

Three motets Op. 69

1. Nunc dimittis

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Andante

p

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

Lord,
Lord, now let - test Thou
Lord, now let - test Thou Thy serv - ant de -

now let - test Thou Thy serv - ant de - part in peace, *cresc.*
Thy serv - ant de - part, de - part in peace, *cresc.*
part in peace, de - part in peace,
p
Lord, now let - test Thou Thy serv - ant de - part in

12
cord - - - - ing to Thy word, Lord, now let - test
in peace, *dim.* ac - cord - - - ing to Thy
cresc. *dim.*
ac - cord - - - - ing to Thy word, ac - -
cresc. *dim.*
peace, ac - cord - - - - ing to Thy word, Lord,

19 *cresc.*

Thou Thy serv - ant de - part in peace, ac - - cord - - -

cresc.

word, _____ ac - cord - ing to Thy word, Lord,

cresc.

cord - ing to Thy word, Lord, now let - test Thou _____

cresc.

now let - test Thou _____ Thy serv - ant de - part in peace, ac -

25 *f*

- - ing to Thy word, _____ Thy word, _____

f

now let - test Thou _____ Thy serv - ant de - part in peace, _____

f

_____ Thy serv - ant de - part in peace, _____ ac -

f *f*

cord - ing to _____ Thy word, Lord, now let - test

31 *dim.*

Lord, now let - test Thou _____ Thy serv - ant de - part in

dim.

_____ ac - cord - - - - - ing, _____ ac - cord - ing

dim.

cord - - - - - ing, _____ ac - cord - - - - - ing to Thy _____

dim.

Thou _____ Thy serv - - - - - ant de - part _____ in

37 *p*

peace, ac - cord - - - ing to Thy word, ac -

to Thy word, ac - cord - - - ing,

word, Thy word, ac - cord - - - ing,

peace, in peace, ac - cord - - -

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cord - - - ing to Thy word.

ac - cord - - - ing to Thy word.

ac - cord - - - ing to Thy word.

ing to Thy word, Thy word.

49 Solo *p*

For mine eyes have seen Thy sal - va - - - tion, which

For mine eyes have seen Thy sal - va - - - tion,

For mine eyes have seen Thy sal - va - - - tion, have

For mine eyes have

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cresc.

Thou hast _____ pre - par - - - ed be-fore the face of

cresc.

wich Thou hast _____ pre - par - - - ed be-fore the

cresc.

8 seen, which Thou hast _____ pre - par - - - ed be-fore the

cresc.

seen Thy sal - va - - - tion, which Thou hast _____ pre - - -

60

all _____ peo - ple, _____ be fore the face of all _____ peo - - - -

-ed be fore the face of all, _____ of all peo - - - -

8 face of all _____ peo - ple, of all peo - - - - ple;

par - - - - ed be fore the face of all _____ peo - - - -

65

Tutti
f

-ple; to be a light _____ to light - en the

Tutti
f

-ple; to be a light to light - en the Gen - tiles,

Tutti
f

8 to be a light _____ to light - en the Gen - tiles, _____

Tutti
f

-ple; to be a light _____ to light - en the

70

Gen - tiles, to be a light to light - en the Gen - tiles,
to be a light to the Gen - tiles, to be a
to be a light to the Gen - tiles,
Gen - tiles, to be a light to light - en the Gen - tiles,

75

f
and to be the glo - - - ry, and to be the glo - - - -
f
light, to be a light, and the glo - - - -
f
and to be the glo - - - ry, and to be the glo - - - -
f
and to be the glo - - - ry, and to be the glo - - - -

79

-ry of Thy peo - ple, of Thy peo - - - - - ple
- - - - - ry of Thy peo - ple, of Thy peo - ple
- - - - - ry of Thy peo - ple Is - - - - - ra -
- - - - - ry of Thy peo - ple, of Thy peo - ple

85

Is - ra - el. Lord, now let - test

Is - ra - el. Lord, now let - test Thou Thy serv - - -

- el. Lord, now let - test Thou Thy serv - ant de - part in peace,

Is - ra - el. Lord,

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Thou Thy serv - ant de - part in peace: for mine eyes have

ant de - part in peace, for mine eyes have

ac - cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have

now let - test Thou Thy serv - ant de - part in peace, for mine eyes have

99

seen Thy sal - va - tion, which Thou hast pre - par - ed,

seen Thy sal - va - tion, wich Thou hast pre - par - ed,

seen Thy sal - va - - - - tion, which thou hast pre - par - ed,

seen Thy sal - va - - - - tion, which Thou hast pre - par - ed,

104

to be a light, and to be the glo - - - - -

to be a light, and to be the glo - - - - -

to be a light, and the glo - - - - - ry of Thy

to be a light, and the glo - - - - - ry,

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- - ry of Thy peo - ple Is - ra - el. Lord, *(dim.)* *p*

- - ry of Thy peo - ple Is - ra - el. Now let - - - - - test *(dim.)* *p*

peo - - - - - ple Is - ra - el. Lord, now let - test Thou *(dim.)* *p*

the glo - ry of Is - - - - - ra - - - - - el. *(dim.)*

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now let - test Thou Thy serv - - - - - ant de - part in peace. *dim.*

Thou Thy serv - ant de - part, Thy ser - vant de - part in peace. *dim.*

Thy serv - ant de - part, de - part in peace. *dim.*

Lord, now let - test Thou Thy serv - - - - - ant de - part in peace. *p* *dim.*

Andante sostenuto

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f *dim.*

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, _____ and to the Son, _____ and to the Ho - ly

f *dim.*

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, _____ and to the Son, and to the Ho - - - - - ly

f *dim.*

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, _____ and to the Son, _____ and to the Ho - - - ly

f *dim.*

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, _____ and to the Son, _____ and to the Ho - ly

130

f

Ghost. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

f

Ghost. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be, world _____

f

Ghost. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, _____

f

Ghost. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, _____

135

f *dim.* *p*

world without end. A - - - - - men, a - - - - - men, a - - - - - men.

f *dim.* *p*

- without end. A - - - - - men, a - - - - - men.

f *dim.* *p*

world without end. A - - - - - men, a - - - - - men, a - - - - - men.

f *dim.*

world without end. A - - - - - men, A - - - - - men.