

Advent Reconciliation Liturgy

December 20, 2010

St. Mary's Basilica

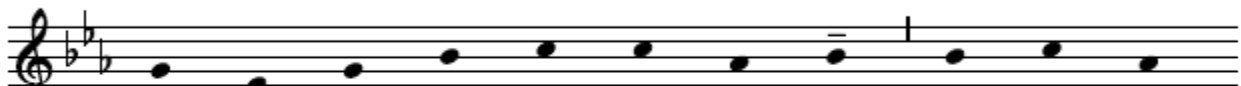


Choral Meditation: *Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake* (R. Farrant)

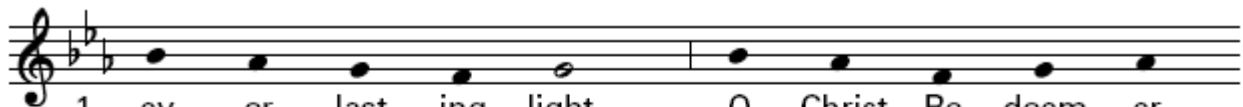
Gathering Hymn

CREATOR OF THE STARS OF NIGHT

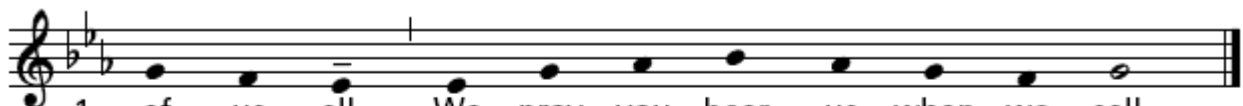
CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM



1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, Your peo - ple's
2. In sor - row that the an - cient curse Should doom to
3. When this old world drew on toward night, You came; but
4. At your great Name, O Je - sus, now All knees must
5. Come in your ho - ly might, we pray, Re - deem us
6. To God Cre - a - tor, God the Son, And God the



1. ev - er - last - ing light, O Christ, Re - deem - er
2. death a u - ni - verse, You came, O Sav - ior,
3. not in splen - dor bright, Not as a mon - arch,
4. bend, all hearts must bow: All things on earth with
5. for e - ter - nal day; De - fend us while we
6. Spir - it, Three - in - One, Praise, hon - or, might, and

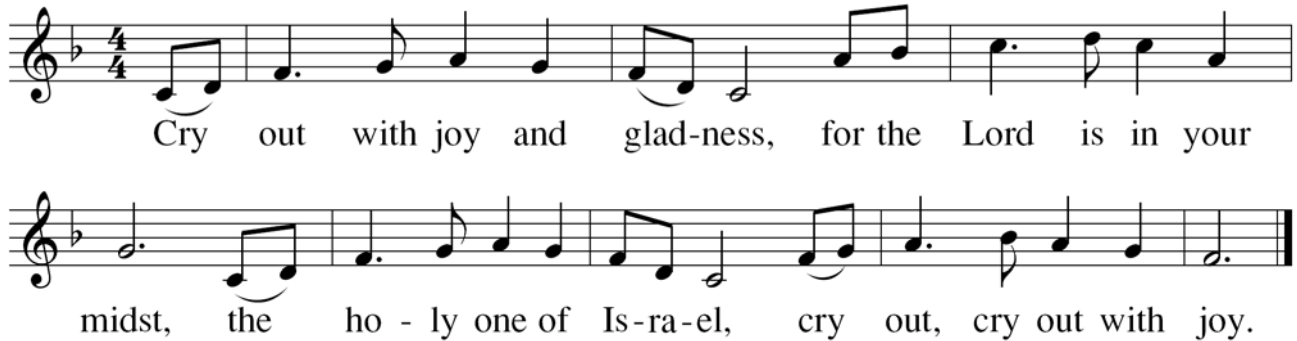


1. of us all, We pray you hear us when we call.
2. to set free Your own in glo - rious lib - er - ty.
3. but the child Of Ma - ry, blame - less moth - er mild.
4. one ac - cord, Like those in heav'n, shall call you Lord.
5. dwell be - low From all as - saults of our dread foe.
6. glo - ry be From age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

Introduction and Opening Prayer

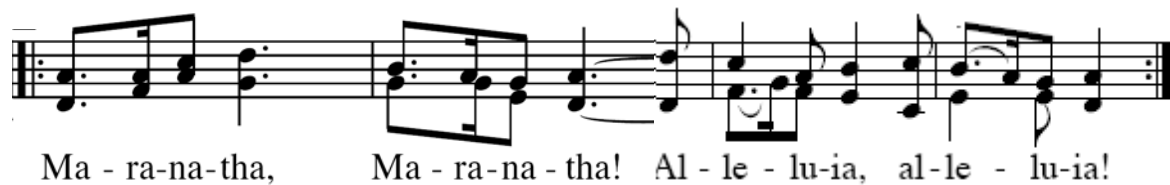
First Reading

Responsorial Psalm: Isaiah 12: "Cry Out With Joy"



Cry out with joy and glad-ness, for the Lord is in your
midst, the ho - ly one of Is-ra-el, cry out, cry out with joy.

