

This blessing comes from the Orient, where the Church has long emphasized in her celebration of Epiphany the mystery of our Lord's baptism, and by analogy our baptism. This aspect is not neglected in western Christendom, although in practice we have concentrated on the visit of the Magi. Many years before the Latin Rite officially adopted the blessing of Epiphany water, diocesan rituals, notably in lower Italy, had contained such a blessing.

1. At the appointed time the celebrant, vested in white cope (if a bishop, the mitre is worn but removed during the prayers), and the deacon and subdeacon, vested in white dalmatic and tunic respectively, come before the altar. They are preceded by acolytes, who carry the processional cross and lighted candles (which are put in their proper place), and by the other clergy. A vessel of water and a container of salt are in readiness in the sanctuary.

THE LITANY OF THE SAINTS

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Yri-e e-lé-i-son. *ij* Christe e-lé-i-son. *ij* Kýri-e
Lord have mercy. *Christ have mercy.* *Lord*

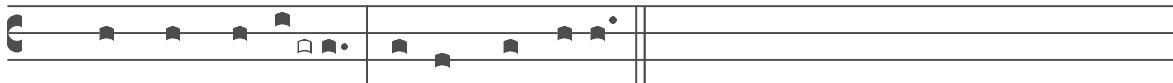
e-lé-i-son. *ij* Christe audi nos. *ij* Christe exáudi nos. *ij*
have mercy. *Christ hear us.* *Christ graciously hear us.*

Pa-ter de cælis Deus, mi-se-ré-re no-bis.
God the Father of heaven, *have mercy on us.*

Fili Redemptor mundi Deus, miserére nobis. God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
have mercy on us.

Spíritus Sancte Deus, miserére nobis. God the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us.

Sancta Trinitas unus Deus, miserére nobis. Holy Trinity, one God, have mercy on us.



Sancta Ma-rí- a, ora pro nobis.

Holy Mary, pray for us.

Sancta Dei Génitrix, ora pro nobis.

Sancta Virgo vírginum, ora pro nobis.

Sancte Míchael,

Sancte Gabriel,

Sancte Raphael,

Holy Mother of God,

Holy Virgin of virgins,

Saint Michael,

Saint Gabriel,

Saint Raphael,



Omnes sancti Angeli et Archángeli o-rate pro no-bis.

All ye holy Angels and Archangels, pray for us.

Omnes sancti beatorum Spirituum

All ye holy orders of blessed Spirits,

órdines, orate pro nobis.

Sancte Joannes Baptísta, ora pro nobis.

Saint John Baptist,

Sancte Joseph, ora pro nobis.
Omnes sancti Patriárchæ et Prophétæ,
orate pro nobis.

Saint Joseph,

All ye holy Patriarchs and Prophets,

Sancte Petre, ora pro nobis.

Saint Peter,

Sancte Paule,

Saint Paul,

Sancte Andréa,

Saint Andrew,

Sancte Jacóbe,

Saint James,

Sancte Joánnes,

Saint John,

Sancte Thoma,

Saint Thomas,

Sancte Jacóbe,

Saint James,

Sancte Philíppe,

Saint Philip,

Sancte Bartholomæe,

Saint Bartholomew,

Sancte Matthæe,

Saint Matthew,

Sancte Simon,

Saint Simon,

Sancte Thaddæe,

Saint Jude,

Sancte Matthía,

Saint Matthias,

Sancte Bárnaba,

Saint Barnabas,

Sancte Luca,

Saint Luke,

Sancte Marce,

Saint Mark,

Omnes sancti Apostoli et Evangelístæ,

All ye holy Apostles and Evangelists,

Omnes sancti Discipuli Dómini,

All ye holy Disciples of the Lord,

Omnes sancti Innocéntes,

All ye Holy Innocents,

Sancte Stéphane,
Sancte Laurénti,
Sancte Vincénti,
Sancti Fabiáne et Sebastiáne,
Sancti Joánnes et Paule,
Sancti Cosma et Damiáne,
Sancti Gervásí et Protási,
Omnes sancti Mártires,

Sancte Silvéster,
Sancte Gregóri,
Sancte Ambrósi,
Sancte Augustíne,
Sancte Hierónyme,
Sancte Martíne,
Sancte Nicoláe,
Omnes sancti Pontifices et Confessóres,
Omnes sancti Doctóres,
Sancte Antóni,
Sancte Benedícte,
Sancte Bernárde,
Sancte Domínice,
Sancte Francísce,
Omnes sancti Sacerdótes et Levítæ,
Omnes sancti Mónachi et Eremítæ,

Sancta Maria Magdaléna,
Sancta Agatha,
Sancta Lúcia,
Sancta Agnes,
Sancta Cæcília,
Sancta Catharína,
Sancta Anastásia,
Omnes sanctæ Vírgines et Víduæ,
Omnes Sancti et Sanctæ Dei, in-
tercéde pro nobis.

