

HYMN : SALVETE CLAVI ET LANCEA

Dominican Matins hymn for the feast of the Lance and Nails.

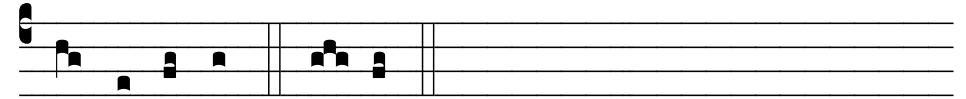
II.



S Alve-te Clavi et Lánce-a, Squa-ló-re nuper óbsi-
ta, Quæ mersa Christi cór-po-ri, Almo rubé-tis sán-
guine. 2. Vos ad scelus Judá-ica E-lé-ge-rat per-fí-di-
a ; Sed in mi-nístra grá-ti-æ Vos vertit e cæ-lo
De-us. 3. Nam quot sacrá-tis ártu-bus Sculpsís-tis o-lim
vúlne-ra, E tot reclú-sis fón-ti-bus Dona éfflu-unt cæ-
lés-ti-a. 4. Clavis forá-to et lánce-a, Je-su ti-bi sit gló-



ri-a, Cum Patre et almo Spí-ri-tu, Nunc et per om-



ne sá-cu-lum. Amen.

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1. Hail, Spear and Nails ! erewhile despised,
As things of little worth ;
Now crimson with the blood of Christ,
And famed through Heav'n and earth.
2. Chosen by Jewish perfidy
As instruments of sin,
God turn'd you into ministers
Of love and grace divine :
3. For from each several wound ye made
In that immortal frame,
As from a fount, celestial gifts
And life eternal came.
4. Thee, Jesu, pierced with Nails and Spear,
Let every knee adore ;
With Thee, O Father, and with Thee,
O Spirit, evermore.