

TRINITAS

EXCELLENCE IN SACRED CHORAL MUSIC

Commissioned by John Strega and the choir of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Portland, Oregon

Rorate Caeli

Verses: Janine Applegate
Refrain: traditional Latin

Craig Phillips

VERSE 1: Moderato, with vigor

mf

Soprano
Alto

1. The thirst for jus - tice is not quenched Save

Tenor
Bass

mf

1. by your grace out - poured, For noth - ing less — than

1. you — a - lone Can — sat - is - fy, O — Lord. —

***REFRAIN:**

f

Stretch forth your might - y arm and des - erts

f

Ro - rá - te

bloom; Ro - rá - te cae - li dé - su -

Ro - rá - te

Ro - rá - te

mf

per, et nu - bes plu - ant jus -

mf

VERSE 2:

tum. 2. A parched and bar - ren land cries

mf

*The Refrain should be sung gently and smoothly.

2. out That it might flow'r and live, Re - freshed by

mp

2. streams of bless - ed - ness Your pow'r a - lone can

REFRAIN:

mf

2. give. Stretch forth your might - y arm and des - erts

mf

bloom;

Ro - rá - te

Ro - rá - te cae - li dé - su -

Ro - rá - te

mp

per, et nu - bes plu - ant jus -

mp

VERSE 3:

mp

tum. 3. From Jes - se's lin - eage, send a

mp

3. sign To show our prayers are heard; Speak to our

mp

3. hearts, for we a - wait The Ad - vent of your

REFRAIN:

mf

3. Word. Stretch forth your might - y___ arm___ and des - erts bloom;

Ro - rá - te cae - li

Ro - rá - te dé - su - per, et nu - bes plu - ant

VERSE 4:

mf

jus - tum.

4. Dis - pel dark clouds of

mf

4. our des - pair and bid wild tem - pests cease; Drop

mp

mp

4. down from heav - en gen - tle rains Of righ - teous -

REFRAIN:

4. ness and peace. Stretch forth your might - y arm and -

des - erts bloom; Ro - rá - te cae - li -

dé - su - per, et nu - bes plu - ant jus -

VERSE 5:

mp *f*
 - tum. 5. Come quick - ly, Ad - vo - cate of

5. Peace; Come quick - ly, Sav - ior - King! Re - deem your peo - ple

5. with the grace That liv - ing wa - ters bring.

REFRAIN:

f
 Stretch forth your might - y arm and des - erts bloom;

Descant

f

Ro - rá - te cae - li — dé - su - per, et nu - bes
 Ro - rá - te

Ro - rá - te cae - li — dé - su - per, et nu - bes
 Ro - rá - te

Ro - rá - te

plu - ant jus - tum. — jus - tum.
 rit. allargando

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Translation of Latin Refrain:

*Come, savior, come, like dew upon the grass;
 Break through the clouds like gentle rain.*