**Eya recolamus – sequentia in Nativitate (in aurora ad missam)**

[1] Hey, let us sing anew in this pious praise

[2a] The songs worthy of this day, in which the light rises for us most pleasing.

[2b] The mist of the night disappears, the shelters of our crime perish.

[3a] Today the star of the sea is anchored by the new joys of salvation,

[3b] Feared by the abysses of hell, and dreaded by death itself, which will be put to death by it.

[4a] The ancient pestilence moans, the livid serpent destroys its spoils;

[4b] The fallen man - the lost sheep is brought back to eternal joy.

[5a] On this day, the ranks of the heavenly angels are rejoicing,

[5b] because the tenth drachma was lost and has been found.

[6a] O guilt too blessed, by which nature has been redeemed.

[6b] God, who created all things, is born of a woman.

[7a] A wonderful nature clothed in a wonderful way, assuming what it was not, remaining what it was.

[7b] Human divinity is clothed with nature, who has heard of such things, say, I pray thee.

[8a] The pious shepherd had come to seek what he had lost.

[8b] He put on a helmet, fighting like an armored soldier.

[9a] Prostrated in his own rush, the enemy's spears, weapons are taken away,

[9b] In whom he trusted, his spoils were divided, his prey was taken.

[10a] Christ's fight is very strong, our salvation is true.

[10b] He who led us to his country after the victory

[11] in which his praise is eternal

**Hanc concordi famulatu – sequentia de S. Stephano (in aurora ad missam)**

[1] Let us celebrate with a united service this solemnity

[2a] of the one who by kindly example of his Creator,

[2b] prayed for those persecuted by the fraud of their own.

[3a] O Stephen, the ensign of the king of the most good, hear us,

[3b] You whose prayers for your enemies were heard,

[4a] Paul, having once persecuted you, believes in Christ thanks to your prayers.

[4b] And dances with you in the kingdom, to which no persecutor approaches.

[5a] We are therefore suppliant, crying out to you and knocking you with prayers.

[5b] May your most holy prayer always win us over to our God.

[6a] Peter appointed you the minister of Christ,

you set the standard of faith to Peter by showing him,

at the right hand of the supreme Father, Christ whom the people, enraged, crucified.

[6b] Christ has chosen you for himself, Stephen, to strengthen his faithful ones through you;

He reveals himself to you among the wheels of rocks, to console you.

[7] Now among the illustrious martyrs you are crowned with shining purple.

**Laudes Salvatori (In Die Pasche)**

[1] Let us sing the praises of the savior with the humble voice,

[2a] And with devout melodies let us rejoice in the heavenly lord Messiah,

[2b] Who humbled himself, to deliver us, lost men.

[3a] Concealing the glory of the deity in the flesh,

he is covered with cloths in the manger,

pitying the transgressor of the precept banished by His father from Paradise.

[3b] Submitted to Joseph, Mary, and Simeon,

he is circumcised and according to the law cleansed as a sinner, he who forgives our sins.

[4a] He underwent the hands of a servant to be baptized,

and endured the frauds of the tempter, and fled from the persecutor of the stones.

[4b] He suffers hunger, sleeps and is sad and washes the feet of the disciples,

God - Man, the highest - the humblest.

[5a] But still, among these things common for the flesh

In vain he tries to hide the deity of his body,

Which is revealed by various signs and teachings.

[5b] He gives water to weddings with the taste of the vineyard,

he clothed the eyes of the blind with a clear light,

he drives away the leprosy with a calm touch.

[6a] He raises the rotten dead and heals the weak limbs,

He has curtailed the flow of blood and fed with five thousand loaves of bread.

[6b] He traverses the wavering sea as the dry shore,

calms the winds, unties the constricted tongue;

he opened ears insensitive to the voices, and drove away the fevers.

[7a] After all these wonderful miracles

[7b] Of his own accord he is arrested and condemned

[8a] And he did not disdain himself to be crucified,

[8b] Although the sun did not look upon his death.

