

A N
E S S A Y
ON THE
CHURCH PLAIN CHANT;
PART SECOND,
CONTAINING
SEVERAL ANTHEMS, LITANIES,
PROSES AND HYMNS,
As they are sung in the
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ANTIPHONS

OF THE
B. V. M A R Y.

From the Vespers of Saturday, before the first Sunday of Advent, to the Purification of our B. Lady, inclusive.

The musical notation consists of four staves of square neumes on a four-line staff system. The lyrics are written below the staves, corresponding to the neumes. The lyrics are:

A L. ma Redemptoris

Ma-ter, quæ per- vi a cœ- li por- ta
ma- nes, Et stel- la ma-ris, succurre

cadenti, Surgere qui cu- rat, populo :

Tu quæ ge- nui- sti, Natu- ra
miran- te! tuum sanctum ge- ni- to-
rem; Vir- go pri- us ac poste- rius,

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Gabrie-lis ab o-re, Sumens il-lud
A- ve, Peccatorum misere-re. 7.

In Advent,

V. Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariæ.

R. Et concepit de Spiritu sancto.

From first Vespers of Christmas-Day,

V. Post partum virgo inviolata permanfisti.

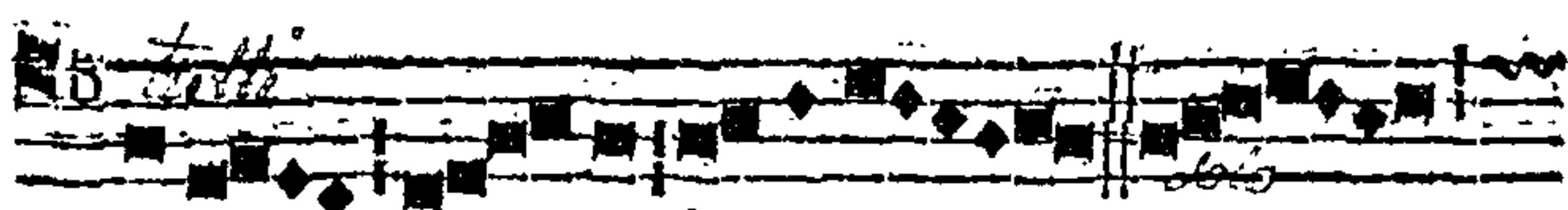
R. Dei genitrix intercede pro nobis.

From the End of Compline of the Purification inclusive, till Maundy-Thursday exclusive.

A- ve Regina cœlo-rum,
A- ve Domina Angelorum : Sal-
ve radix, salve porta, Ex qua mun- do
lux est or- ta ; Gaude virgo gloriofa,

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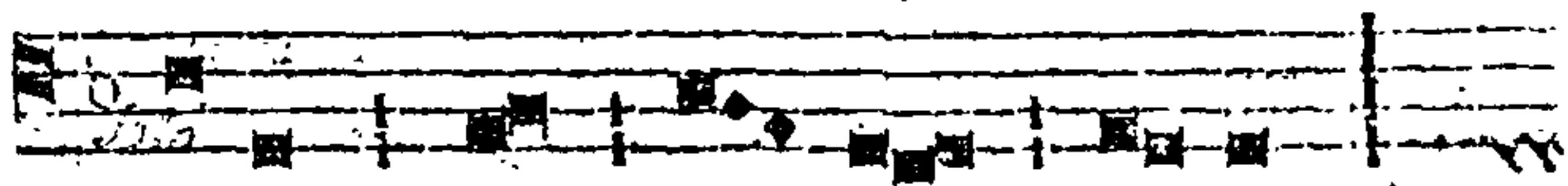
Super omnes specio- sa, Va- le
o val-de deco- ra, Et pro no- bis
Christum ex- o-ra. 6.

V. Dignare me laudare te, Virgo sacrata.
R. Da mihi virtutem contra hostes tuos.

From Compline of Holy Saturday till first Vespers of Trinity Sunday exclusive.

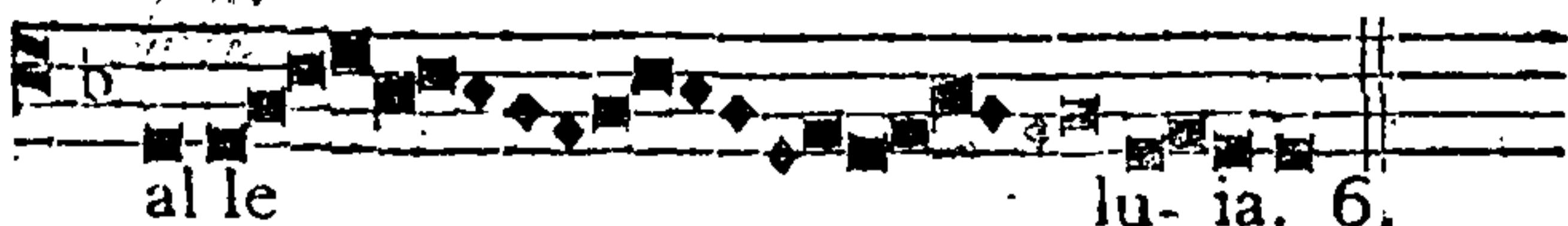


Regina coeli laetare,
alleluia. Quia quem merui fieri portare, alleluia.



