

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

PRELUDE

Ant. O Sapiéntia, quæ ex ore Altísimi pródisti, attingens a fine usque ad finem, fórtiter suáviter disponénsque ómnia, veni ad docéndum nos viam prudéntiæ.

Vv. Magnificat (Lk 1:46-55)

OFFERTORY

Veni, redémptor géntium,
Osténde partum Vírginis:
Mirétur omne sæculum,
Talis decet partus Deum.

Non ex viríli sémine,
Sed mýstico spirámine
Verbum Dei factum est caro,
Fructúsque ventris flóruit.

Alvus tuméscit Vírginis,
Cláustrum pudóris pérmanet:
Vexílla virtútum micant,
Versátur in templo Deus.

Procédát e thálamó suo,
Pudóris aula régia,
Géminæ gigas substántiæ,
Alácris ut currat viam.

Egréssus eius a Patre,
Regréssus eius ad Patrem,
Excúrsus usque ad ínferos,
Recúrsus ad sedem Dei.

Æquális ætérno Patri,
Cárnis tropæo cíngere;

Ant. O Wisdom which comest forth from the mouth of the Most High, spanning from end unto end and mightily yet gently ordering all things: come to teach us the way of prudence.

*Come, thou redeemer of the earth,
And manifest thy virgin-birth:
Let ev'ry age adoring fall;
Such birth befits the God of all.*

*Begotten of no human will,
But of the Spirit, thou art still
The Word of God in flesh arrayed,
The promised Fruit to Man displayed.*

*The virgin womb that burden gained
With virgin honor all unstained;
The banners there of virtue glow;
God in his temple dwells below.*

*Forth from his chamber goeth he,
That royal home of purity,
A giant in twofold substance one,
Rejoicing now his course to run.*

*From God the Father he proceeds,
To God the Father back he speeds;
His course he runs to death and hell,
Returning on God's throne to dwell.*

*O equal to the Father, thou!
Gird on thy fleshly mantle now;*

Infirma nóstri córporis
Virtúte firmans pérpeti.

Præsepe iam fulget tuum,
Luménque nox spirat novum,
Quod nulla nox intérpolet,
Fidéque iugi lúceat.

Sit, Christe, rex piússime,
Tibi Patrique glória,
Cum Spírítu Paráclito,
In sempitérna sæcula. Amen.

*The weakness of our mortal state
With deathless might invigorate.*

*Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,
And darkness breathe a newer light,
Where endless faith shall shine serene,
And twilight never intervene.*

*All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the Holy Paraclete. Amen.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ant. Ecce virgo concípiet, et páriet fílium: et vocábitur nomen eius Emmánuel.

Vv. Ps. 18(19)

Ant. Behold, the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son: and his name shall be called Emmanuel.

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