

Min. The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

Peo. The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee ;

Min. The Father : of an infinite Majesty ;

Peo. Thine honourable, true : and only Son ;

Min. Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

Peo. Thou art the King of Glory : O Christ.

Min. Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.

Peo. When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man : thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

Min. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Peo. Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the Glory of the Father.

Min. We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.

Peo. We therefore pray thee, help thy servants : whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Min. Make them to be numbered with thy saints : in glory everlasting.

Peo. O Lord, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.

Min. Govern them : and lift them up forever.

Peo. Day by day : we magnify thee ;

Min. And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.

Peo. Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.

Min. O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.

Peo. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.

Min. O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

¶ *Then shall be sung an Hymn.*

Benedictus—For Advent.

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel : for he hath visited, and redeemed his people ;

Peo. And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us : in the house of his servant David ;