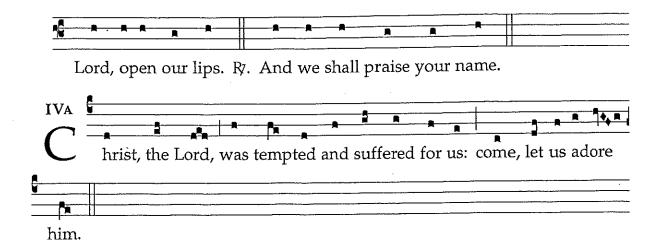


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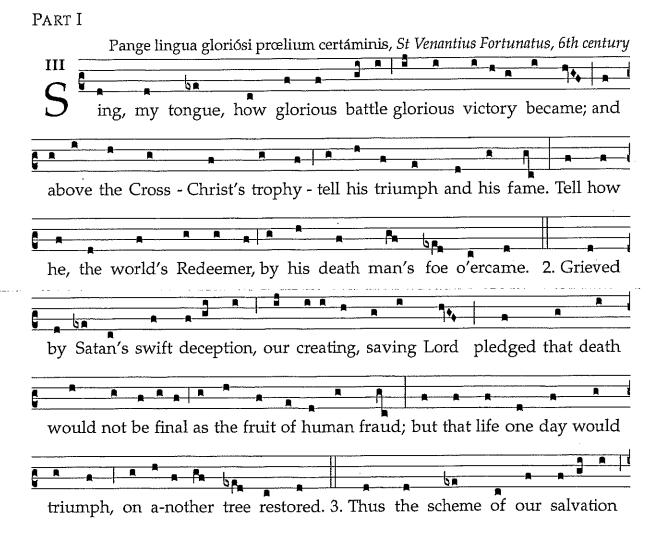
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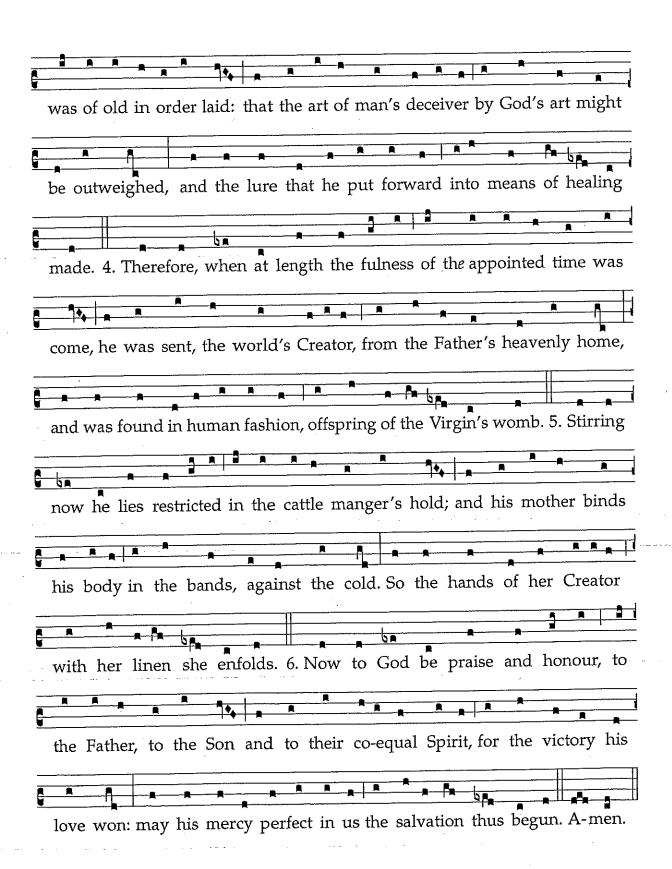
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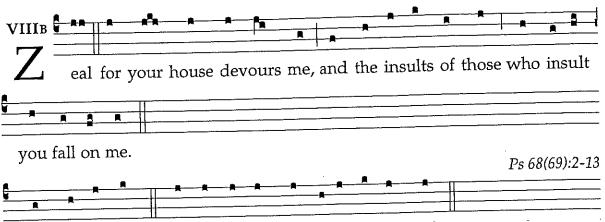


HYMN





MATINS



Save me, O God * for the waters have risen to my neck.

