

# THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

## BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA



### II VESPERS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT «LAETARE»

MARCH 14, 2021

Welcome: please note the symbols for cantor or celebrant (V̇) and assembly (Ṙ) and pray accordingly. The opening verse and Magnificat may be found on the insert. The psalmody of the office alternates, beginning with the cantor, then followed by assembly, etc. Antiphons are intoned by the cantor up to the asterisk, then all join. Tonight, in celebration of Laetare Sunday, the Cathedral Choir staff singers present Soriano's Magnificat Primi Toni I as part of Vespers.

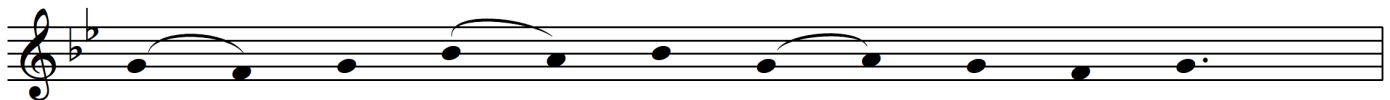
#### OPENING VERSE

(see insert)

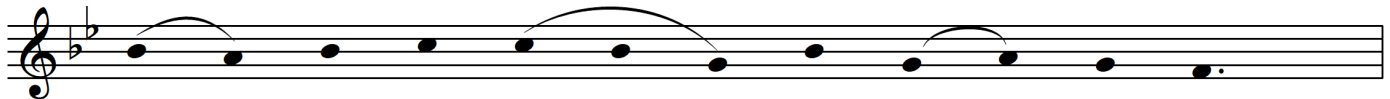
#### HYMN

*Audi benigne Conditor*

Hymn is sung in alternation between cantor (odds) and all (evens); all sing doxology (vs. 5).



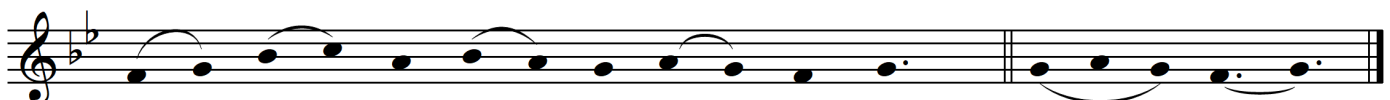
1. O \_\_\_\_\_ kind Cre - a - tor, \_\_\_\_\_ bow Thine ear  
 2. Our \_\_\_\_\_ hearts are \_\_\_\_\_ o - pen, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord to Thee:  
 3. Our \_\_\_\_\_ sins are \_\_\_\_\_ man - y, \_\_\_\_\_ this we know;  
 4. Give \_\_\_\_\_ us the \_\_\_\_\_ self - con - trol that springs  
 5. We \_\_\_\_\_ pray Thee, \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - ly \_\_\_\_\_ Trin - i - ty,



To \_\_\_\_\_ mark the cry \_\_\_\_\_ to know \_\_\_\_\_ the tear  
 Thou \_\_\_\_\_ know - est our \_\_\_\_\_ in - fir - mi - ty;  
 Spare \_\_\_\_\_ us good Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ Thy mer - cy show;  
 From \_\_\_\_\_ dis - ci - pline \_\_\_\_\_ of out - ward things,  
 One \_\_\_\_\_ God, un - chang - ing U - ni - ty,



Be - fore Thy throne \_\_\_\_\_ of mer - cy spent  
 Pour out on all \_\_\_\_\_ who seek Thy face  
 And for the hon - or of Thy Name  
 That fast - ing in - ward se - cret - ly  
 That we from this \_\_\_\_\_ our ab - sti - nence




In \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ our ho - ly fast \_\_\_\_\_ of Lent.  
 A - bun - dance of \_\_\_\_\_ Thy par - d'ning grace.  
 Our \_\_\_\_\_ faint - ing souls to life \_\_\_\_\_ re - claim.  
 The \_\_\_\_\_ soul \_\_\_\_\_ may pure - ly dwell with Thee.  
 May \_\_\_\_\_ reap \_\_\_\_\_ the fruit \_\_\_\_\_ of pen - i - tence. A - men. \_\_\_\_\_

PSALMODY

ANTIPHON I

Psalm 110:7

VIII




**D** E tor-rén te \* in vi- a bi-bet, prop té- re- a exal- tá-bit caput.

*He shall drink from the stream by the wayside, and therefore He shall lift up His head.*

PSALM 110:1-5, 7

THE MESSIAH IS KING AND PRIEST

VIII G




The Lord's revelation to my Master: †  
 "Sit on my **right**: \*  
 your foes I will put be-neath your **feet**."  
 The Lord will wield from Zion your sce-pter of **power**: \*  
 rule in the midst of *all your foes*.  
 A prince from the day of your birth on the *ho-ly*  
**mountains**; \*  
 from the womb before the dawn I **be-got** you.  
 The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. †  
 "You are a *priest for ever*, \*  
 a priest like Melchize-dek of **old**."