Gospel Acclamation



Ma - ra-na-tha, Ma - ra-na - tha! Al - le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia!

Gospel

Homily

Examination of Conscience

- Have I been mediocre in my relationships with God and with others?
- Do I believe in God's Word and in God's power to change my heart?
- Do I value Sunday Eucharist? Do I participate in it fruitfully?
- Have I led others astray by my bad example?
- Do I embrace prejudice or work against it?
- Do I hurt others despising them, being violent or revengeful?
- Do I choose what benefits my spiritual life or rather what is easy, pleasurable and selfish?
- Am I sensitive to other people's pain and suffering?
- Do I respect the property of others?
- Do I live my sexuality in a constructive way?
- Am I willing to forgive and ask forgiveness?
- Do I commit excesses which debilitate my health and my rationality?
- Do I show gratitude to others and acknowledge their favors or kindnesses?

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

GENERAL CONFESSION OF SINS

Presider: My brothers and sisters, confess your sins and pray for each other, that you may be healed.

I confess...

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Presider: Christ our Savior is our advocate with the Father; with humble hearts let us ask him to forgive us our sins:

After each invocation, the Assembly responds:

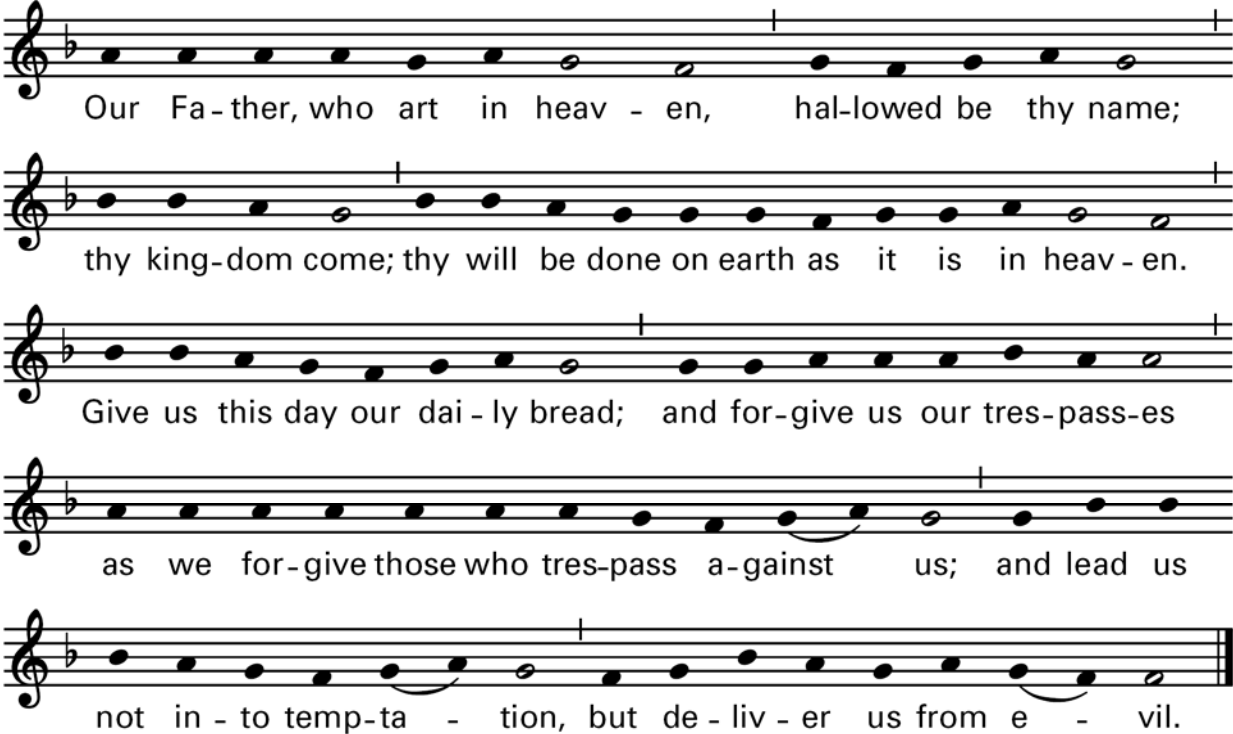
Musical notation for the Kyrie eleison response. The first line of music is in 2/4 time and contains the lyrics: Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son; Ky - ri - e. The second line of music is in 3/4 time and contains the lyrics: Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son. (hum). Above the second line, there is a fermata over the final note and the instruction "Last time".

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THE LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa-ther, who art in heav - en, hal-owed be thy name;
thy king-dom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for-give us our tres-pass-es
as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us; and lead us
not in - to temp-ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Following a period of silent penitential prayer and reflection, you are invited to go to the Advent Wreath in the center of the church to pray in a small group the following prayer of thanksgiving:

**Father,
in your love you have brought us
from evil to good and from misery to happiness.
Through your blessings
give the courage of perseverance
to those you have called and justified by faith.
Grant this through Christ our Lord,
Amen.**