*Saint Stephen,
Saint Lawrence,
Saint Vincent,
Saint Fabian and Saint Sebastian,
Saint John and Saint Paul,
Saint Cosmas and Saint Damian,
Saint Gervasius and Saint Protasius,
All ye holy Martyrs,*

*Saint Sylvester,
Saint Gregory,
Saint Ambrose,
Saint Augustine,
Saint Jerome,
Saint Martin,
Saint Nicholas,
All ye holy Bishops and Confessors,
All ye holy Doctors,
Saint Anthony,
Saint Benedict,
Saint Bernard,
Saint Dominic,
Saint Francis,
All ye holy Priests and Levites,
All ye holy Monks and Hermits,*

*Saint Mary Magdalene,
Saint Agatha,
Saint Lucy,
Saint Agnes,
Saint Cecilia,
Saint Catherine,
Saint Anastasia,
All ye holy Virgins and Widows,
All ye Holy, Righteous, and Elect of God,
intercede for us.*



Propíti-us esto, parce no-bis, Dómine.
Be Thou merciful, spare us, O Lord.

Propíti-us esto, exáudi nos, Dómine.

Be Thou merciful, graciously hear us, O Lord.



Ab *omni ma-* lo, líbera nos, Dómine.

From all evil, deliver us, O Lord.

Ab *omni peccáto*, líbera nos Dómine.

Ab *ira tua*, líbera nos Dómine.

A subitánea et improvísa **morte**,

Ab insídiis **diáboli**,

Ab ira, et ódio, et omni mala
voluntáte,

A spíritu fornicatiónis,

A fúlgure et **tempestáte**,

A flagélllo **terræmotus**,

A peste, fame et **bello**,

A morte **perpétua**,

Per mystérium sanctæ Incarnatiónis
tuæ,

Per Advéntum **tuum**,

Per Nativitatèm **tuam**,

Per Baptísmum et sanctum Jejúnium
tuum,

Per Crucem et Passiónem **tuam**,

Per Mortem et Sepultúram **tuam**,

Per sanctam Resurrectiόnem **tuam**,

Per admirábilem Ascensiόnem **tuam**,

Per advéntum Spíritus Sancti Parácliti,

In die **judíci**ii,

From all deadly sin,

From thine anger,

From sudden and unrepentant death,

From the crafts and assaults of the devil,

*From anger, and hatred, and all uncharitable-
ness,*

From the spirit of fornication,

From lightning and tempest,

*From the peril of earthquake, fire, and
flood,*

From pestilence, famine, and battle,

From everlasting damnation,

By the mystery of Thy holy Incarnation,

By Thine Advent,

By Thy Nativity,

By Thy Baptism and holy Fasting,

By Thy Cross and Passion,

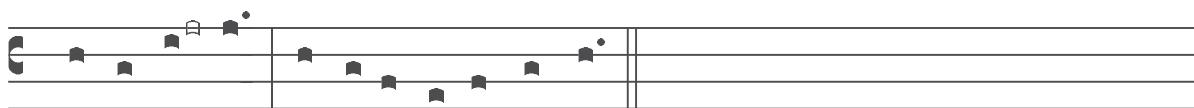
By Thy precious Death and Burial,

By Thy holy Resurrection,

By Thy glorious Ascension,

*By the coming of the Holy Ghost the
Comforter,*

In the day of judgement,



Pecca-tó- res, te rogámus audi nos,

Sinners, we beseech Thee, hear us.

Ut nobis **parcas**, te rogámus audi nos.

Ut nobis **indúlgeas**, te rogámus audi
nos.

That Thou wouldest spare us,

That Thou wouldest pardon us,

Ut ad veram pænitentiam nos perdúcere *dignéris*,
Ut Ecclésiam tuam sanctam ' régere
et conserváre *dignéris*,
Ut Domnum Apostólicum et omnes
ecclesiásticos órdines ' in sancta re-
ligióne conserváre *dignéris*,
Ut inimícos sanctæ Ecclésiæ ' hu-
miliáre *dignéris*,
Ut régibus et princípibus christiánis
' pacem et veram concórdiam donáre
dignéris,
Ut cuncto pópulo christiáno ' pacem
et unitátem largíri *dignéris*,
Ut omnes errántes ad unitátem Ecclé-
siæ revocare, ' et infidéles univérsos ad
Evangélii lumen perdúcere *dignéris*,
Ut nosmetípsos in tuo sancto servítio
' confortáre et conserváre *dignéris*,
Ut mentes nostras ' ad cælestia
desidéria érigas,
Ut ómnibus benefactóribus nostris '
sempitérna bona retríbuas,
Ut áimas nostras, ' fratrum, propin-
quórum et benefactórum nostrórum '
ab aëterna damnatióne erípias,
Ut fructus terræ ' dare et conserváre
dignéris,
Ut ómnibus fidélibus defúnctis ' ré-
quiem aëternam donáre *dignéris*,

That Thou wouldst give us true repentance,
That Thou wouldst rule and govern Thy
holy Church,
That Thou wouldst preserve the house-
hold of the Apostles, and to keep all or-
ders in the Church in Thy true religion,
That Thou wouldst humble the enemies
of Thy holy Church,
That Thou wouldst bestow on all Chris-
tian kings and princes true peace and
concord,
That Thou wouldst give to all Christian
nations peace and unity,
That Thou wouldst restore unity to Thy
Church, and to lead all unbelievers into
the light of Thy holy Gospel,
That Thou wouldst strengthen and pre-
serve us in Thy holy service,
That Thou wouldst lift up our minds to
heavenly desires,
That Thou wouldst render eternal bles-
sings to all our benefactors,
That Thou wouldst deliver from eternal
damnation our souls, and those of our
brethren, kindred, and benefactors,
That Thou wouldst give and preserve the
fruits of the earth,
That Thou wouldst grant to all Thy
faithful departed eternal rest,