Resurrexit sicut dixit, alleluia.

Ora pro nobis Deum,



V. Gaude & lætare virgo Maria, alleluia.

R. Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia.

From first Vespers of Trinity-Sunday, till Saturday before the first Sunday of Advent exclusive.

S Al- ve Regi- na , māter milie-
ricor- diæ , Vi- ta, dulce- do ,
& spes nostra. fal- ve. Ad te
clama- mus ex u les fili i Evæ.
Ad te suspira- mus gementes &
flementes in hac lacrymarum va- le.
E ja ergo advoca- ta nostra, illos

The musical setting consists of six staves of Gothic neumes. Below each staff, the corresponding line of the Salve Regina prayer is written in a Gothic script. The text lines are: "Al- ve Regi- na , māter milie-", "ricor- diæ , Vi- ta, dulce- do ,", "& spes nostra. fal- ve. Ad te", "clama- mus ex u les fili i Evæ.", "Ad te suspira- mus gementes &", and "flementes in hac lacrymarum va- le.". The final staff ends with "E ja ergo advoca- ta nostra, illos".

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tu- os misericor- des o- culos
 ad nos conver- te. Et Jesum,
 be nedictum fructum ventris tu- i,
 no- bis post hoc ex i- lium o- stende.
 O clemens, .O pi- a,
 O dulcis virgo Mari- a. i.

V. Ora pro nobis sancta Dei genitrix.

R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Or this.

S Alve Regi na, mater mi- fe ni-
 cordiae.

cor di æ. Vi-ta , dulce- do, & spes
nostra sal-ve. Ad te clamamus exu-
les fi-li i E-væ. Ad te sus-pi-
ramus gementes & flentes in hac
lacrymarum val le. Ei a ergo
ad vo ca ta nostra illos tu os
mi se ri cordes o cu los ad nos con-
verte. Et Je sum, benedictum fructum
ventris tui nobis post hoc ex i-
lium

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lium often- de. O clemens! O,
pi a! O dul- cis Virgo Ma ri a. 5

LIT A

LITANIES ON SUNDAYS.

AS such a variety of words are sung to these little Chants, the bars here are not put to divide the words, but to shew the measure of the music, having the bass under them.

First Tone.

1.

E minor. { Kyri - e e - leison Christe e - leison -

Kyri - e e - leison Christe e - leison -

Another.

2.

E minor. { Kyri - e e - leison Christe e - leison -

Kyri - e e - leison Christe e - leison -

These, according to the scale of music, are set in D minor; but they are commonly played and sung in E.

The usual pitch of each shall be marked with a letter; as these are.

N. B. By E minor is meant E with a lesser Third, and so of the rest.

Second Tone,

x

3. Gor A
minor

Kyrie e - lei - son Christe e - lei - son

x

Kyrie e - lei son Christe e - leison

Remember the Observation touching the sharp, page 17.

5. Fifth Tone. N. B. Za instead of si, runs through this, and the following in the sixth Tone.

4. F
maj.

Kyrie e - leison Christe e - leison

Kyrie e . leison Christe e - leison

Sixth Tone.

5. G
maj.

Kyrie e - lei son Christe e - leison

Kyrie e . leison Christe e - leison

b Another.

LITANIES ON SUNDAYS.

Another.

6.

G
maj.

Kyri - e e - leison Christe e - leison

Kyri - e e - leison Christe e - leison

Another.

7.

A
maj.

Kyri - e e - leison Christe e - leison

Kyri - e e - leison Christe e - leison

Seventh Tone.

8.

E
maj.

Kyri - e e - leison Christe e - leison

Kyri - e e - leison Christe e - leison

Eighth Tone.

9.

Bb
maj.

Kyrie e - leison Christe e - leison

Kyrie e - leison Christe e - leison

Christe

Christe audi nos
 Christe exaudi nos
 Pater de cœlis Deus,
 miserere nobis.
 Fili redemptor mundi
 Deus, miserere nobis.
 Spiritus sancte Deus,
 miserere nobis.
 Sancta Trinitas unus
 Deus, miserere nobis.
 Sancta Maria, ora pro
 nobis
 Sancta Dei genitrix,
 Sancta Virgo Virginum
 Mater Christi,
 Mater divinæ gratiæ,
 Mater purissima,
 Mater castissima,
 Mater inviolata,
 Mater intemerata,
 Mater amabilis,
 Mater admirabilis,
 Mater Creatoris,
 Mater Salvatoris,
 Virgo prudentissima
 Virgo veneranda,
 Virgo prædicanda,
 Virgo potens,
 Virgo clemens,

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, parce nobis Domine.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, exaudi nos Domine.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Virgo fidelis,
 Speculum justitiae,
 Sedes sapientiae,
 Causa nostræ lætitiae,
 Vas spirituale,
 Vas honorabile,
 Vas insigne devotionis
 Rosa mystica,
 Turris Davidica,
 Turris eburnea,
 Domus aurea,
 Fœderis arca,
 Janua cœli,
 Stella matutina,
 Salus infirmorum,
 Refugium peccatorum
 Consolatrix afflictorum
 Auxilium christiano-
 rum,
 Regina angelorum,
 Regina patriarcharum
 Regina prophetarum,
 Regina apostolorum,
 Regina martyrum,...
 Regina confessorum,
 Regina virginum,
 Regina sanctorum om-
 nium.

