The Annunciation of Our Lord – March 25 + + +

Introit

The rich among the people will seek your / favor.*



She shall be brought to the King in robes of many / colors; The virgins, her companions who follow her, shall be / brought to You.* With gladness and rejoicing they / shall be brought.

My heart is overflowing with a | good theme;*

I recite my composition concern- | ing the King.

Your throne, O God, is forever and | ever;*

A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your | kingdom.

God, Your God, has a- | nointed You*

With the oil of gladness more than Your com- | panions.

I will make Your name to be remembered in all gener- | ations;*

Therefore the people shall praise You forever and | ever. (Psalm)

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit

as it was in the be | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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Collect

We implore You, O Lord, pour Your grace into our hearts, that, as we have known the incarnation of Your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by His cross and Passion we may be brought to the glory of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Isaiah 7:10–14 *A virgin shall conceive*

Gradual

Grace is poured up- | on Your lips;*

Therefore God has blessed You for- | ever.

You love righteousness and hate | wickedness;*

Therefore God, Your God, has a- | nointed You. (Psalm 45:2, 7)

Epistle: Galatians 4:4–7 *or* Hebrews 10:4–10

When the time had fully come A body you prepared for me

Tract



Listen, O / daughter,

Consider and in-/cline your ear;

So the King will greatly desire your / beauty;

The rich among the people will seek your $\it /$ favor.

The royal daughter is all glorious within the / palace;

Her clothing is wov-/en with gold.

She shall be brought to the King in robes of many / colors;

The virgins, her companions who follow her, shall be / brought to You. With gladness and rejoicing they / shall be brought;

They shall enter the King's / palace. (*Psalm 45:10, 11, 12, 14-15*) **OR**

My soul magni- | fies the Lord,*

And my spirit has rejoiced in God my | Savior.

For He has regarded the lowly state of His | maidservant;*
For behold, henceforth all generations will | call me blessed.

For He who is mighty has done great | things for me,*

And holy | is His name.

His mercy is on those who | fear Him*

From generation to gener- | ation. (Luke 1:45–50)

If the Annunciation falls in Eastertide, the Gradual is omitted and the Verse replaces the Tract.

Verse

Alle- | luia.*

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Hail Mary, highly | favored one*

The Lord is with you. Alle- | luia.

Blessed are you among | women.*

Blessed is the fruit of your womb. Alle- | luia (Luke 1:28, 42)

Holy Gospel: Luke 1:26–38

The Annunciation

Offertory (During Lent)

For thou art happy, O Holy Virgin Mary, and most wor- | thy of praise; Because from thee arose the sun of justice, | Christ our God.



Or

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The Lord | is with you.
Blessed are you among | women.*
Blessed is the fruit | of your womb. (Luke 1:28, 42)

Secret

O Lord, as you humbly partook of our human flesh from the blessed Virgin Mary, grant that we who discern your Body and Blood in this Sacrament might partake of your blessings of forgiveness and life for the restoration of our flesh; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN.

Communion

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin | Mary, Which bore the Son of the Eternal | Father.

Postcommunion

Having received, O Lord, these helps to our salvation, grant we beseech Thee, that we may be continually protected and defended from all adversity; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN.

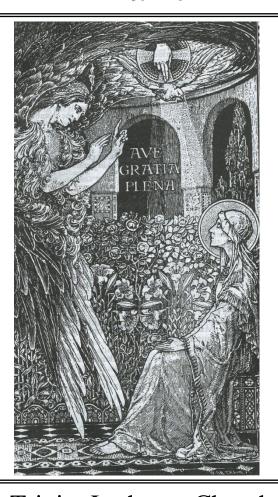
Hymn of the Day

How Lovely Shines the Morning Star [*TLH* 343/*LW* 73] The Only Son from Heaven [*LW* 72]

Auxiliary Hymns

TLH 104/LW 43; TLH 275/LW 211; HS 805

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