The Celebrant sings:

Ut hanc aquam bene ✠ dícere *digné-*
ris,
Ut hanc aquam bene ✠ dícere et sancti
✠ ficáre *dignéris*,

That Thou wouldst bless this water

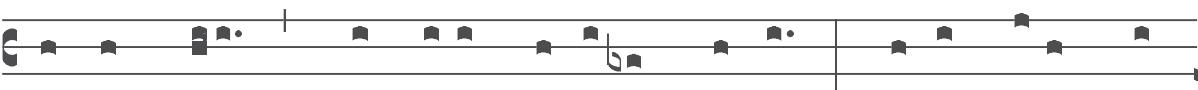
That Thou wouldst bless and sanctify this
water

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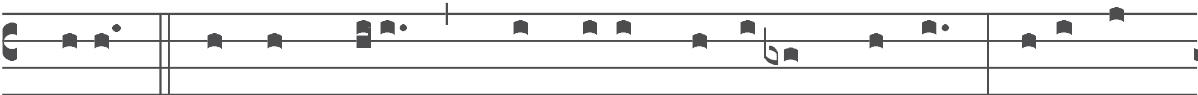
Ut nos exaudíre *dignéris*,

Fili Dei,

That Thou wouldst graciously hear our
prayer,
O Son of God,



Agnus De-i, qui tollis peccá-ta mundi, parce nobis Dó-
Lamb of God, *who takes away the sin of the world,* *spare us,*



mine. Agnus De-i, qui tollis peccá-ta mundi, exáudi
O Lord. *Lamb of God,* *who takes away the sin of the world,* *graciously*



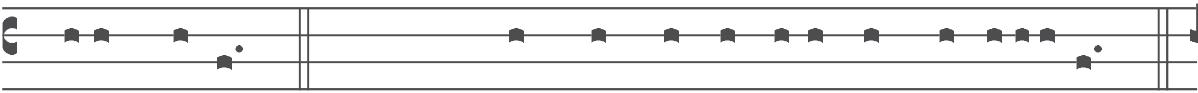
nos Dó-mine. Agnus De-i, qui tollis peccá-ta mundi,
hear us, O Lord. *Lamb of God,* *who takes away the sin of the world,*



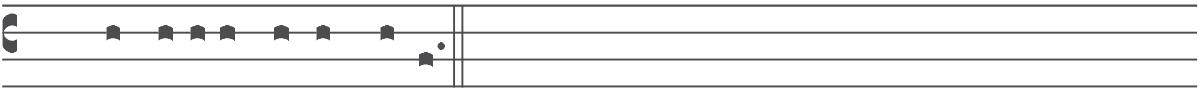
miserére no-bis. Christe audi nos Christe exáudi nos
have mercy on us. *Christ hear us.* *Christ graciously hear us.*



Kýri-e e-lé-i-son. Christe e-lé-i-son. Kýri-e e- lé-i-son.
Lord have mercy. *Christ have mercy.* *Lord have mercy.*

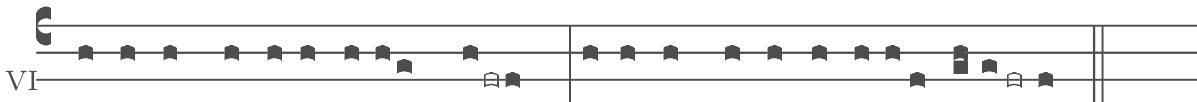


Páter nóstér. secreto. ¶ Et ne nos indúcas in tentati-ónem.
Our Father *And lead us not into temptation*



R. Sed líbera nos a má-lo.
But deliver us from evil.

PSALM 28



Afférte Dómino, fí-li-i De-i: * afférte Dómi-no fí-li-os ari-etu-m.
Give to the Lord, you sons of God give to the Lord glory and praise,

2 Afférte Dómino glóriam et honórem;
† afférte Dómino glóriam nomíni ejus;
* adoráte Dóminum in átrio sancto ejus.

3 Vox Dómini super áquas; † Deus majestátis intónuit: * Dóminus super áquas multas.

4 Vox Dómini in virtúte; * vox Dómini in magnificéntia.

5 Vox Dómini confringéntis cedros, * et confrínget Dóminus cedros Libáni:

6 Et commínuet eas, tamquam vítulum Libáni, * et diléctus quemadmódum filius unicórnum.

7 Vox Dómini intercidéntis flammam ignis; † Vox Dómini concutiéntis desértum: * et commóvebit Dóminus desértum Cades.

8 Vox Dómini præparántis cervos: † et revelábit condénsa, * et in templo ejus omnes dicent glóriam.

9 Dóminus dilúvium inhabitare facit,
* et sedébit Dóminus rex in ætérum.
10 Dóminus virtútem pôpulo suo dabit;
* Dóminus benedícte pôpulo suo in pace.

11 Glória Patri, et Fílio, * et Spirítui Sancto.

12 Sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, * et in sácula sæculórum.
Amen.

Give to the Lord the glory due His name; * adore the Lord in holy attire.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters, the God of glory thunders, * the Lord, over vast waters.

The voice of the Lord is mighty; * the voice of the Lord is majestic.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars, * the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon. He makes Lebanon leap like a calf * and Sarion like a young wild bull.