Ora
pro
nobis

Prose on the Nativity of our Lord.

5. T. S.

P Uer nobis nascitur, Reclorque An-

gelorum, in hoc mundo parcitur Do-

minus dominorum.

In præsepe ponitur,
Sub fæno afinorum,
Cognoverunt Domi-
num
Christum regem cœlo-
rum.

Angeli lætati sunt,
Inclinunt cum Domino:
Cantant vere, gloria
In excelsis Deo.

Tunc Herodes timuit,
Maximo cum furore;

Infantes & pueros
Occidit cum cruore.
Qui natus ex Maria
In die hodierna,
Nos conducas & indu-
cas
Ad regna sempiterna.
O virgo flos virginum!
Dele reos criminum:
Sine fine termino
Benedicamus Domine.

Another

Another Prose on the Nativity of our Lord.

Sixth Tone.

G. major.

A - deste fi - deles læti triumphan'es ve-

A - delte fi - deles, læti triumphantes ve-

nite ve - nite in Beth le - hem : Natum vi-

nite ve - nite in Beth le - hem : Natum vi-

dete regem angelorum: Venite adoremus ve-

dete regem angelorum : ve-

nite adoremus venite adoremus Domi - num.

nite adoremus venite adoremus Domi - num.

Deum de Deo, lumen
de lumine

Gestant pueræ viscera:

Deum verum, genitum
non factum :

Venite, &c.

Cantet nunc io chorus angelorum,	Jesus tibi sit gloria, Patris æterni verbum
Cantet nunc aula cœ- lestium :	caro factum :
Gloria in excelsis Deo Venite, &c.	Venite adoremus, ve- nite adoremus, Ve- nite adoremus Do- minus.
Ergo, qui natus die ho- dierna ,	

A Hymn on the Sundays in Lent.

Sixth Tone. G major.

Stabat mater dolorosa juxta crucem lacrymofa
 Stabat mater dolorosa juxta crucem lacrymofa
 dum pendebat filius.
 dum pendebat filius.

Cujus animam geom- Contristatam, & do-
 mentem, lentem
 Per transivit gladius.

O quam

3. O quam tristis & af-
 flicta,
 Fuit illa benedicta
 Mater unigeniti.
 Quæ mærebat, &
 dolebat,
 Et tremebat, cum vi-
 debat
 Nati pœnas inclyti.
 Quis est homo, qui
 non fleret
 Christi matrem si vide-
 ret
 In tanto suppicio?
 Quis posset non con-
 tristari,
 Piam matrem contem-
 plari
 Dolentem cum filio?
 Pro peccatis suæ gen-
 tis
 Vedit Jesum in tor-
 mentis,
 Et flagellis subitum.
 Vedit suum dulcem
 natum
 Morientem, desolatum
 Dum emisit spiritum.
 Eia mater Ions amo-
 ris,
 Me sentire vim doloris
 Fac, ut tecum lugeam.

10. Fac, ut ardeat cor
 meum.
 In amando Christum
 Deum,
 Ut sibi complaceam.
 " Sancta mater istud
 agas,
 Crucifixi fige plagas
 Cordi meo valide.
 " Tui nati vulnerati,
 Tam dignati pro me
 pati
 Pœnas mecum divide.
 " Fac me vere tecum
 flere.
 Crucifixo condolere,
 Donec ego vixero.
 " Juxta crucem tecum
 stare,
 Te libenter sociare
 In planctu desidero.
 " Virgo virginum præ-
 clara,
 Mihi jam non sis amaz-
 ra,
 Fac me tecum plan-
 gere
 " Fac ut portem Christi
 mortem.
 Passionis fac confortem
 Et plagas recolere.
 Fac

- 7 Fac me plagis vulne- Confoveri gratia.
rari,
- Cruce hac inebriari,
Ob amorem filii.
- 18 Inflammatus, & ac- Fac ut animæ donetur
census, Paradisi gloria. Amen.
- Per te virgo sim de- V. Tuam ipsius ani-
fensus mam pertransivit gla-
In die Judicii. dius.
- 19 Fac me cruce custo- R. Ut revelentur ex
diri, multis cordibus cogi-
Morte Christi præmu- tationes.
- niri

Psalm 50. After Compline in Lent.

Sixth Tone. G major.

Miserere me - i Deus,* secundum

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magnam misericordiam tuam. Et secundum

magnam misericordiam tuam. Et secundum
multitudinem miferationum tuarum,* dele ini-
quitatem meam.

