Hebrews 7:23-27

²³Also there were many priests, because they were prevented by death from continuing. ²⁴But He, because He continues forever, has unchangeable priesthood. an ²⁵Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. ²⁶For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens; ²⁷who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself.

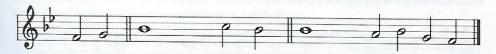
St. Matthew 25:14-23

¹⁴"For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them. ¹⁵"And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey. ¹⁶"Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and made another five talents. ¹⁷"And likewise he who had received two gained two more also. ¹⁸"But he who had received one went and dug in the ground, and hid his lord's money. ¹⁹"After a long time the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰"So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.' ²¹"His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.' ²²"He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.' ²³"His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful

over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into

the joy of your lord.'

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Introit.

Ant. LET THY || priests be clothed with righteousness; and let Thy saints shout | for | joy :

For Thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of | Thine | a- | noint-| ed.

Psalm. || Lord, remember | Da- | vid:

and all his a- fflic- tions.

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.

O God, who didst call Patrick to preach the Gospel, grant to Thy servants steadfastness in the confession of the true faith that they would preach that unchanging Gospel in the midst of the darkness of this age, 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. Hebrews 7:23-27 Gosp

Gospel. Matthew 25:14-23

Gradual.

|| I will also clothe her priests with sal- | va- | tion: and her saints shall shout | a- | louid | for | joy.

|| There will I make the horn of David | to | bud:

I have ordained a lamp for | mine | a- | noint- | ed. || Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The people will tell of their | wis- | dom: and the congregation will shew forth their praise. | Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.





5. Then all these wastes, a dreary scene That makes us sadden as we gaze, Shall grow with living waters green And lift to heav'n the voice of praise.