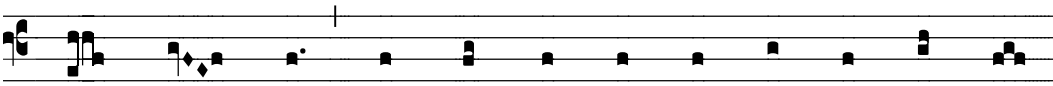


The Great Antiphons on Magnificat For the Final Days of Advent


Adapted to English Words by Bruce E. Ford

December 17—*O Sapientia*

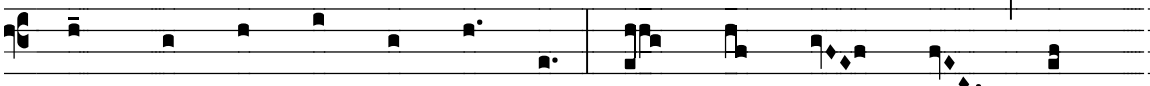
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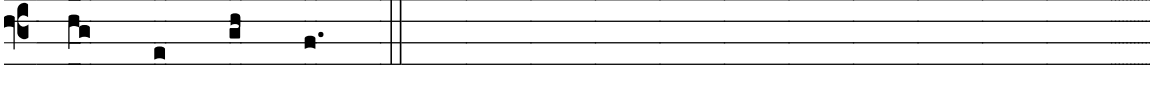
O Wis- dom, which came forth from the mouth of the Most



High, reach-ing to the ends of the earth, or- der- ing all

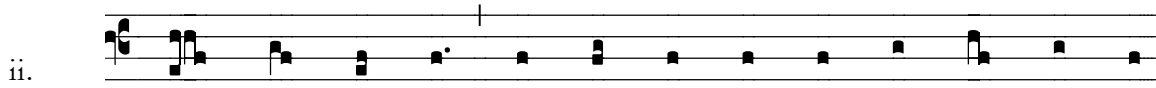


things migh- ti- ly and gent- ly: come to teach us the



way of pru- dence.

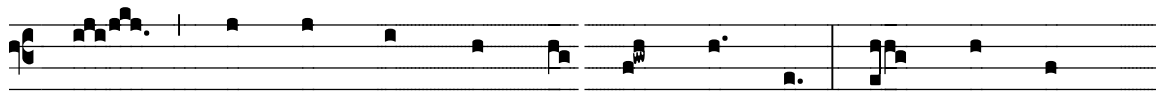
December 18—*O Adonai*



O A- do- nai, and rul- er of the house of Is- ra-



el, who ap- peared to Mo- ses in the fire of the burn- ing

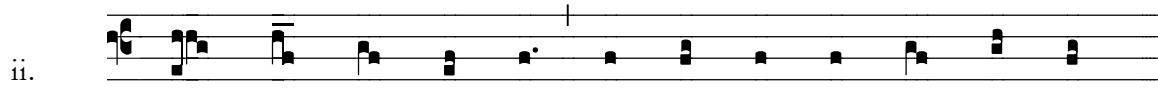


bush and gave him the Law on Si- nai: Come to re-

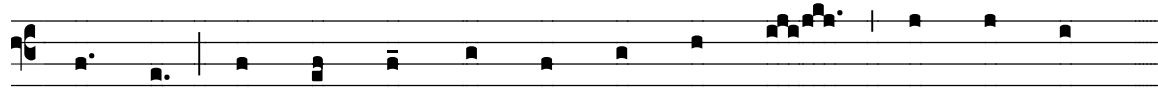


deem us with an out- stretched arm.

December 19—*O radix Jesse*



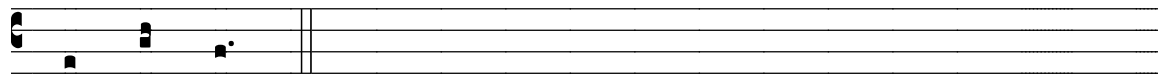
O root of Jesse, you stand as a sign to the



peo- ples, be- fore whom kings will shut their mouths, and na- tions

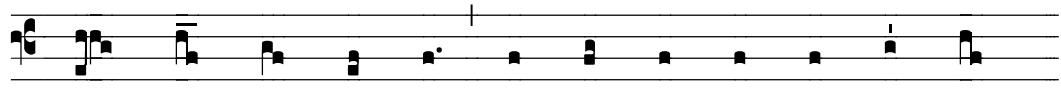


make sup- pli- ca- tions: Come to set us free, and do



not tar- ry.

December 20—*O clavis David*

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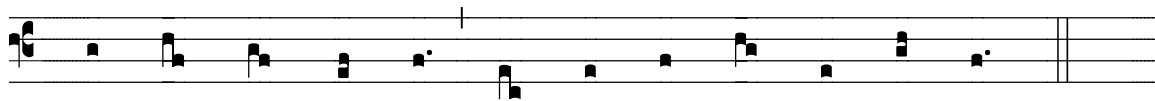
O Key of Da- vid, and scep- ter of the house of



Is- ra- el, you o- pen and none shuts, you shut and none



o- pens: Come to lead the cap- tives out of pris- on, those



who sit in dark- ness and in the shad- ow of death.

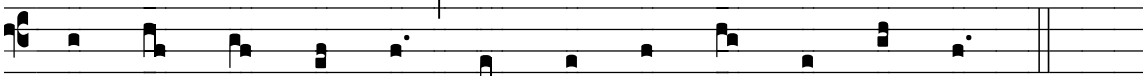
December 21—*O Oriens*

ii. 

O Morn- ing star, the bright-ness of light e- ter- nal




and the sun of right- eous- ness, come to en- light- en those

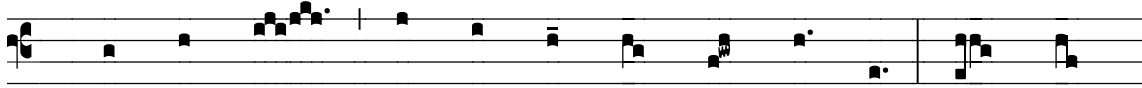


who sit in dark- ness and in the shad- ow of death.

December 22—*O Rex gentium*

ii. 

O King of the na- tions, for whom they have longed, the

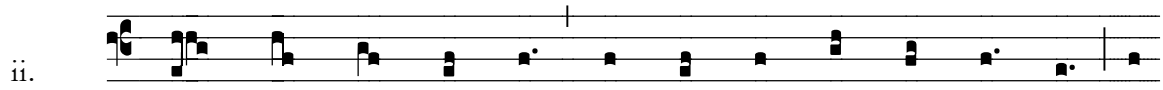


cor- ner- stone, join- ing both sides to- geth- er: come to



save man-kind, whom you have fash- ioned from clay.

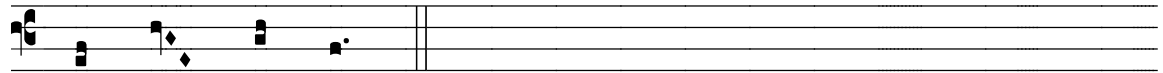
December 23—*O Emmanuel*



O Em- man- u- el, our King and our Law- giv- er, the



na- tions' hope and their sav- ior: come to save us,



O Lord our God.