

# LENT OFFERTORY ANTIPHON HYMNS

Antiphons from the Roman Gradual, as translated in the Gregorian Missal, adapted to familiar hymn tunes.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

*I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up, and have not let my foes rejoice over me. O Lord, I cried unto you and you healed me.*

### **I Will Extol**

You, O Lord, I will extol,  
You have drawn me up from Sheol,  
Have not let my foes rejoice,  
Healed me when you heard my voice.

You, O Lord, my soul did save,  
Lifted me up from the grave,  
And my life you have restored.  
I will sing psalms to you Lord.

For a moment is God's wrath,  
But a lifetime favor lasts;  
Weeping may stay for the night,  
But joy comes with morning light.

*Text: Offertory Antiphon for Ash Wednesday; Exaltabo te Domine, Gregorian Missal, Ps 30: 2,3, 1, 4-5  
Adapted Luke Massery © 2021 Tune: Heinlein 77 77*

## 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

*The Lord will overshadow you with his pinions, and you will find refuge under his wings. His faithfulness will encompass you with a shield.*

### **His Faithfulness Surrounds**

1. The Lord will cover you with his wings, with his wings,  
And refuge you will find, 'neath his wings;  
And you shall dwell secure  
Beneath his pinions sure,  
His faithfulness surrounds with a shield, with a shield,  
His faithfulness surrounds with a shield.

2. Whose shelter is the Lord, the Most High, the Most High,  
Whose shelter is the Lord, the Most High;  
And rests within his shade,  
Unto To the Lord shall say:  
"My refuge are you, Lord, whom I trust, whom I trust,  
My stronghold are you, Lord, whom I trust."

*Text: Offertory Antiphon for First Sunday of Lent; Scapulis suis, Gregorian Missal, Ps 91: 4-5, 1-2  
Adapted Luke Massery © 2021  
Tune: WONDROUS LOVE, 12 9 12 12 9; Southern Harmony, 1835*

## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

*I will meditate on your commandments which I love exceedingly; I will lift up my hands towards your commandments which I love.*

### **His Faithfulness Surrounds**

1. I meditate upon your law,  
And dwell on your commands;  
T'ward your commandments, which I love,  
I will extend my hands.

2. Blest those whose way is without blame,  
Who walk in the Lord's way;  
Who seek the Lord with all their heart,  
And all his laws obey.

3. Although the wicked cast their nets,  
That I may be ensnared,  
Your righteous laws I won't forget;  
I'll rise to thank you Lord.

*Text: Offertory Antiphon for Second Sunday of Lent; Meditabor in mandatis, Gregorian Missal,  
Ps 119: 47,48, 1-2, 61-62 Adapted Luke Massery © 2021  
Tune: NEW BRITAIN or ST. AGNES*

## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

*The ordinances of the Lord are right, bringing joy to all hearts, sweeter than honey or the honeycomb. Therefore your servant will observe them.*

*Refrain:* The Lord's decrees are right,  
They gladden all hearts,  
Therefore your servant observes them.

1. Sweeter than honey  
Are your ordinances, Lord.  
The heavens declare  
The Almighty's glory,  
And the firmament  
Will proclaim his handiwork.

2. Lord, my faults forgive,  
And from grave sins keep me;  
May they not rule me,  
Then I will be blameless.  
May these words of mine  
Please my Rock and Savior.

*Text: Offertory Antiphon for Third Sunday of Lent; Iustitiae Domini,  
Gregorian Missal, Psalm 19: 9-12, 1, 13-15, Adapted Luke Massery © 2021  
Tune: ATTENDE DOMINE, 11 11 11 with refrain.*

## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

*Praise the Lord, for he is loving; sing in honor of his name, for he is gracious. He has accomplished whatever he resolved to do in heaven and on earth.*

### **Praise the Lord, For He is Loving**

1. Praise the Lord, for he is loving;  
Sing in honor of his name.

He has done on earth, in heaven,  
All his gracious will ordained.

