Missa de Dulcissime Nomine Iesu

MASS IN HONOUR OF THE Holy Name of Jesus According to the Medieval Use of Salisbury

CHOIR BOOK



EXPERIENCE OF WORSHIP IN LATE MEDIEVAL CATHEDRAL AND PARISH CHURCH

6 October 2011 Salisbury Cathedral The Mass in honour of the Holy Name of Jesus, commonly referred to at the time as Jesus Mass, became popular in Britain in the later fifteenth and earlier sixteenth centuries. The popularity of this Mass reflected the increasing Christological emphasis of devotions at the time. Outstanding musical examples of this devotion can be observed in the large-scale polyphonic settings of the text 'O bone Jesu' by both Robert Fayrfax and Robert Carver.

Jesus Mass was usually celebrated every Friday. It was either a Mass of the Holy Name or of the Five Wounds of Jesus. In some cathedrals and monasteries this weekly celebration was undertaken by the choristers and with their master as organist. However, there are instances of Jesus Mass sung by men's voices. In Lent, Jesus Mass was celebrated with some solemnity each Friday at St Thomas's Church, Salisbury, and payments were made to the vicars choral of the cathedral for their services.

Mass in honour of the Holy Name was often celebrated in a designated chapel in the nave of a large monastic or cathedral church, offering ready access to the laity. In the absence of such a space in the present form of Salisbury Cathedral, this Mass is celebrated in the Trinity Chapel, where Lady Mass was sung each day (except Saturday when it was sung in Quire). Mass in honour of the Holy Name would only have been sung in Quire on the feastday itself, 7 August.

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AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SERVICE

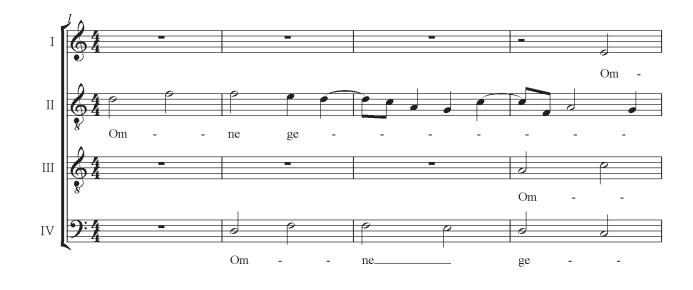
Singers enter individually. Bow to the altar and remain standing, facing EAST.

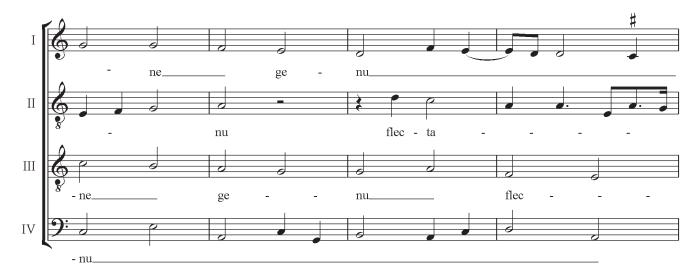
When all are assembled, turn in to sing the Introit and Kyrie.