The voice of the Lord strikes fiery flames; the voice of the Lord shakes the desert, * the Lord shakes the wilderness of Cades.

The voice of the Lord twists the oaks and strips the forests, * and in His temple all say, "Glory!"

The Lord is enthroned above the flood; * the Lord is enthroned as king forever. May the Lord give strength to His people; * may the Lord bless his people with peace.

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.

PSALM 45

1 Deus noster refúgium et virtus;
* adjútor in tribulatióibus quæ invenérunt nos nimis.

God is our refuge and our strength, * an ever-present help in distress.

2 Propterea non timébimus dum turbabitur **terra**: * et transferéntur montes in cor **maris**.

3 Sonuérunt, et turbátæ sunt aquæ eórum ; * conturbáti sunt montes in fortitúdine ejus.

4 Flúminis ímpetus lètificat civitátem **Dei**: * sanctificávit tabernáculum suum **Altíssimus**.

5 Deus in médio ejus, non commovébitur; * adjuvábit eam Deus mane dilúculo.

6 Conturbátæ sunt gentes, et inclináta sunt regna: * dedit vocem suam, mota est terra.

7 Dóminus virtútum nobíscum; * suscéptor noster **Deus Jacob**.

8 Veníte, et vidéte ópera Dómini, † quæ pósuit prodígia super **terram**, * áuferens bella usque ad finem terræ.

9 Arcum cónteret, et confrínget arma, * et scuta combúret igni.

10 Vacáte, et vidéte quóniam ego sum **Deus**; * exaltábor in géntibus, et exaltábor in terra.

11 Dóminus virtútum nobíscum; * suscéptor noster **Deus Jacob**.

12 Glória Patri, et **Filio**, * et Spirítui Sancto.

13 Sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, * et in sácula sáculórum. Amen.

Therefore we fear not, though the earth be shaken and mountains plunge into the depths of the sea;

Though its waters rage and foam * and the mountains quake at its surging.

There is a stream whose runlets gladden the city of God, * the holy dwelling of the Most High.

God is in its midst; it shall not be disturbed; * God will help it at the break of dawn.

Though nations are in turmoil, kingdoms totter, * His voice resounds, the earth melts away;

The Lord of hosts is with us; * our stronghold is the God of Jacob.

Come, see the deeds of the Lord, † the astounding things He has wrought on earth, He has stopped wars to the end of the earth;

* The bow he breaks; He splinters the spears; He burns the shields with fire. Desist, and confess that I am God, * exalted among the nations, exalted upon the earth.

The Lord of hosts is with us; * our stronghold is the God of Jacob.

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.

PSALM 146

1 Laudáte Dóminum, quóniam bonus est psalmus; * Deo nostro sit jucúnda, decoráque laudálio.

2 Ædificans Jerúsalem **Dóminus** : * dispersiónes Israélis congregábit:

3 Qui sanat contrítos corde, * et álligat contritiónes eórum;

Praise the Lord, for He is good; * sing praise to our God, for He is gracious; it is fitting to praise Him.

The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; * the dispersed of Israel He gathers.

He heals the brokenhearted * and binds up their wounds.

4 Qui númerat multitúdinem *stellárum* : * et ómnibus eis nómīna vocat.

5 Magnus Dóminus noster, et magna virtus ejus : * et sapiéntiæ ejus non est númerus.

6 Suscípiens mansuétos Dóminus : * humílians autem peccatóres usque ad terram.

7 Præcínite Dómino in confessióne : * psállite Deo nostro in cíthara.

8 Qui óperit cælum nūbibus : * et parat terræ pluviam.

9 Qui prodúcit in móntibus fœnum : * et herbam servitúti hóminum.

10 Qui dat juméntis escam ipsórum : * et pullis corvórum invocántibus eum.

11 Non in fortitúdine equi voluntátem habébit : * nec in tibiis viri beneplácitum erit ei.

12 Beneplácitum est Dómino super timéntes eum, * et in eis, qui sperant super misericórdia ejus.

13 Glória Patri, et Fílio, * et Spirítui Sancto.

14 Sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, * et in sácula sæculórum. Amen.

*He tells the number of the stars; * He calls each by name.*

*Great is our Lord and mighty in power; * to His wisdom there is no limit.*

*The Lord sustains the lowly; * the wicked He casts to the ground.*

*Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; * sing praise with the harp to our God.*

*Who covers the heavens with clouds, * who provides rain for the earth;*

*Who makes grass sprout on the mountains * and herbs for the service of men; Who gives food to the cattle, * and to the young ravens when they cry to Him.*

*He delights not in the strength of the steed, * nor is He pleased with the fleetness of men.*

*The Lord is pleased with those who fear Him, * with those who hope for His kindness.*

*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.*

THE EXORCISM AGAINST SATAN AND THE APOSTATE ANGELS

The celebrant then chants:

Exorcizamus te, omnis immunde spiritus, omnis satanica potestas, omnis incursio infernalis adversarii, omnis legio, omnis congregatio et secta diabolica, in nomine et virtute Domini Nostri Jesu Christi, eradicare et effugare a Dei Ecclesia, ab omnibus ad imaginem Dei conditis ac pretioso divini Agni sanguine redemptis .

Non ultra audeas, serpens callidissime, decipere humanum genus, Dei Ecclesiam persecuti, ac Dei electos excutere et cribrare sicut triticum .