I have sunk into the mud of the <u>deep</u> * and there <u>is</u> no foothold.

I have entered the waters of the <u>deep</u> * and the waves overwhelm me.

I am wearied with all my <u>cry</u>ing, * <u>my</u> throat is parched.

My eyes are wasted away * from looking for my God.

More numerous than the hairs on my <u>head</u> * are those who <u>hate</u> me without cause.

Those who attack me with <u>lies</u> * are too <u>much</u> for my strength.

How can I restore * what I have never stolen?

O God, you know my sinful <u>fol</u>ly; * my <u>sins</u> you can see.

Let not those who hope in you be put to <u>shame</u> * <u>through</u> me, Lord of hosts:

let not those who seek you be dis<u>mayed</u> * through me, <u>God</u> of Israel.

It is for you that I suffer <u>taunts</u>, * that shame <u>co</u>vers my face,

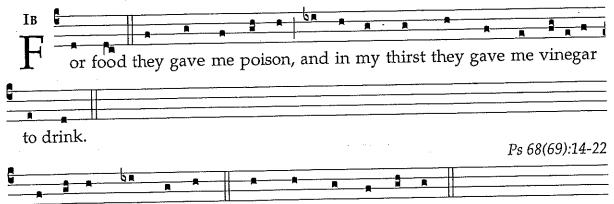
that I have become a stranger to my <u>bro</u>thers, * an alien to my <u>own</u> mother's sons.

I burn with zeal for your <u>house</u> * and taunts against you fall on me.

When I afflict my soul with <u>fa</u>sting * they make it a <u>taunt</u> against me.

When I put on sackcloth in mourning *
then they make me a byword,
the gossip of men at the gates, *
the subject of drunkards' songs.
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 <u>ënd</u>. Amen.

Repeat antiphon



This is my prayer to you, * my prayer for your favour.

In your great love, <u>an</u>swer me, O God, * with your <u>help</u> that never fails;

rescue me from <u>sin</u>king in the mud, * save <u>me</u> from my foes.

Save me from the <u>waters</u> of the deep * lest the waves <u>o</u>verwhelm me.

Do not let the <u>deep</u> engulf me * nor death <u>close</u> its mouth on me.

Lord, answer, for your <u>love</u> is kind; * in your compassion, <u>turn</u> towards me.

Do not hide your <u>face</u> from your servant; * answer me quickly for <u>I</u> am in distress.

Come close to my <u>soul</u> and redeem me; * ransom me <u>pressed</u> by my foes.

You know how they <u>taunt</u> and deride me; * my oppressors are <u>all</u> before you.

Taunts have brown heart; *

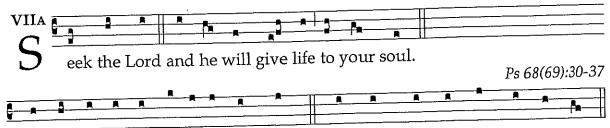
I have reached the end of my strength.

I looked in vain for compassion, <u>for</u> consolers; * not <u>one</u> could I find.

For food they gave me poison; *
in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

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



As for me in my poverty and pain * let your help, O God, lift me up.

I will praise God's <u>name</u> with a song; * I will glorify him <u>with</u> thanksgiving.

A gift pleasing God <u>more</u> than oxen, * more than beasts pre<u>pared</u> for sacrifice.

The poor when they see it will be glad * and God-seeking hearts will revive;

for the Lord listens <u>to</u> the needy * and does not spurn his ser<u>vants</u> in their chains.

Let the heavens and the <u>earth</u> give him praise, * the sea and all its <u>li</u>ving creatures.

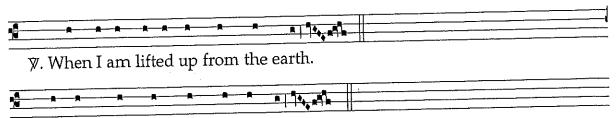
For God will bring help to Sion † and rebuild the <u>ci</u>ties of Judah * and men shall dwell there <u>in</u> possession.

