

HYMN : CLARUM DECUS JEJUNIUM

Matins hymn for Lent (3rd & 4th week); from the Sarum Breviary

HYMN
II.

Clarum decus je-jú-ni-i, Montrá-tur orbi cá-li-tus:

Quod Christus auctor ómni-um, Ci-bis dicá-vit ábstinens.

2. Hoc Mó-y-ses carus De-o, Legísque lator factus est: Hoc

Hé-ly-am per á-e-ra, Curru le-vá-vit ígne-o. 3. Hinc Dá-

ni-el mysté-ri-a, Victor le-ónum víde-rat: Per hoc a

mí-cus ínti-mus, Sponsi Johánnes clá-ru-it. 4. Hæc nos

sequi dona De-us, Exémpla parsi-mó-ni-æ: Tu robur

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Pa-ter per Fí-li-um, Præsta per al-mum Spi-ri-tum, Cum

his per ævum trí-pli-ci, Unus De-us cognó-mi-ne.

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Amen.

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1. From heav'n, in glorious beauty shown,
The fast to all the world is known,
Which Christ, who all things made, ordain'd,
When he from earthly food abstain'd.
2. Thus Moses dear to God became.
And fitly did the law proclaim:
Thus heav'nward was Elias raised.
On steeds of fire, and wheels that blazed.
3. Thus Daniel mysteries beheld,
And rage of fiercest lions quell'd
Thus, as the Bridegroom's friend, alone
Is John in holy lore made known.
4. O grant us, Lord, like them to try
The paths of stern austerity:
Increase our spirit's feeble might
By kindly gift of heav'n's delight.
5. May this, O Father, through the Son,
For thy blest Spirit's sake be done:
Adored through all eternity.
In Nature One, in Person Three. Amen.