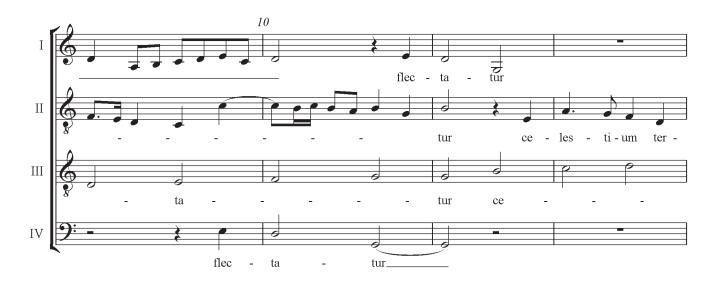
Introit: In nomine Iesu

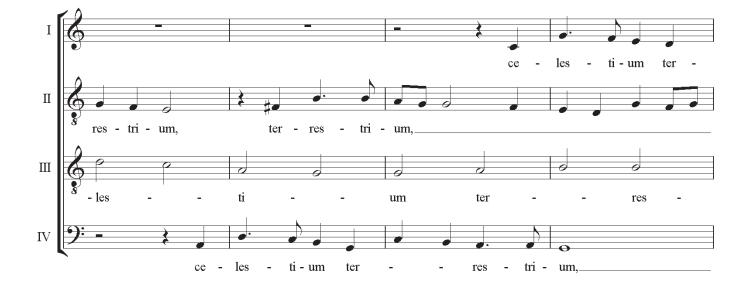
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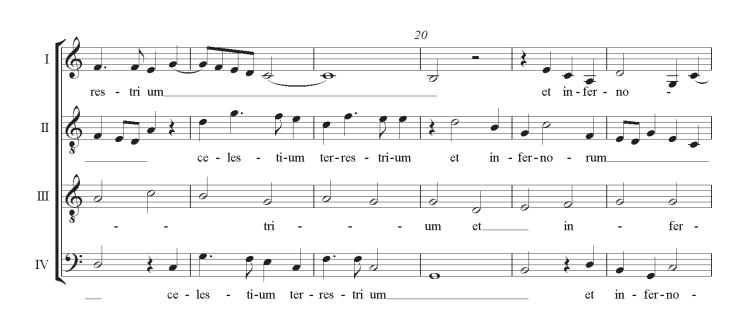