The sons of his servants <u>shall</u> inherit it; * those who love his <u>name</u> shall dwell there.

Glory be to the Father <u>and</u> to the Son * and to the <u>Ho</u>ly Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

Repeat antiphon



Ry. I shall draw all things to myself.

Our Father secret until



V. And lead us not into temptation. R. But deliver us from evil.

FIRST READING: from the Letter to the Hebrews 4:14-5:10.

RESPONSORY:

Ry. (Cantor:) Although he was the Son of God, (All:) Christ learnt to obey through suffering, * and he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

♥. (Cantor:) During his life on earth, he offered up prayer aloud, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard, * (All:) and he became for all ...

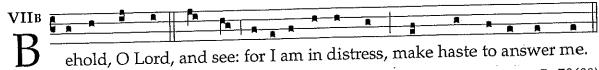
SECOND READING: from the homily by Saint Melito of Sardis on the Pasch.

RESPONSORY:

Ry. (Cantor:) All men have sinned and are far away from God's saving presence, (All:) but by the free gift of God's grace they are all redeemed through Christ Jesus, who sets them free. * God offered him so that by his death he should become the means by which men's sins are forgiven, through their faith in him.

V. (Cantor:) Look, there is the Lamb of God: it is he who takes away the sin of the world. * (All:) God offered him ...

LAUDS



Ps 79(80)



O shepherd of <u>Is</u>rael, hear us * you who <u>lead</u> Joseph's flock.

Shine forth from your <u>che</u>rubim throne * upon Ephraim, Benja<u>min</u>, Manasseh.

O Lord, rouse up your might, *

O Lord, come to our help.

God of hosts bring us back; *

let your face shine on us and <u>we</u> shall be saved.

Lord God of hosts, how long *

will you frown on your people's plea?

You have fed them with <u>tears</u> for their bread, * and abundance of <u>tears</u> for their drink.

You have made us the <u>taunt</u> of our neighbours, * our enemies <u>laugh</u> us to scorn.

God of hosts, bring us back; *

let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; *

to plant it you drove out the nations.

Before it you <u>cleared</u> the ground; *

it took root and spread through the land.

The mountains were covered <u>with</u> its shadow, * the cedars of <u>God</u> with its boughs.

It stretched out its <u>bran</u>ches to the sea, *

to the Great River it stretched out its shoots.

Then why have you broken down its walls? *

It is plucked by all who pass by.

It is ravaged by the <u>boar</u> of the forest, * devoured by the <u>beasts</u> of the field.

God of hosts, turn again, we implore, * look down from heaven and see.

Visit this vine and protect it, *

the vine your right <u>hand</u> has planted.

They have burnt it with <u>fire</u> and destroyed it. * May they perish at the <u>frown</u> of your face.

May your hand be on the $\underline{\text{man}}$ you have chosen, * the man you have $\underline{\text{gi}}$ ven your strength.

And we shall never for sake you again; * give us life that we may call upon your name.

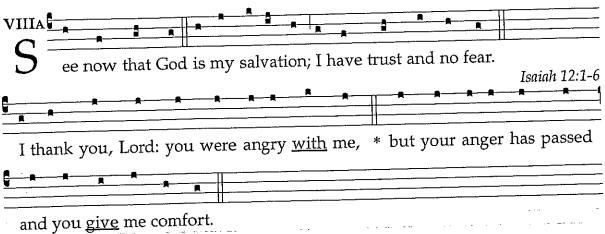
God of hosts, bring us back; *

let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

Glory be to the Father <u>and</u> to the Son * and to the <u>Ho</u>ly Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

Repeat antiphon



Truly, God is my salvation, *

I trust, I shall not fear.

For the Lord is my strength, my song, *

he is my saviour.

With joy you will draw <u>wa</u>ter * from the wells <u>of</u> salvation.

Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his <u>name!</u> * Make his mighty deeds known <u>to</u> the peoples.

Declare the greatness of his <u>name</u>, * sing a <u>psalm</u> to the Lord!

