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R. O Lord, make haste to help me.

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R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Alleluia *or* Praise be to Thee, O Lord, King of eternal glory.

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R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

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BENEDICTUS

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And hath raised up a horn of salvation to us, * in the house of David his servant;

As he spoke by the mouth of his holy Prophets, * who are from the beginning;

Salvation from our enemies, * and from the hand of all that hate us.

To perform mercy to our fathers, * and to remember his holy testament;

The oath which he swore to Abraham our father, * that he would grant to us;

That being delivered from the hand of our enemies * we may serve him without fear;

In holiness and justice before him, * all our days.

And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: * for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people * unto the remission of their sins,

Through the bowels of the mercy of our God; * in which the Orient from on high hath visited us;

To enlighten them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death, * to direct our feet into the way of peace.

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MAGNIFICAT

My soul * † doth magnify the Lord.

And my spirit hath rejoiced * in God my Saviour.

Because he hath regarded the humility of his handmaid; * for behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

Because he that is mighty hath done great things to me; * and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is from generation unto generation, * to them that fear him.

He hath shewed might in his arm: * he hath scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, * and hath exalted the humble.

He hath filled the hungry with good things; * and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He hath received Israel his servant, * being mindful of his mercy:

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