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Missa "Sanctorum Meritis"

Service for the Holy Communion

(INCLUDING
KYRIE PROPER, BENEDICTUS and AGNUS DEI),

Composed by

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PREFACE.

1^① An explanation of the settings of the Kyrie in this service may not be unnecessary. The ancient Kyrie consists of the threefold repetition of

Kyrie eleison. (Lord, have mercy upon us.)

Christe eleison. (Christ, have mercy upon us.)

Kyrie eleison. (Lord, have mercy upon us.)

The reasons for this arrangement are given in an old treatise:— The appeal for mercy is made to each Person of the Holy Trinity, because we sin against each; and *thrice* to each, because we offend in *thought, word* and *deed*.

2^② The above Kyrie in its English form was retained in the First Prayer Book of King Edward VI., and its use is not unknown in the church of England at the present time, through the translation into English of certain Latin Masses. As the ‘Benedictus qui venit’ and the ‘Agnus Dei’ have been largely restored among us, it is difficult to understand why the Kyrie proper should be overlooked. A setting of it is contained here (Kyrie I.).

3^③ The Responses to the Commandments may be treated in two ways — either as a substitute for the Kyrie proper or as Responses to a Lesson. In the former case, there should be a change in the music after the fourth and seventh commandments (see Kyrie II^A). If the Kyrie proper be sung, the Responses to the commandments may be conveniently sung to an adaptation of the plainchant of the Litany (Kyrie II^B). In any case, the settings Nos I and II^A should not be used together, for both liturgical and musical reasons.

4 In the Kyrie proper the original Greek words are retained and not translated into English. It seems quite consistent that words, which were retained in their original form when Latin took the place of the more ancient Greek, in the services of the Western Church, should now be retained, although the Latin tongue in our portion of the Western Church, has, in its turn, given way to the English.

5 The words in question are a beautiful link also with all ages of the Christian Church, east and west and are perfectly understood by ordinary churchgoers. Seeing that Christmas Carols with Latin refrains are used with approval in church and entire Latin works, such as settings of the 'Stabat mater' are frequently sung, either as anthems or as independent musical performances, it is hard to see how any valid objection could be urged against the use of these few Greek words.^⑧

If sung before the Communion Office begins, the Kyrie proper would be nothing more than an Introit. Where the Introit proper is in use, the Kyrie would naturally follow it and one would be just as admissible as the other.

6 The music of the service is founded upon the plainsong melody of the hymn^⑨ "Sanctorum meritis" from the Sarum Breviary, which gives the title to the service. In building on a foundation such as this the composer has humbly followed the example of a great musician of the Church.^⑩ It is unfortunate that neither the hymn nor its melody finds any place in "Hymns Ancient and Modern," but both are reproduced in the "Hymnal Noted" and the "Office Hymn Book."

7 In order that the singers in the choir may render the service with greater intelligence, the words from time to time assigned to the subject or fragments of it, are printed in italics and a few foot notes are also inserted.

8 The service should, if possible, be sung without organ accompaniment.

^⑧ From the preface to Mr B. Agutter's service "Missa de Sancto Amphibalo," with the composer's permission.

^⑨ The writer is informed that settings of the "Kyrie Eleison" in the original Greek words, are sometimes sung as anthems in Cathedral churches.

^⑩ Used with great effect in Dr. Villiers Stanford's oratorio "Eden."

^⑪ See Palestrina's Masses founded on the hymns "Eterna Christi munera" and "Iste Confessor."

MISSA; SANCTORUM MERITIS.

I. Kyrie eleison. (No 1)

composed by S. ROYLE SHORE.

Moderato.

TREBLE.

ALTO.

TENOR.

BASS.

ORGAN.
d = 100.

A

B p

C

mf

Chris - - - te e - lei - - -

Chris - - te e - - - lei - - - son Chris - - te e -

Chris - te e - lei - - - son Chris - te

mf

- - te e - - lei - - son Chris - - te e - lei - -

son Chris - - te e - lei - - son Chris - te

lei - - - - son Chris - te e - lei - -

e - lei - - - - son Chris - te e - lei - -

E

p

son Ky - ri - - e e - lei - - son Ky -

e lei - - son Ky - ri - e e - lei - - son Ky -

son Ky - ri - - e e - lei - - son

mf

p

son Ky - ri - e e - lei - - son.

mf

Musical score for Kyrie eleison, featuring four staves of music. The top staff uses soprano C-clef, the second staff alto F-clef, the third staff bass G-clef, and the bottom staff tenor C-clef. The key signature is G major (one sharp). The lyrics "Ky - ri - e - lei -" and "son" are repeated across the staves. Dynamics include "cresc.", "decresc.", and "p". The score consists of two systems of music.

