



Lauda Sion Salvatorem

Sequence for Corpus Christi
Plainsong, Mode vii

vii. 
Praise, O Si-on, praise thy Sav-iour, Shep-herd, Prince, with glad be-hav-ior,
2. Sing His glo-ry with-out meas-ure, For the mer-it of your Treas-ure


Praise in hymn and can-ti-cle:
Nev-er shall your prai-ses fill.


3. Won-drous theme of mor-tal sing-ing, Liv-ing Bread and Bread life-bring-ing.
4. At the Lord's own ta-ble giv-en To the twelve as Bread from Heav-en,


Sing we on this joy-ful day:
Doubt-ing not we firm-ly say.


5. Sing His praise with voice so-nor-ous; Ev'-ry heart shall hear the cho-rus
7. At the new King's sa-cred ta-ble, The new Law's new Pasch is a-ble


Swell in mel-o-dy sub-lime:
To suc-ceed the an-cient Rite:


6. For this day the Shep-herd gave us Flesh and blood to feed and save us,
8. Old to new its place hath giv-en, Truth has far the shad-ows driv-en,


Last-ing to the end of time.
Dark-ness flees be-fore the Light.



9. And as _____ He hath done and planned it—
 10. Learn - ed, _____ Lord in Thine own sci - ence,



“Do this”— hear His love com - mand it, “For a mem - o - ry of me.”
 Bread and wine, in sweet com - pli - ance, As a Host we of - fer Thee.



11. Thus in faith the Chris - tian hear - eth:
 12. Though we feel it not nor see it,



That Christ's Flesh as bread ap - pear - eth, And as wine His _____ Prec - ious Blood:
 Liv - ing Faith that doth de - cree it All de - fects of _____ sense makes good.



13. Lo! Be - neath _____ the _____ spe - cies du - al
 14. Though His Flesh _____ as _____ food a - bid - eth,



(Signs, not things), is hid a jew - el, Far be - yond cre - a - tion's reach!
 And His Blood as drink— He hid - eth Un - di - vi - ded un - der each.



15. Who - so _____ eat - eth It can nev - er Break the Bod - y, rend, or sev - er;
 16. Thou - sands _____ eat the Bread of Heav - en, Yet as much to one is giv - en:



Christ en - tire our _____ hearts doth fill.
 Christ, though eat - en, _____ bid - eth still.



17. Good and bad, they come to greet _____ Him:
 18. These find death and those find heav - - - en;



Un - to life the form - er eat Him, and the lat - ter un - to death.
 See from the same life - seed giv - en, How the har - vest dif - fe - reth!



19. When at last the Bread is bro - ken, Doubt not what the Lord hath spo - ken:

20. For no power the Thing di - vid - eth— 'Tis the sym - bols He pro - vid - eth,



In each part the same Love to - ken, The same Christ, our ___ hearts a - dore.

While the Sa - viour still a - bid - eth Un - di - min - ished ___ as be - fore.



21. Hail, an - gel - ic Bread of Hea - ven, Now the pil - grim's hop - ing leav - en,

22. In the fig - ures con - tem - pla - ted, 'Twas with I - saac im - mo - lat - ed,



Yea, the Bread to chil - dren giv - en, That to dogs must ___ not be thrown:

By the Lam 'twas an - te - dat - ed, In the Man - na ___ it was shown.



23. O Good Shep - herd, still con - fess - ing

24. Thou, whose power hath all com - plet - ed,



Love, in spite of our trans - gress - ing, Here Thy bless - ed Food pos - sess - ing,

And Thy Flesh as Food hath ___ met - ed, Make us, at Thy tab - le seat - ed,



Make us share Thine ev - ery Bless - ing, In the land ___ of life and love:

By Thy Saints, as friends be greet - ed, In Thy pa - ra - dise a - bove.



A - - - men. ___ Al - le - lu - ia.

Notes on the transcription

- 1) The notes are grouped together as much as possible by twos and threes. The beaming of the notes has nothing to do with the syllabic assignment, as in 19th-century music.
- 2) In vss. 6 and 8, I took the liberty of changing the former to match the latter in terms of pitch and rhythm. This allowed the use of Msgr. Henry's translation of 1922. While the language seems archaic at times, the meaning is still fairly clear.