

13.

Parce Domine

I.

Arce Dómine, parce pôpu-lo tu-o : ne in
Spare, Lord spare Thy people: Do not

ætérnum irascá-ris no-bis.

be angry with us forever

1 Flectámus i-ram víndi-cem, Plo-rémus ante Júdi-cem;
Let us appease His wrath, beg for mercy from our Judge,

Clamémus ore súpplici, Dicámus omnes cérnui:
call upon Him in suppliant entreaty, let all of us offer this prayer.

2. Nostris malis offéndimus
Tuam Deus cleméntiam
Effúnde nobis désuper
Remíssor indulgéntiam.

3. Dans tempus acceptáibile,
Da lacrimárum rívulis
Laváre cordis víctimam,
Quam léta adúrat cáritas.

4. Audi, benígne Cónditor,
Nostras preces cum flétiibus
In hoc sacro jejúnio
Fusas quadragenário.

5. Scrutátor alme córdium,
Infirma tu scis vírium;
Ad te réversis éxhibe
Remissiónis grátiam.

2. *Our sins have offended Thy divine Mercy yet pour out on us from heaven the grace of pardon.*

3. *Having given us this acceptable time grant that we may purify our hearts by abundant sorrow, willingly consumed by the fires of charity.*

4. *Hear, merciful Creator, the prayers which we make with tears in this holy fast of forty days.*

5. *Reader of hearts, Thou knowest how weak is our strength, show mercy to us who turn to Thee.*