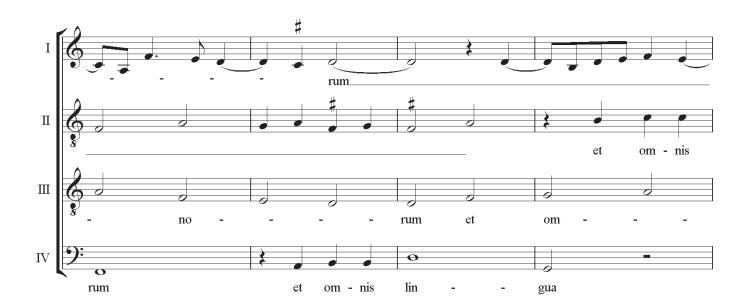


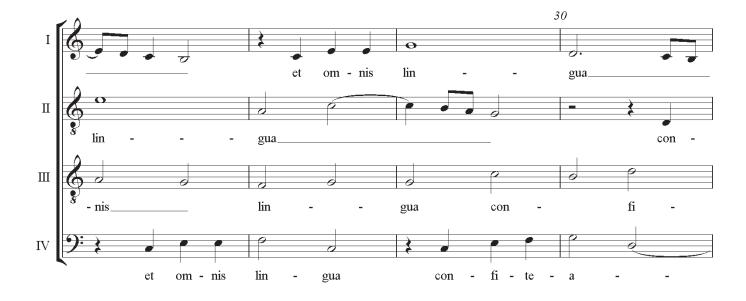


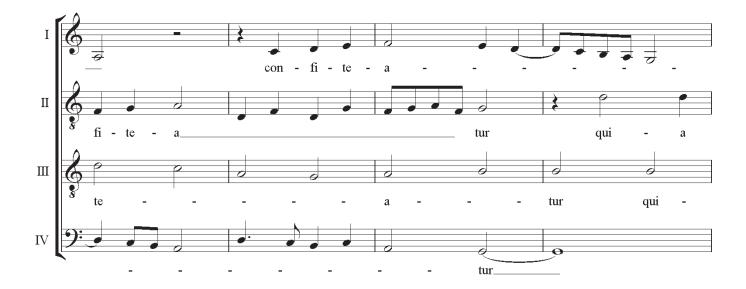


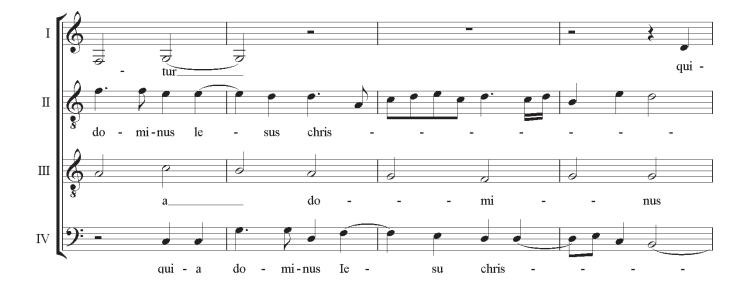


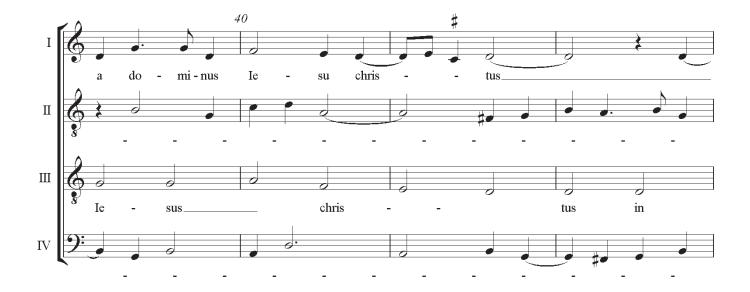


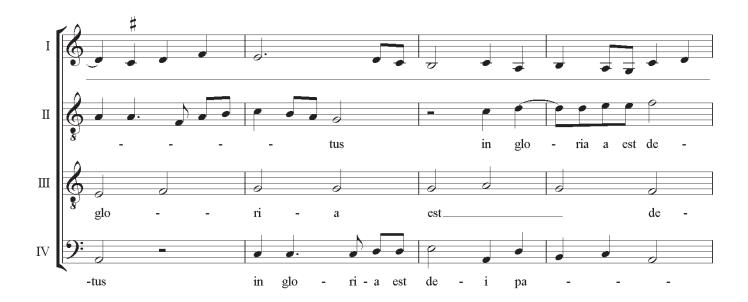


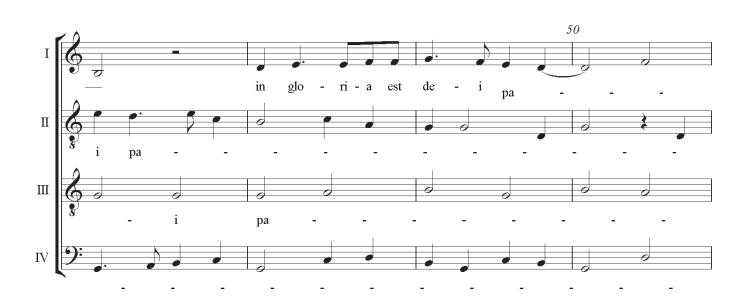














VS for Gloria Patri. Turn EAST and BOW.



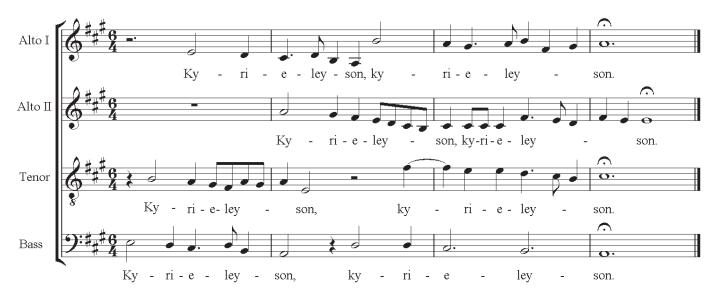


The Kyrie follows immediately.









All now turn EAST for the Collect.



At 'Oremus', BOW to end of the Collect.



Deus, qui gloriosíssimum nomen Dómini nostri Iesu Christi unigéniti Filii tui fecísti fidélibus tuis summo suavitátis affectu amábile; et malígnis spirítibus treméndum atque terríbile;

concéde propítius, ut omnes qui hoc nomen Iesu devóte venerántur in terris, sancte consolatiónis dulcédinem in presénti percípiant

et in fúturo gaudium exsultatiónis et interminábilis jubilatiónis obtinéant.

Per Dóminum nostrum Iesum Christum Fílium tuum:

Qui tecum vivit et regnat, in unitáte Spíritus Sancti Deus,



Turn back and sit for the Epistle.

