

# CHRISTMAS SEASON GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

REFRAIN: (♩. = ca. 60) 1st time: Cantor, All repeat; thereafter: All

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. (Fine)

VERSE: Christmas Vigil

Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be de-royed: the Savior of the world will

reign o - ver us. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! D.C.

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VERSE: Christmas Midnight (Luke 2:10-11)

D G D

I pro - claim to you good news of great joy: ————— to -

Em D G D G C/G G C G/D D G D.C.

day a Sav - ior is born for us, Christ the Lord. ————— Al - le - lu - ia.

VERSE: Christmas Dawn (Luke 2:14)

G D/F# G D/F# G

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to those on

D G D G C/G G C G/D D G D.C.

whom — his fa - vor rests. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

VERSE: Christmas Mass during the Day

D G D Em Bm C

A holy day has dawned up - on us. Come, you nations, and a - dore the Lord.

D G Am/D D

For to - day a great light has come up - on the earth.

G C/G G C G/D D G D.C.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

VERSES: Holy Family (Colossians 3:15a, 16a); 2nd Sunday after Christmas (cf. 1 Timothy 3:16)

D G D

Holy Family ABC Let the peace of Christ con - trol your hearts;

\*Year B In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;

\*Year C Open our hearts, O Lord,

2nd Sunday, ABC Glory to you, O Christ, proclaimed to the Gentiles.

G C/E D

let the word of Christ dwell in you rich - ly.

in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.

to listen to the words of your Son.

Glory to you, O Christ, believed in through - out the world!

G C/G G C G/D D G D.C.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

\*Optional gospel verses for Holy Family: Year B (Hebrews 1:1-2), Year C (cf. Acts 16:14b)

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**VERSE:** (January 1) Mary, Mother of God (Hebrews 1:1-2)

G Am/E B/F# G

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to

C/E D G C/G G C G/D D G D.S.

us through the Son. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

**VERSE:** Epiphany (Matthew 2:2)

Em D G C G/D D G D.S.

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage. Al - le - lu - ia!

VERSE: Baptism of the Lord (cf. Mark 9:7)

G D/F# Em Am/C B

ABC The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered:  
 \*Year B John saw Jesus approaching him, and said: Behold the Lamb of God

G D C G/D D G D.S.

This is my beloved Son, lis - ten to him. } Al - le - lu - ia!  
 who takes a - way the sin of the world.

VERSE: Baptism of the Lord, Year C (cf. Luke 3:16)

G Em Am B G

John said: One mightier than I is coming; he will baptize you with the

D G D G/D D G D.S.

Ho - ly Spir - it and with fire Al - le - lu - ia!

VERSES: Days in the Octave of Christmas; remaining days in the Christmas Season

A G D

December 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD:

\*Optional gospel verse for Year B (cf. John 1:29)

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass clef, in the key of G major (one sharp). The time signature is 6/8. The lyrics are: "the LORD is God and has given us light. Alleluia!". Above the treble staff, the chords are indicated as B, G, C, C, G/D, D, G, and D.S. The melody is simple and repetitive, with the word "Alleluia" repeated three times. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment.

**December 26: Stephen, first martyr**

(Psalm 118:26a, 27a)

A Blessed is he who comes in the name of the / LORD:

B the LORD is God and has given us / light.

C Alleluia!

**December 27: John, apostle and evangelist**

A We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as / Lord;

B the glorious company of Apostles / praise you.

C Alleluia!

**December 28: Holy Innocents, martyrs**

A We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as / Lord;

B the white-robed army of martyrs / praise you.

C Alleluia!

**December 29: Thomas Becket, bishop and martyr**

Option 1 (Luke 2:32)

A A light of revelation to the / Gentiles and

B glory for your people / Israel.

C Alleluia!

Option 2 (Matthew 5:6)

A Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for / righteousness;

B for they will be / satisfied.

C Alleluia!

**December 30**

A A holy day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations, and adore the / Lord.

B Today a great light has come upon the / earth.

C Alleluia!

**December 31: Sylvester I, Pope**

Option 1 (John 1:14a, 12a)

A The Word of God became flesh and dwelt a / mong us.

B To those who accepted him he gave power to become the children of / God.

C Alleluia!

Option 2 (Mark 1:17)

A Come after me, says the / Lord,

B and I will make you fishers of / men.

C Alleluia!

**January 2: Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, bishops and doctors**

Option 1 (Hebrews 1:1-2)

A In times past, God spoke to our ancestors through the / prophets:

B in these last days, he has spoken to us through his / Son.

C Alleluia!

Option 2 (Matthew 23:9b, 10b)

A You have but one Father in / heaven;

B you have but one master, the / Christ.

C Alleluia!

**January 3: The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

(John 1:14a, 12a)

A The Word of God became flesh and dwelt a / mong us.

B To those who accepted him he gave power to become the children of / God.

C Alleluia!

**January 4: Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious**

(Hebrews 1:1-2)

A In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the / prophets:

B in these last days, he has spoken to us through the / Son.

C Alleluia!

**January 5: John Neumann, bishop**

(see December 30)

**January 6: André Bessette, religious**

(Mark 9:6)

A The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father / thundered:

B This is my beloved Son. Listen to / him.

C Alleluia!

**January 7: Raymond of Peñafort, priest**

Option 1 (Luke 7:16)

A A great prophet has arisen in our / midst

B and God has visited his / people.

C Alleluia!

Option 2 (Luke 21:36)

A Be vigilant at all times and / pray

B that you may have the strength to stand before the Son of / Man.

C Alleluia!