

An Order for Compline

according to

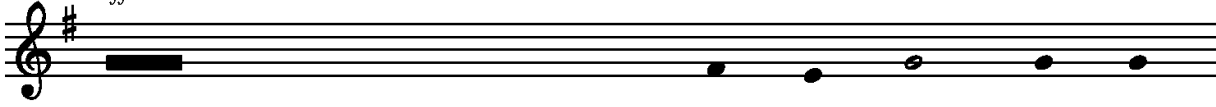
THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER 1979
AND THE HYMNAL 1982



NASHOTAH HOUSE
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY


The Officiant begins

Officiant



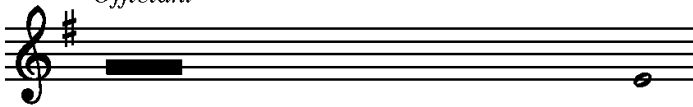
The Lord Almighty grant us a peace - ful night and a

People



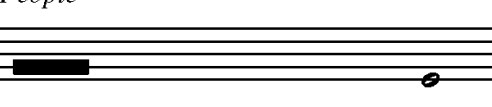
per - fect end. A - men.

Officiant



Our help is in the name of the Lord;

People



The maker of heaven and earth.

The Officiant may then say
Let us confess our sins to God.

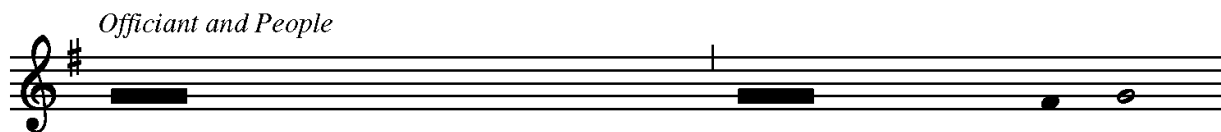
Silence may be kept

Officiant and People
Almighty God, **our heavenly Father;**
We have sinned against you,
Through our own fault,
In thought, and word, and deed,
And in what we have left undone.
For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,
Forgive us all our offenses;
And grant that we may serve you in newness of life,
To the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant
May the Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins,
And the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



O God, make speed to save us, O Lord, make haste to help us.



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.

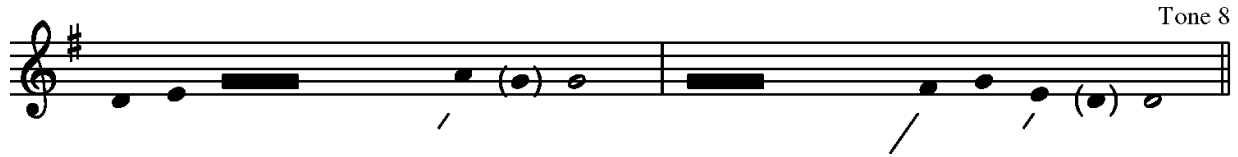


Al - le - lu - ia.

Except in Lent, add Alleluia.

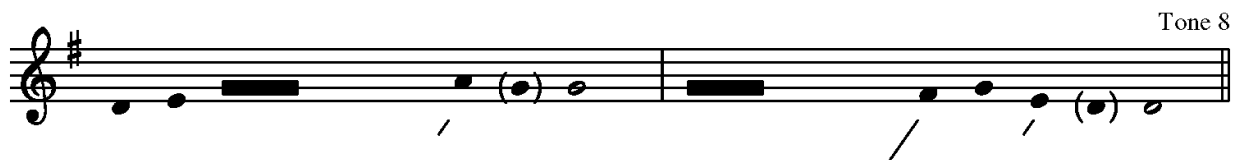
One or more of the following Psalms are sung or said. Other suitable selections may be substituted.

