

**Magnificat (Canticle of the Blessed Virgin Mary), Benedictus (Canticle of Zachary),  
and I and II Sunday Vespers Canticles**

**Canticle of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

- <sup>46b</sup> My ✠ sóul mágnifies the Lórd,  
<sup>47</sup> and my spírít rejóices in God, my sáviór
- <sup>48</sup> All péople now will cáll me bléssed,  
for he has lóved the lówliness of his hándmaid.  
<sup>49</sup> The Almíghty has shówn me great fávor,  
hóly is his náme.
- <sup>50</sup> His mércy exténds through generátions,  
tóward thóse who revére him.  
<sup>51</sup> He has revéaled his árm in pówer,  
scattering the próud in their ówn concéit.
- <sup>52</sup> Hé has dethróned the pówerful,  
and lífted úp the lówly.  
<sup>53</sup> The fárnished have been fílléd with his bóunty,  
the rích have been sént away émpy.
- <sup>54</sup> He has álwáys helped Ísrael, his sérvant,  
trúe to his lóving kíndness,  
<sup>55</sup> júst as he prómised our fáthers,  
to Ábraham and his descéndants for éver.

Glóry to the Fáther and the Són  
and the Hóly Spírít.  
As álwáys befóre,  
so nów and evermóre. Amén! Ω

**Canticle of Zachary**

- <sup>68</sup> Blést ✠ be the Lórd God of Ísrael,  
for he has vísited and redéemed his péople,  
<sup>69</sup> and has ráised for us a hórñ of salvátion  
in the hóuse of Dávid, his sérvant
- <sup>70</sup> As he prómised throughóut past áges,  
in the wórd's of his hóly próphets:  
<sup>71</sup> delíverance fróm our énemies,  
and from the contról of óur oppréssors.
- <sup>72</sup> He has shówn his kíndness to our fáthers,  
remembering álwáys his hóly cóvenant.  
<sup>73</sup> The óath sworn to Ábraham, our fáther,  
hé has renéwed for ús,
- <sup>74</sup> so that fréed from the clútches of our fóes,  
we may sérve him wíthout féar,  
<sup>75</sup> becoming hóly and júst in his síght  
the rést of our dáys.
- <sup>76</sup> And you, chíld called 'próphet of the Most Hígh,'  
will gó before the Lórd to prépare his wáys,  
<sup>77</sup> bringing his péople knówledge of salvátion,  
through remíssion of their síns.
- <sup>78</sup> For the lóve of our compássionate Gód,  
as the Órient on hígh has shone upón us  
<sup>79</sup> to illumine the dárkness and dispél the shadow of  
déath,  
to direct our stéps along péaceful wáys.

Glóry to the Fáther and the Són  
and the Hóly Spírít.  
As álwáys befóre,  
so nów and evermóre. Amén! Ω

### **Philippians Canticle**

**Ant.** Christ died for our sins \* and rose that we might live

**V.** Though he was in the form of God,  
Jesus did not grasp at equality with God.

**R.** Lord Jesus!

**V.** He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant,  
being born in the likeness of men.

**R.** Lord Jesus!

**V.** And being found in human form,  
he humbled himself,  
and became obedient unto death,  
even death on a cross.

**R.** Lord Jesus!

**V.** Therefore God has highly exalted him  
and bestowed on him the name  
that is above every name.

**R.** Lord Jesus!

**V.** That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth.

**R.** Lord Jesus!

**V.** And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**R.** Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father!

Glory to the Father and the Son  
and the Holy Spirit,  
as always before,  
so now and evermore. Amen.

*The antiphon is repeated.*

### **Week I Revelation Canticle**

**Ant.** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**V.** Salvation and Glory and power  
belong to our God.  
His judgments are true and just.

**R.** Alleluia, alleluia!

**V.** Praise our God, all you his servants.  
Those holding him in fear, small and great.

**R.** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**V.** The Lord our God, the Almighty reigns.  
Let us rejoice and exult, giving him the glory!

Glory to the Father and the Son  
and the Holy Spirit,  
as always before,  
so now and evermore. Amen.

*The antiphon is repeated.*

### **Week II Revelation Canticle**

**Ant.** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**V.** Salvation and Glory and power  
belong to our God.  
His judgments are true and just.

**R.** Alleluia, alleluia!

**V.** The marriage of the Lamb has come.  
And his bride has made herself ready.

**R.** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**V.** She has been given for her clothing.  
Fine linen, glistening and pure!

Glory to the Father and the Son  
and the Holy Spirit,  
as always before,  
so now and evermore. Amen.

*The antiphon is repeated.*

**1 Peter 2:21-25 Canticle for Lent**

**Ant.** *Chanted by the Monks*

**V.** Christ suffered for you,  
leaving you an example  
that you should follow in his steps.

**R.** By his wounds, we have been healed.

**V.** He committed no sin;  
no guile was found upon his lips.  
When he was reviled,  
he did not revile in return.

**R.** By his wounds, we have been healed.

**V.** When he suffered,  
he did not threaten;  
but he trusted  
in him who judges justly.

**R.** By his wounds, we have been healed.

**V.** He himself bore our sins in his body  
on the tree  
that we might die to sin  
and live to righteousness.

**R.** By his wounds, we have been healed.

**V.** By his wounds you have been healed.  
For you were straying like sheep,  
but now you have returned  
to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

**R.** By his wounds, we have been healed.

Glory to the Father and the Son  
and the Holy Spirit,  
as always before,  
so now and evermore. Amen.

*The antiphon is repeated.*