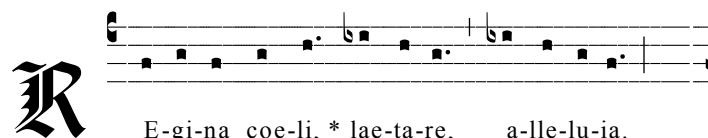
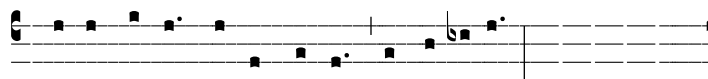


Marian Hymn – Regina Coeli



Qui-a, quem me-ru - i-sti por-ta-re, a-lle-lu-ia.



Re-su-rre-xit, si-cut di-xit, a-lle-lu-ia.



O-ra pro no-bis de-um, a-lle-lu - ia.

*Queen of heaven, Rejoice! Alleluia!
For He whom thou was chosen to bear, Alleluia
Has risen, just as He said, Alleluia
Pray for us to God, Alleluia*

Saint Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787) was born near Naples, Italy. A gifted scholar, he completed his Doctor of Laws studies when he was only 16, and became a lawyer. Following a devastating court defeat a decade later, for which he felt personally responsible, he realized that God was calling him elsewhere and he entered the priesthood. Over the next 6 decades he pursued a life ministering to the poor, homeless, and unwanted. He is credited with writing over 100 papers including his masterpiece *Moral Theology*. Along the way he founded the Redemptorist order (C.Ss.R.) which today has over 5,500 members engaged in missionary and apostolic work around the world. He was canonized in 1839.

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St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787)

Liturgy of the Hours

Vespers

August 1, 2008

**Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori
Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

Friday in the Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time



Ad Vesperas II

Æterne sol, qui lumine creata complectis omnia, lux et mentium, te corda nostra concinunt.	Our hearts sing in chorus to you, eternal light, Creator of all light and knowledge.
Tuo fovente Spiritu, hic viva luminaria fulsere, per quae saeculis patent salutis semitae.	Your fostering Spirit illuminates the pathway through which all ages pass to their salvation.

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Introduction

Presider: ✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Presider: God, come to my assistance.

All: Lord, make haste to help me.

Presider: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit

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

Intercessions

Presider: Jesus Christ is worthy of all praise, for he was appointed high priest among men and their representative before God. We honor him and in our weakness we pray:

All: Bring salvation to your people, Lord.

Left Side: You marvelously illuminated your Church through distinguished leaders and holy men and women.

Right Side: Let Christians rejoice always in such splendor.

Left Side: You forgave the sins of your people when their holy leaders like Moses sought your compassion.

Right Side: Through their intercession continue to purify and sanctify your holy people.

Left Side: In the midst of their brothers and sisters you anointed your holy ones and filled them with the Holy Spirit.

Right Side: Fill all the leaders of your people with the same Spirit.

Left Side: You yourself are the only visible possession of our holy pastors.

Right Side: Let none of them, won at the price of your blood, remain far from you.

Left Side: The shepherds of your Church keep your flock from being snatched out of your hand. Through them you give your flock eternal life.

Right Side: Save those who have died, those for whom you gave up your life.

Lord's Prayer

Prayer

Presider: Father,
you constantly build up your Church
by the lives of your saints.
Give us grace to follow Saint Alphonsus
in his loving concern for the salvation of men
and so come to share his reward in heaven.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.

All: Amen.

Closing Prayer

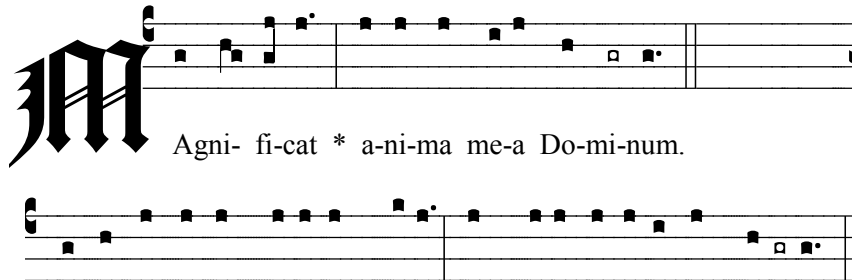
Presider: May the Lord bless us,
protect us from all evil
and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Canticle of Mary / Magnificat

Presider: Oh blessed doctor, Saint Alphonsus, light of the holy Church and lover of God's law, pray to the Son of God for us.

----- [✠ Make the Sign of the Cross] -----



2. Et ex-ul-ta-vit spi-ri-tus **me**-us in De-o sa-lu-ta-ri **me** - o.
3. Quia respexit humilitatem ancillae **suae**:
ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes *generationes*.
4. Qia fecit mihi magna qui **potens** est : et sanctam *nomen eius*.
5. Et misericordia eius a progenie in *progenies* **timentibus eum**.
6. Fecit potentiam in brachio **suo** : dispersit superbos mente *cordis sui*.
7. Deposuit potentes de **sede**, et exaltavit **humiles**.
8. Esurientes implevit **bonis** : et divites dimisit *inanes*.
9. Suscepit Israel puerum **suum**, recordatus *misericordiae suae*.
10. Sicut locutus est ad patres **nostros**, Abraham et semini *eius in saecula*.
11. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui **Sancto**,
12. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et **semper**,
et in saecula *saeculorum*. Amen.