Epistle

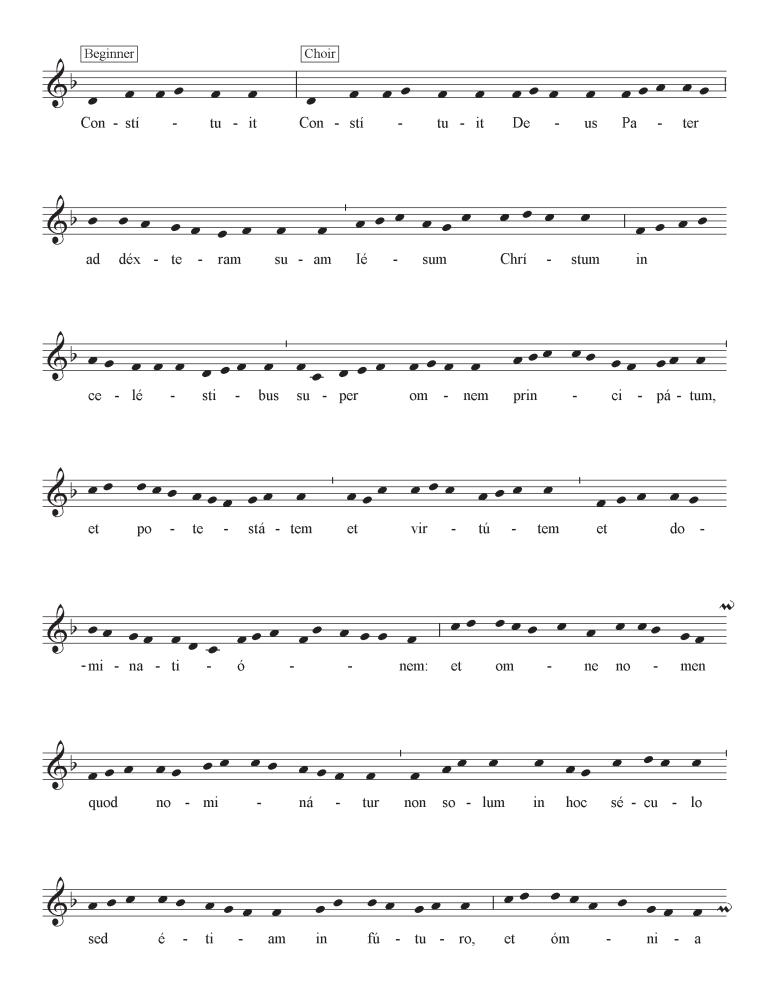
The Epistle (Acts 4: 8–12)

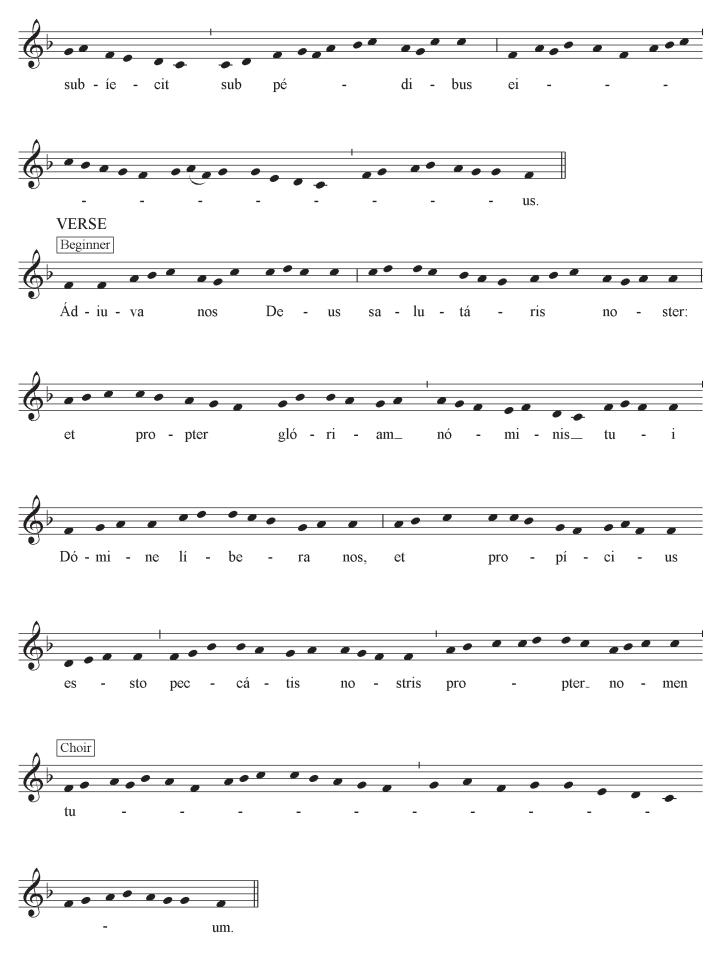
Léctio Áctuum Apostolórum.

In diébus illis, Petrus replétus Spíritu Sáncto dixit; príncipes pópuli et senióres, audíte: Si nos hódie diiudicámur in benefácto hóminis infírmi, in quo iste salvus factus est, notum sit ómnibus vobis, et omni plebi Israél: quia in nómine Dómini nostri Iesu Christi Nazaréni, quem vos crucifixístis, quem Deus suscitávit a mórtuis, in hoc iste astat coram vobis sanus. Hic est lapis, qui reprobátus est a vobis edificántibus, qui factus est in caput ánguli: et non est in áliquo alio salus. Nec enim áliud nomen est sub celo datum homínibus, in quo opórteat nos salvos fíeri.