Amplius

3. Amplias lava me ab iniuitate mea: * & a peccato meo munda me.
4. Quoniam iniuitatem meam ego cognosco: * & peccatum meum contra me est semper.
5. Tibi soli peccavi, & malum coram te feci: * ut justificeris in sermonibus tuis, & vincas cum judicaris.
6. Ecce enim in iniuitatibus conc̄ptus sum: * & in peccatis concepit me mater mea.
7. Ecce enim veritatem dilexisti: * incerta & occulta sapientiae tuae manifestasti mihi.
8. Asperges me hyssopo, & mundabor: * lava-
bi⁹ me, & super nivem dealbabor.
9. Auditui meo dabis gaudium (& laetitiam): * & exultabunt ossa humiliata.
10. Averte faciem tuam (a peccatis meis): * & omnes iniuitates meas dele.
11. Cor mundum crea in me Deus: * & spiritum rectum innova (in visceribus meis).
12. Ne projicias me a facie tua: * & spiritum sanctum tuum ne auferas a me.
13. Redde mihi laetitiam salutaris tui: * & spiritu principali confirma me.
14. Docebo iniquos vias tuas: * & impii ad te convertentur.
15. Libera me de sanguinibus Deus, Deus salutis meae: * & exultabit lingua mea justitiam tuam.
16. Domine, labia mea aperies: * & os meum annuntiabit laudem tuam.
17. Quoniam si voluisses sacrificium, dedissem utique: * holocaustis non delectaberis.
18. Sacrificium Deo spiritus contribulatus: * cor contritum & humiliatum Deus non despicies.

19. Bēnigne fac Domine in bona voluntate tua
Sion: * ut ædificantur muri Jérusalem.

20. Tunc acceptabis sacrificium justitiae oblationes,
& holocausta: * tunc imponent super altera tuum vitulos.

Ant. Justificeris Domine, in sermonibus tuis,
& vincas cum judicaris.

Ant. Dominus tamquam ovis ad victimam
ductus est, & non aperuit os suum.

The Hymn at Easter.

Second Tone. G minor.

x

{ A L - lelu - ia, Al le - lu - ia,

Al - lelu ia, Al - le - lu - ia,

{ Al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia.

{ O Fili - i, & fili - æ, rex cælestis, rex

O fili - i, & fili - æ, rex cælestis re
gloriæ

THE HYMN AT EASTER.

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x

glori - æ morte sur rexit ho - di - e,

glori - æ morte sur rexit ho - di - e,

x

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - lelu - ia, Al -

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - lelu - ia, Al -

lelu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

lelu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

2. Et mane prima Venerunt Corpus un -
Sabbati gere, Alleluia.

Ad ostium monumenti 4. In albis sedens An -
Acceſſerunt Discipuli, gelus,
Alleluia. Prædixit Mulieribus,

3. Et Maria Magdalena In Galilæa est Domi -
Et Jacobi & Solome. minus, Alleluia.

THE ANTHEM ON ASCENSION DAY.

1. Et Joannes Apof-
tolius
Cucurrit Petro citius
Monumento venit
prius. Alleluia.
2. Discipulis astantibus,
In medio stetit Christus
Dicens, Pax vobis om-
nibus, Alleluia.
3. Ut intellexit Didymus
Quia surrexerat Jesus,
Remansit sere dubius,
Alleluia.
4. Vide Thoma vide la-
tus,
Vide pedes vide
manus
Noli esse incredulus,
Alleluia.
5. Quando Thomas
vidit Christum,
- The Anthem on Ascension Day, and during the Octave.

Pedes, manus, latus
suum

Dixit, Tu es Deus
meus, Alleluia.

6. Beati qui non vide-
runt,
Et firmiter crediderunt
Vitam æternam habe-
bunt, Alleluia.

7. In hoc festo sanctissimo,
Sit laus & jubilatio.
Benedicamus Domino,
Alleluia.

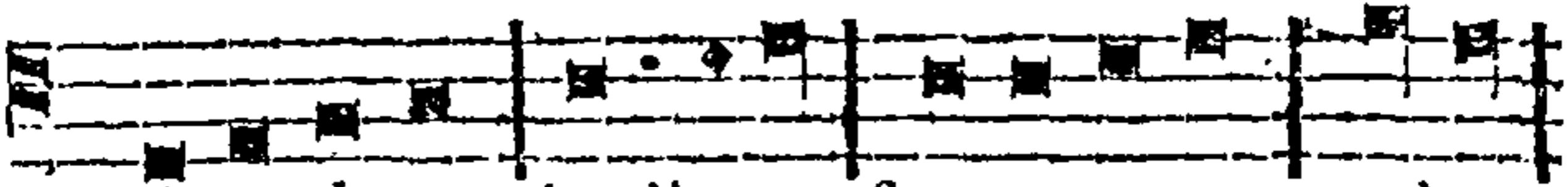
8. Ex quibus nos hu-
millimas,
Devotas atque debitas,
Deo dicamus gratias.
Alleluia

Alleluia Alleluia Al-
leluia.

Eighth Tone. Bb major.

O Rex glori - æ Domine virtutum qui

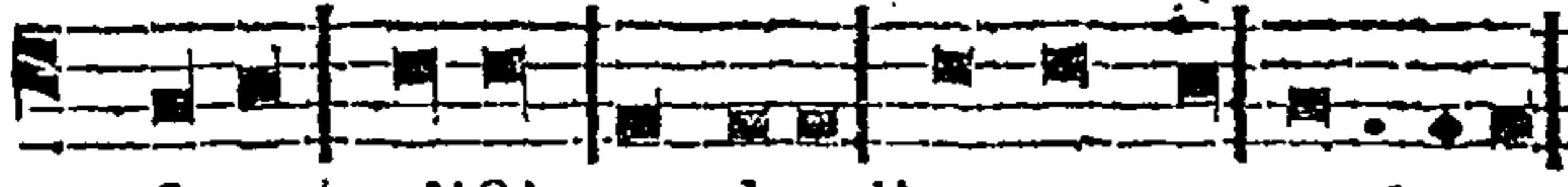
O Rex glori - æ Domine virtutum qui
triumphatur



