Lenten Vespers

Basilica of the Sacred Heart
University of Notre Dame du Lac
During Vespers, the assembly bows during the trinitarian doxology ("Praise the Father," etc...) whenever it occurs.
The assembly makes the sign of the cross at the beginning of the Gospel Canticle (Magnificat/Canticle of Mary).

Lucernarium

Please rise.

Presider or Assistant:

Jesus Christ is the light of the world,

All:

The light no darkness can overcome.

Presider or Assistant:

Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,

All:

And the darkness fills this hour.

Presider or Assistant:

Let your light scatter the darkness,

All:

and illumine your Church.

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Prayer

Blessing of the Assembly

Marian Antiphon  

Ave Regina Caelorum  
plainchant

Sálve rádix, sálve pórtá, Ex qua mundo lux est órta :  
Hail root (of Jesse), Hail portal, From whom on-earth light is risen.

Vá-le, o valde decó-ra, Et pro nó-bis Christum exó-ra.  
Prevail, O (thou) most lovely, And for us (to) Christ pray-thou.

Sign of Peace

Hymn  

Tree of Life  
tune: thomas  
text: Haugen

1. Light of life beyond conceiving, Might-y
2. Seed that dies to rise in glo-ry, May we
3. We re-mem-ber truth once spoken, Love passed
4. Gen-tle Je-sus, might-y Spir-it, Come in-
5. God of all our fear and sor-row, God who

Spir-it of our Lord; Give new strength to our be-
see our-selves in you, If we learn to live your
on through act and word, Ev’ry per-son lost and
flame our hearts a-new, We may all your joy in-
lives be-yond our death; Hold us close through each to-
liev-ing, Give us faith to live your word. Give us
sto-ry, We may die to rise a-new; We may
bro-ken Wears the bo-dy of our Lord, Wears the
her-it, If we bear the cross with you, If we, mor-row, Love as near as ev’ry breath, Love as
faith to live your word.
die to rise a-new.
bo-dy of our Lord.
bear the cross with you.
ne-ar as ev’ry breath.
The Evening Thanksgiving concludes:

Let us give thanks to God the Father
always and for everything.

In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Presider or assistant:

The evening Thanksgiving concludes:

To you alone be dominion and glory.
for ever and ever. Amen.

Please extinguish your candles and be seated.

Intercessions

Cantor: Let us pray to the Lord.

All:

Lord, receive and hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

plainchant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.

Warner
Gospel Canticle

Magnificat

text: Scheidler, c.s.c.
tune: COLLEEN, Warner, arr. Kirner

1. My soul does magnify the Lord. Rejoicing in my God,
   2. God shows the power of his arm And strews the haughty proud.
   3. Praise God the Father, Mighty One, Praise Jesus Christ his Son.

Who smiles upon my lowliness, my name, all nations laud.
He casts the mighty from their thrones, Up lifts the humbly bowed.
Praise Holy Spirit, font of Love: Forever Three in One.

The Mighty One has done great things, And holy is his name,
The hungry poor now have their fill, The rich are sent away.
The God who is, and ever was, And will be ever more,

God's mercy shines on all who fear, From age to age the same.
The covenant with Abraham Is honored to this day.
With joyful voice and grateful hearts, Now let us all adore.

Psalm I

Jerusalem/Psalm 137

When shall I come to thee? Jerusalem, Jerusalem!

1. By the rivers of Babylon we sat down and wept,
   Zion remembered then,
   And on the willows that grew on her banks,
   We hung our silent harps.  (antiphon)

2. It was there that our foes demanded songs from our lips,
   Joy for our captors' play,
   'Sing to us!' they taunted their slaves,
   'Sing us one of Zion's songs.'  (antiphon)

3. Oh how could we join and sing the songs of our God,
   Trapped in a foreign land?
   Jerusalem! May I never forget,
   'Til my hand shall hold no more.  (antiphon)

4. Give praise to the living God who dwells from on high,
   Praise to the Savior Son!
   And to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts,
   Both now and for all time.  (antiphon)

Psalm Prayer

Please stand.
Psalm III

Psalm 34: This Is The Time  
Rocca, c.s.c./O’Carroll

Choir:
1. I will bless the Lord at all times, God’s praise always on my lips; In the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
5. Then keep your tongue from evil. And your lips from speaking deceit.
9. Turn aside from evil and do good. Seek and strive after peace.
13. Look to the Lord and be radiant; Let your faces not be abashed. The poor called, and the Lord heard them. He will keep guard over all his bones, Not one of his bones shall be broken.
17. Come, children and hear me. That I may teach you the fear of the Lord. Who are they who long for life? As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. The antiphon is repeated after this verse.

Assembly and Choir:
2. Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise God’s name. I sought the Lord and was answered; The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
6. Evil brings death to the wicked; Those who hate the good are doomed. The Lord sought the Lord and was answered; The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
10. Many are the trials of the just one, But from them all the Lord will rescue him. The poor called, and the Lord heard them. He will keep guard over all his bones, Not one of his bones shall be broken.
14. Come, children and hear me. That I may teach you the fear of the Lord. Who are they who long for life? As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. The antiphon is repeated after this verse.

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Canticle

1 Peter 2: 21-24  
Rocca, c.s.c./Waddell, o.c.s.o.

Choir: 1. Christ suffered for you, He did no wrong; When he was in the world, he did not count himself equal with God, And so that all of us, and to the Holy Spirit:
2. He was despised and rejected of men, and to the Son, but God did not spare his Son, but gave him up for us all.
3. When he was made sin for us, 4. In his own body he brought your sins to the cross, 5. Glory to the Father, and to the Holy Spirit:
4. In his own body he brought your sins to the cross, 5. Glory to the Father, and to the Holy Spirit:
6. And he was crucified for us, 7. And was raised to life for us, 8. As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

Reading

Please be seated.

Choral Anthem