Remain seated to sing the Gradual and Alleluya.

Gradual





Alleluya follows straight on.

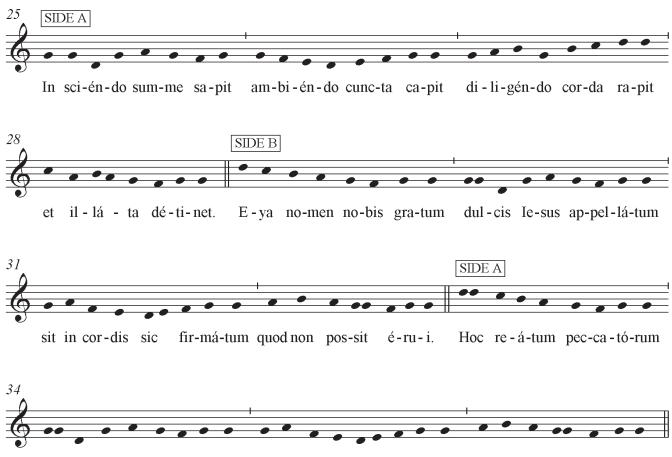
Alleluya



Stand now to sing Sequence.

Sequence

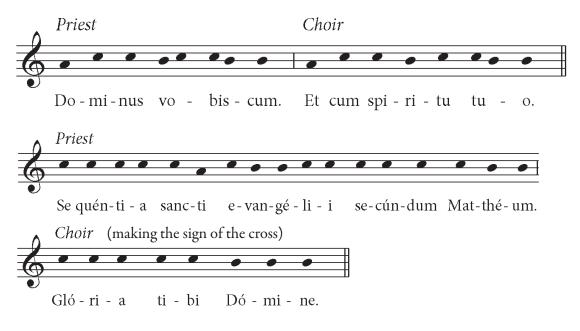




tol-lat pre-stet iu-bi-ló-rum o-das se-de be - a-tó-rum do-net no-bis pér-fru-i.

Gospel

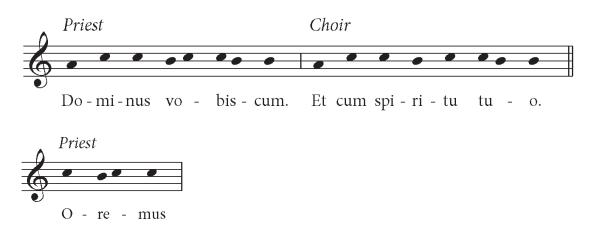
All turn to face EAST.



Bow to altar, then turn to face the Celebrant, who intones from the north side of the altar.

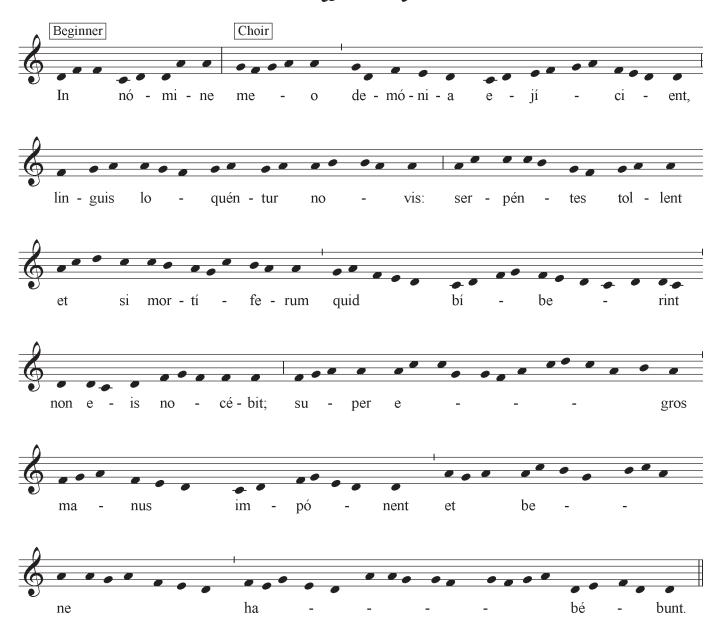
In illo témpore: Ángelus Dómini appáruit in somnis Ioseph dicens; Ioseph fili David, noli timére accípere Maríam cóniugem tuam: quod enim in ea natum est, de Spíritu Sancto est. Páriet autem fílium: et vocábis nomen eius Iesum: ipse enim salvum fáciet pópulum suum a peccátis eórum. Hoc autem totum factum est, ut adimplerétur quod dictum est a Dómino per prophétam dicéntem: Ecce virgo concípiet in útero et páriet fílium: et vocábitur nomen eius Emmánuel, quod interpretátur nobíscum Deus.