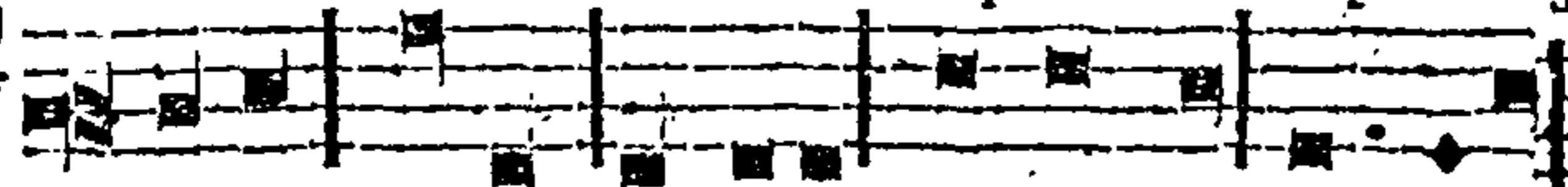
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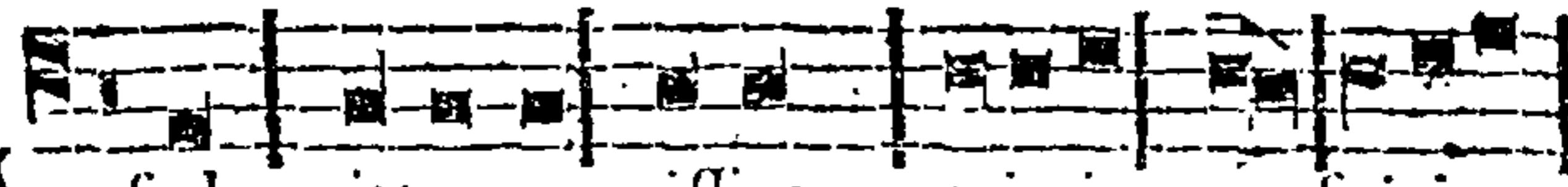
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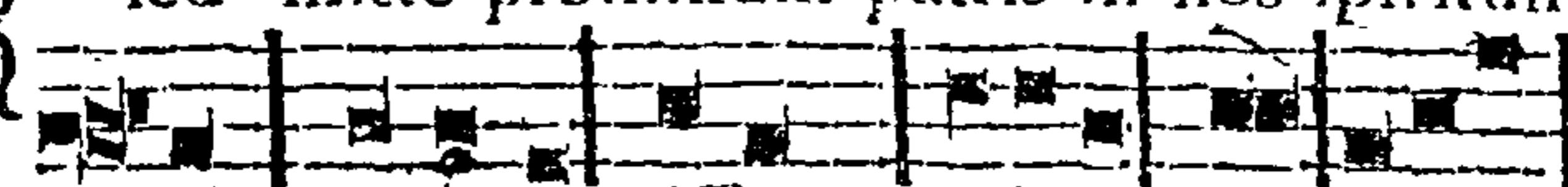
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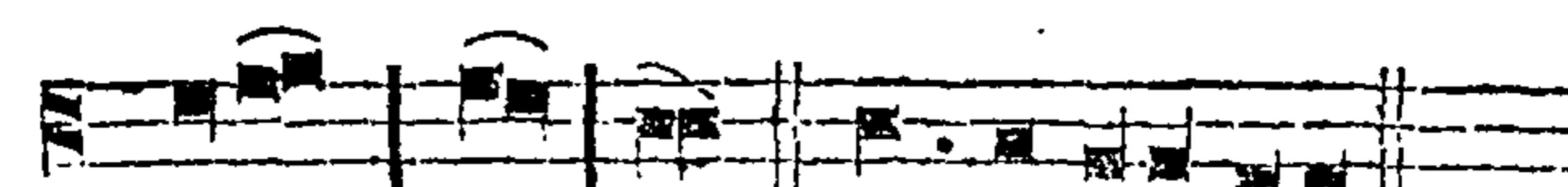
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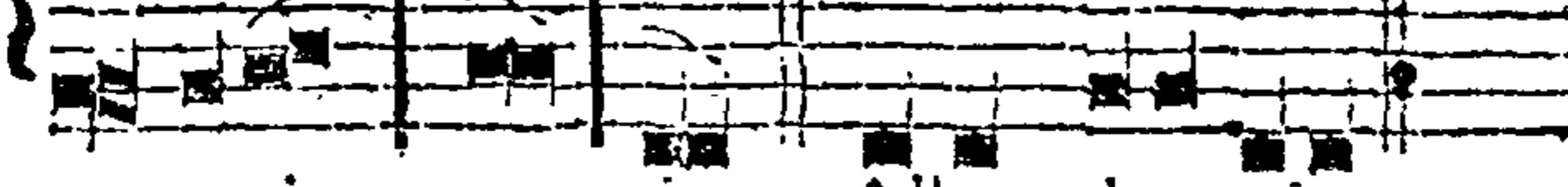
sed mitte promissum patris in nos spiritum



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veri - ta - tis. Alle - lu - ia.



veri - ta - tis. Alle - lu - ia.

