

Vespers on The Conversion of St. Paul- January 25

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Psalms for The Conversion of St. Paul - Vespers



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Conversion of St. Paul - Psalms

Psalm 67—*Deus misereatur nostri*

Psalm Tone IV



Antiphon: LET THE - || peoples praise | You, | O | God; | - *

Let all | the | peo- | ples | praise | You.

|| 1 God be merciful to | us | and | bless | us, *

And cause His face | to | shine | up- | on us.

|| 2 That Your way may be | known | on | earth, | - *

Your salvation | a- | mong | all | na- | tions.

|| 3 Let the peoples praise | You, | O | God; | - *

Let all | the | peo- | ples | praise | You.

|| 4 Oh, let the nations be glad and | sing | for | joy! | - *

For You shall judge the people righteously, and govern |
the | na- | tions | on | earth.

|| 5 Let the peoples praise | You, | O | God; | - *

Let all | the | peo- | ples | praise | You.

|| 6 Then the earth shall | yield | her | in- | crease; *

God, our | own | God, | shall | bless | us.

|| 7 God | shall | — | bless | us, *

And all the ends of | the | earth | shall | fear | Him.

GLO- RY - || be to the Father, and | to | the | Son: | - *

and | to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost;

AS IT - || was in the begin -*ning*, (+) is now, and | ev- | er | shall |
be: *

world | with- | out | end. | A- | men.

Antiphon: || Let the peoples praise | You, | O | God; | - *

Let all | the | peo- | ples | praise | You.

Psalm 21—*Domine, in virtute tua*

Psalm Tone VIII



Antiphon: BE EX- || alted, O Lord, in Your own | strength! | - *

We will sing and | praise | Your | pow- | er.

|| 1 The king shall have joy in Your strength, O | Lord; | - *

And in Your salvation how greatly | shall | he | re- | joice!

|| 2 You have given him his heart's de- | sire, | - *

And have not withheld the re- | quest | of | his | lips.

|| 3 For You meet him with the blessings of | good- | ness; *

You set a crown of pure gold | up- | on | his | head.

|| 4 He asked life from You, and You gave it to | him | - *

—Length of days forev- | er | and | ev- | er.

|| 5 His glory is great in Your sal- | va- | tion; *

Honor and majesty You have | placed | up- | on | him.

|| 6 For You have made him most blessèd for- | ev- | er; *

You have made him exceedingly glad | with | Your | pre- |
sence.

|| 7 For the king trusts in the | Lord, | - *

And through the mercy of the Most High he | shall | not |
be | moved.

|| 8 Your hand will find all Your | en-e- · | mies; *

Your right hand will find | those | who | hate | You.

|| 9 You shall make them as a fiery oven in the time of Your | an- |
ger; *

The Lord shall swallow them up in His wrath, and the fire |
| shall | de- | vour | them.

|| 10 Their offspring You shall destroy from the | earth, | - *

And their descendants from among | the | sons | of | men.

|| 11 For they intended evil against | You; | - *
They devised a plot which they are not a- | ble | to | per- |
form.

|| 12 Therefore You will make them turn their | back; | - *
You will make ready Your arrows on Your string ‘ | their |
fac- | es.

|| 13 Be exalted, O Lord, in Your own | strength! | - *
We will sing and | praise | Your | pow- | er.

GLO- RY || be to the Father, and to the | Son: | - *
and to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost;

AS IT || was in the begin -*ning*, (+) is now, and ever | shall | be: *
world with- | out | end. | A- | men.

Antiphon: || Be exalted, O Lord, in Your own | strength! | - *
We will sing and | praise | Your | pow- | er.

Psalm 44—*Deus, auribus*

Psalm Tone IV



Antiphon: A- RISE - || - | for | our | help, | - *
And redeem us | for | Your | mer- | cies’ | sake.

|| 1 We have heard with our ears, O God, our fa- | thers | have |
told | us, *

The deeds You did in their | days, | in | days | of | old:

|| 2 You drove out the nations with Your hand, but | them | You |
plant- | ed; *

You afflicted the peo- | ples, | and | cast | them | out.

|| 3 For they did not gain possession of the land by | their | own |
sword, | - *

Nor did | their | own | arm | save | them;

|| But it was Your right hand, Your arm, and the light | of | Your |
*count-e- · | nance, **

Be- | cause | You | fa- | vored | them.

