

Close of Forty Hours



SOLEMN VESPERS, PROCESSION, AND BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

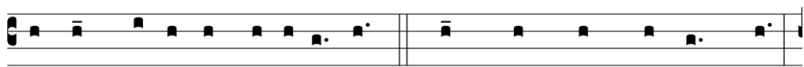
I VESPERS FOR THE PATRONAL FEAST OF ST. CHARLES BORROMEEO
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025

SAINT CHARLES BORROMEEO SEMINARY
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PRELUDE

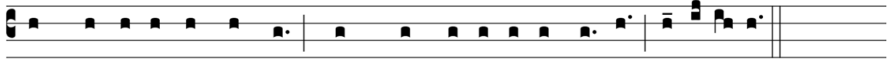
INTRODUCTION



O God, come to my assistance. Lord make haste to help me.



Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit. As it was



in the be-gin-ning is now, and will be for-e-ver. Amen. Alle-lu-ia.

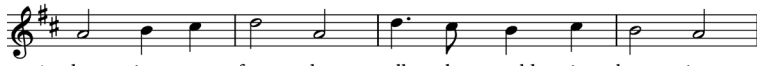
HYMN

This Holy Witness

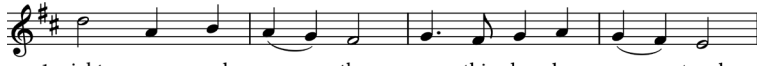
Iste confessor



1. This ho - ly wit - ness and the Lord's con - fes - sor,
2. He was de - vot - ed, pru - dent, chaste, and hum - ble,
3. Crowds of the faith - ful at his tomb came seek - ing
4. And so in cho - rus, we ac - claim his glo - ry
5. Hon - or, sal - va - tion be to God al - might - y,



1. whose joy - ous feast day all the world is keep - ing,
2. qui - et and prayer - ful, mild, re - strained, and so - ber,
3. heal - ing and well - ness for their weak - ened bod - ies,
4. with hymns of glad - ness, as we sing his prais - es;
5. dwell - ing in glo - ry, high a - bove the heav - ens,



1. right - eous and wor - thy, on this day he en - tered
2. while strength and vig - or in his life of la - bor
3. bur - dened by ill - ness, ev - 'ry kind of ail - ment:
4. may he as - sist us by his ho - ly mer - its
5. rul - ing and guid - ing all of his cre - a - tion,



1. heav - en's high mys - t'ries.
2. coursed through his bod - y.
3. there they found com - fort.
4. through all the ag - es.
5. One in Three Per - sons. A - men.

Melody: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, 11 11 11 5; from François de La Feillée's *Methode de plain-chant*, 1782
Text: *Iste confessor Domini sacratus*, 8th c.; tr. © 2023, ICEL

PSALMODY

ANT. 1 *I will give you shepherds after my own heart; they will nourish you
with knowledge and sound teaching.*

SJ: Praise, O servants of the Lord, *
praise the name of the Lord!

BVM: May the name of the Lord be blessed *
both now and for evermore!

SJ: From the rising of the sun to its setting *
praised be the name of the Lord!

BVM: High above all nations is the Lord, *
above the heavens his glory.

SJ: Who is like the Lord, our God, *
who has risen on high to his throne

BVM: yet stoops from the heights to look down, *
to look down upon heaven and earth?

SJ: From the dust he lifts up the lowly, *
from their misery he raises the poor

BVM: to set them in the company of princes, *
yes, with the princes of his people.

SJ: To the childless wife he gives a home *
and gladdens her heart with children.

ANT. *I will give you shepherds after my own heart; they will nourish you
with knowledge and sound teaching.*

ANT. 2 *I shall feed my flock; I shall search for the lost and lead back
those who have strayed.*

SJ: My soul, give praise to the Lord; †
I will praise the Lord all my days, *
make music to my God while I live.

BVM: Put no trust in princes, *
In mortal men in whom there is no help.

SJ: Take their breath, they return to clay *
and their plans that day come to nothing.

BVM: He is happy who is helped by Jacob's God, *
whose hope is in the Lord his God,

SJ: who alone made heaven and earth, *
the seas and all they contain.

BVM: It is he who keeps faith for ever, *
who is just to those who are oppressed.

SJ: It is he who gives bread to the hungry, *
the Lord, who sets prisoners free,

BVM: the Lord who gives sight to the blind, *
who raises up those who are bowed down,

SJ: the Lord, who protects the stranger *
and upholds the widow and orphan.

BVM: It is the Lord who loves the just *
but thwarts the path of the wicked.

SJ: The Lord will reign for ever, *
Zion's God, from age to age.