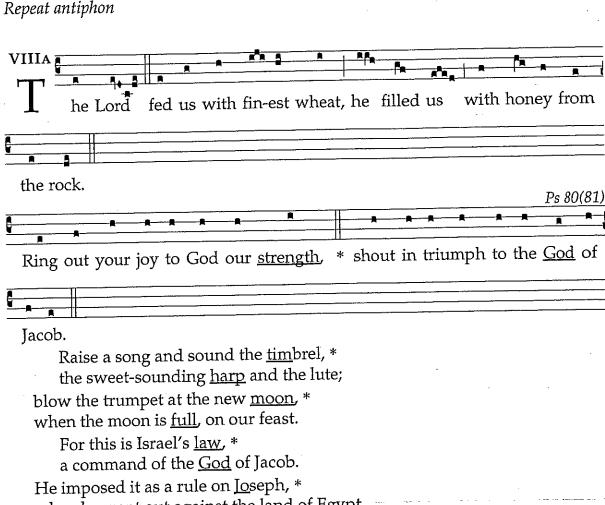
For he has done glorious <u>deeds</u>: * make them <u>known</u> to all the earth!

People of Sion, sing and shout for joy, * for great in your midst is the Holy <u>One</u> of Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the <u>Son</u> * and to the <u>Ho</u>ly Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever <u>shall</u> be, * world without <u>ënd</u>. Amen.

Repeat antiphon



when he went out against the land of Egypt.

A voice I did not know said to me: † 'I freed your shoulder from the burden; * your hands were freed from the load.

You called in distress and I saved you. † I answered, concealed in the storm cloud; * at the waters of Meribah I tested you.

Listen, my people, to my warning. * O Israel, if only you would heed! Let there be on foreign god among you. * no worship of an alien god.

I am the Lord your God, † who brought you from the land of Egypt. * Open wide your mouth and I will fill it.

But my people did not heed my voice * and Israel would not obey,

so I left them in their stubbornness of heart * to follow their own designs.

O that my people would heed me, * that Israel would walk in my ways!

At once I would subdue their <u>foes</u>, * turn my hand against their enemies.

The Lord's enemies would cringe at their <u>feet</u> * and their subjection would <u>last</u> for ever.

But Israel I would feed with finest wheat * and fill them with honey from the rock.'

Glory be to the Father and to the <u>Son</u> * and to the <u>Ho</u>ly Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever <u>shall</u> be, * world without <u>ënd</u>. Amen.

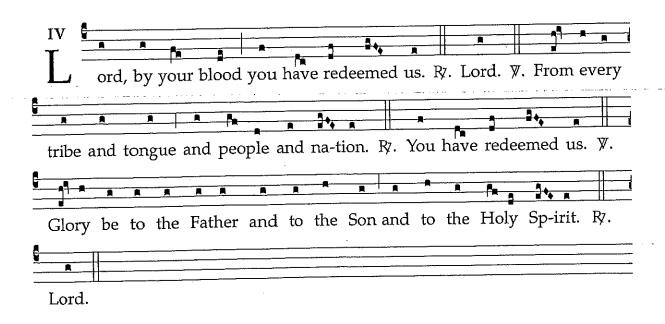
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SCRIPTURE READING: from the Letter to the Hebrews 2:9b-10.