My soul magnifies the Lord,

And my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

For He has regarded the low estate of His handmaiden, for behold, henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name.

And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with His arm: He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree.

He has filled the hungry with good things; and the rich He has sent empty away.

He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy;

As He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to His posterity forever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

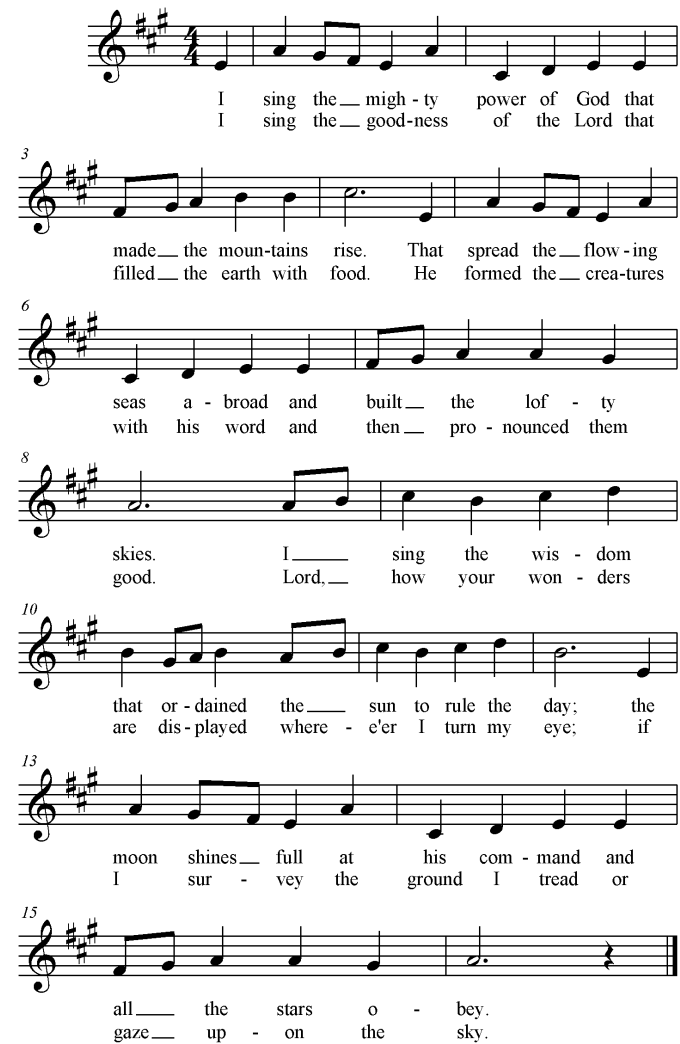
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All: Oh blessed doctor, Saint Alphonsus, light of the holy Church and lover of God's law, pray to the Son of God for us.

Hymn

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Traditional



----- [Please be Seated]-----

First Psalm (Psalm 15)

Presider: My life is at the service of the Gospel; God has given me this gift of His grace.
Left Side: LORD, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy mountain?
Right Side: Whoever walks without blame, doing what is right, speaking truth from the heart;
Left Side: Who does not slander a neighbor, does no harm to another, never defames a friend;
Right Side: Who disdains the wicked, but honors those who fear the LORD; Who keeps an oath despite the cost,
Left Side: lends no money at interest, accepts no bribe against the innocent.
Right Side: Whoever acts like this shall never be shaken.
Left Side: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
Right Side: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All: My life is at the service of the Gospel; God has given me this gift of His grace.

Second Psalm (Psalm 112)

Presider: The servant proved himself faithful and wise; the Lord entrusted the care of his household to him.
Left Side: Happy are those who fear the LORD, who greatly delight in God's commands. Their descendants shall be mighty in the land, generation upright and blessed.
Right Side: Wealth and riches shall be in their homes; their prosperity shall endure forever. They shine through the darkness, a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and just.
Left Side: All goes well for those gracious in lending, who conduct their affairs with justice. They shall never be shaken; the just shall be remembered forever.
Right Side: They shall not fear an ill report; their hearts are steadfast, trusting the LORD. Their hearts are tranquil, without fear, till at last they look down on their foes.
Left Side: Lavishly they give to the poor; their prosperity shall endure forever; their horn shall be exalted in honor.
Right Side: The wicked shall be angry to see this; they will gnash their teeth and waste away; the desires of the wicked come to nothing.
Left Side: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
Right Side: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All: The servant proved himself faithful and wise; the Lord entrusted the care of his household to him.

New Testament Canticle (Revelation 15:3b-4)

Presider: My sheep will hear my voice; and there shall be one fold and one shepherd.
Left Side: Great and wonderful are your works, Lord God almighty. Just and true are your ways, O king of the nations.
Right Side: Who will not fear you, Lord, or glorify your name?
Left Side: For you alone are holy. All the nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.
Right Side: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
Left Side: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All: My sheep will hear my voice; and there shall be one fold and one shepherd.

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Reading (James 3:17-18)

[T]he wisdom from above is first of all pure,
then peaceable, gentle, compliant,
full of mercy and good fruits,
without inconstancy or insincerity.
And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace
for those who cultivate peace.

Responsory

Presider: In the midst of the Church he spoke with eloquence.
All: In the midst of the Church he spoke with eloquence.
Presider: The Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding.
All: In the midst of the Church he spoke with eloquence.
Presider: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
All: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.