Psalm 4 *Cum invocarem*



- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my **cause**;^{*}
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on **me** and **hear** my prayer.
- 2 “You mortals, how long will you dishonor my **glory**;^{*}
how long will you worship dumb idols and run **after false** gods?”
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the **faithful**;^{*}
when I call upon the LORD, **he** will **hear** me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not **sin**;^{*}
speak to your heart in **silence** upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices^{*}
and put **your** trust **in** the LORD.
- 6 Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see **better** times!”^{*}
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, **O LORD**.
- 7 You have put gladness in my **heart**,^{*}
more than when grain and **wine** and **oil** increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I **fall** asleep;^{*}
for only you, LORD, make me **dwell** in **safety**.
- 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**.

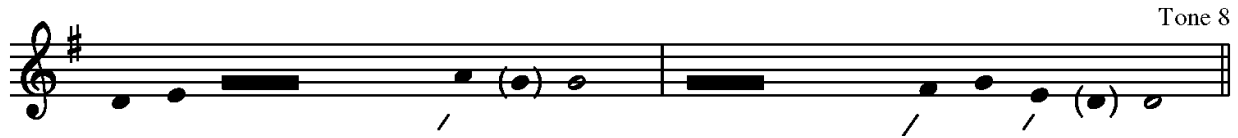
Psalm 31 *In te, Domine, speravi*



1. In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;
Let me never be put to **shame**; *
Deliver me **in** your **righteousness**.
2. Incline your ear to **me**; *
make haste **to deliver** me.
3. Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
For you are my crag and my **stronghold**; *
For the sake of your Name, lead **me** and **guide** me.
4. Take me out of the net that they have secretly **set** for me,*
For you are my **tower of** strength.
5. Into your hands I commend my **spirit**, *
For you have redeemed me,
O **Lord**, O **God** of truth

Glory to the Father, and to the **Son**,*
And to the **Holy Spirit**:
As it was in the beginning, is **now**,*
And will be **forever**, **Amen**.

Psalm 91 *Qui habitat*

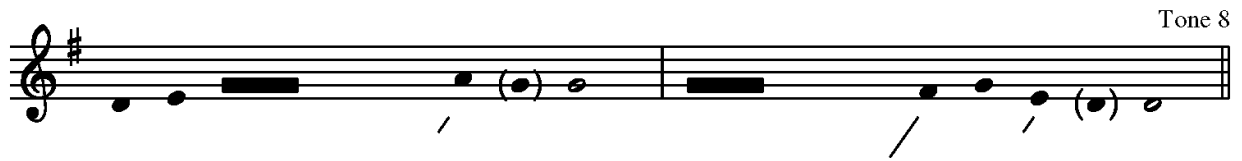


- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most **High** *
abides under the shadow of **the Almighty**.
- 2 He shall say to the LORD,
"You are my refuge and my **stronghold**, *
my God in **whom** I **put** my trust."
- 3 He shall deliver you from the snare of the **hunter** *
and from the **deadly pestilence**.
- 4 He shall cover you with his pinions,
and you shall find refuge under his **wings**; *
his faithfulness shall be a **shield** and **buckler**.
- 5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by **night**, *
nor of the **arrow** that **flies** by day;
- 6 Of the plague that stalks in the **darkness**, *
nor of the sickness that lays **waste** at **mid-day**.
- 7 A thousand shall fall at your side
and ten thousand at your **right** hand, *
but it shall **not** come **near** you.
- 8 Your eyes only have to **behold** *
to see the reward **of** the **wicked**.
- 9 Because you have made the LORD your **refuge**, *
and the Most High your **habitation**,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to **you**, *
neither shall any plague come **near** your **dwelling**.

- 11 For he shall give his angels charge **over** you, *
to keep **you** in **all** your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their **hands**, *
lest you dash your **foot against** a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and the **adder**; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent
under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I **deliver** him; *
I will protect him, **because** he **knows** my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will **answer** him; *
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring **him** to **honor**.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy **him**, *
and show him **my** **salvation**.

Glory to the Father, and to the **Son**,*
And to the **Holy Spirit**:
As it was in the beginning, is **now**,*
And will be **forever**, **Amen**.