Imperat tibi Deus altissimus , cui in magna tua superbia te similem haberi adhuc præsumis; qui omnes homines vult salvos fieri, et ad agnitionem veritatis venire. Imperat tibi Deus Pater . Imperat tibi Deus Filius . Imperat tibi Deus Spiritus Sanctus .

Imperat tibi majestas Christi, æternum Dei Verbum caro factum , qui pro salute generis nostri tua invidia perditi, humiliavit semetipsum factus obediens usque ad mortem; qui Ecclesiam suam ædificavit supra firmam petram, et portas inferi adversus eam nunquam esse prævalituras edixit, et cum ea ipse permansurus omnibus diebus usque ad consummationem sæculi.

Imperat tibi sacramentum Crucis , omniumque christianæ fidei Mysteriorum virtus .

In the name of our Lord Jesus + Christ and by His power, we cast you out, every unclean spirit, every devilish power, every assault of the infernal adversary, every legion, every diabolical group and sect; begone and stay far from the Church of God, from all who are made in the image of God and redeemed by the precious blood of the divine + Lamb.

Never again dare, you cunning serpent, to deceive the human race, to persecute the Church of God, nor to strike the chosen of God and to sift them as + wheat.

For it is the Most High God who commands you, + He to whom you heretofore in your great pride considered yourself equal; He who desires that all men might be saved and come to the knowledge of truth. God the Father + commands you. God the Son + commands you. God the Holy + Spirit commands you.

The majesty of Christ, the eternal Word of God made flesh + commands you; He who for the salvation of our race, the race that was lost through your envy, humbled Himself and became obedient even unto death; He who built His Church upon a solid rock, and proclaimed that the gates of hell should never prevail against her, and that He would remain with her all days, even to the end of the world.

The sacred mystery of the cross + commands you, as well as the power of all the mysteries of Christian faith.

Imperat tibi excelsa Dei Genitrix Virgo Maria ✕, quæ superbissimum caput tuum a primo instanti immaculatæ suæ conceptionis in sua humilitate contrivit. Imperat tibi fides sanctorum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli, et ceterorum Apostolorum ✕. Imperat tibi Martyrum sanguis, ac pia Sanctorum et Sanc-
tarum omnium intercessio ✕.

The exalted Virgin Mary, Mother of God + commands you, who in her lowliness crushed your proud head from the first moment of her Immaculate Conception. The faith of the holy apostles Peter and Paul and the other apostles + commands you. The blood of the martyrs and the devout intercession of all holy men and women commands you.

Ergo, draco maledicte et omnis legio diabolica, adjuramus te per Deum ✕ vivum, per Deum ✕ verum, per Deum ✕ sanctum, per Deum qui sic dilexit mundum, ut Filium suum unigenitum daret, ut omnes qui credit in eum non pereat, sed habeat vitam æternam: cessa decipere humanas creaturas, eisque æternæ perditiones venenum propinare: desine Ecclesiæ nocere, et ejus libertati laqueos injicere.

Vade, satana, inventor et magister omnis fallaciæ, hostis humanæ salutis. Da locum Christo, in quo nihil invenisti de operibus tuis; da locum Ecclesiæ uni, sanctæ, catholicæ, et apostolicæ, quam Christus ipse acquisivit sanguine suo.

Humiliare sub potenti manu Dei; contremisce et effuge, invocato a nobis sancto et terribili nomine Jesu, quem inferi tremunt, cui Virtutes et Potestates et Dominationes subjectæ sunt;

quem Cherubim et Seraphim indefessis vocibus laudant, dicentes: Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Therefore, accursed dragon and every diabolical legion, we adjure you by the living + God, by the true + God, by the holy + God, by the God who so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but shall have life everlasting; cease your deception of the human race and your giving them to drink of the poison of everlasting damnation; desist from harming the Church and fettering her freedom.

Begone Satan, you father and teacher of lies and enemy of mankind. Give place to Christ in whom you found none of your works; give place to the one, holy, Catholic, and apostolic Church, which Christ Himself purchased with His blood.

May you be brought low under God's mighty hand. May you tremble and flee as we call upon the holy and awesome name of Jesus, before whom hell quakes, and to whom the virtues, powers, and dominations are subject; whom the cherubim and seraphim praise with unwearied voices, saying: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts!

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Odi-e * cæ lésti spónso júncta est Ecclé-si-a,
Today the Church is espoused to her heavenly bridegroom,

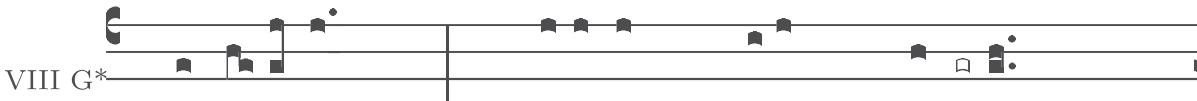
quóni-am in Jordáne lávit Chrístus é-jus crímina : cür-
for Christ washes her sins in the Jordan;

runt cum muné-ribus Má-gi ad regá-les núpti-as, et ex
the Magi hasten with gifts to the regal nuptials;

áqua fácto víno lätántur conví- vae, alle-lú- ia. E u o u a e
and the guests are gladdened with water made wine, alleluia.

If the Blessing takes place in the evening, the Magnificat is sung.

MAGNIFICAT



Magní- fi-cat * ánima mé-a Dóminum.

