



## ASCENSION OF THE LORD

### II VESPERS

CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY  
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### INTRODUCTION

V. O God, ✠ come to my assistance

R. O Lord, make haste to help me.

V. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen. Alleluia!

### HYMN

#### AD CENAM AGNI PROVIDI

Plainsong, Mode 8, Paris MS., 12th cent.



**A** D cœnam Agni pró-vi-di, Et sto- lis albis cándi-  
di, Post tránsi- tum ma-ris Rubri, Christo ca-námus Prínci-pi.

Cuius corpus sanctissimum  
in ara crucis torridum,  
sed et cruorem roseum  
gustando, Deo vivimus.

Protecti paschae vespero  
a devastante angelo,  
de Pharaonis aspero  
sumus erepti imperio.

Iesu, tibi sit gloria,  
qui morte victa praenites,  
cum Patre et almo Spiritu,  
in sempiterna saecula. Amen.

PSALMODY

**Ant. 1** He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the  
Father, alleluia.

Psalm 109, 1-5, 7

**T**HE 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 sceptre 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 Melchizedeck of old."

The Master standing at your right hand \*  
will shatter kings in the day of his wrath.

He shall drink from the stream by the wayside \*  
and therefore he shall lift up his head.

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.

**Ant.** He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the  
Father, alleluia.

**Ant. 2** God ascends to shouts of joy, the Lord to the blast of trumpets,  
alleluia.

Psalm 47

**A**LL PEOPLES, CLAP YOUR HANDS, \*  
cry to God with shouts of joy!  
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, \*  
great king over all the earth.

He subdues peoples under us \*  
and nations under our feet.  
Our inheritance, our glory, is from him, \*  
given to Jacob out of love.

God goes up with shouts of joy; \*  
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.  
Sing praise for God, sing praise, \*  
sing praise to our king, sing praise.

God is king of all the earth, \*  
sing praise with all your skill.  
God is king over the nations; \*  
God reigns on his holy throne.

The princes of the people are assembled \*  
with the people of Abraham's God.  
The rulers of the earth belong to God, \*  
to God who reigns over all.

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.

**Ant.** God ascends to shouts of joy, the Lord to the blast of trumpets,  
alleluia.

**Ant. 3** Now the Son of Man has been glorified and God has been glorified in him, alleluia.

**Canticle: Revelation 11:17-18; 12:10b-12°**  
**The judgment of God**

**W**E PRAISE YOU, THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, \*  
who is and who was.

You have assumed your great power, \*  
you have begun your reign.

The nations have raged in anger, \*  
but then came your day of wrath  
and the moment to judge the dead: \*  
The time to reward your servants the prophets  
and the holy ones who revere you, \*  
the great and the small alike.

Now have salvation and power come, †  
the reign of our God and the authority \*  
of his Anointed One.

For the accuser of our brothers is cast out, \*  
who night and day accused them before God.

They defeated him by the blood of the Lamb †  
and by the word of their testimony; \*  
love for life did not deter them from death.  
So rejoice, you heavens, \*  
and you that dwell therein!

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.

**Ant.** Now the Son of Man has been glorified and God has been glorified in him, alleluia.

**T**HE REASON why Christ died for sins once for all, the just man for the sake of the unjust, was that he might lead you to God. He was put to death insofar as fleshly existence goes, but was given life in the realm of the spirit. He went to heaven and is at God's right hand, with angelic rulers and powers subjected to him

## RESPONSORY

*V.* I am ascending to my Father and your Father, alleluia, alleluia.

*R.* I am ascending to my Father and your Father, alleluia, alleluia.

*V.* To my God and your God,

*R.* Alleluia, alleluia.

*V.* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

*R.* I am ascending to my Father and your Father, alleluia, alleluia.

## MAGNIFICAT

*Ant.* O Victor King, Lord of power and might, today you have ascended in glory above the heavens. Do not leave us orphans, but send us the Father's promised gift, the Spirit of truth, alleluia.

## Canticle of Mary

Luke 1, 46 - 55

**M**Y ✠ SOUL PROCLAIMS THE GREATNESS OF THE LORD, †  
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour \*  
for he has looked with favour 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 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.

*Ant.* O Victor King, Lord of power and might, today you have ascended  
in glory above the heavens. Do not leave us orphans, but send us  
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#### INTERCESSIONS

**I**N JOY OF SPIRIT let us acclaim Christ, who sits at the right hand of the  
Father:

*R.* Lord Jesus, you are the King of glory.

King of glory, you took with you our frail humanity to be glorified in  
heaven; remove the sins of the world, and restore us to the innocence  
which was ours before the Fall.

*R.* Lord Jesus, you are the King of glory.

You came down from heaven on a pilgrimage of love, grant that we  
may take the same path to your presence.

*R.* Lord Jesus, you are the King of glory.

You promised to draw all things to yourself, do not allow any one of us  
to be separated from your body.

*R.* Lord Jesus, you are the King of glory.

Where you have gone before us in glory, may we follow you in mind  
and heart.

*R.* Lord Jesus, you are the King of glory.

True God, we await your coming as our judge, may we see the vision of  
your glory and your mercy in company with all the dead.

*R.* Lord Jesus, you are the King of glory.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**P**RÆCEPTIS salutaribus moniti, et divina institutione formati,  
audemus dicere: Pater Noster...

## CONCLUDING PRAYER

**G**RANT, WE PRAY, almighty God, that we, who believe that your Only Begotten Son, our Redeemer, ascended this day to the heavens, may in spirit dwell already in heavenly realms. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

*R.* Amen.

## DISMISSAL

The priest dismisses the people and continues with Benediction:

*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.

*V.* Let us bless the Lord.

*R.* Thanks be to God.



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