II^A Kyrie eleison (No 2)

Responses to the Commandments
after 1, 2 & 3.

 $\text{d} = 120$

TREBLE.
ALTO.

Musical score for Treble and Alto voices. The Treble part is in G major, common time, with a dynamic of *mf*. The Alto part is in C major, common time, with a dynamic of *p*. The lyrics are: "Lord have mer-cy up-on us, and in - cline our hearts to keep this law."

TENOR.
BASS.

after 4, 5 & 6.

Musical score for Tenor and Bass voices. The Tenor part is in G major, common time, with a dynamic of *p*. The Bass part is in C major, common time, with a dynamic of *mf*. The lyrics are: "Lord have mer-cy up-on us, and in - cline our hearts to keep this law." A note at the bottom indicates "Plainsong in the Bass."

after 7, 8 & 9.

Musical score for Tenor and Bass voices. The Tenor part is in G major, common time, with a dynamic of *p*. The Bass part is in C major, common time, with a dynamic of *p*. The lyrics are: "Lord have mer-cy up-on us, and in - cline our hearts to keep this law." The basses are also labeled as "Basses 1. 2."

after 10.

Musical score for Tenor and Bass voices. The Tenor part is in G major, common time, with dynamics of *p*, *f*, *pp*, and *rall.*. The Bass part is in C major, common time, with dynamics of *p*, *f*, *pp*, and *rall.*. The lyrics are: "Lord have mer-cy up-on us, and write all these Thy laws in our hearts we be - seech Thee."

**II^B Kyrie Eleison or
Responses to the Commandments.**

Lord, have mercy up - on us, * and incline our hearts to keep this law.
+ Take breath.

Lord, have mercy up - on us, * and write all these Thy * we be - seech laws in our hearts Thee.
rall.

III. Gloria Tibi.

$\text{♩} = 132.$

Glo - ry be to Thee O Lord.
Glo - ry be to Thee O Lord.
Plainsong in Tenor.

IV. Laus Tibi.

$\text{♩} = 132.$

Praise be to Thee O Christ.
Plainsong in Tenor.

V. Credo.

Allegro.

Treble. $\text{G}^{\#} \text{ 3}$

Alto. $\text{G}^{\#} \text{ 3}$

Tenor. $\text{G}^{\#} \text{ 3}$

Priest. $\text{C}^{\#} \text{ 3}$

Bass. $\text{C}^{\#} \text{ 3}$

The Fa-ther al - migh - ty
The Fa - - ther al -
The Fa-ther al - migh -
I be - lieve in one God.
I be - lieve in one God.

$d = 132$. Allegro.

A

ma - ker of Heav'n and earth.
migh - ty ma - ker of Heav'n and earth and of all things vi - si -
ty. Ma - ker of Heav'n and earth and of all things
And of all things vi - si -

Vi - si - ble and in - vi - si - ble
ble and in - vi - si - ble
vi - si - ble and in - vi - si - ble
ble and in - vi - si - ble

B

p

And in one Lord

And in one Lord Je-sus Christ, Je-sus Christ

And in one Lord Je-sus Christ Je-sus

And in one Lord Je-sus Christ the

*cresc.**mf*

Je-sus Christ the on-ly be-got-ten Son of God Be-

*cresc.**mf*

the on-ly be-got-ten Son of God Be-

*cresc.**mf*

Christ the on-ly be-got-ten Son of God Be-

*cresc.**mf*

on-ly be-got-ten Son of God Be-

*cresc.**mf*

C

cresc.

got-ten of His Fa-ther be-fore all

cresc.

Dff

worlds — God of God, Light of Light, Ve-ry God of Ve-ry God Be-
 worlds — God of God, Light of Light, Ve-ry God of
 worlds — God of God, Light of Light, Ve-ry God of
 worlds all worlds

got - ten not made Be-ing of one sub - stance with the Fa - ther
 Ve - ry God of Ve - ry God
 Ve - ry God of Ve - ry God Be - got - ten not made Be-ing of one
 Be - ing of one sub - stance with the Fa - ther

E

rall.

