

Musical Choice Template for Infant Baptism

Song Category	Assigned by the Rite Itself	Equivalent ¹
Prelude Song ² or Music		
Reception of the Children/Child		
Procession to the Ambo	Psalm 85: 7, 8, 9	
Responsorial Psalm	See list of possible readings	
Gospel Acclamation		
Song after the Homily	Numbers 225–245 of the Rite	
Intercessions		
Litany of the Saints ³		
Prayer of Exorcism and Anointing before Baptism		
Procession to the Font	Psalm 23: The Lord is my Shepherd	
Blessing of the Water	Rite 54, Rite 223–224	
Acclamation to the Creed (the Amen) ⁴		
Acclamation after (Each) Baptism	Numbers 225–245 of the Rite	
Procession to the Altar	Numbers 225–245 of the Rite	
Song of Praise ⁵	The Magnificat	
Recessional Music ⁶		

¹ Ideally known to a mixed assembly (account for language and cultural differences).

² Not required.

³ Dr. Ford has these available in the chant form and the Becker form.

⁴ Can be and, in some sense *ought* to be, a Great Amen.

⁵ Not required; traditionally this has been some form of hymn of praise such as the “Te Deum Laudamus,” “Te decet laus,” or “Te laudamus Domine” or their vernacular equivalents (for chant versions of these, see *By Flowing Waters*, 652–657). If the *Magnificat* is not sung as the communion canticle, it may be sung as the song of praise.

⁶ Not required.