*My soul doth magnify * the Lord,*



Et exultávit spí-ri-tus mé- us * in Dé-o sa-lu tári mé- o.

and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour

Quia respéxit humilitátem ancíllae súae.
* ecce enim ex hoc beátam me dicent
ómnes generatiónes.

Quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens
est,* et sanctum nomen ejus.

Et misericórdia ejus a progénie in
progénies * timéntibus eum.

Fecit poténtiam in bráchio suo, * dis-
pérsit supérbos mente cordis sui.

Depósuit poténtes de sede * et exaltávit
húmiles;

Esuriéntes implévit bonis * et dívites
dimísit inánes.

Suscépit Israel púerum suum, * recor-
dátus misericórdiae suaе,

Sicut locútus est ad patres nostros,
* Abraham et sémini ejus in sácula.

Glória Patri, et Fílio, * et Spirítui
Sancto.

Sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et
semper, * et in sácula sáculórum.
Amen.

For He hath regarded the humility of
His handmaiden.* for behold, from
henceforth all generations shall call me
blessed.

For He that is mighty hath done great
things to me, * and holy is His Name.
And His Mercy is from generation unto
generations * upon them that fear Him.
He hath shewed might in His arm, * He
hath scattered the proud in the conceit
of their heart.

He hath put down the mighty from their
seat, * and hath exalted the humble.

He hath filled the hungry with good
things, * and the rich He hath sent
empty away.

He hath received Israel, His servant, *
being mindful of His mercy.

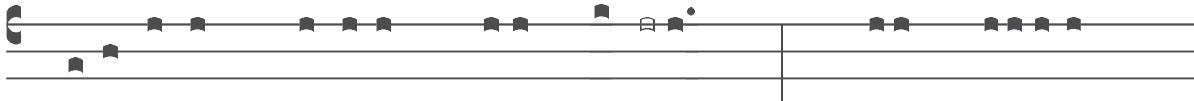
As He spoke to our Fathers, * Abraham
and his seed forever.

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

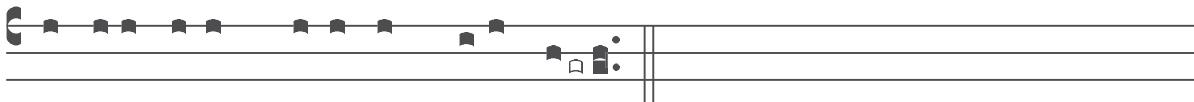
As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, * world without end.
Amen.

If the Blessing take place in the morning, the Benedictus is sung

BENEDICTUS



Bene-díctus Dóminus De-us Isra-el, * qui-a visitávit,
Blessed be the Lord, God of Israel, because He has visited us



et fecit redemp ti- ó-nem plebis su- ae.
and wrought redemption for His people.

Et eréxit cornu salútis nobis * in domo
David púeri sui.

Sicut locútus est per os sanctórum,
* qui a sáculo sunt, prophetárum ejus:

Salútem ex inimícis nostris, * et de
manu ómnium qui odérunt nos:
Ad faciéndam misericórdiam cum pátri-
bus nostris: * et memorári testaménti
sui sancti:

Jusjurándum, quod jurávit ad Abra-
ham patrem nostrum, * datúrum se
nobis;

Ut sine timóre, de manu inimicórum
nostrórum liberáti, * serviámus illi.

In sanctitáte et justítia coram ipso,
* ómnibus diébus nostris.

Et tu puer, prophéta Altíssimi vocá-
beris: * præíbis enim ante fáciem
Dómini paráre vias ejus:

Ad dandam sciéntiam salútis plebi ejus:
* in remissiónem peccatórum eórum:

Per víscera misericórdiae Dei nostri:
* in quibus visitábit nos, óriens ex alto:

And has raised up a horn of salvation
for us * in the House of David, His
servant.

As He hath promised through the
mouths of His holy ones, * the prophets
of old:

Salvation from our enemies, * and from
the hand of all who hate us.

To show mercy to our forefathers * and
to be mindful of His holy covenant:

The oath, which He swore to Abraham,
our father, * that He would grant us,

That being delivered from the hand of
our enemies, * we may serve Him
without fear.

In holiness and justice before Him * all
our days.

And thou, child, shalt be called the
prophet of the Most High; * for thou
shalt go before the face of the Lord to
prepare his ways,

To give knowledge of salvation to His
people * through forgiveness of their
sins.

Because of the compassionate kindness
of our God, * the dawn from on high
shall break upon us

Illumináre his qui in ténebris et in umbra mortis sedent: * ad dirigéndos pedes nostros in *viam pacis*.

Glória Patri, et **Fílio**, * et Spirítui **Sancto**.

Sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, * et in sǽcula sǽculórum.
Amen.

*To shine on those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, * to guide our feet in the way of peace.*

*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.*

The Antiphon is repeated



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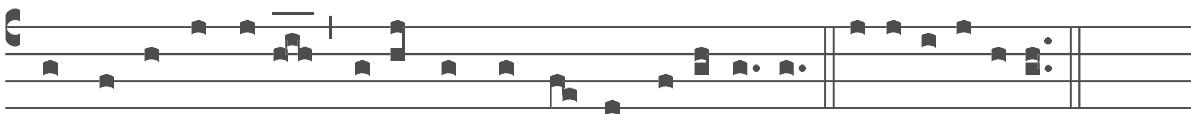
Odi-e * cæ lésti spónso júncta est Ecclé-si-a,
Today the Church is espoused to her heavenly bridegroom,



quóni-am in Jordáne lávit Chrístus é-jus crímina : cúr-
for Christ washes her sins in the Jordan;



runt cum muné-ribus Má-gi ad regá-les núpti-as, et ex
the Magi hasten with gifts to the regal nuptials;



áqua fácto víno lăetántur conví- vae, alle-lú- ia. E u o u a e
and the guests are gladdened with water made wine, alleluia.

