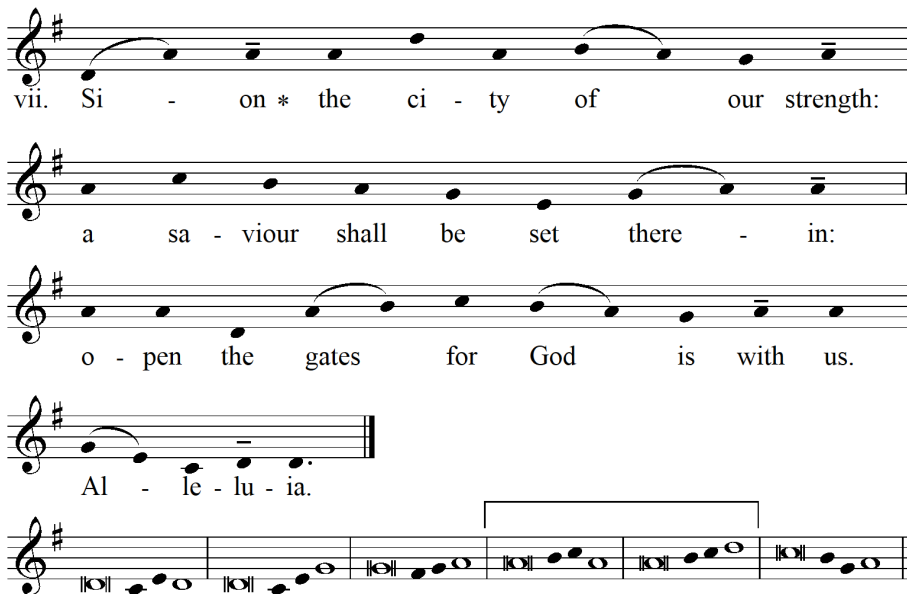


Psalm 112

Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed
both now and for evermore!
From the rising of the sun to its setting
praised be the name of the Lord!

High above all nations is the Lord,
above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God,
who has risen on high to his throne
yet stoops from the heights to look down,
to look down upon heaven and earth?

From the dust he lifts up the lowly,
from the dungheap he raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes,
yes, with the princes of his people.
To the childless wife he gives a home
and gladdens her heart with children.



Psalm 117

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love endures for ever.
Let the sons of Israel say:
"His love endures for ever."

Let the sons of Aaron say:
"His love endures for ever."
Let those who fear the Lord say:
"His love endures for ever."

I called to the Lord in my distress;
he answered and freed me.
The Lord is at my side; I do not fear.
What can man do against me?
The Lord is at my side as my helper:
I shall look down on my foes.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in men:
it is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes.

The nations all encompassed me;
in the Lord's name I crushed them.
They compassed me, compassed me about;
in the Lord's name I crushed them.
They compassed me about like bees; †
they blazed like a fire among thorns.
In the Lord's name I crushed them.

I was thrust down, thrust down and falling
but the Lord was my helper.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
he was my saviour.
There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just.

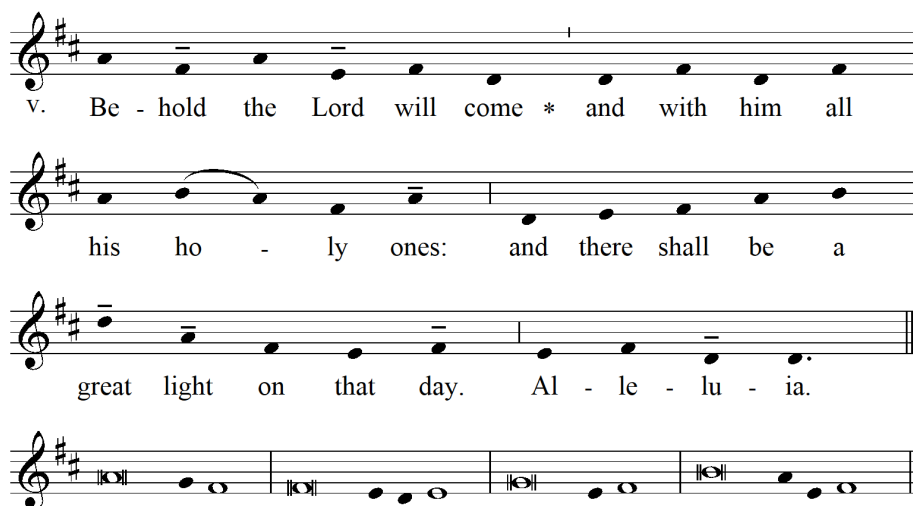
The Lord's right hand has triumphed; †
his right hand raised me.
The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.
I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die.

Open to me the gates of holiness:
I will enter and give thanks.
This is the Lord's own gate
where the just may enter.
I will thank you for you have answered
and you are my saviour.

The stone which the builders rejected
 has become the corner stone.
 This is the work of the Lord,
 a marvel in our eyes.
 This day was made by the Lord;
 we rejoice and are glad.

