1st Sunday of Advent (Year A)
Second Vespers

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e-us, in adiu-tó-ri-um me-um inténde.

God, come to my assistance.

Ř. Dómi-ne, ad adiu-vándum me festí-na. Gló-ri-a Patri,

Lord, make haste to help me. Glory to the Father,

et Fí-li-o, et Spi-rí-tu-i Sancto. Sic-ut e-rat in princi-pi-o,

and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning.

is now, and ever shall be, unto the age of ages.

Hymnus

IV

re-a-tor of the starry height, * The faithful’s ev-erlasting

light, You have, O Christ, redeemed us all, In mercy hear us as

we call. 2. For, grieving that all living breath Should perish by the
law of death, Salvation for the world you wrought, And healing
to the guilty brought. 3. When this world's night began to fall,
As goes a bridegroom from his hall, You came out from your
pal-ace-room, The Vir-gin-Mother’s stainless womb. 4. Before your
boundless majes-ty The whole cre-ation bows the knee, And things
on earth, with those on high, Beneath your sway subjected lie.

5. O Ho-ly One, to you we pray, Who are to come at Judg-ment day,
Ward off, while yet we dwell below, The weapons of our crafty foe.

6. To God the Father, God the Son, And God the Spirit, Three in
One, Praise, honor, pow’r and glory be, From age to age e-ternally.

A-men.

Antiphona

Take delight, daughter Zion, exult sufficiently, daughter

Psalm 109

The Messiah, king and priest

Christ’s reign will last until all his enemies are made subject to him (1 Cor 15:25).

The Lord’s revelation to my Master: †
“Sit on my right: *
your foes I will put beneath your feet.”

The Lord will wield from Zion †
your scepter of power: *
rule in the midst of all your foes.

A prince from the day of your birth †
on the holy mountains; *
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. †
“You are a priest for ever, *
a priest like Melchizedek of old.”
The Master standing at your right hand *
will shatter kings in the day of his great wrath.
He shall drink from the stream by the wayside *
and therefore he shall lift up his head.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for ever. Amen.

ANTIPHONA

Ecclesia [AR]

ex noster * advé-ni- et Christus, quem Io- ánnes
Christ our King will come, whom John

præ-di-cá- vit Agnum es-se ventú-rum. *
proclaimed to be the Lamb who is to come.

PSALM 113A

THE ISRAELITES ARE DELIVERED FROM THE BONDAGE OF EGYPT

You too left Egypt when, at baptism, you renounced that world which is at enmity with God (Saint Augustine).

When Israel came forth from Egypt, *
Jacob's sons from an alien people,
Judah became the Lord's temple, *
Israel became his kingdom.
The sea fled at the sight: *
the Jordan turned back on its course,
the mountains leapt like rams *
and the hills like yearling sheep.
Why was it, sea, that you fled, *
that you turned back, Jordan, on your course?
Mountains, that you leapt like rams, *
hills, like yearling sheep?
Tremble, O earth, before the Lord,*
in the presence of the God of Jacob,
who turns the rock into a pool*
and flint into a spring of water.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,*
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,*
and will be for ever. Amen.

ANTIPHONA

The antiphon is sung with the canticle in the mode of a trope, before and after the canticle.

Ap 22:12 [AR]

Behold, I am coming soon,*
and my reward is with me,*
says the Lord: to give to each according to his works.

CANTICUM

The wedding of the Lamb

His judgments are honest and true. R. Alle-luia, al-le-lu-ia.

Sing praise to our God, all you his servants, R. Alle-lu-ia.
V. All who worship him rev’rently, great and small. R. Al-le-lu-ia,

al-le-lu-ia. V. The Lord our all-powerful God is King;

R. Alle-lu-ia. V. Let us rejoice, sing praise, and give him glory.

R. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. V. The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun, R. Alle-lu-ia. V. And his bride is prepared to welcome him.

R. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. V. Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

R. Alle-lu-ia. V. And to the Ho-ly Spirit: R. Al-le-lu-ia,

al-le-lu-ia. V. As it was in the beginning, is now, R. Alle-lu-ia.

V. And will be for e-ver. Amen. R. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.
Rejoice in the Lord always! I say it again. Rejoice! Everyone should see how unselfish you are. The Lord is near.

**Responsorium brevis**

Ps 84:8

-šténde no-bis Dómi-ne mi-se-ri-córdi-am tu-am. Show to us, O Lord, your mercy.

R. Osténde no-bis Dómi-ne mi-se-ri-córdi-am tu-am.

Et sa-lu-tá-re tu-um da no-bis. R. Mi-se-ri-córdi-am tu-am. And give us your salvation. Your mercy.


R. Osténde no-bis Dómi-ne mi-se-ri-córdi-am tu-am. Show to us, O Lord, your mercy.
The Holy Spirit will descend upon you, Mary: do not be afraid, you will have in your womb the Son of God, alleluia.

**Canticum Evangelicum**

The soul rejoices in the Lord

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**Cf. Lc 1:30, 35**

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The Holy Spirit will descend upon you, Mary: do not be afraid, you will have in your womb the Son of God, alleluia.
et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies *
timientibus eum. FECIT potentiam in brachio suo, *
dispersit superbos mente cordis sui; depusit potentissimae de
sedem et exaltavit humiles; e-surientes implavit bonis *
et divites dimisit inanes. Suscipit Israel puerum suum,*
recordatus misericordiae sui, sicut locutus est ad
patres nostros, * Abraham et semini eius in saecula.
Gloria Patri, et Fili o, et Spiritu Sancto. Sicut erat in
My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Precises

To Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the way, the truth, and the life, let us make our humble prayer: Come and stay with us, O Lord.

℣. Come and stay with us, O Lord.

Son of the Most High, your coming was announced to the Virgin Mary by Gabriel, – come and rule over your people for ever.

℟. Come and stay with us, O Lord.

Holy One of God, in your presence John the Baptist leapt in Elizabeth’s womb, – bring the joy of salvation to all the earth.

℟. Come and stay with us, O Lord.

Jesus the Savior, the angel revealed your name to Joseph the just man, – come and save your people from their sins.

℟. Come and stay with us, O Lord.

Light of the world, for whom Simeon and all the just waited, – come and comfort us.

℟. Come and stay with us, O Lord.

O Rising Sun that never sets, Zechariah foretold that you would visit us from above, – come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

℟. Come and stay with us, O Lord.
Pater noster

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Pater noster, qui es in caelo: sanctificetur nomen tuum; adveniat regnum tuum; fiat voluntas tua, sicut in caelo et in terra. Panem nostrum co-temus et inveniat nobis diem mannum, et dimittat nobis debita nostra, sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris; et ne nos inducas in tentationem, sed libera nos a malo.
Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly kingdom. Through 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.

Ritus conclusionis

V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
V. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.

Benedicamus Domino

e-ne-di-cámus Dó-mi-no. R. De-o grá-ti-as.

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.