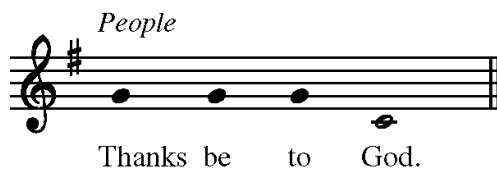
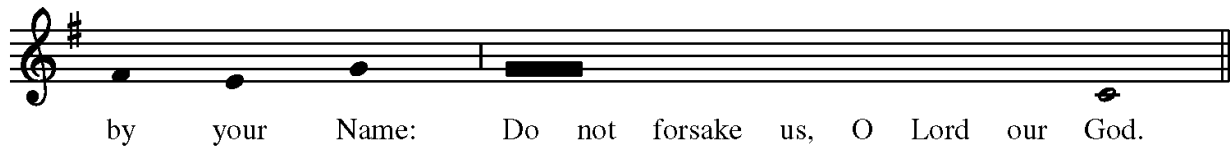
Psalm 134 *Ecce nunc*



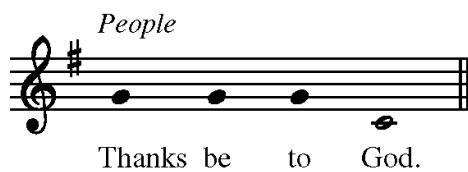
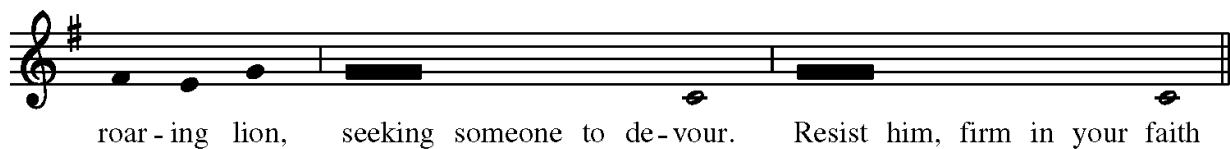
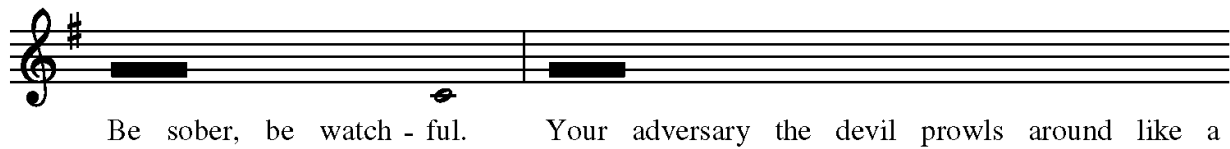
1. Behold now, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, *
You that stand by night in the house of the Lord.
2. Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the Lord; *
The Lord who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.

Glory to the Father, and to the **Son**,*
And to the **Holy Spirit**:
As it was in the beginning, is **now**,*
And will be **forever**, **Amen**.