ANT. *I shall feed my flock; I shall search for the lost and lead back
those who have strayed.*

ANT. 3 *The Good Shepherd laid down his life for his sheep.*

SJ: Praised be the God and Father *
 of our Lord Jesus, Christ

BVM: who bestowed on us in Christ *
 every spiritual blessing in the heavens.

SJ: God chose us in him †
 before the world began, *
 to be holy and blameless in his sight.

BVM: He predestined us †
 to be his adopted sons through Jesus Christ, *
 such was his will and pleasure,

SJ: that all might praise the glorious favor *
 he has bestowed on us in his beloved.

BVM: In him and through his blood we have been redeemed,*
 and our sins forgiven,

SJ: so immeasurably generous *
 is God's favor to us.

BVM: God has given us the wisdom *
 To understand fully the mystery,

SJ: the plan he was pleased *
 to decree in Christ.

BVM: A plan to be carried out *
 in Christ, in the fullness of time,

SJ: to bring all things into one in him, *
 in the heavens and on the earth.

ANT. *The Good Shepherd laid down his life for his sheep.*

READING

1 PETER 5:1-4

HOMILY

RESPONSORY

*Priests of the Lord, * give thanks and praise to the Lord.*

- **Priests of the Lord, * give thanks and praise to the Lord.**

*You of holy and humble heart, acclaim your Lord. **

- **Give thanks and praise to the Lord.**

Glory to the Father . . .

- **Priests of the Lord, * give thanks and praise to the Lord.**

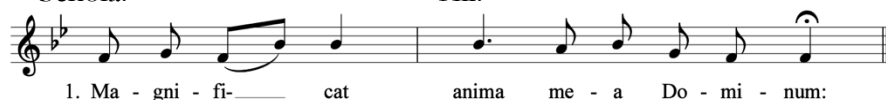
MAGNIFICAT

O. RAVANELLO

ANT. *This is the faithful and wise steward, whom the Lord placed over His household, to give them their measure of food at the proper time.*

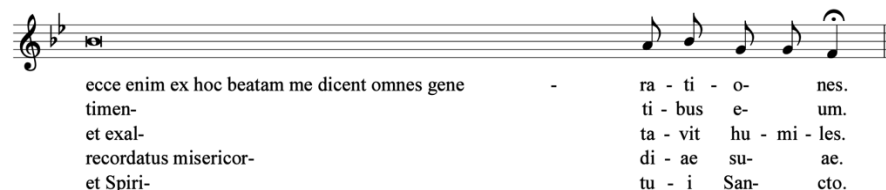
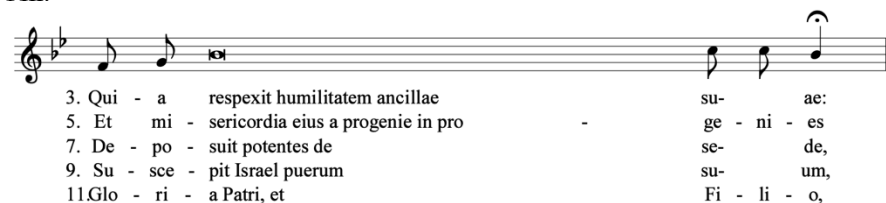
Schola:

All:



(Even verses sung by Schola)

All:



(Antiphon)

INTERCESSIONS

R./ Bring salvation to your people, Lord.

LORD'S PRAYER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION

HYMN I

PANGE LINGUA

1. Pange, lingua, gloriosi
Corporis mysterium,
Sanguinisque pretiosi,
quem in mundi pretium
fructus ventris generosi
Rex effudit Gentium.

3. In supremæ nocte coenæ
recumbens cum fratribus
observata lege plene
cibis in legalibus,
cibum turbae duodenæ
se dat suis manibus.

2. Nobis datus, nobis
natus
ex intacta Virgine,
et in mundo conversatus,
sparso verbi semine,
sui moras incolatus
miro clausit ordine.

4. Verbum caro, panem verum
verbo carnem efficit:
fitque sanguis Christi merum,
et si sensus deficit,
ad firmandum cor sincerum
sola fides sufficit.

HYMN II

TO JESUS CHRIST, OUR SOVEREIGN KING

To Jesus Christ, our sov'reign King Who is the world's salvation,
All praise and homage do we bring and thanks and adoration.

Refrain:

Christ Jesus, Victor! Christ Jesus, Ruler!
Christ Jesus, Lord and Redeemer!