Remain facing east. The priest returns to the south end of the altar, and begins the Offertory by singing:



Turn inwards to sing Offertory antiphon.

Offertory



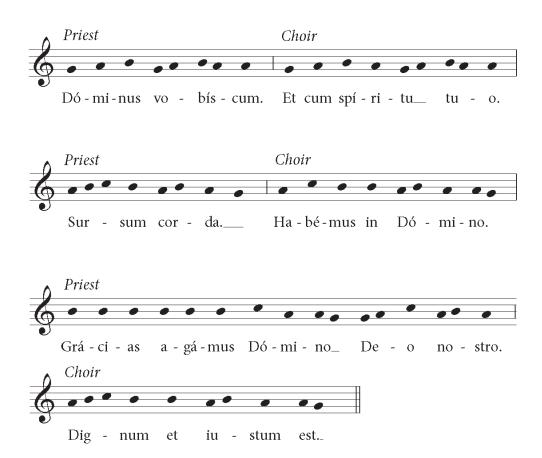
Turn to face EAST after Offertory antiphon, and remain facing EAST.

Preparatory prayers and Secret

Celebrant says a series of short prayers sotto voce, ending with the Secret of the Holy Name, Celebrant prays silently until last phrase:



Sursum Corda and Preface



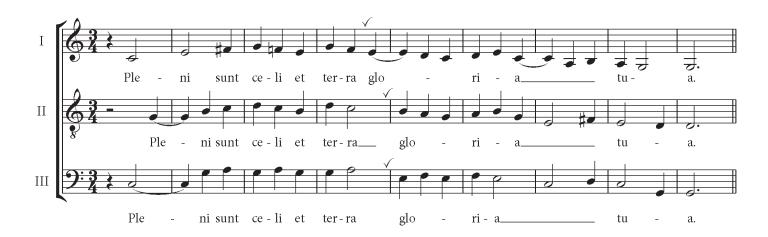
Celebrant continues with the Preface, ending:

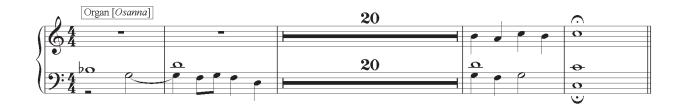


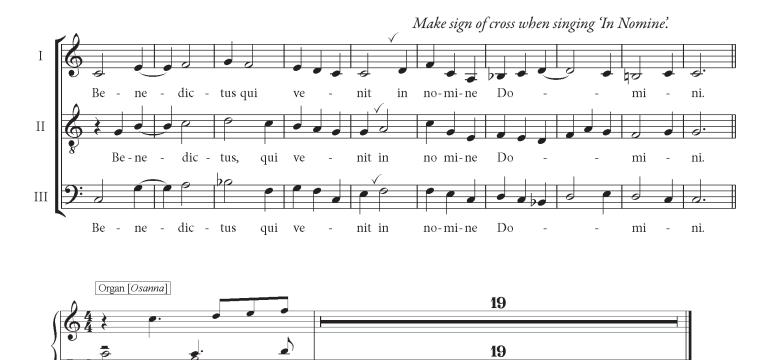
Sanctus and Benedictus











All now kneel facing east until the Communion antiphon.

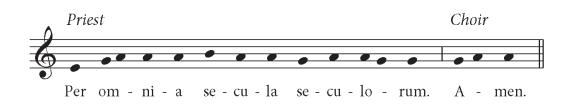
The Celebrant continues with the Canon of the Mass. This is signalled by the ringing of the bell three times.

At the Elevation of the Host, the bell again rings three times, and all bow low.

At the elevation of the chalice, the bell also rings three times. Then kneel up normally.