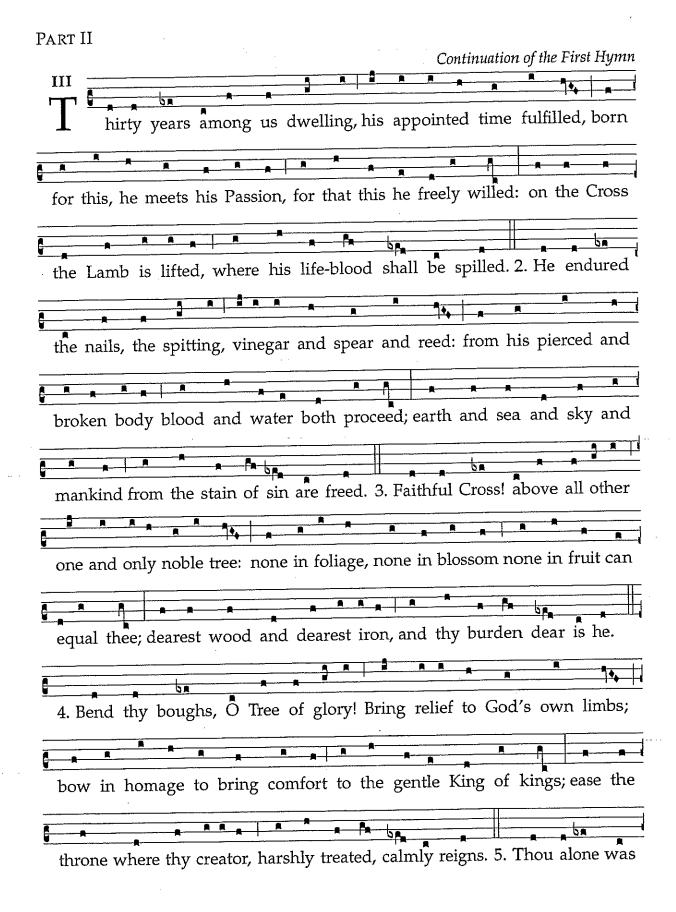
We have seen Jesus crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind. As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory,

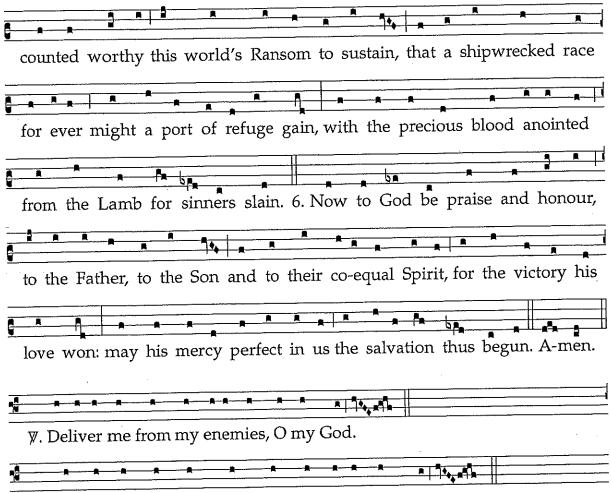
it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation.

RESPONSORY



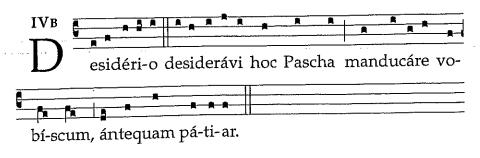
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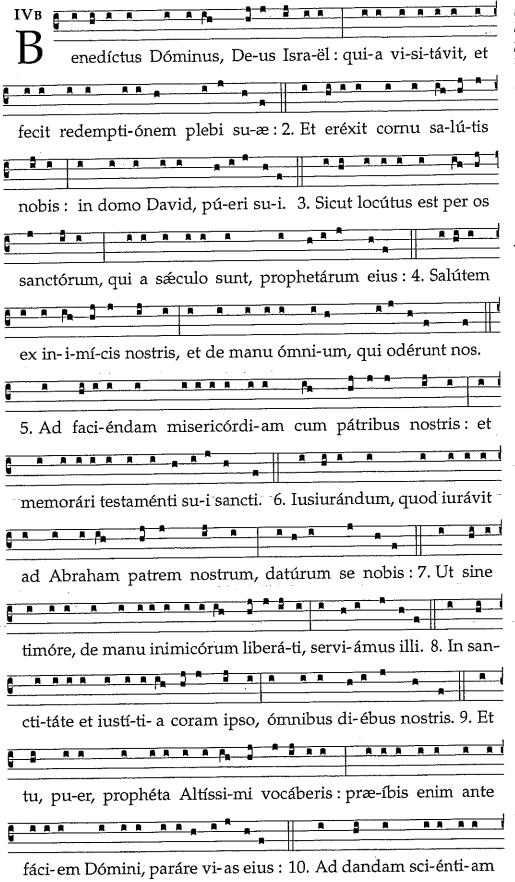


-Ry. And defend me from those who rise up against me.