|| 4 You are my | King, | O | God; | - *

Command vic- | to- | ries | for | Ja- | cob.

|| 5 Through You we will push | down | our | *en-e- · | mies; **

Through Your name we will trample those who | rise | up |
a- | gainst | us.

|| 6 For I will not trust | in | my | bow, | - *

Nor | shall | my | sword | save | me.

|| 7 But You have saved us | from | our | *en-e- · | mies, **

And have put to shame | those | who | hat- | ed | us.

|| 8 In God we boast | all | day | long, | - *

And praise | Your | name | for- | ev- | er.

|| 9 But You have cast us off and put | us | to | shame, | - *

And You do not go | out | with | our | arm- | ies.

|| 10 You make us turn back | from | the | *en-e- · | my, **

And those who hate us have tak- | en | spoil | for | them- |
selves.

|| 11 You have given us up like sheep intend- | ed | for | food, | - *

And have scattered us | a- | mong | the | na- | tions.

|| 12 You sell Your people for | next | to | no- | thing, *

And are not en- | riched | by | sell- | ing | them.

|| 13 You make us a reproach | to | our | neigh- | bors, *

A scorn and a derision to | those | all | a- | round | us.

|| 14 You make us a byword a- | mong | the | na- | tions, *

A shaking of the head | a- | mong | the | peo- | ples.

|| 15 My dishonor is continual- | ly | be- | fore | me, *

And the shame of my | face | has | co- | vered | me,

|| 16 Because of the voice of him who reproaches | and | re- |
viles, | - *

Because of the enemy | and | the | a- | ven- | ger.

|| 17 All this has come upon us; But we have not for- | got- | ten |
You, | - *

Nor have we dealt falsely | with | Your | cov- | e- | nant.

|| 18 Our heart has | not | turned | back, | - *

Nor have our steps de- | part- | ed | from | Your | way;

|| 19 But You have severely broken us in the | place | of | jack- |
als, *

And covered us with | the | sha- | dow | of | death.

|| 20 If we had forgotten the name | of | our | God, | - *

Or stretched out our hands | to | a | for- | eign | god,

|| 21 Would not God | search | this | out? | - *

For He knows the | se- | crets | of | the | heart.

|| 22 Yet for Your sake we are killed | all | day | long; | - *

We are accounted as | sheep | for | the | slaugh- | ter.

|| 23 Awake! Why do You | sleep, | O | Lord? | - *

Arise! Do not cast | us | off | for- | ev- | er.

|| 24 Why do You | hide | Your | face, | - *

And forget our affliction | and | our | op- | pres- | sion?

|| 25 For our soul is bowed down | to | the | dust; | - *

Our bod- | y | clings | to | the | ground.

|| 26 Arise | for | our | help, | - *

And redeem us | for | Your | mer- | cies' | sake.

GLO- RY - || be to the Father, and | to | the | Son: | - *

and | to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost;

AS IT - || was in the begin -*ning*, (+) is now, and | ev- | er | shall |
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Antiphon: || Arise | for | our | help, | - *

And redeem us | for | Your | mer- | cies' | sake.

Acts 9:1-22

¹Then Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven. ⁴Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads." ⁶So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" Then the Lord *said* to him, "Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." ⁷And the men who journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice but seeing no one. ⁸Then Saul arose from the ground, and when his eyes were opened he saw no one. But they led him by the hand and brought *him* into Damascus. ⁹And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

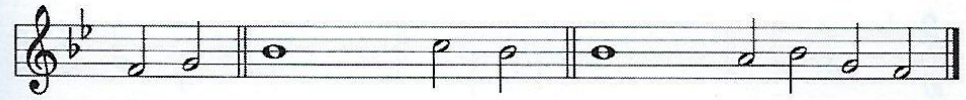
¹⁰Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹So the Lord *said* to him, "Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for *one* called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying. ¹²"And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting *his* hand on him, so that he might receive his sight." ¹³Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem. ¹⁴"And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel. ¹⁶"For I will show him how many things he must

suffer for My name's sake." ¹⁷And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸Immediately there fell from his eyes *something* like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized. ¹⁹So when he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus.

²⁰Immediately he preached the Christ in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God. ²¹Then all who heard were amazed, and said, "Is this not he who destroyed those who called on this name in Jerusalem, and has come here for that purpose, so that he might bring them bound to the chief priests?" ²²But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who dwelt in Damascus, proving that this *Jesus* is the Christ.