The Master standing *at your right hand* \*  
 will shatter kings in the day of *his great wrath*.  
 He shall drink from the stream *by the wayside* \*  
 and therefore he shall lift *up his head*.  
 Glory to the Father, and to *the Son*, \*  
 and to the *Ho-ly Spirit*.  
 As it was in the begin-ning, is **now**, \*  
 and will be forev-er. **A-men**.  
 (*repeat Antiphon*)

ANTIPHON II

Psalm 112:5-6

I g



**I** U-cún dus ho mo \* qui miserétur in Dómino, non commovébitur in æ-térnum.

*Happy the man who shows mercy for the Lord's sake; he will stand firm for ever.*

PSALM 112

THE HAPPINESS OF THE JUST MAN

I g



Happy the man who *fears the Lord*, \*  
 who takes delight in all his **com-mands**.  
 His sons will be power-ful on **earth**; \*  
 the children of the upright *are blessed*.

Riches and wealth are *in his house*; \*  
 his justice stands firm *for ever*.  
 He is a light in the darkness *for the upright*: \*  
 he is generous, merciful, and **just**. (*Cont. facing page*)

The good man takes pi-ty *and lends*, \*  
 he conducts his affairs *with honor*.

The just man will *never waver*: \*  
 he will be remembered *for ever*.

He has no fear of *evil news*; \*  
 with a firm heart he trusts in *the Lord*.

With a steadfast heart he *will not fear*; \*  
 he will see the downfall of *his foes*.

Open-handed, he gives to the poor; †  
 his justice stands *firm for ever*. \*  
 His head will be raised *in glory*.

The wicked man sees and is angry †  
 grinds his teeth and *fades a-way*; \*  
 the desire of the wicked leads to **doom**.

Glory to the Father, and to *the Son*, \*  
 and to the *Ho-ly Spirit*.

As it was in the begin-ning, is **now**, \*  
 and will be for ev-er. **A-men.** (repeat Antiphon)

ANTIPHON III

1 Peter 2:21



**C** Hristus \* passus est pro vobis, vobis re-línquens exémplum, ut sequámini vestí-gi- a eius.

*Christ suffered for you, and left you an example, to have you follow in His footsteps*

CANTICLE

1 PETER 2:21-24

THE WILLING ACCEPTANCE OF HIS PASSION BY CHRIST, THE SERVANT OF GOD



Christ suffered for you, † and left you *an ex-ample*, \*  
 to have you follow *in his footsteps*.

He *did no wrong*; \*  
 No deceit was found *in his mouth*.

When he was *in-sulted*, \*  
 he re-turned *no insult*.

When he was *made to suffer*, \*  
 he did not coun-ter *with threats*."

Instead he delivered *him-self up* \*  
 to the One who *judges justly*.

In *his own body* \*  
 he brought your sins *to the cross*,  
 So that all of us, *dead to sin*, \*  
 could live in accord *with God's will*.

[omit 1st half]  
 By his wounds *you were healed*.

Glory to the Father, and to *the Son*, \*  
 and to the *Ho-ly Spirit*.

As it was in the begin-ning, is **now**, \*  
 and will be for ev-er. **A-men.** (repeat Antiphon)

READING

1 CORINTHIANS 9:24-25

RESPONSORY

(following page)

I. Cantor; II. All

**L**isten to us, O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against you.

**V.** Christ Je- sus hear our hum- ble pe- titions, **R.** for we have sinned against you.

**V.** Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spirit. Listen to us,

O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against you.

### MAGNIFICAT *John 3:17*

*(Antiphon below; please see insert for verses)*

I d2

**N**ON enim mi-sit De-us \* Fí-li-um su- um in mun- dum ut iúdi-cet mun dum,

sed ut salvé- tur mun dus per ipsum.

*God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.*

### INTERCESSIONS

*After the Celebrant's invocation and each cantor petition, the following response is sung:*

**V.**

**C**ome, Lord, to vi- sit your family.

### PATER NOSTER

Pater noster, qui es in cælis; sanctificétur nomen tuum; advéniat regnum tuum; fiat volúntas tua, sicut in cælo, et in terra. Panem nostrum cotidiánum da nobis hódie; et dimítte nobis débíta nostra, sicut et nos dimíttimus debitóribus nostris; et ne nos indúcas in tentatiónem; sed líbera nos a malo.

### CONCLUDING PRAYER

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