Slower.
p = 92.

By whom all things were made who
 By whom all things were made rall.
 sub - stance with the Fa - ther. By whom all things were made who
 By whom all things were made Slower.
p = 92.

* Treble and Tenor are written in Canon for 15 Bars.

rall.

for us men and for our sal - va - tion came down from heav - en
rall.

for us men and for our sal - va - tion came down from heav - en
rall.

Who for us men and for our sal - va - tion came down from heav - en
rall.

who for us men and for our sal - va - tion came down from heav - en
rall.

G A little slower. $\text{♩} = 84.$

and was in - car - nate in - car - - - nate by the Ho - ly

and was in - car - nate in car - - - nate by the Ho - ly

and was in - car - nate in car - - - nate by the Ho - ly

A little slower. $\text{♩} = 84.$

Very slow. $\text{♩} = 60.$

Ghost of the Vir - gin Ma - ry And was made man.

Ghost of the Vir - gin Ma - ry And was made man.

Ghost of the Vir - gin Ma - ry And was made man.

And was made man.

Very slow. $\text{♩} = 60.$

H Quicker. $\text{d} = 92.$

And was cru - ci - fid al - so for us
 And was cru - ci - fid al - so for us
 And was cru - ci - fid al - so for us
 Quicker. $\text{d} = 92.$

I +
 un - der Pon - tius Pi - late He suf - fer -
 un der Pon - tius Pi - late He suf - fer -
 un - der Pon - tius Pi - late He suf -
 un - der Pon - tius Pi - late He suf -
 un - der Pon - tius Pi - late He suf -

dim.
 ed suf - fer - ed and was bur - ri - ed.
 dim.
 ed suf - fer - ed and was bur - ri - ed.
 fer - ed suf - fer - ed and was bur - ri - ed.
 dim.

* The Treble is imitated by the Tenor in notes of double length.

K Allegro.

ff

and the third day He rose a - gain ac - - - cord -

ff

and the third day He rose a - gain ac -

and the third day He rose a - gain, He rose a - gain ac -

Allegro. $\text{d} = 132$.

and the third day He rose a - gain ac - cord ing

*p**ff*

- ing to the scrip - - tures and as - cend - ed in - to

cord-ing to the scrip-tures and as - cend-ed in - to Heav'n, in - - to

- - cord - - - ing to the scrip - tures and as-cend - ed in-to

to the scriptures and as - cend - ed in - to

L *mf*

Heav'n and sit-teth at the right hand of the Fa - ther and He shall

Heav'n and sit-teth at the right hand of the Fa - - - ther and

Heav'n and sit-teth at the right hand of the Fa - - - ther *To*Heav'n and sit-teth at the right hand of the Fa - - - ther *mf*

* Treble and Tenor are written in canon for 4 Bars.

† Treble imitates Alto.

come a - gain with glo - ry to judge both the Quick and the
 He shall come a - gain with glo - ry to judge both the Quick and the
judge both the Quick and the Dead
 and the

M

Maestoso.

N Allegro.

Dead Whose king - dom shall have no end. And I be - lieve —

Dead Whose king - dom shall have no end. And I be - lieve —

Whose king - dom shall have no end. And I be - lieve —

Dead Whose king - dom shall have no end. And I be - lieve —

Maestoso.

Allegro. $\text{d} = 132$.

in the Ho - ly ghost the Lord and giv - er of life

in the Ho - ly ghost the Lord and giv - er of life

in the Ho - ly ghost the Lord and giv - er of life

in the Ho - ly ghost and I be - lieve in the Ho - ly

0 +

Who pro - ceed - eth from the Fa - ther and the Son Who
 Who pro - ceed - eth from the Fa - ther and the Son Who
 Who pro - ceed - eth from the Fa - ther and the Son Who
 Ghost Who pro - ceed - eth from the Fa - ther and the Son Who

cresc.

with the Fa - ther and the Son to - ge - ther is wor - ship -
cresc.
 with the Fa - ther and the Son to - ge - ther is wor - ship -
cresc.
 with the Fa - ther and the Son to - ge - ther is wor -
cresc.
 with the Fa - ther and the Son to - ge - ther is worship - ped

dim.

ped dim. and glo - ri - fied Who spake by the
 ped dim. and glo - ri - fied Who spake by the
 ship ped and glo - ri - fied Who spake by the
dim. and glo - ri - fied Who spake by the
 Slower. $d=100$.