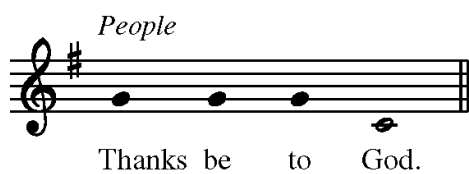
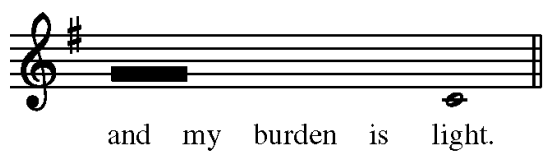
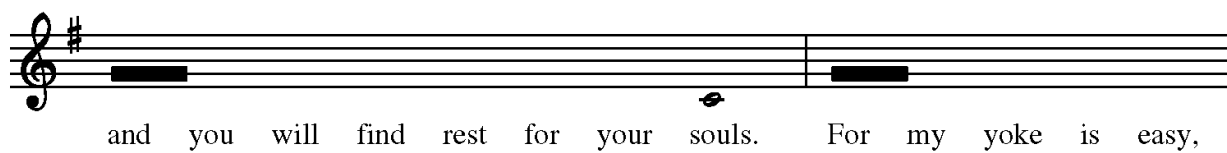
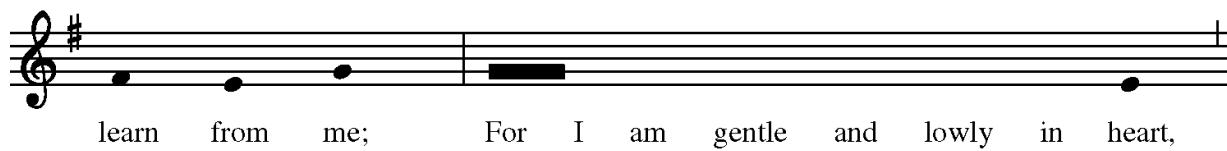
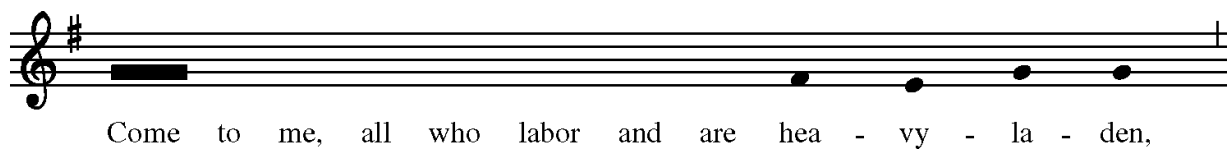
One of the following, or some other suitable passage of Scripture is sung or read
Jeremiah 14: 9, 22



I Peter 5:8-9a



Matthew 11: 28-30



People

Hebrews 13: 20-21



May the God of peace, who brought again from the dead



our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood



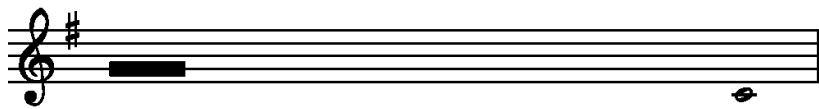
of the e - ter - nal cov - e - nant, equip you with



everything good that you may do his will, working in you



that which is pleasing in his sight; through Je - sus Christ,



to whom be glory for ever and ev - er.


People



Thanks be to God.

A hymn suitable for the evening may be sung

Officiant or Cantor



In - to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spi - rit.

A musical staff in G major (one sharp) with a treble clef. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a repeat sign at the end.


People



In - to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spi - rit.

A musical staff in G major (one sharp) with a treble clef. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a repeat sign at the end.


Officiant or Cantor



For you have re - deemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

A musical staff in G major (one sharp) with a treble clef. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a repeat sign at the end.

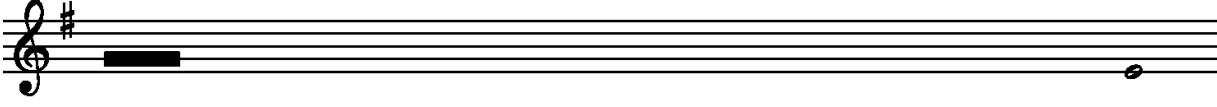
People



In - to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spi - rit.

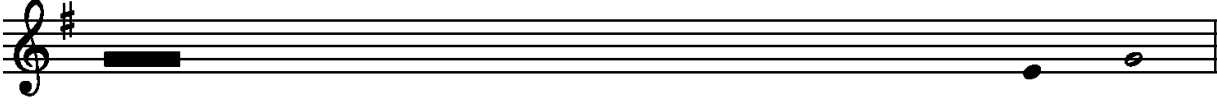
A musical staff in G major (one sharp) with a treble clef. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a repeat sign at the end.

Or the following



V. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spi - rit;

A musical staff in G major (one sharp) with a treble clef. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a repeat sign at the end.