2. Praise the name of God, Most Holy,  
Praise him, servants of the Lord,  
Who within his courts are dwelling,  
Standing in the House of God.

3. For the Lord has chosen Jacob,  
Israel, his treasured one;  
Lord, your name stands firm forever,  
Age to age is your renown.

*Text: Offertory Antiphon for Fourth Sunday of Lent; Laudate Dominum  
Gregorian Missal, Psalm 135: 3,6, 1-2, 4, 13, Adapted Luke Massery © 2021  
Tune: STUTTGART 8787*

### **When the Gospel of the Prodigal Son has been read:**

*Enlighten my eyes lest I fall into the sleep of death; lest my enemy say: "I have prevailed against him."*

### **My Eyes Enlighten**

1. My eyes enlighten, lest I fall  
Into the sleep of death,  
And foes should say "I have prevailed,"  
While I have lost life's breath.  
How long, O Lord, will you forget  
And hide your face from me?  
How long will sorrow fill my heart,  
How long my soul bear grief?

2. To trust your loving-mercy, Lord,  
Will ever be my choice.  
In your salvation I will rest  
And let my heart rejoice.  
Your gen'rous bounty overflows,  
So to your name I sing;  
A grateful psalm I raise to you,  
Our Father and Our King.

*Text: Offertory Antiphon for Fourth Sunday of Lent; Illumina oculos meos  
Gregorian Missal, Psalm 13: 3-5, 1-2, 5-6 Adapted Luke Massery © 2021  
Tune: KINGSFOLD, CMD*

## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

*I will praise you, O Lord, with my whole heart; deal bountifully with your servant, that I may live and observe your word; revive me according to your word, O Lord.*

### **With My Whole Heart**

1. With my whole heart, Lord, your name will I praise;  
Deal with me bountif'ly all of my days,  
That I may live and your law be observed;  
My soul revived in accord with your word.

2. Blest those who walk in the Lord's way aright,  
Blamelessly keeping his law in their sight.  
Blest those who never the straight way depart;  
Seeking God's goodness with all of their heart.

*Text: Offertory Antiphon for Fifth Sunday of Lent; Confitebor tibi Domine  
Gregorian Missal, Psalm 119: 7,10,17,25,1,2 Adapted Luke Massery © 2021  
Tune: SLANE 10 10 10 10*

## SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH, MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup>

*My fidelity and mercy are with him; and in my name shall his horn be exalted.*

### **My Loving-Mercy is With Him**

1. "My loving-mercy is with him,  
And my fidelity;  
And in my name forever shall  
His horn exalted be."

2. For ever, Lord, I sing the praise  
Of your great mercy shown;  
And with my lips, from age to age,  
Your faithfulness make known.

3. You said: "A covenant I make;  
To David I have sworn;  
Forever will your line endure,  
And firm shall be your throne." (To Vs. 1)

*Text: Offertory Antiphon for Solemnity of St. Joseph, March 19; Veritas mea  
Gregorian Missal, Ps. 89: 25, 1, 3-4 Adapted Luke Massery © 2021  
Tune: ST. FLAVIAN, CM*

## PALM SUNDAY

*My heart awaited reproach and misery; and I hoped for one that would grieve together with me, but there was none; I looked for one who would comfort me, and found no one. For food they gave me gall; in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.*

### **My Heart Awaited**

1. My heart awaited misery;  
I hoped for one to grieve with me,  
But no one came to comfort bring;  
They gave me vinegar to drink.

2. Save me, O God, for waters rise  
Up to my neck, up to my eyes;  
I have sunk deep into the mud,  
The waters overwhelm me like a flood.

3. I am worn out from all my cries,  
My eyes are tired, my throat is dry;  
More than the hairs upon my head,  
Are those who hate me, wish me dead. (*To Vs. 1*)

*Text: Offertory Antiphon for Palm Sunday, Improperium, Ps 69: 21, 22, 1-4  
Gregorian Missal, Ps. 89: 25, 1, 3-4 Adapted Luke Massery © 2021  
Tune: ST. FLAVIAN, CM*