The Hymn at Whitsuntide.

Fifth Tone. F major.

Veni sancte spiritus, & emitte cæ - litus

Veni sancte spiritus, & emitte cæ - litus

lucis tuæ radium. Veni Pater pauperum,

lucis tuæ radium. Veni Pater pauperum,

veni dator munerum, veni lumen cor di um

veni dator munerum, veni lumen cor di um

Confolatur optime,
Dulcis hospes animæ,
Dulce refrigerium.
In labore requies,
In æstu tempcries,
In fletu solatium.
O lux beatissima,

Reple cordis intima
Tuorum fidelium.
Sine tuo numine,
Nihil est in homine,
Nihil est innoxium.
Lava quod est for-
didum,

Riga

THE ANTHEM ON CORPUS CHRISTI. xxiii

Rriga quod est aridum,	Da tuis fidelibus,
Sana quod est fau-	In te confidentibus,
cium.	Sacrum septenarium.
Fleste quod est rigi-	Da virtutis meritum,
dum,	Da salutis exitum,
Fove quod est frigi-	Da perennè gaudium.
dum,	Amen.
Rege quod est devium	

The Anthem on the Feast of Corpus Christi.

Which is also sometimes Sung, at Benediction
of the B. Sacrament.

Sixth Tone. G major.

O sacrum, O sacrum, O sacrum con vi vium O

O sacrum, O sacrum, O sacrum con vi vium O

sacrum con vi - vium in quo Christus fu mi tur,

sacrum con vi vium in quo Christus fu mi tur,

recolitur

xxiv ANTHEM ON CORPUS CHRISTI.

re co li tur me mo ria pas - si - o - nis e - jus.

o - nis e - jus.

Chor. Mens impl etur grātia, & futuræ glo ri æ

Choris. Mens implem̄ grātia, & futuræ glo ri æ nobis pignus da - tur.

nobis pignus da - tur.

In Paschal time and During
the Octave of Corpus
Christi,

Al le lu ia.

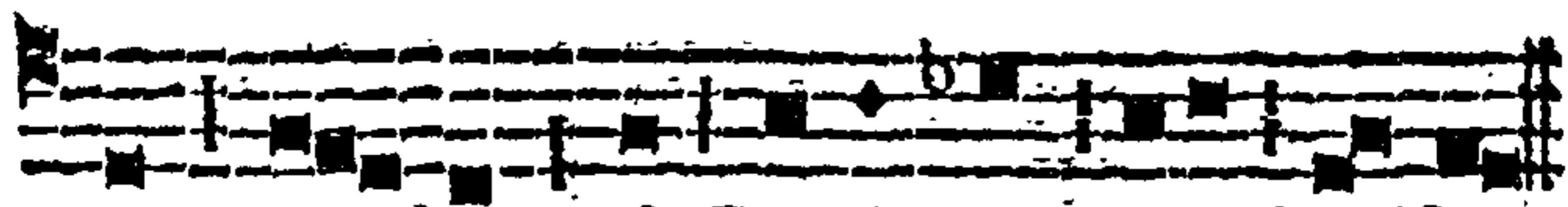
Al le lu ia.

A Prose on the Feasts of the B. V. Mary.

First Tone.

Tota pulchra es Mari a, Tota pulchra es Mari - a,
 Et macula o'ri gi na lis non est in te,
 Et macula originalis non est in te,
 Tu gloria Jerusalem, Tu læti ti a I israel,
 Tu hono ri fi cen ti a populi nostri,
 Tu advocata peccatorum, O Mari a,
 O Mari - a, Virgo pruden tissima, Virgo
 clementissima Ora pro nobis, Intercede
 d pro

xxvi PROSE ON THE FEASTS OF B. V. MARY.



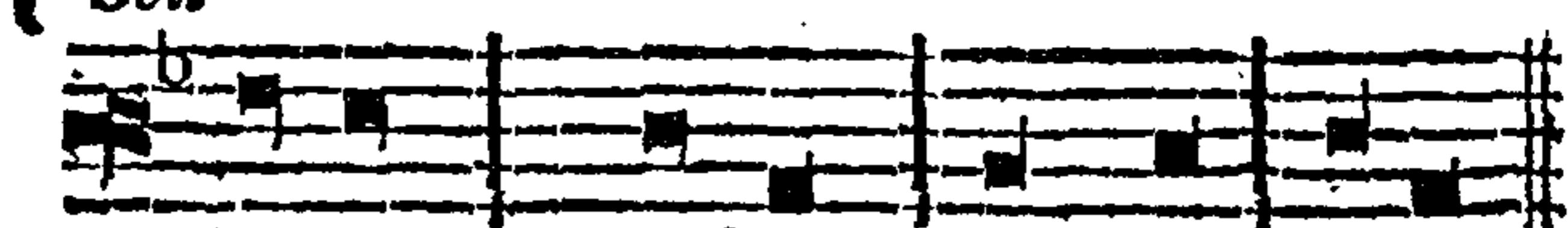
pro no bis ad Dominum Jesum Christum

Another. The Fifth Tone. E major.