[9a] The day has dawned when the Lord has destroyed death

and appeared alive to his beloved as a conqueror.

[9b] First to Mary, then to the apostles,

teaching the scriptures, opening their hearts

so that they understood what was hidden from them.

[10a] Therefore all rejoice in the risen Christ.

The flowers and the crops are springing with fresh fruit

and the birds are sweetly rejoicing after the sad frost is gone.

[10b] The sun and the moon shine brighter,

troubled so far by the death of Christ.

Applauds the Risen One the earth full of herbs,

which, when He died, was shaking threatening to crumble.

[11a] Therefore let us rejoice in that day,

in which Christ, rising from the dead, made clear to us the way.

[11b] Let the stars, the earth, and the sea rejoice,

and let all the choirs of good spirits praise the Trinity in the heavens.

**Alleluia. Dulce lignum (In inventione S. Crucis)**

Alleluia.

O sweet wood, O sweet nails  
That bore his sweet burden  
Which alone were worthy to support  
The King of Heaven and Lord

**Laudes crucis attolamus**

Be the Cross our theme and story  
We who in the Cross's glory   
Shall eiralt for evermore.  
By the Cross the warrior rises,  
By the Cross the foe despises,  
Till he gains the heavenly shore.  
Sweetest praises  
Earth upraises  
Accents sweetest  
Are the meetest  
For the Tree of sweetest cheer :  
JUfe and voice keep weU in chorus  
Ihen the melody sonorous  
Shall make concord true and clear.

Love be warm, and praise be fervent,  
Ihou that art the Cross's servant.  
And in that hast rest from strife :  
Avery kmdred, every nation.  
Had the Tree that brings Salvation,  
Tree of Beauty, Tree of Life I  
how glorious, fcow transcendent  
Was this Altar I how resplendent  
In the life blood of the Lamb.

Of the Lamb Immaculate  
That redeemed our ancient state  
From its sin and bom its shame.  
'i Ladder this, to sinners given,  
Whereby Christ, the King of Heaven,  
Drew to Him both friends and foes:  
Who its nature hath expended  
In its limits comprehended  
All the world's four quarters knows.  
No new Sacraments we mention;  
We devise no fresh invention :  
This religion was of old;  
Wood made sweet the bitter current:  
Wood called forth the rushing torrent  
From the smitten rock that rolled;

No salvation for the mansion  
Where the Cross in meet expansion  
On the door-post stood not graved:  
Where it stood, the midnight blast  
Of the avenging Angel passed.  
And the firat-born child was saved.  
Wood the widow's hands collected,  
When salvation unexpected  
Came, the Prophet's mystic boon:  
Where the wood of faith is wanted,  
iliere the Spirit's oil is scanted,  
And the meal is wasted soon.  
Rome beheld each shattered vessel  
And Hazentius vainly wrestle  
In the stream against its might:  
This procured the bright ovation  
O'er the Fertian and the Thracian  
When HeiacUus won the fight.  
Types of old in Scripture hidden  
Setting forth the Cross, are bidden,  
In these days, to tuller light;  
Kings are flying, foes are dying,  
On the Cross of Christ relying  
One a thousand puts to mght.

**Rex omnipotens**

[1] King almighty in this day,

[2a] having redeemed the world with triumphant power,

[2b] as the Victor ascended into heaven from whence he had descended.

[3a] For after he rose from the dead,

[3b] for forty holy days he strengthened the hearts of the Apostles,

[4a] leaving them dear kisses of peace.

[4b] And to them he gave the power to forgive the trespasses.

[5a] And he sent them into the world to baptize all souls

[5b] In the mercy of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[6a] And dining with them he ordered them from Jerusalem

[6b] They should not go away, but wait for the promised gifts:

[7a] "For not after many days will I send you the Paraclete Spirit on earth."

[7b] And you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria."