Allegro. Q

Pro - - - phets and I be - lieve one Ca - - - tho -

Pro - - - phets and I be - lieve one Ca - - - tho -

Pro - - - phets and I be - lieve one Ca - - - tho -

Pro - - - phets and I be - lieve one Ca - - - tho -

Pro - - - phets and I be - lieve one Ca - - - tho -

Allegro. d = 132.

R

lic and A - pos - to - - - lic Church

lic and A - pos - to - - - lic Church One

lic and A - pos - to - - - lic Church I ac - know - ledge one

lic and A - pos - to - - - lic Church I ac - know - ledge one Bap - - -

cresc.

I ac - know - ledge one Bap - tism for the re - mis - sion of cresc.

Bap - tism for the re - mis - sion of cresc.

Bap - tism for the re - mis - sion of sins cresc.

tism for the re - mis - sion of cresc.

S

ff

sins and I look for the Re - sur - rec - tion of the

sins

the

and I

look for the Re - sur - rec - tion of the

sins

of

sins

.

T

dead and the life of the world to come

dead and the life to come

dead and the life of the world to come

and the life of the world to come

U Slower.

a - - - - men.

a - - - - men.

a - - - - men, a - - men.

a - - - - men.

Slower. $d=100$.

VI. Sanctus.

Slow.

Treble. *p*

Alto. *pp*

Tenor. *pp*

Bass.

Organ. *pp* $\text{d} = 76$

Slow.

A

B Faster.

Hosts. *f* Heav'n and earth are full of Thy

Hosts. *f* Heav'n and earth are full of Thy

Hosts. *f* Heav'n and earth are full of Thy

Heav'n and earth are full of Thy
Faster. $\text{d} = 100$

C Allegro.

ff

glo - - - ry, glo - - ry be to
 glo - - - ry, glo - - ry be to
 glo - - - ry, glo - - ry be to
 glo - - - ry, glo - - ry be to
 Allegro. $\text{d} = 132.$

Thee O Lord most high.
 Thee O Lord most high.
 Thee O Lord most high.
 Thee O Lord most high.

VII. Benedictus.

Slow.

Treble. *Bless - ed* *is he*

Alto. *Bless - ed* *is he*

Tenor. *Bless - ed* *Bless - ed* *Bless -*

Bass. *Bless -*

Organ. *Slow.* $d = 84.$

Bless - ed,
Bless - ed, Bless - ed, Bless - ed is
Bless - is - ed he is he that cometh in the
ed is he, is he that com - eth in the
- ed is he that com - eth in the

he that com - eth in the
he that com - eth in the cresc.
name of the Lord in the cresc. name
name of the Lord, the cresc. name of
that com - eth in the cresc.
cresc.

C Allegretto.

name dim. of the Lord
name dim. of the Lord
dim. of the Lord Ho - san-na in the high -
the dim. Lord Ho - san-na in the
name of the Lord Ho - san-na in the
Allegretto. $d = 132$.

D

f

Ho - sanna in the high - - - est, Ho - - -

Ho - san - - na in the high - - -

est Ho - - san - - na in the high - - -

high - - est, in the high - - est, Ho - sanna

F na

dim.

san - - - Ho - san - na in the high - - - dim.

est, Ho - - san - na in the high - - - dim.

est, Ho - - san - na in the high - - - dim.

in the high - - est Ho - - - san - - - dim.

G

H

est, Ho - san - - na in the high - - -

est, Ho - - san - - na in the high - - -

est, Ho - - san - - na in the high - - -

na Ho - sanna in the high - - - est,

est,
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
rall.

- - est, in the high - est.
rall.

san - - - na in the high - - - est.
rall.

Ho - - - san - - na in the high - - - est.
rall.

VIII. Agnus Dei.

Slow.

Treble. *pp* of A

0 Lamb of God that tak - est a -

Alto. *pp* Lamb of God that

Tenor. 0 Lamb of God that tak - -

Bass.

Organ. *pp* d=84. Lamb of God that tak - -

Slow.

way the sins of the world Have mer - - cy

tak - est a - way the sins of the world Have mer - - cy

est a - way the sins of the world Have mer - - cy

Have mer - - cy

24

up - on us. Lamb
up - on us. Lamb
up - on us. Lamb
up - on us.
up - on us.