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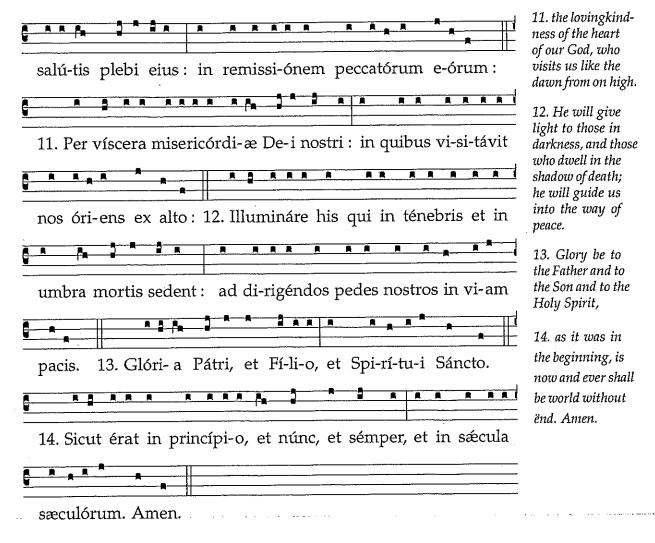


I have longed to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.



Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel; he has visited his people and redeemed them.

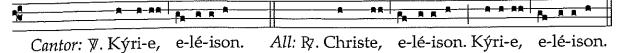
- 2. He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour in the house of David his servant,
- 3. as he promised by the lips of holy men, those who were his prophets from of old:
- 4. a Saviour who would free us from our foes, from the hands of all who hate us.
- 5. So his love for our fathers is fulfilled and his holy covenant remembered.
- 6. He swore to Abraham our father to free us from fear and to save us from the hands of all our foes,
- 7. that we might serve him in holiness and justice all the days of our life in his presence.
- 8. And thus, little child, shall you be named: a prophet of God the Most High.
- 9. You shall go ahead of the Lord to prepare his ways before him,
- 10. to make known to his people their salvation through forgiveness of all their sins,



Repeat antiphon

INTERCESSIONS

Let us humbly pray to Christ, the eternal priest, whom the Father anointed with the Holy Spirit to proclaim release for captives.



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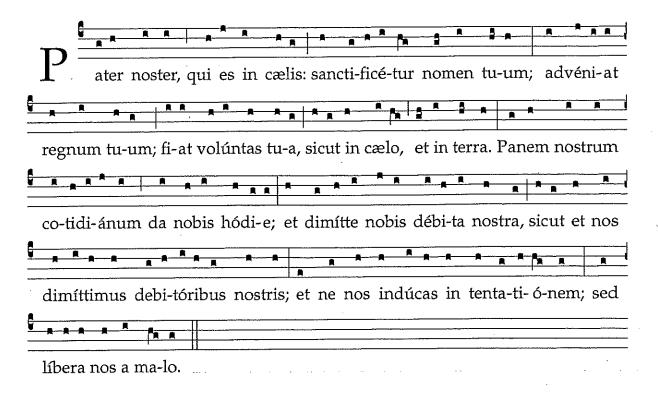
You went up to Jerusalem to endure the passion and enter into glory; lead your Church into the paschal feast of eternal life. \triangledown . *Kyrie.*

Your heart was pierced with a lance; heal the wounds of our human weakness. \(\mathbb{Y}\). Kyrie.

You made your cross the tree of life; share your victory with all the baptized. V. *Kyrie.*

You gave salvation to the repentant thief; pardon all our sins. V. *Kyrie*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER



CONCLUDING PRAYER

Love of you with our whole heart, Lord God, is holiness. Increase, then, your gifts of divine grace in us, so that, as in your Son's death, you made us hope for what we believe, you may likewise, in his resurrection, make us come to you, our final end.

Through the same, our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. R. Amen.

- ▼. The Lord be with you. Ry. And with your spirit.
- W. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Ry. Amen.

