

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD [CHRISTMAS]

At the Mass during the Night

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

LCM 16

Ps 2: 7 · RM, GR ○

II

HE Lord said to me: You are my Son. It is

I who have be-got-ten you this day.

Psalm 2: 1, 2, 8, 9, 10, 11

1. Why do the nations *conspire*, *
and the peoples *plot in vain*?
2. They arise, the kings of *the earth*; *
princes plot against the LORD and *his Anointed*.
3. Ask of me and I will give you †
the nations as your *inheritance*, *
and the ends of the earth as *your possession*.
4. With a rod of iron you *will rule* them; *
like a potter's jar *you will shatter* them."
5. So now, O kings, *understand*; *
take warning, rulers of *the earth*.
6. Serve the LORD *with fear*; *
exult with trembling, pay *him your homage*,
7. 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*.

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

LCM 17

Ps 96 (95): II · GR ○ ●

IV

LET the heavens rejoice and the earth ex-ult be-fore
the face of the Lord; for he is coming.

Psalm 96 (95): 1-3, 4-6, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10

1. O sing a new song to the **LORD**; *
sing to the **LORD**, *all the earth*.
O sing to the **LORD**; bless his **name**. *
Proclaim his salvation *day by day*.
Tell among the nations his **glory**, *
and his wonders among *all the peoples*.
2. For the **LORD** is great and highly to be **praised**, *
to be feared *above all gods*.
For the gods of the nations are **naught**. *
It was the **LORD** who *made the heavens*.
In his presence are majesty and **splendor**, *
strength and honor in his *holy place*.
3. Give the **LORD**, you families of peoples, †
give the **LORD** glory and **power**; *
give the **LORD** the glory *of his name*.
4. Bring an offering and enter his courts; †
worship the **LORD** in holy **splendor**. *
O tremble before him, *all the earth*.
5. Say to the nations, “The **LORD** is king.” †
The world he made firm in its **place**; *
he will judge the *peoples in fairness*.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

LCM 18

Ps 110 (109): 3 · GR ○

VI

I N the splendor of the ho- ly ones, from the womb,
be-fore the daystar I have be-got-ten you.

Psalm 110 (109): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7

1. The LORD's revelation to my LORD: †
"Sit at *my right hand*, *
until I make your foes *your footstool*."
2. The LORD will send from Sion †
your *scepter of power*: *
rule in the midst of *your foes*.
3. With you is *princely rule* *
on the day of *your power*.
In holy splendor, from the womb *before the dawn*, *
I have begotten you.
4. The LORD has sworn an oath he will not change: †
"You are a *priest forever*, *
in the line of *Melchizedek*."
5. The LORD, standing *at your right*, *
shatters kings in the day of *his wrath*.
6. He shall drink from the stream *by the wayside*, *
and therefore he shall lift up *his head*.
7. 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*.

Or:

LCM 19

Jn 1: 14 · RM ○ ●

VI

THE Word be-came flesh, and we have seen his glo-ry.

Psalm 98 (97): 1, 2-3b, 3c-4, 5-6, 7-9b, 9cd

1. O sing a new song *to the LORD*, *
for he has *worked wonders*.
His right hand and his *holy arm* *
have brought *salvation*.
2. The LORD has made known *his salvation*, *
has shown his deliverance to *the nations*.
He has remembered his *merciful love* *
and his truth for the house *of Israel*.
3. All the ends of the *earth have seen* *
the salvation of *our God*.
Shout to the LORD, all the earth; †
break forth into *joyous song*, *
and sing out *your praise*.
4. Sing psalms to the LORD *with the harp*, *
with the harp and the sound *of song*.
With trumpets and the sound *of the horn*, *
raise a shout before the King, *the LORD*.
5. Let the sea and all *within it thunder*; *
the world, and those who dwell *in it*.
Let the rivers *clap their hands*, *
and the hills ring out *their joy*
at the presence of the LORD, *for he comes*, *
he comes to judge *the earth*.

6. He will judge the *world with justice*, *
and the peoples *with fairness*.

7. 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*.