

HYMN : PAULE, DOCTOR EGREGIE

Hymn for St Paul, composed by St. Peter Damian

HYMNUS

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Aule, doctor egre- gi- e, Tuba clangens Ecclesi- æ

Nubes volans ac tonitrum Per amplum mundi circulum.

2. Nobis potenter in- tona, Ruraque cordis irri- ga: Cœlestis

imbre gra- ti- æ Mentis vi- rescant ari- dæ. 3. O magnum

Pauli me- ri- tum, Cœlum conscendit terti- um, Audit verba

myste- ri- i Quæ nullis audet eloqui. 4. Dum Verbi spargit

se- mina, Seges surgit u- berrima : Sic cœli replent horre-

um Bonorum fruges operum. 5. Mi- cantis more lampa- dis

Perfundit orbem radi- is: Fugat errorum tenebras, Ut sola
regnet Veri- tas. 6. Sit Patri laus inge- ni- to, Sit decus U-
ni- geni- to, Sit utri- usque pa- ri- li Majestas summa Flami-
ni. Amen.

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1. Paul, incomparable Doctor, resounding Trumpet of the Church,
fleeting Cloud swift carrying the thunder all round earth's circuit:

2. Do thou roar thy potent thunders into us, and irrigate
the fields of our hearts : may our arid souls wax green,
beneath the sweet showers of heavenly graces.

3. O mighty merit of Paul! he scales the third heaven,
he hears words of mystery, which he dares not to repeat to anyone.

4. Whilst he casts the seed of the Word, a rich harvest springs up : thus are
heaven's granaries filled with the fruits of good works.

5. After the manner of a lamp, he sheds his rays over the world :
the darkness of error he puts to flight, and Truth reigns alone.

6. Praise be to the Father, born of none, glory be to the Only-Begotten,
Supreme Majesty be to the Spirit, equal of both.
Amen.