[8a] And when he had said this to those who saw him,

he was lifted up and a bright cloud appeared

[8b] and took him from before their eyes, looking into the skies.

[9a] Behold, there stood two men clothed in white garments

[9b] And said: “Why do you marvel at the heights of the heavens?

[10a] For this is Jesus, who was taken from you to the right hand of the Father.

[10b] As he ascended, so he shall seeking the gains of the committed talent".

[11a] O God of the sea, of the poles, of the field,

the man whom you created, and whom, by a sly trick,

[11b] The enemy banished from the garden

and brought the captives with him to the Tartars.

[12a] With your own blood you redeemed us to God

and brought us back, from whence the dweller of paradise first fell.

[12b] Judge, while you come to judge, grant us, we pray,

everlasting rest in the land of the saints.

[13] In which we sing to you alleluia.

**Sancti Spiritus Assit nobis gratia.**

[1]The grace of the Holy Ghost be present with us;   
[2] And make our hearts a dwelling place to itself  
[3] And expel from them all spiritual wickedness.  
[4] Merciful Spirit, Illuminator of men,  
[6] Purge the fearful shades of our mind.  
[8] holy Lover of thoughts that are ever wise,  
[7] Of Thy mercy pour forth Thine Anointing into our  
senses.  
[8] Thou purifier of all iniquities, O Spirit,  
[9] Purify the eye of our inner man.  
[10] To the end that the Father of all things may be seen by us,  
[11] He, Whom the eyes of none save the pure in heart  
can behold.  
[12] Thou didst inspire the Prophets to chant aforehand  
I their glorious heralding of Christ.  
[13] Thou didst confirm the Apostles, so that they shall bear  
Christ's glorious trophy through the whole world.  
[14] When, by His Word, God made the system ot heaven,  
earth, seas,  
[15] Thou didst stretch out Thy Godhead over the waters,  
and didst cherish them, Spirit !  
[16] Thou dost give virtue to the waters to quicken  
souls;  
[17] Thou, by Thine Inspiration, grantest to men to be  
spiritual.  
[18] Thou didst unite the world, divided both in tongues  
and rites, Lobd !  
[19] Thou recallest idolaters to the worship of God, best  
of Masters!  
[20] Wherefore of Thy mercy hear us who call upon Thee,  
Holy Ghost :  
[21] Without Whom, as the faith teaches, all our prayers  
are in vain, and unworthy of the ears of God.  
[22] Thou, Spirit, Who by embracing the Saints of all  
ages, dost teach them by the impulse of Thy Divinity;  
[23] Thyself, by bestowing on the Apostles of Christ a  
gift immortal, and unheard of from all ages,  
[24] Hast made this day glorious.

**Alleluia Tu puer propheta**

Alleluya

And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High;

for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for him.

[1] Let us celebrate the feast of Saint Baptist

[2a] Christ's herald, so in following his customs

[2b] He may lead his disciples to the life which he preached.

[3a] Devoted to you, most holy of men, friend of Jesus Christ,

we beseech you that we may receive joys,

[3b] Promised when Gabriel appeared to Zacharias,

to those who would celebrate your birth with obsequies.

[4a] And through this feast we may obtain eternal joys,

[4b] That the saints of God rejoice in the sacred delights of fate.

[5a] You who prepare the hearts of the faithful,

lest God find in them anything deviant or slippery.

[5b] We beseech thee, that thou mayest endeavor to absolve our crimes

and misdeeds by continual prayer.

[6a] That He may be pleased always to visit his faithful ones

[6b] And it is worthy to make a dwelling in them.

[7a] And with the fleece of the lamb, whom you pointed your finger at,

[7b] as the one who takes away the sins of the world,

[8a] You wished to clothe us so that we might merit, united with the angels,

[8b] To follow him in a white robe through the bright gate,

[8b] Friend of Christ, John!

**A rea virga**

[1a] From the real rod of the first mother Eve Mary's blossoming rose has sprung up.