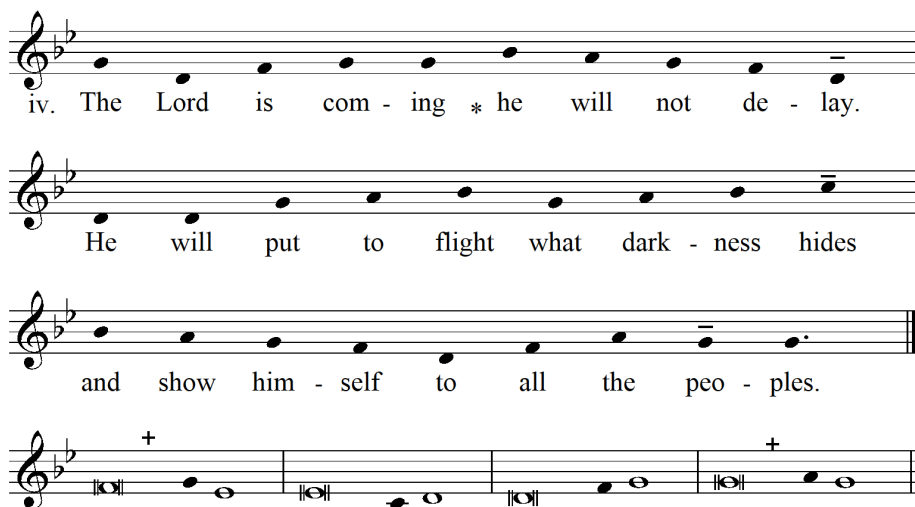
O Lord, grant us salvation;
 O Lord, grant success.
 Blessed in the name of the Lord
 is he who comes.
 We bless you from the house of the Lord;
 the Lord God is our light.

Go forward in procession with branches
 even to the altar.
 You are my God, I thank you.
 My God, I praise you.
 Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
 for his love endures for ever.



Psalm 116

O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him all you peoples!
Strong is his love for us;
he is faithful for ever.



Canticle: Salvator Mundi - Various Sources

O Saviour of the world, the Son Lord Jesus:
Stir up your strength and help, we humbly beseech you.
By your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us:
Save us and help us we humbly beseech you.

You saved your disciples lest they should perish:
Hear us and save us, we humbly beseech you.
Let your compassion and your great mercy:
Free us from our sins we humbly beseech you.

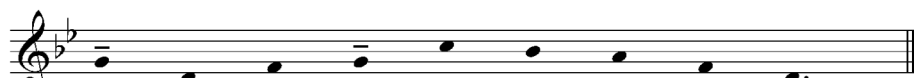
Come to us, O Saviour and mighty Redeemer:
 Save us that we may praise you, we humbly beseech you.
 Draw near as you have promised from the throne of your glory:
 Look down and hear our cry, we humbly beseech you.

Come again and dwell with us, O Lord Jesus Christ:
 Stay with us for ever, we humbly beseech you.
 And so when you appear with power and great glory:
 May we come to share your light in your glorious kingdom.

3. Short Scripture Reading

followed by a short silence and the Brief Respond

BRIEF RESPOND



iv. R/ Lord God of Hosts * come and set us free.



V/ Let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.



V/ Glory be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit.

4. HYMN as appointed

5. Magnificat with Proper Antiphon

iv. Bless - ed are you, O Ma - ry *

for you were con - ceived with - out sin;

you brought forth the Sav - iour of the world.

Al - le - lu - ia.

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.

Repeat Antiphon

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.

Repeat 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

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At the Exposition, a hymn is appointed to be sung.

This is followed by a period of Adoration.

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 Saint Joseph, her Spouse most chaste.

Blessed be God, blessed be God:
in his Angels and in his Saints.

TANTUM ERGO

Tantum ergo sacraméntum
Venerémur cernui,
Et antiquum documéntum
Novo cedat rítui;
Præstet fides suppleméntum
Sénsuum deféctui.

Genitóri Genitóque
Laus et iubilátio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque
Sit et benedictio;
Procedénti ab utróque
Compar sit laudátio. Amen.

or

Therefore we, before him bending,
this great Sacrament revere;
types and shadows have their ending,
for the newer rite is here;
faith, our outward sense befriending,
makes the inward vision clear.

Glory let us give, and blessing
to the Father and the Son,
honour, might and praise addressing,
while eternal ages run;
ever too his love confessing,
who, from Both, with Both is One.

PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

Solemn Antiphon of Our Lady (in Latin)

following Procession to the Lady Chapel

SOLEMN ANTIPHONS TO OUR LADY

Advent to Presentation

Ant.
v
A

L- ma * Redemptó-ris Ma- ter, quæ pér-
vi- a cæ-li Por-ta ma- nes, Et stel- la ma- ris, suc-
cúrre cadén- ti Súrge-re qui cu- rat pópu- lo : Tu quæ
genu- í- sti, Na-tú- ra mi-rán- te, tu- um sanctum Ge- ni- tó-
rem : Vir- go pri- us ac posté- ri- us, Gabri- é- lis
ab o- re Sumens il-lud Ave, * pecca- tó- rum mi-se-ré- re.