



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Sunday, 27th September 2026

SOLEMNITY OF
SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL,
PRIEST

FOUNDER OF THE CONGREGATION OF THE MISSION
AND OF THE DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY

SECONDARY PATRON OF
THE COMPANY OF MISSION PRIESTS

10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COLLATION OF
THE REVEREND DR SIMON OAKES
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PARISH MASS



St Luke's Church, Holbrooks
Sunday, 27th September 2026

Saint Vincent de Paul (1581-1660) was born in Gascony (France) and ordained a priest at the early age of twenty. Legend says he endured a period of captivity in Tunis; at any rate, after being falsely accused of theft, he dedicated himself to evangelising the poor, the unfortunate and the suffering. He founded the Congregation of Priests of the Mission (Lazarists) and, together with Saint Louise de Marillac, the Daughters of Charity. These congregations, together with the well-known Society of St Vincent de Paul, continue his charitable work today. He is the secondary patron of the Company of Mission Priests.

The Introductory Rites

¶ *STAND*

ENTRANCE HYMN



1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
 all ye who hear,
 now to his temple draw near,
 joining in glad adoration.
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth:
 hast thou not seen
 how thy heart's wishes have been
 granted in what he ordaineth?
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee:
 ponder anew
 what the Almighty can do,
 if to the end he befriend thee. ...

4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
sound from his people again:
gladly for aye we adore him!

Lobe den Herren

Joachim Neander (1650–1680)

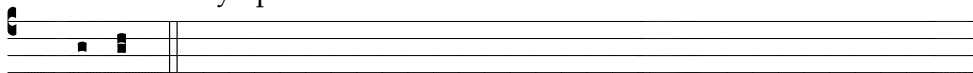
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Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN (PRAXIS PIETATIS)

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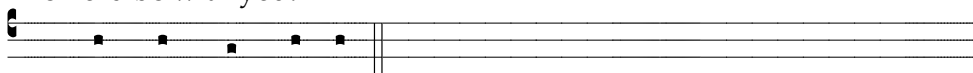
SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.



R. A-men.

The Lord be with you.



R. And with your spir-it.

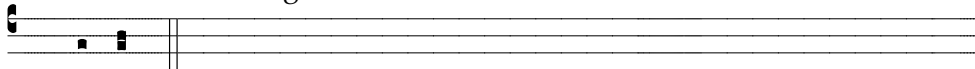
SPRINKLING OF WATER

Dear brothers and sisters,
let us implore the blessing of God, our Father,
that this rite of sprinkling of holy water
may revive in us the grace of our baptism,
in which we were immersed
in the Lord's redemptive death,
that we may rise with him to new life.

*The Celebrant intones Asperges me ('You will sprinkle me'),
and sprinkles the people with the blessed water.*

You will sprinkle me with hyssop, O Lord,
and I shall be cleansed;
you will wash me and I shall be made whiter than snow.

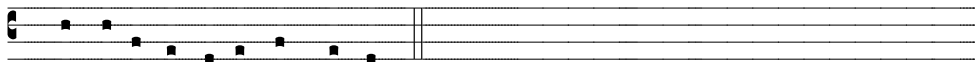
May almighty God cleanse us of our sins,
and through the celebration of this Eucharist
make us worthy to share
at the table of his Kingdom.



R. A-men.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

The Celebrant intones Gloria in excelsis Deo:



Glo-ri- a in excel-sis De-o.

The hymn is then taken up by the congregation:

**R. Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.**

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory. R. ...**

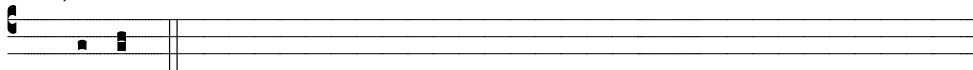
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

R. Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
✠ in the glory of God the Father. R

COLLECT

O God, who for the relief of the poor
and the formation of the clergy
endowed the Priest Saint Vincent de Paul
with apostolic virtues,
grant, we pray, that, afire with that same spirit,
we may love what he loved
and put into practice what he taught.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.



