

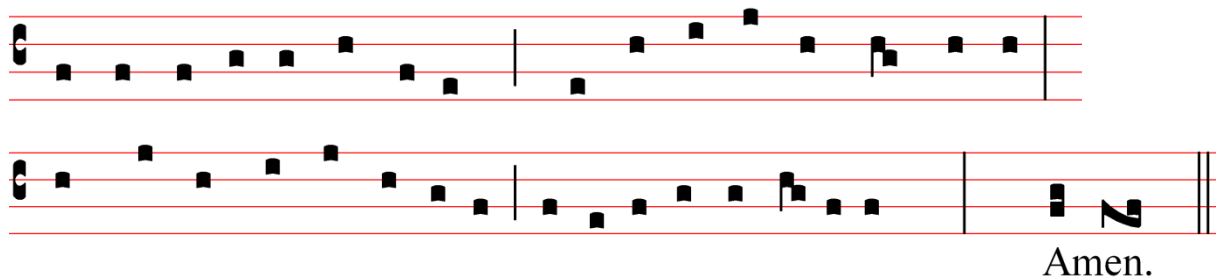
Office Propers – S Bede (25th May)

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. Alleluia!

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 Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

Jesus said to His disciples, "Not every one who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you evildoers.'" Every one then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house upon the rock; and the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat upon that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. And every one who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house upon the sand; and the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell; and great was the fall of it." And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

Responsory:

The Lord is my portion, says my soul. Alleluia, alleluia!

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The Lord is good to those who trust in Him.

[Alleluia, alleluia!](#)

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

The Lord is my portion, says my soul. Alleluia, alleluia!

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. Alleluia!

Magnificat Antiphon:

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

Collect:

God our Creator, Whose Son Jesus Christ didst give to Thy servant Bede grace to drink with joy the Word that leadeth us to know Thee and to love Thee: in Thy goodness grant that we also may come at length to Thee, the Source of all wisdom, and stand before Thy Countenance: 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.