[1b] She rises like a dawn among the stars in the heavens, beautiful as the moon.

[2a] She breaks beyond all pigmented balsams and thyme.

[2b] Purple as the violet, dewy as the rose, glowing as the lily.

[3a] Who was chosen by the divine offspring of the most high Father,

to take on the sacrosanct flesh of the virgin's uncorrupted body.

[3b] Celestial Gabriel announces the new joys

of the eternal king from his birth on earth, and greets his mother thus:

[4a] "Hail Mary, mother of my Lord, heavenly nourisher, full of grace.

[4b] You shall be blessed, you shall give brith

to an everlasting king, and become queen of the world".

[5a] Fertile, then, she says: "How can I be, when I do not know the man

from whom I should give brith to, but I always remain a chaste virgin."

[5a] "Don't be afraid," answered the angel,

"the holy spirit will descend on you, chaste,

with which, fertilized, you will bear God and man together."

[6a] O truly holy and worthy of love,

from which arose our redemption,

also the salvation of the world and true life.

[6b] O pious mother of our God,

accept our sins this day, in which you were taken up to the gates of heaven.

[7a] For you are dear to the Father,

you are the good mother of Jesus,

you have become the temple of the Holy Spirit.

[7b] You are the beautiful bride of God,

you are the Lady supporting Christ the King in heaven and on earth.

[8a] For today the heavenly court has taken you

to the starry palaces to meet you.

[8b] Jesus himself hastened to meet you, mother, with the angels

and placed you in the paternal seat with him for ever.

[9a] Now reigning with God, oh blessed,

forgive our evil deeds and intercede oh generous one, for every good.

[9b] Our mediator, who is the first hope after God, represent us to your son,

[10] That we may rejoice in heveanly palace, alleluia

**Corona sanctitatis**

[1a] With the crown of holiness and immortality

[1b] Today the Lord decorated his martyr Wenceslaus.

[2a] The tear has been wiped from the eyes, the just blossoms like a palm tree.

[2b] The tear has been wiped from the eyes, the enigma dissapears.

[3a] The specular scale falls, the special vision becomes clear,

[3b] Where God is all the power and glory of the saints,

[4a] Where God is all things and is not distinct in all things,

remaining in all things, that which is in glory, is all things to all.

[4b] He is one reward for all members of the sacred college,

one is but unequal reward, according to the merits of the faithful.

[5] We, his consorts, glorify the lips of father Wenceslas,

whom you know to be perpetually condemned to misery of Adam.

**O Beata beatorum**

Blessed Feasts of Blessed Martyrs !  
Saintly days of saintly mea !  
With afrection's recollections  
Oreet we your return again.  
Mighty deeds they wrought, and wonders.  
While a frame of flesh they bore :  
We with meetest praise, and sweetest.  
Honour them for evermore.  
Faith unblenching, Hope unquenching,  
Well-lov'd Lord, and single heart,  
Thus they glorious and victorious  
Bore the Martyr's happy part.  
Blood in slaughter pour'd like water,  
Torments long and heavy chain.  
Flame, and axe, and laceration.  
They endur'd, and conquered pain.  
While they passed through divers tortures,  
Till they sank by death oppress'd,  
Earth's rejected were elected  
To have portion with the Blest.  
By contempt of worldly pleasures,  
And by mighty battles done.  
They have reached the Land of Angels,  
And with them are knit in one.  
[Wherefore made co-heirs of glory.  
Ye that sit with Chbist on high  
Join to ours your supplications.  
As for grace and peace we cry.  
That this naughty life completed,  
And its transient labours past.  
We may merit to be seated  
In our LoBD'Sgbright Home at last.

They are made co-hein of glory,  
And they sit with Chkist on high :  
Oh that, as He heard their weeping,  
He may also hear our cry;  
Till, this weary life completed,  
And its many labours past.  
He shall grant us to be seated  
In our Fatbeb's Home at last ! Amen