R. A-men.

The Liturgy of the Word

¶ SIT

FIRST READING

Isaiah 52,7-10

‘All the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.’

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of him who brings good news,
who publishes peace,
who brings good news of happiness,
who publishes salvation,
who says to Sion, ‘Your God reigns.’
The voice of your watchmen – they lift up their voice;
together they sing for joy;
for eye to eye they see
the return of the LORD to Sion.
Break forth together into singing,
you waste places of Jerusalem,
for the LORD has comforted his people;
he has redeemed Jerusalem.
The LORD has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations,
and all the ends of the earth shall see
the salvation of our God.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 40(39),10.11b-12.17.18ab. R. 8a.9a

'Behold, I have come, Lord, to do your will.'



Be - hold I have come, Lord, come to do your will.

All repeat: Behold I have come, Lord, come to do your will.

Your uprightness I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.

My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O LORD. **R.**

I made no secret of your merciful love
and your faithfulness in the great assembly.

You, O LORD, will not withhold your compassion
from me.

Your loving mercy and your faithfulness will
always guard me. **R.**

O let there be rejoicing and gladness
for all who seek you.

Let them ever say, 'The LORD is great,'
who long for your salvation. **R.**

Wretched and poor though I am,
the Lord is mindful of me. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1,26-31; 2,1-2

'God chose what is weak in the world.'

A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians.

Consider your calling, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption; so that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.'

And I, when I came to you, brothers and sisters, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

¶ *STAND*

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Is 61,1 (Lk 4,18)

R. VI f

A L- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu- ia.

All repeat: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

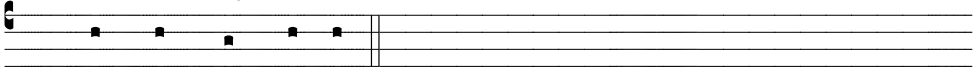
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he has sent me to proclaim good news to the poor. **R.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 5,1-12a

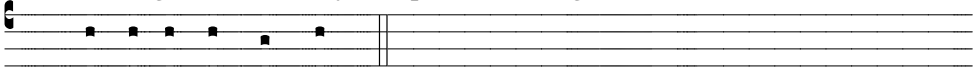
'Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.'

The Lord be with you.



R. And with your spir-it.

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.



R. Glo-ry to you, O Lord.

At that time: Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

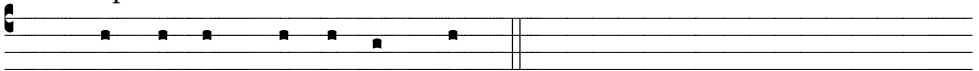
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.’

The Gospel of the Lord.



R. Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

THE HOMILY

May Jesus Christ be praised!

R. Now and for ever. Amen.

¶ SIT

Silence for personal reflection.

¶ STAND

THE CREED

I believe in one God, *

**the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,**

*At the words that follow,
up to and including 'and became man', all bow.*

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end. ...**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Each intention is concluded by the following responsory:

Let us pray to the Lord.

R. Lord, have mercy.

AVE MARIA (Cf. Luke 1,28. 42)

**Hail, Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.**

**Blessed art thou amongst women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.**

**Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.**



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the card machine at the back of
church, where a collection plate is
also available.*

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

OFFERTORY HYMN

Al - le - lu - ia.

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

- lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
raise the glad strain, *Alleluia*.
Cry out, Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia.

2. O higher than the Cherubim,
more glorious than the Seraphim,
lead their praises, *Alleluia*.
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia. ...

3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluia, *alleluia*.

Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
all Saints triumphant, raise the song:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia.

4. O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia, alleluia.

To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia.

