

Gaudeat Ecclesia

Christmas Season

English Adaptation: Robert Loretz

Music: 13th Century

S+A C Dm

1. Let the Church re - joic - ing sound, the hun - dredth has at last been found,
2. Now has dawned the Right - eous Sun, the King of hosts, the Sa - viour's come,
3. Once in ex - ile, now we see the King of all hu - mi - li - ty, The
4. To - day! To - day! is born the King of glo - ry ev - er - last - ing,
5. God from Ma - ry's womb is born, while hell is left in trem - bling scorn.

T+B: "O" (drone)

1. Once had been a stay - ing sheep, Drach - ma found in search - ing sweep.
2. He - rald - ing all glad - ness, Ba - nish - ing all sad - ness.
3. Rose has borne the Li - ly, God the Son from Ma - ry.
4. Born of Ma - ry is this day He who will Go - li - ath slay.
5. Pri - son - ers no more to own, Sa - tan's an - gels left to groan.

"Al - le - lu - ia," we sing, for our Hus - band and our King,

Soprano Descant:

E - ya et e - ya,

Ro - yal Church re - joic - ing! E - ya et e - ya,

T+B: text

Re - gi - a e - gre - gi - a, Gau - de - at ec - cle - si - a.

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