X. Dóminus vobíscum.

R. Et cum spíritu tuo.

Orémus

Deus, qui hodiérna die Unigénitum tuum Géntibus stella duce revelásti: concéde propítius; ut, qui jam te ex fide cognovímus, usque ad contemplándam spéciem tuæ celsitúdnis perducámur. Per eúmdem Dóminum.

R. Amen.

X. *The Lord be with you.*

R. *And with your spirit.*

Let us pray

God, who on this day revealed your only-begotten Son to all nations by the guidance of a star, grant that we who now know you by faith may finally behold you in your heavenly majesty; through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

EXORCISM OF SALT AND WATER

X. Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

R. Qui fecit cælum et terram.

EXORCISM OF THE SALT

Exorcizo te, creatura salis, per Deum **†** vivum, per Deum **†** verum, per Deum **†** sanctum, per Deum qui te per Eliséum Prophétam in aquam mitti jussit, ut sanaréetur sterilitas aquæ: ut efficiáris sal exorcizátum in salútem credéntium; et sis ómnibus suméntibus te sánitas ánimæ et córporis; et effúgiat, atque discédat a loco, in quo aspérsus fúeris, omnis phantásia, et nequítia, vel versútia diabólicæ fraudis, omnísque spíritus immúndus, adjurátus per eum, qui ventúrus est judicáre vivos et mórtuos, et sǽculum per ignem.

R. Amen.

Orémus.

Imménsam cleméntiam tuam, omnípotens ætére Deus, humíliter implorámus, ut hanc creatúram salis, quam in usum géneris humáni tribuísti, bene **†** dícere, et sancti **†** ficáre tua pietáte dignérис:

ut sit ómnibus salus mentis et córporis; et quidquid ex eo tactum vel respérsum fúerit, cáreat omni immundítia, omníque impugnatióne spiritális nequítiae. Per Dóminum.

R. Amen.

V. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R. Who made heaven and earth.

O salt, creature of God, I exorcise you by the living God, by the true God, by the holy God, by the God who ordered you to be poured into the water by Eliseus the Prophet so that its life-giving powers might be restored. I exorcise you so that you may become a means of salvation for believers, that you may bring health of soul and body to all who make use of you, and that you may put to flight and drive away from the places where you are sprinkled every apparition, villainy, and turn of devilish deceit, and every unclean spirit, adjured by Him Who will come to judge the living and the dead and the world by fire.

R. Amen.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, we humbly implore Thee, in Thy immeasurable kindness and love, to bless + and sanctify + this salt which Thou did create and give over to the use of mankind,

so that it may become a source of health for the minds and bodies of all who make use of it, and may rid whatever it touches or sprinkles of all uncleanness and protect it from every assault of evil spirits. Through our Lord.

R. Amen.

EXORCISM OF THE WATER

Exorcízo te, creatúra aquæ, in nōmine Dei ✠ Patris omnipoténtis, et in nōmine Jesu ✠ Christi Fílii ejus Dómini nostri, et in virtúte Spíritus ✠ Sancti: ut fias aqua exorcizáta ad effugándam omnem potestátem inimíci, et ipsum inimícum eradicáre et explantáre váleas cum ángelis suis apostáticis, per virtútem ejúsdem Dómini nostri Jesu Christi: qui ventúrus est judicáre vivos et mórtuos, et sáculum per ignem.

R. Amen.

Orémus.

Deus, qui ad salútem humáni géneris, máxima quæque sacraménta in aquárum substántia condidísti: adéstō propítius invocatióibus nostris, et eleménto huic multímodis purificatióibus præparáto, virtútem tuæ bene ✠ dictiōnis infúnde;
ut creatúra tua, mystériis tuis sérviens, ad abigéndos dáemones, morbósque pelléndos, divínæ gratiæ sumat efféctum; ut, quidquid in dómibus vel in locis fidélium hæc unda respérserit, cáreat omni immundítia, liberétur a noxa:

non illic resídeat spíritus péstilens, non aura corrúmpens: discédant omnes insídiæ laténtis inimíci: et si quid est, quod aut incolumitáti habitántium ínvidet aut quiéti, aspersióne hujus aquæ effúgiat; ut salúbritas per invocatiómem sancti tui nóminis expetíta ab ómnibus sit impugnatiónibus défensa.

O water, creature of God, I exorcise you in the name of God the Father almighty, and in the name of Jesus Christ His Son, our Lord, and in the power of the Holy Spirit. I exorcise you so that you may put to flight all the power of the Enemy, and be able to root out and supplant that Enemy with his apostate angels: through the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who will come to judge the living and the dead and the world by fire.

R. Amen.

Let us pray.

O God, Who for the salvation of mankind has built Thy greatest mysteries on this substance, water, in Thy kindness hear our prayers and pour down the power of Thy blessing + into this element, made ready for many kinds of purifications.