St. Matthew 19:27-30

²⁷Then Peter answered and said to Him, "See, we have left all and followed You. Therefore what shall we have?" ²⁸So Jesus said to them, "Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. ²⁹"And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. ³⁰"But many *who are* first will be last, and the last first.



Introit.

Ant. I KNOW || Whom I have be- | liev- | ed:

and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him | a- | gainst | that | day.

|| There is laid up for me a crown of | *righteous-* | ness:

which the Lord, the righteous | Judge, | shall | give | me.

Psalm. O LORD, Thou hast searched me and | known | me:

Thou knowest my down-sitting and | mine | up- | ris- | ing.

GLO-RY || be to the Father and to the | Son | - :

and to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost.

AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall | be:

world with- | out | end. | A- | men. (*Ant. Repeated.*)

Collect.

Merciful Lord, we beseech Thee to cast the bright beams of Thy light upon Thy Church, that it being instructed by the doctrine of the blessed Apostles, may so walk in the light of Thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle. Acts 9:1–22

Gospel. Matthew 19:27–30

Gradual.

|| Their sound went forth through all | the | earth:

and their words to the | end | of | the | world.

|| The heavens declare the glory of | God | - :

and the firmament showeth | His | hand- | i- | work.

|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of | the | world:

that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. |

Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.

Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul
 76. O Thou, Who Dost Accord Us
 the Highest Prize and Guerdon

Anon., (Latin, 11th Century)

7, 7, 6, 7, 7, 8.
 Heinrich Isaac, 1490



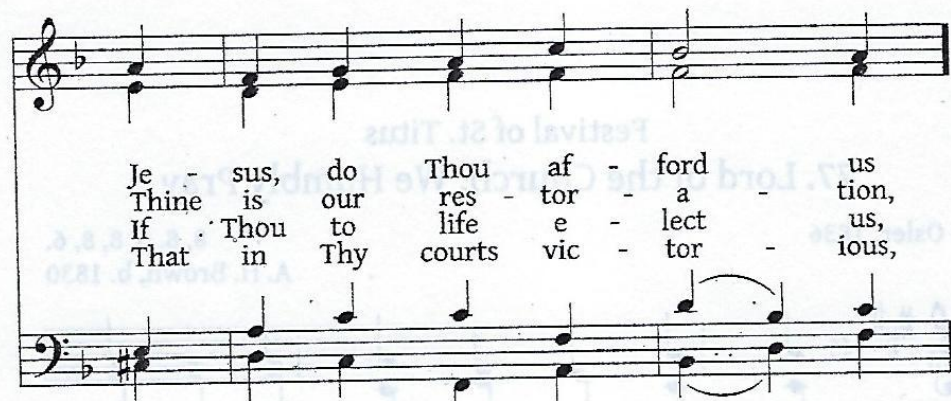
1. O Thou, who dost ac - cord us
 2. With whis - pered ac - cu - sa - tion
 3. For who, if Thou re - ject us,
 4. O Tri - ni - ty most glor - ious,



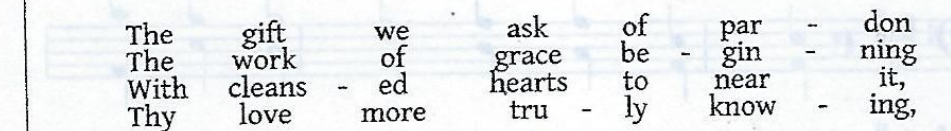
The high - est prize and guer - don,
 Our con - science tells of sin - ning
 Shall raise the faint - ing spi - rit?
 Thy par - don free be - stow - ing,



Thou hope of all our race,
 In thought, and word, and deed;
 'Tis Thine a - lone to spare:
 De - fend us ev - er - more;



Je - sus, do Thou af - ford us
 Thine is our res - tor - a - tion,
 If Thou to life e - lect us,
 That in Thy courts vic - tor - ious,



The gift we ask of par - don
 The work of grace be - gin - ning
 With cleans - ed hearts to near it,
 Thy love more tru - ly know - ing,



For all who hum - bly seek Thy face.
 For souls from ev' - ry bur - den freed.
 Shall be our task, our low - ly prayer.
 We may with all Thy saints a - dore. A - men.