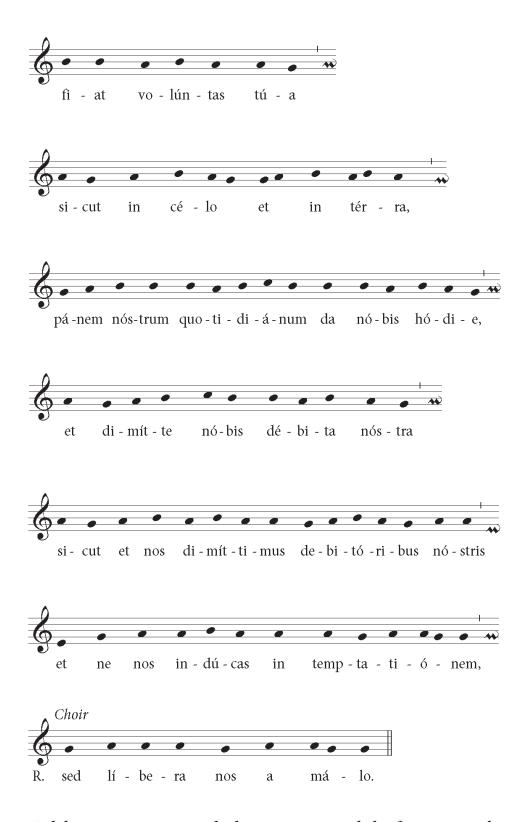
Celebrant continues the Canon of the Mass privately. He ends:

Per ip ♣ sum, et cum ip ♣ so, et in ip ♣ so, est tibi Deo Patri omnipo ♣ ténti, in unitáte Spíritus ♣ Sancti, omnis honor et glória.



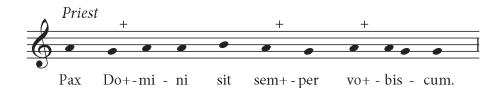
Pater Noster

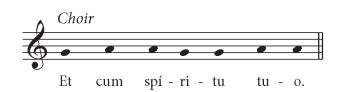




Celebrant continues with short prayers and the fraction, ending:

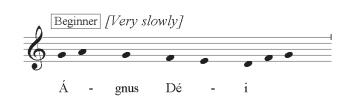


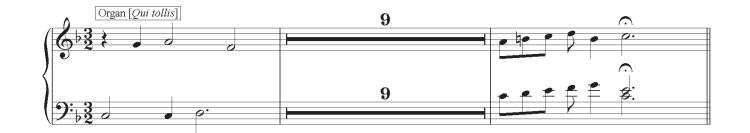


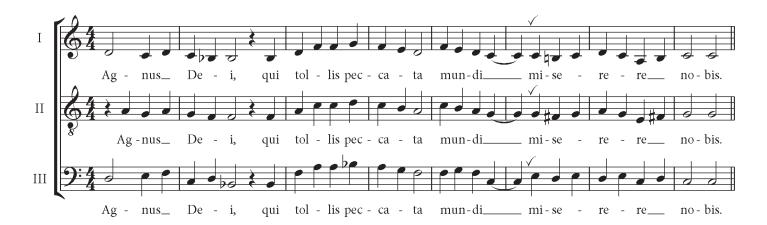


Agnus Dei follows, sung kneeling.

Agnus Dei











Continue to kneel facing east.

Sharing of the Pax

Celebrant kisses Pax Board and then offers it to Clerk to kiss. Clerk takes Pax Board to server, singers and people.

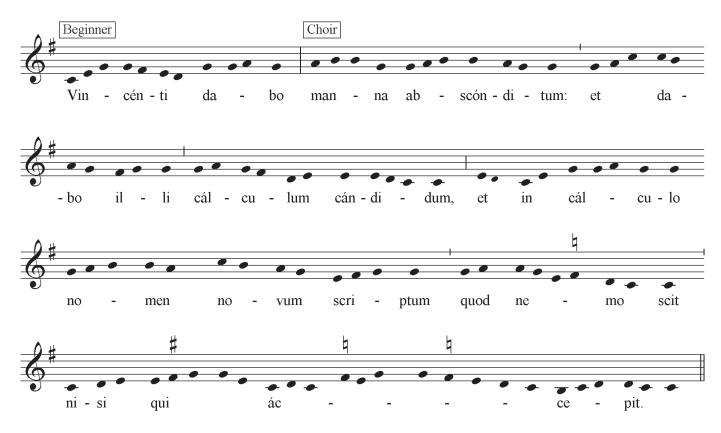
Kiss the pax board when the Server offers it to you

The priest continues to pray, both before and after receiving the Communion.

The Communion antiphon is begun when the Celebrant begins the ablutions.

