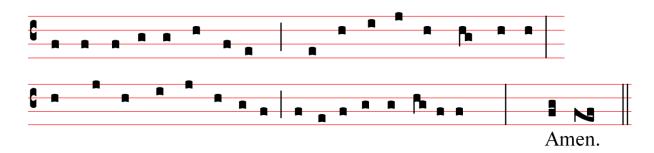
S Vincent de Paul – 27th September

These are the proper texts for the Office on the feasts of Religious, which you should substitute for the seasonal texts provided in the booklet.

Venite Antiphon:

They follow the Lamb wherever He goes; O come, let us adore Him.

Office Hymn:



The world and all its boasted good As vain and passing *he/she* eschewed, And therefore with angelic bands, In endless joys for ever stands.

Grant then that we, O gracious God, May follow in the steps *he/she* trod; And freed from ev'ry stain of sin, As *he/she* hath won may also win.

To Thee, O Christ, our loving King, All glory, praise and thanks we bring;

All glory as is ever meet, To Father and to Paraclete.

Psalm:

- (123) UNTO thee lift I up mine eyes: O thou that dwellest in the heavens.
- 2 Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress: even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until he have mercy upon us.
- 3 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we are utterly despised.
- 4 Our soul is filled with the scornful reproof of the wealthy: and with the despitefulness of the proud.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

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

- (131) LORD, I am not high-minded: I have no proud looks.
- 2 I do not exercise myself in great matters: which are too high for me.
- 3 But I refrain my soul, and keep it low, like as a child that is weaned from his mother: yea, my soul is even as a weaned child.
- 4 O Israel, trust in the Lord: from this time forth for evermore.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

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Reading:

A Reading from the former Letter of Saint Paul to the Church in Corinth.

The foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For consider your call, brethren; not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth; but God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise, God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong, God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption; therefore, as it is written, "Let him who boasts, boast of the Lord."

Responsory:

The Lord is my portion, says my soul.

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The Lord is good to those who trust in Him.

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost:

The Lord is my portion, says my soul.

Benedictus Antiphon:

The Kingdom of Heaven is likened to a merchant seeking fine pearls; who when he found a pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

Magnificat Antiphon:

The world and all things earthly they despised triumphant; they laid up treasures in Heaven by word and deed.

Collect:

Merciful God, Whose servant Vincent de Paul, by his ministry of preaching and pastoral care, did bring Thy love to the sick and the poor: give to all Your people a heart of compassion that by word and action they may serve Thee in serving others in their need; in and through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost; God, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.