May this, Thy creature, become an agent of divine grace in the service of Thy mysteries, to drive away evil spirits and dispel sickness, so that every- thing in the homes and other buildings of the faithful that is sprinkled with this water may be rid of all uncleanness and freed from every harm.

Let no breath of infection, no disease-bearing air, remain in these places. May the wiles of the lurking Enemy prove of no avail. Let whatever might menace the safety and peace of those who live here be put to flight by the sprinkling of this water; so that the healthfulness, obtained by calling upon Thy holy name, may be made secure against all attack.

Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum Fílium tuum: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti Deus per ómnia sácula sáculórum.

R. Amen.

The priest mixes a little salt into the water.

Commíxtio salis et aquæ páriter fiat, in nómine Pa ♣ tris, et Fí ♣ lii, et Spíritus ♣ Sancti.

R. Amen.

X. Dominus vobiscum.

R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.

Deus, invícta virtútis auctor, et in-superábilis impérii Rex, ac semper magníficus triumphátor: qui advérsæ dominatiónis vires reprímis; qui inimíci rugiéntis sævitiam súperas; qui hostíles nequítias poténter expúgnas: te, Dómine, treméntes et súpplices de-precámur ac pétimus; ut hanc creatúram salis et aquæ dignánter aspícias, benígnus illústres, pietátis tuæ rore sanctífices; ut, ubicúmque fúerit as-pérsa, per invocatióne sancti nóminis tui, omnis infestátio immúndi spíritus abigáтур, terrórque venenósi serpéntis procul pellátur: et præsentia Sancti Spíritus nobis, misericórdiam tuam po-scéntibus, ubíque adéssse dignétur. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum Fílium tuum: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte ejúsdem Spíritus Sancti Deus per omnia sácula sáculórum.

R. Amen.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

May a mixture of salt and water now be made in the name of the Fa + ther, and of the + Son, and of the Holy + Spirit.

R. Amen.

X. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

O God, Creator unconquerable, invinci-ble King, Victor ever-glorious, Who did hold in check the forces bent on domi-nating us, Who did overcome the cru-elty of the raging enemy, Who did in Thy power beat down the wicked foe: Humbly and fearfully do we pray to Thee, O Lord, and we ask Thee to look with favor on this salt and water which Thou has created. Shine on it with the light of Thy kindness. Sanctify it by the dew of Thy love, so that, through the invocation of Thy holy name, wherever this water and salt is sprinkled it may turn aside every attack of the unclean spirit and dispel the terror of the poisonous serpent. And wherever we may be, make the Holy Spirit present to us who now implore Thy mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

R. Amen.

HYMN.
III.

T E De-um laudá-mus: * te Dómi-num confi-té- mur. 2. Te æténum Patrem omnis terra vene-rá-
tur. 3. Ti-bi omnes Ange-li, ti-bi Cæ-li et uni-vérsæ pot-está- tes: 4. Ti-bi Chérubim et Sé-ra-phim
incessábi-li voce proclá- mant: Sanctus: Sanctus: 5. Sanctus Dómi-nus De-us Sá-ba- oth. 6. Pleni sunt
cæ-li et terra ma-jestá-tis gló-ri-æ tu- æ. 7. Te glo-ri-ósus Aposto-lórum cho- rus: 8. Te Prophe-tá-
rum laudábi-lis núme-rus: 9. Te Mártyrum candi-dá-tus laudat exérci-tus. 10. Te per orbem terrárum
sancta confi-té-tur Ecclé-si- a: 11. Pa-trem imménsæ ma-jestá- tis: 12. Vene-rándum tu-um verum, et ú-
ni-cum Fí- li- um: 13. Sanctum quoque Pa-rácli-tum Spí-ri-tum. 14. Tu Rex gló-ri-æ, Chris-te. 15. Tu
Patris sempi-térnus es Fí- li- us. 16. Tu ad li-be-rándum susceptúrus hó-mi- nem, non horru- ísti Vírgi-nis
ú-terum. 17. Tu de-vícto mortis acú- le- o, aperu- ísti credénti-bus re-gna cæ-ló-rum. 18. Tu ad déx-
te-ram De- i se-des, in gló-ri- a Pa-tris. 19. Judex créde-ris esse ventú-rus. 20. Te ergo quásumus,
tu- is fámu-lis súbve- ni, quos pre-ti- óso sángui-ne redemís-ti. 21. Ætéra fac cum Sanctis tu- is in

All kneel while this verse is sung.

gló-ri- a nume-rá- ri. 22. Salvum fac pópu-lum tu-um Dómi-ne, et bénedic he-re-di-tá-ti tu- æ.

23. Et re-ge e-os, et extól-le illos usque in ætér- num. 24. Per síngu-los di- es, be-ne-dí-ci-mus te.

25. Et laudámus nomen tu-um in sáe-cu- lum, et in sáe-cu-lum sácu-li. 26. Di-gná-re Dómi-ne di- e is-to

si-ne peccá-to nos custodí- re. 27. Mi-se-ré-re nostri Dó-mi- ne, mi-se-ré-re nostri. 28. Fi- at mi-se-ri-

córdi- a tu-a Dómi-ne su-per nos, quemádmodum spe-rá-vi-mus in te. 29. In te Dó-mi-ne spe-rá- vi:

non confúndar in ætér- num.