John Athelstan Riley (1858–1945)

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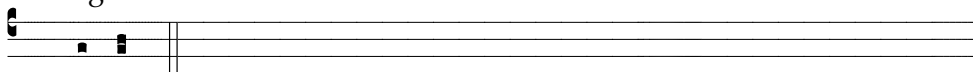
ORATE, FRATRES

Pray, brethren (*brothers and sisters*),
that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good
and the good of all his holy Church.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

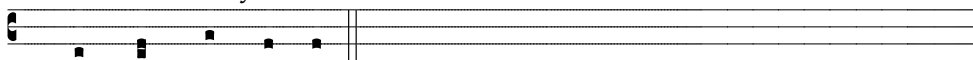
O God, who enabled Saint Vincent
to imitate what he celebrated in the divine mysteries,
grant that by the power of this sacrifice
we, too, may be transformed into an oblation
acceptable to you.
Through Christ our Lord.



R. A-men.

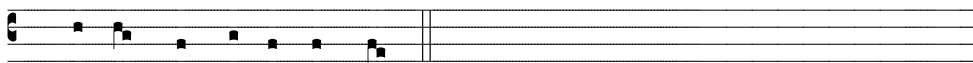
PREFACE: Saint Vincent, example and model of apostolic zeal.

The Lord be with you.



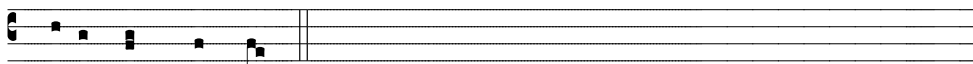
R. And with your spir-it.

Lift up your hearts.



R. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
and to praise, bless, and glorify your name
on the Solemnity of Saint Vincent de Paul.

You called him to spend his whole life
in imitation of your Son,
preaching the Gospel to the poor
and building up your Kingdom with fervour;
in him you have given us
an example and model of apostolic zeal,
so that, by the power of your Spirit
and impelled by your love,
we, too, may spend our whole lives
for the salvation of the poor.

And so, with the company of Angels and Saints,
we sing the hymn of your praise,
as without end we acclaim:

SANCTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed ✠ is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.**

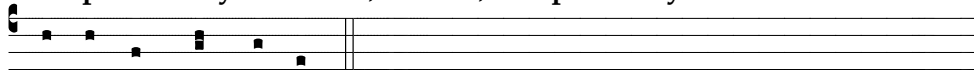
After this the congregation KNEELS (or REMAINS STANDING) for the remainder of the Eucharistic Prayer.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

The mystery of faith.



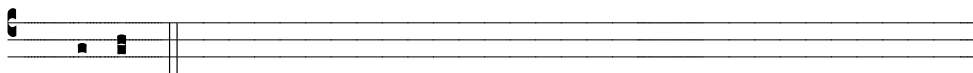
We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-rec-tion



un-til you come a-gain.

DOXOLOGY AND AMEN

At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer the people acclaim:



R. A-men.

The Communion Rite

¶ *STAND*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**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.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.**

THE PEACE

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
R. And with your spirit.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

And all offer one another the customary sign of peace.

¶ REMAIN STANDING

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world, grant us peace.

¶ KNEEL (or REMAIN STANDING)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Jn 13,34-35

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:
that you love one another as I have loved you.
This is how all will know that you are my disciples:
if you have love for one another.

HYMN AFTER COMMUNION



1. How shall I sing that majesty
which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
thy throne, O God most high;
ten thousand times ten thousand sound
thy praise; but who am I? ...

2. Thy brightness unto them appears,
whilst I thy footsteps trace;
a sound of God comes to my ears,
but they behold thy face.
They sing, because thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
for where heaven is but once begun
there alleluias be.

3. Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
in flame it with love's fire;
then shall I sing and bear a part
with that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
with all my fire and light;
yet when thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.

4. How great a being, Lord, is thine,
which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
a sun without a sphere;
thy time is now and evermore,
thy place is everywhere.

John Mason (c. 1645–1694)

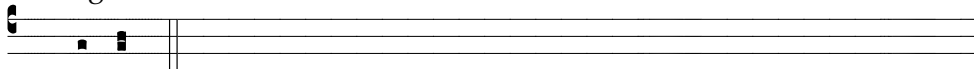
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

¶ STAND

Renewed by this heavenly Sacrament, O Lord,
we implore,
that just as we are prompted by Saint Vincent's example
to imitate your Son in his preaching of the Gospel to the poor,
so, too, we may be sustained by his prayers.
Through Christ our Lord.



