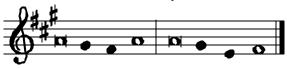
Psalm Tone: Tone 2, Rev. Percy Jones



Psalm 64

Prayer for help against enemies

This psalm commemorates most particularly our

Lord's passion (St. Augustine).

Hear my voice, O God, as I complain, guard my life from dread <u>of</u> the foe. * Hide me from the band of the wicked, from the throng of those <u>who</u> do evil.

They sharpen their tongues like swords; they aim bitter *words* like arrows * to shoot at the innocent from ambush, shooting suddenly and *reck*-lessly.

They scheme their evil course; they conspire to lay <u>sec</u>-ret snares. * They say: "Who will see us? Who can search <u>out</u> our crimes?"

He will search who searches the mind and knows the depth <u>of</u> the heart. * God has shot them with his arrow and dealt them <u>sud</u>-den wounds. Their own tongue has <u>brought</u> them to ruin * and all who <u>see</u> them mock.

Then will all men fear; they will tell what <u>God</u> has done. * They will under-<u>stand</u> God's deeds. The just will rejoice in the Lord and fly to <u>him</u> for refuge. * All the upright <u>hearts</u> will glory.

Glory to the Father, and <u>to</u> the Son, * and to the <u>Ho</u>-ly Spirit.

As it was in *the* beginning, * is now, and will be for ev-*er*. A - men.

Grail Psalmody

Psalm 64 used: MP Holy Saturday.