Soli

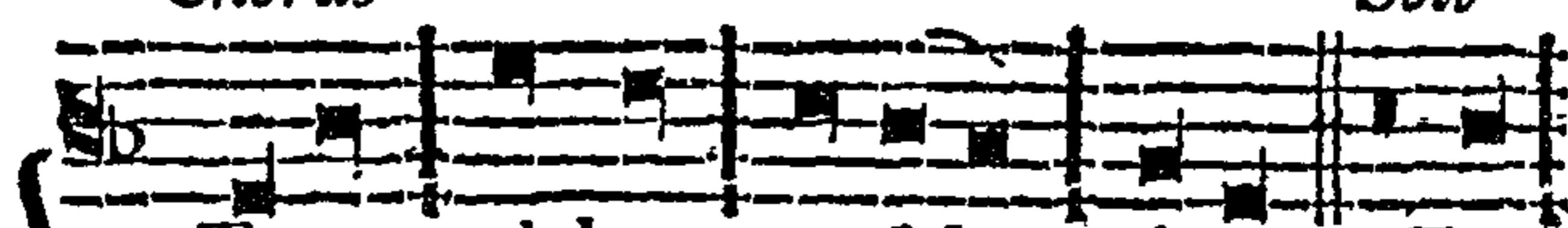


Soli



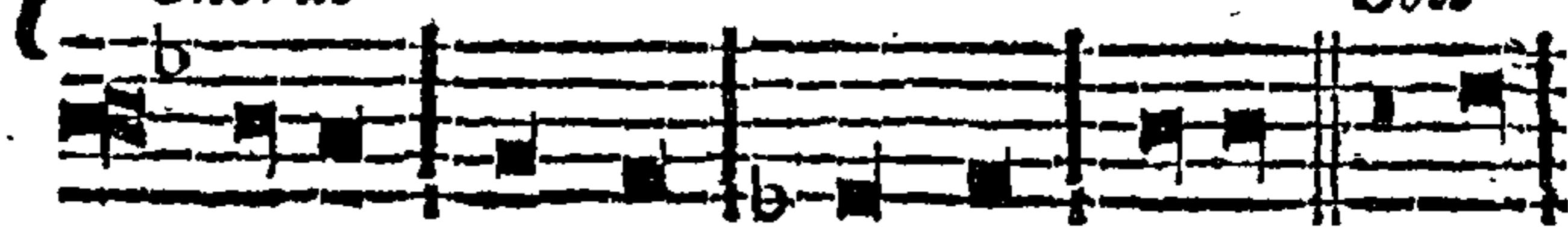
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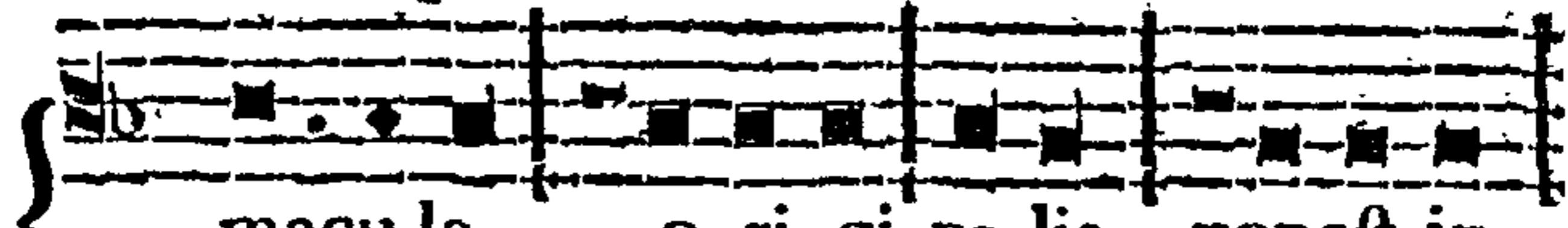


Chorus

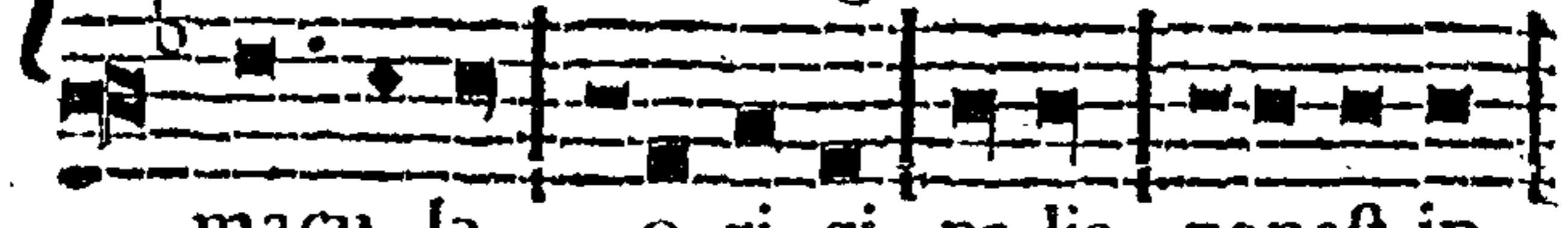
Soli



Chorus



macula ori gina lis nonest in



macula ori gina lis nonest in

Chorus

PROSE ON THE FEASTS OF B. V. MARY. xxvii

Chorus

{ te non est in te non est in te.

