

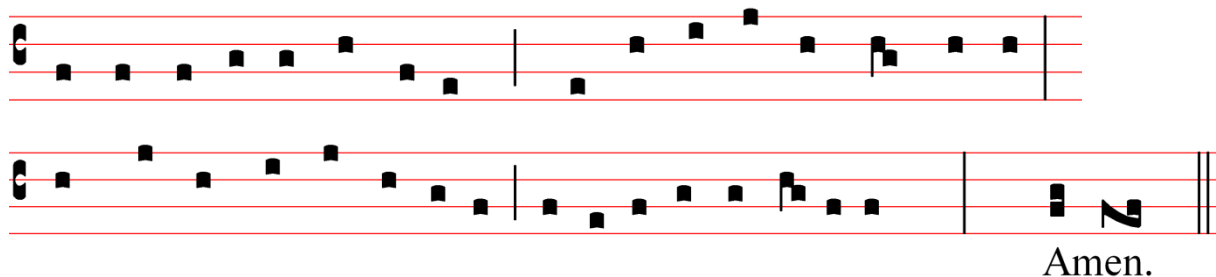
Saint Francis of Assisi (4th October)

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.

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Reading:

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

Far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

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:

O God, Thou dost ever delight to reveal Thyself to the child-like and lowly of heart: grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis, we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness and know only Jesus Christ as Him crucified, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost; God, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.