Thy reign extend, O King benign, to every land and nation; For
in thy kingdom, Lord divine, Alone we find salvation. R./

To thee and to thy Church, great King, we pledge our hearts'
oblation; Until before thy throne we sing in endless jubilation.
R./

LITANY OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

Lord, have mercy.	Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.	Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.	Lord, have mercy.

Jesus the Most High	have mercy on us.
Jesus...	<i>(repeat above)</i>

Christ, hear us.	Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us.	Christ, graciously hear us.
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.	Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.

HYMN III

ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone;
Hark! The songs of peaceful Sion thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus out of ev'ry nation hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how:
Though the cloud from sight received him,
When the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise, "I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of Angels, thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me.
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

HYMN IV

ADORO TE DEVOTE

1. Humbly we adore thee, Christ Redeemer King;
Thou art Lord of heaven, thou to whom we sing.
God, the Mighty, thou hast come, bearing gifts of grace;
Son of Adam still thou art: Savior to our race.
2. Jesus, Lord we thank thee for this wondrous Bread;
In our land thou dwellest, by thee we are fed.
We who share this Mystery are in thee made one
Every act we offer thee in thy Name is done.
3. Thou who died to save us livest as our Light;
Though our eyes are blinded, yet our Faith gives sight.
Christ, do thou be merciful, Lamb for sinners slain,
We in grief confess our guilt: cleanse our souls of stain.
4. Christ, our God and Savior, hear our humble plea:
by this holy action keep us joined to thee.
Make us one in loving thee, one in mind and heart,
Till in heaven we are thine, nevermore to part.

HYMN V

TAIZÉ

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

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The musical score is written for two systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and an instrumental line (bass clef). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom." The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and bar lines.

HYMN VI

SWEET SACRAMENT

1. O Jesus, we adore Thee
Who in Thy love Divine,
conceal Thy mighty Godhead
in forms of bread and wine.

Refrain:

**O Sacrament most holy,
O Sacrament Divine,
All praise and all thanksgiving
be ev'ry moment Thine!**

2. O Jesus, we adore Thee,
our Victim and our Priest,
whose precious blood and body
become our sacred feast. R./

3. O Jesus, we adore Thee,
our Savior and our King,
and with the saints and angels
a humble homage bring. R./

4. O Jesus, we adore Thee,
come, live in us, we pray,
that all our thoughts and actions
be Thine alone today. R./

5. O come, all you who labor
In sorrow and in pain;
come, eat this bread from Heaven,
your peace & strength regain. R./

HYMN VII

CHRISTUS VINCIT

Christus Vincit, Christus regnat, Christus, Christus Imperat.

Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ commands.

HYMN VIII

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

1. For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies.

Refrain:

**Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
this, our hymn of grateful praise.**

2. For the wonder of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light, [Refrain]

3. For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild, [Refrain]

4. For yourself, best gift divine,
to the world so freely given,
agent of God's grand design:
peace on earth and joy in heaven. [Refrain]

HYMN IX

AVE VERUM

Ave verum Corpus natum
De Maria Virgine:
Vere passum, immolatum
In cruce pro homine:
Cuius latus perforatum

Fluxit aqua et sanguine:
Esto nobis praegustatum
Mortis in examine.
O Iesu dulcis! O Iesu pie!
O Iesu Fili Mariae. Amen.

BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

BENEDICTION HYMN

TANTUM ERGO

Ignoto

Tan - tum er - go Sac - ra - men - tum
Gen - i - to - ri, Gen - i - to - que,

ve - ne - re - mur cer - - nu - i:
laus et ju - bi - la - - ti - o,

et an - ti - quum do - cu - men - tum no - vo
sa - lus, ho - nor, vir - tus quo - que sit et

ce - dat ri - tu - i: prae - stet fī - des sup - le men - tum
be - ne di - cti o: pro - ce den - ti ab u - tro - que

sen - su um de - fec - tu - i.
com - par sit lau - da - ti - o. A - men.

COLLECT

BENEDICTION

THE DIVINE PRAISES

Blessed be God.
Blessed be His Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.
Blessed be the Name of Jesus.

Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.
Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.
Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.
Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.
Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste Spouse.
Blessed be God in His angels and in His saints.



May the Heart of Jesus, in the Most Blessed Sacrament,
be praised, adored, and loved, with grateful affection,
at every moment, in all the tabernacles of the world,
even until the end of time. Amen.



Holy God, we praise thy Name;
Lord of all, we bow before thee!
All on earth thy scepter claim,
All in heaven above adore thee;
Infinite thy vast domain,
Everlasting is thy reign.
Infinite thy vast domain,
Everlasting is thy reign.

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name thee;
While in essence only One,
Undivided God we claim thee;
And adoring bend the knee,
While we own the mystery.
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