R. A-men.

The Concluding Rites

COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Just as Jesus died and has risen again,
so through Jesus God will bring with him
those who have fallen asleep. (Cf. 1 Th 4,14)

The Vicar prays by name for those members of the parish family who have died during the past ten years.

V. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

R. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

Let us pray.

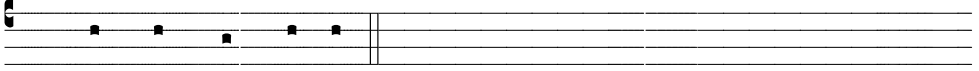
O God, glory of the faithful and life of the just,
by the Death and Resurrection of whose Son
we have been redeemed,
look mercifully on your departed servants,
that, just as they professed the mystery of our resurrection,
so they may merit to receive the joys of eternal happiness.
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Any brief announcements to the people follow here.

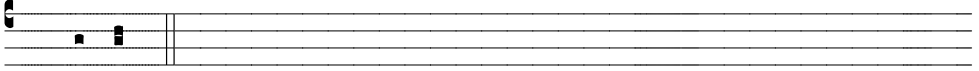
SOLEMN BLESSING

The Lord be with you.



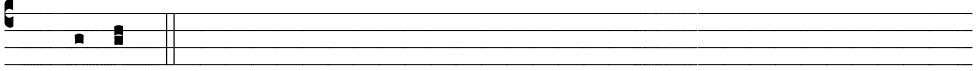
R. And with your spir-it.

May you, who have joyfully celebrated
the Solemnity of Saint Vincent de Paul,
imitate his charity and share in his reward.



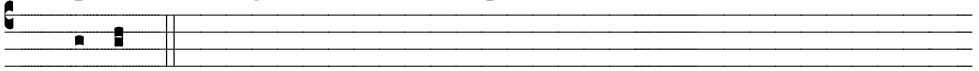
R. A-men.

May the Lord Jesus
renew in you the spirit of your vocation,
so that, by his love, you may be of one heart and one soul,
and may devote your lives with joy
to the service of your brothers and sisters.



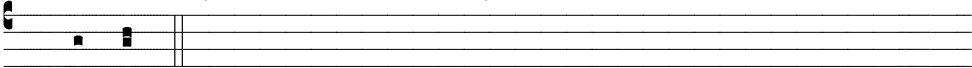
R. A-men.

So that, going forth into the world as disciples of Christ,
you may work for truth and justice
and spread his Kingdom of love and peace.



R. A-men.

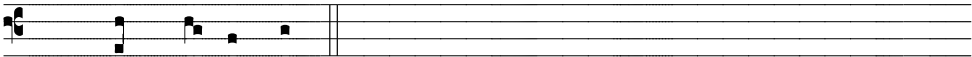
And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain with you for ever.



R. A-men.

DISMISSAL

Go forth, the Mass is ended.



R. Thanks be to God.

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

The Celebrant intones Te Deum laudamus ('We praise you, O God').

The hymn is then taken up by all:



1. Holy God, we praise thy Name;
Lord of all, we bow before thee!
All on earth thy sceptre claim,
all in heav'n above adore thee;
infinite thy vast domain,
everlasting is thy reign.

*Infinite thy vast domain,
everlasting is thy reign.*

2. Hark! the loud celestial hymn
angel choirs above are raising,
cherubim and seraphim,
in unceasing chorus praising;
fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord.

*Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord.*

3. Lo! the apostolic train
join the sacred Name to hallow;
prophets swell the loud refrain,
and the white-robed martyrs follow;
and from morn to set of sun,
through the Church the song goes on.

*And from morn to set of sun,
through the Church the song goes on.*

4. Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name thee;
while in essence only One,
undivided God we claim thee;
and adoring bend the knee,
while we own the mystery.

*And adoring bend the knee,
while we own the mystery.*

Ignaz Franz (1719–1790)

translated by **Clarence A. Walworth (1820–1900)**

based on **Te Deum laudamus (A Song of the Church)**

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