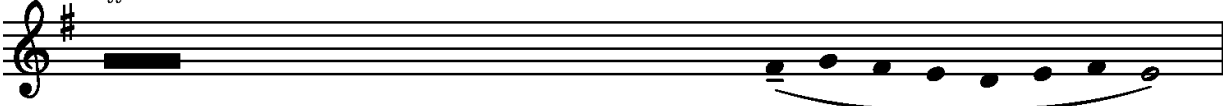


R. For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

A musical staff in G major (one sharp) with a treble clef. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a repeat sign at the end.

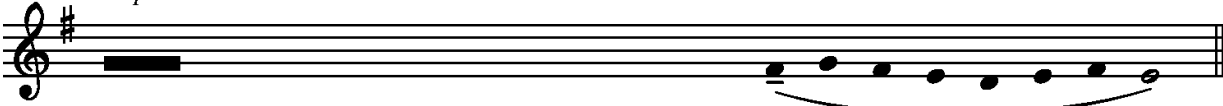
The liturgy continues

Officiant or Cantor




V. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;

People




R. Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

Officiant *People* *Officiant and People*



Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Officiant and People



Our Father in heaven . . . deliver us from e - vil.
or
 Our Father, who art in heaven . . . deliver us from e - vil.

Officiant *People*





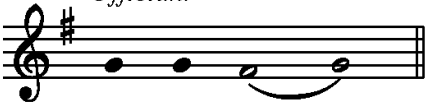
Lord, hear our prayer; And let our cry come to you.

Officiant



Let us pray.

Or the following

<p><i>Officiant</i></p>  <p>Lord, hear our prayer.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>And let our cry come to you.</p>
<p><i>Officiant</i></p>  <p>Let us pray.</p>	

The Officiant then says or sings one of the following Collects

Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this life may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Look down, O Lord, from your heavenly throne, and illumine this night with your celestial brightness; that by night as by day your people may glorify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Visit this place, O Lord, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let your blessing be upon us always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Saturdays

We give you thanks, O God, for revealing your Son Jesus Christ to us by the light of his resurrection: Grant that as we sing your glory at the close of this day, our joy may abound in the morning as we celebrate the Paschal mystery; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

One of the following prayers may be added

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. *Amen.*


or this

O God, your unfailing providence sustains the world we live in and the life we live: Watch over those, both night and day, who work while others sleep, and grant that we may never forget that our common life depends upon each other's toil; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Silence may be kept, and free intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered.

The service concludes with the Song of Simeon with its Antiphon, which is sung or said by all

Antiphon Mode 3




Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep-ing;




that a-wake we may watch with Christ, and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

In Easter Season, add:




Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone 3




1. Lord, you now have set your ser - vant free to go in peace as you




have prom-ised; 2. For these eyes of mine have seen the Sav - ior,



whom you have prepared for all the world to see: 3. A Light to en -



light-en the na - tions, and the glory of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

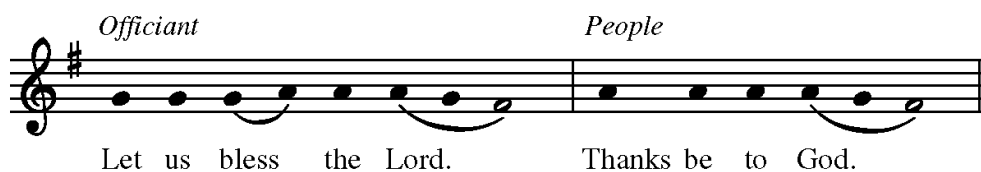


Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit:




as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for ev-er. A-men. [Ant.]

Officiant *People*



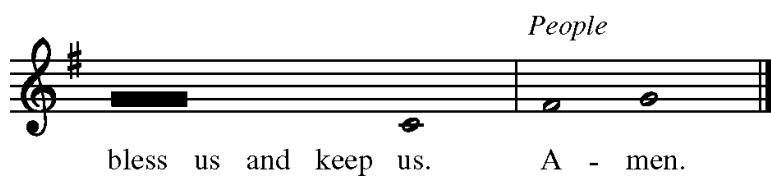
Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Officiant



The almighty and mer - ci - ful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spi - rit,

People



bless us and keep us. A - men.