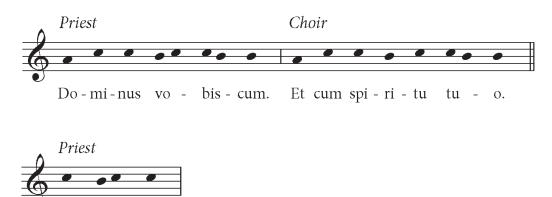
Stand, and face inwards to sing the chant.

Communion Chant



After the antiphon, kneel down, facing EAST.

Postcommunion Prayer



O - re - mus

Bow the head during the prayer.

Sacrosancta mysteria quae sumpsimus, Domine,

ad honorem complacentissimi nominis Filii tui Domini nostri Iesu Christi devotis precordiis recolentes;

quesumus, ut incrementa spiritualis exsultationis nobis accumulent,

et affectum nostrum ad hoc salutiferum nomen Iesu iugiter imprimendum accendant, et ad iubilandum in Iesu salvatore nostro dulcissimo,

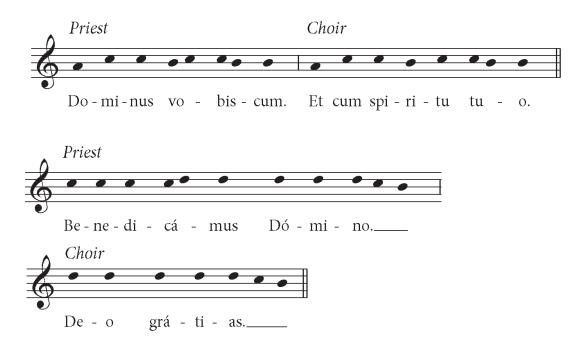
tota mentis intentione promoveant.

Per Dominum nostrum Iesum Christum Filium tuum

qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus,



Dismissal



Celebrant turns east for short prayer and final Gospel - the opening of St John's Gospel. This is recited silently until the words 'Et Verbum caro factus est'. As these words are sung, bow and kiss the ground. At the end of the Gospel kneel upright.

Celebrant and server bow to altar, leave, and return to sacristy.

When the celebrant has left, the choir stands, and leave one by one, bowing to altar as before, and return to vestry.

SOURCES

Chant Propers are taken from *Graduale Sarisburiense* (1532), printed in Paris by Nickolaus Prevost and Francis Regnault, and sold in Paris by Regnault and in London by Robert Redman (*STC*, 2nd edn, 15865). The propers appear within the Sanctorale for the Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus on 7 August (n.f.; EEBO images 240–5).

Introit 'In nomine Iesu' from the Mass *De nomine Iesu* (Anon), from the Gyffard Partbooks (GB-Lbl Add. MS 17802-5), ed. David Mateer, *The Gyffard Partbooks*, II (EECM, 51), pp.1-9. The Introit antiphon alone is transcribed here, though the original also sets sections of the verse and Gloria Patri. The chant is supplied from *Graduale Sarisburiense* (1532). Polyphony and chant all at pitch; note values halved; conventional barring substituted.

Kyrie Eleison from *Mass upon the Square, II*, William Mundy, from the Gyffard Partbooks (*GB-Lbl* Add. MS 17802-5), ed. David Mateer, *The Gyffard Partbooks*, II (EECM, 51), pp. 99-101. Transposed down a minor third from the original; note values halved; conventional barring substituted.

There is no Gloria or Credo in a votive celebration of the Jesus Mass.

Organ settings of Sanctus and Agnus Dei are by Philip ap Rhys (d.1566) in *Lbl* MS Add. 29996 (EECM 10, ed. Denis Stevens (1969), 12–16). The vocal faburden has been devised for this celebration.

Other items and directions for the ritual are taken principally from *Missale ad vsum ecclesie Sarisburiensis* of 1532, again printed by Regnault (*STC*, 2nd edn, 16212.5), but are supplemented by additional details found in other printed Missals and in the manuscript Customaries compiled between the early thirteenth and later fourteenth centuries.

The chant has been set in stemless nores on five-line staves, but the groupings represent the original plainsong notation. Some chants have been transposed, as follows: Alleluya: down a tone.

Sequence: second part up a fifth, following contemporary precedent for chants of this kind that have a concluding section in a low range.

Communion: down a fourth.

All prayers and dialogues shown with *c* reciting note are to be intoned at an appropriate pitch set by the celebrant.

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