Chorus

{ te non est in te non est in te.

Soli

{ Tu glori a Jerufalem, Tu læ ti ti a

Soli

Chorus

Tu glo ri a Je rusalem, Tu læ ti ti a

Chorus Soli

{ Isra - el, Tu ho no ri fi cen ti a

Chorus

Isra - el,

d. 2

Tu honorifi-

Chorus

Exviii PROSE ON THE FEASTS OF B. V. MARY.

Chorus

popu li nof - tri, Tu advocata pecca-

Chorus

cen ti a populi nostri Tu advocata pecca-

Soli

Chorus

to rum. O Ma ria! O Ma ria,

Soli

Chorus

to rum. O Ma ria, O Ma ria,

Soli

Chorus

Virgo pruden tis si ma Virgo clemen

Soli

Chorus

Virgo clemen

Soli

PROSE ON THE FEASTS OF B. V. MARY. xxix

Soli

tif si ma, O ra pro no bis,

Soli

tif si ma, O ra pro no bis,

Chorus

Inter - ce - de pro no bis ad

Chorus

Inter ce de pro no bis ad

Dominum Je sum Chris - tum.

Dominum Je sum Chris - tum.

For

For the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul.

Sixth Tone. G major.

O Roma felix quæ duorum Principum

es consecrata glori o sa fanguine:

Horum cruore purpurata cæteras

Ex cellis orbis una pulchri tudines.

Ex cellis orbis una pulcbri tudinis.

Sit Trinata ti sem - piterna glori a ,

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Ho nor, potestas, atque jubi - latio ,

Ho nor, potestas, atque jubi - latio ,

In u-nit-te, quæ gubernat omnia ,

In u-mita-- te, quæ gubernat omnia ,

Per

Per universa sæculorum sæ cu la.

Per universa sæculorum sæ cu la.

The *Domine salvum fac* after Mass and Vespers is generally sung to the 6th Tone, as in the Psalms, page 19; — or like the *Miserere mei Deus*, page xvi.

The Hymn at Benediction.

Fifth Tone. D major.

21. Tantum ergo sacramentum veneremur

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cernu i Et antiquum do cu mentum

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novo cedat ri - tu - i præstet fides

novo cedat ri - tu - i præstet fides
supple-

supplementum sensuum de fec - tu i
supplementum sensuum de fec - tu i

Génitori, genitoque Sit & benedictio,
Laus & jubilatio; Procedenti ab utroque
Salus, honor, virtus quo- Compar sit laudatio.
que, Amen.

Another. Fifth Tone. D major. By Mr. Paxton.

Tantum ergo sa cra men tum
Tantum ergo sa cra men tum
veneremur cernu i Et antiquum
veneremur cernu i Et antiquum

The image shows musical notation for three staves of Latin hymns. The notation consists of vertical stems and small diamonds on horizontal lines. The lyrics are written below each staff.

documen tum novo ce dat ri tu i
præstet fides supplementum sensuum de-
fectu i sensu- um de - defectu i.

documen tum novo ce dat ri tu i
præstet fides supplementum sensuum de-
fectu i sensu- um de - defectu i.

Genitori, genitoque, &c. see page xxxiii,

Another.

Another, the Fifth Tone, F. maj. by the same Gentleman,

Tantum ergo sa - cra - mentum vene -
 Tantum ergo sacra - mentum vene -
 re - mur cernu - i & an ti quum
 re - mur cernu - i & an ti quum
 docu mentum novo cedat ritu - i præstet
 docu mentum novo cedat ritu - i præstet
 fides supple mentum sensu um de fec - tu - i.
 fides supple mentum sensu um de fec - tu - i.

Genitori, &c. See page xxxiii.

Another.

xxxvi THE HYMN AT BENEDICTION.

Another, the Sixth Tone. A major.

Genitori, &c. as page xxxiii.

Another.

Another, the Eighth Tone, C major.

Tantum ergo sacramentum vene remur
 Tantum ergo sacramentum vene remur
 cernu i Et antiquum docu mentum
 cernu i Et antiquum docu men tum
 novo cedat ri tu i præstet fides
 novo cedat ri tu i præstet fides
 supple mentum sensuum de fec tu i.
 supple mentum sensuum de fec tu i

Genitori, &c. See page xxxiii.

At Exposition, Elevation, or Benediction of the
Blessed Sacrament.

Fifth Tone. F. major.

Ma.

Webbe

O salu ta ris hosti a quæ cœli pandis

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o sti um, bel la premunt hostili a,

o sti um bel la premunt hostili a

da robur fer aux i li um, U ni tri-

da robur fer aux i li um, U ni tri-
noque

A musical score consisting of four systems of music, each with two staves. The top staff of each system is in E-flat major (two flats) and the bottom staff is in B-flat major (one flat). The music is written in common time. The lyrics are in Latin and are grouped by brace under each system. The first system contains the lyrics: "noque Do mino fit sempiterna". The second system contains: "noque Do mino fit sempiterne". The third system contains: "glo ria qui vitam si ne ter mino". The fourth system contains: "glo ria qui vitam sine ter mino". The fifth system contains: "no bis donet in pa tri a.". The sixth system contains: "no bis donet in pa tri a."