

Rivers of Babylon

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Offertory Antiphon Hymn

Riv-ers of Ba-by-lon, there we sat weep-ing, as we re-mem-bered you, Zi-on.

The first system of the hymn features a treble and bass clef. The treble clef contains the melody with lyrics underneath. The bass clef provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics are: "Riv-ers of Ba-by-lon, there we sat weep-ing, as we re-mem-bered you, Zi-on."

1. We hung up our harps, on the pop-lar bran-ches, there our cap-tors said:
2. O Jer-u-sa-lem, let my right hand with-er if I for-get you;

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. It includes two verses of lyrics. The first verse is: "1. We hung up our harps, on the pop-lar bran-ches, there our cap-tors said:". The second verse is: "2. O Jer-u-sa-lem, let my right hand with-er if I for-get you;".

"Sing us songs from Zi-on." How can we sing them in a for-eign coun-try?
Let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I prize you not, my first love a-mong loves.

The third system concludes the hymn. The lyrics are: "Sing us songs from Zi-on." How can we sing them in a for-eign coun-try? Let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I prize you not, my first love a-mong loves.

*Text: Offertory Antiphon, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Gregorian Missal, Super flumina Babylonis, Psalm 137: 1-4
adapted by Luke Massery © 2021, Tune: ATTENDE DOMINE, 11 11 11 with refrain.*

Original Antiphon: Upon the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down and we wept, as we remembered you, O Zion.