Compline Setting: adapt. David Hurd (b. 1950).
© 1985, David Hurd. Used by permission.

The Office may be concluded with the singing of one of the following Marian antiphons.

Advent to Purification

A



L- ma * Red-emptó-ris Má-ter, quae pérv- a
Dear-Lady, (the) Redeemer's Mother, who (the) open



caé-li pórt- a má-nes, Et stél-la má-ris, succúr-re ca-dénti
heavenly portal dost-remain, And (the) star of-the-sea, assist in-their-fall (those)



súr-ge-re qui cú-rat pó-pu- lo : Tu quae ge-nu- í-sti,
to-rise who care among-thy-people : Thou who didst-bear, (while)



na-tú-ra mi-ránte, tú-um sánctum Ge-ni-tó-rem :
nature wondered, thy holy Maker :



Vír-go pri-us ac posté-ri-us, Gabri-é-lis ab ó-re
A-Virgin before and after, (from) Gabriel, from (his) lips,



súm-ens íl-lud Ave, pec-ca-tó-rum mi-se-ré-re.
receiving that Ave, on-sinners have-pity.

Feast of the Presentation through Wednesday in Holy Week

VI
A



- ve, Re-gí-na cae-ló-rum, * A-ve, Dómi-na
Hail Queen of-the-heavens Hail (our) Lady



Ange-ló-rum : Sálve, rá-dix, sál-ve, pórtā, Ex qua
of-the-Angels : Hail root (of Jesse), Hail portal, From whom



múndo lux est órta : Gáude, Vírgo glo-ri-ó-sa, Su-per
on-earth light is risen. Rejoice O-Virgin glorious, Above



ómnes spe-ci-ó-sa : Vá-le, o valde de-có-ra,
all (creatures) beautiful : Prevail, O (thou) most lovely,



Et pro nó-bis Chrístum ex-ó-ra.
And for us (to) Christ pray-thou.

In Eastertide

VI
R



E-gí-na caé-li * lae-tá-re, al-le-lú-ia : Qui- a
Queen of-Heaven rejoice, alleluia : For



quem me-ru- í-sti portá-re, al-le-lú-ia : Re-surré-xit, sic-ut
(He) whom thou-didst-merit to-bear, alleluia : Hath-risen, as



dí-xit, al-le-lú-ia : O-ra pro nó-bis Dé-um, al-le-lú-ia.
He-said, alleluia : Pray for us to-God, alleluia.

From Trinity Sunday to Advent

v
S



Ave, Re-gí-na, * má-ter mi-se-ri-córdi-ae : Ví-ta,
 Hail Queen, mother of-mercy : Life,
 dulcé-do, et spes nóstra, sál-ve. Ad te clamá-mus,
 sweetness, and hope of-ours, hail. To-thee we-cry,
 éxsu-les, fí-li-i Hé-vae. Ad te suspi-rá-mus, geméntes
 exiles, children of-Eve. To thee we-sigh, groaning
 et fléntes in hac lacrimá-rum vál-le. E-ia ergo, Ad-
 and weeping in this tearful valley. Ah then,
 vo-cá-ta nóstra, íl-los tú-os mi-se-ri-córdes ó-cu-los
 Advocate of-ours, those thy merciful eyes
 ad nos convér-te. Et Jé-sum, be-ne-díctum frúctum
 towards us turn-thou. And Jesus, blessed fruit



véntris tú- i, nó-bis post hoc exsí-li- um ostén-de.
of-the-womb of-thee, to-us after this exile show-thou.



O clé-mens : O pí- a : O dúl- cis
O clement : O tender : O sweet



Vírgo Ma-rí- a.
Virgin Mary.