D

of God that tak - - - est a - - way the
cresc.

of God that tak - - - est a - - way the
cresc.

of God that tak - - - est a - - way the
cresc.

cresc.

F *p*

on us O Lamb of God that tak-est a-way
 up on us O Lamb of God that tak-est a-
 up - - on us O Lamb of God that
 on us. O Lamb of

way the sins, G

the sins, the sins of the world
 way the sins, the sins of the world
 tak - - est a - way the sins of the world
 God that tak-est a-way the sins of the world

H *pp*

grant us *rall.* Thy peace.
 grant us *rall.* Thy peace.
 grant us *rall.* Thy peace.
 grant us *rall.* Thy peace.

IX Gloria in Excelsis.

Moderato.

A

Treble. Alto. Tenor. Bass.

And in earth peace good -
Priest
And in earth peace
or Glo - ry be to God on high. And in earth peace good -

Organ. $d = 100$.

Moderato.

B and in earth peace good - will to -
and in earth peace good - will to -
and in earth peace good - will to -
will to wards men

D Allegro.

wards men
we wor -
wards men
we bless
wards men we bless Thee
we praise

Allegro. $d = 126$.

A musical score for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one sharp. The vocal parts are in soprano, alto, tenor, and bass clef. The piano part is in soprano and bass clef. The lyrics are: "ship Thee, we glorify Thee we give thanks to Thee for Thy great Thee we glorify Thee we give thanks to Thee for Thy great we wor - ship Thee we give thanks to Thee for Thy great Thee we wor - ship Thee we give thanks to Thee we give thanks to". The piano part includes chords and bass notes. The vocal parts sing in a mix of homophony and counterpoint.

A musical score for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major. The vocal parts are arranged in four staves. The lyrics "God the Father almighty" are repeated three times, with each repetition starting on a different note: the first time on G, the second on A, and the third on B. The music consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns, with some sustained notes and rests. The bass line provides harmonic support with sustained notes and chords.

H Slower.

I

pp

Je - su Christ

p

O Lord the on - ly Be - got - - ten son Je - su Christ

p

O Lord the on - ly Be - got - - ten son Je - su Christ

p

O Lord the on - ly Be - got - - ten son

Slower. $\text{d} = 100$.

pp

K

pp

Son of the Fa - - -

p

Lamb of God, Son of the Fa -

p

O Lord God Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - - -

p

O Lord God Lamb of God,

p

M

pp

ther have mer - cy up -

p

ther have mer - cy up -

p

ther, That tak-est a - way the sins of the world have mer - cy up -

p

That tak-est a - way the sins of the world,

p

0

on us. Thou that tak - est a - way the

on us. Thou that tak - est a - way the sins

Thou that tak - est a - way the sins the sins

P *pp*

have mer - - cy up - - on us.

sins of the world, have mer - - cy up - - on us.

of the world, have mer - - cy up - - on us.

of the world Thou that

R *pp*

Re - ceive

Thou that tak - est a - way

Thou that tak - est a - way the sins of the world Re - ceive

tak - est a - way the sins of the world

pp

30

S

our prayer
our prayer Thou that sit - test at the
our prayer The right
Thou that sit - test at the right hand of

T *f* up - on us.

have mer - cy up - on us.

right hand of God the Fa - ther have mer - cy up - on us.

hand of God the Fa - ther have mer - cy up - on us.

God the Fa - ther have mer - cy up - on us.

U *Allegro.*

f For Thou on - ly art
For Thou on - ly art
For Thou on - ly art

W *Ho - ly* Thou on - ly art the
Ho - ly Thou on - ly art the
Ho - ly Thou on - ly art the

Allegro. d = 128.

f

X

Lord Thou on - ly dim. 0 Christ cresc.

Lord Thou on - ly dim. Christ 0 Christ cresc.

Lord Thou on - ly dim. Christ 0 Christ cresc.

Lord Thou on - ly dim. Christ 0 Christ cresc.

Thou on - ly 0 Christ with

dim. cresc.

Z

with the Ho - ly Ghost art most high.

with the Ho - ly Ghost art most high.

with the Ho - ly Ghost art most high.

the Ho - - - ly Ghost art most high.

ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

in the glo - - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

in the glo - - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

in the glo - - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

in the glo - - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

in the glo - - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

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