

**Sebastiano Cherici**

**COMPIETA**

**8. Nunc dimittis servum tuum**

Alto Ripieno.

**COMPIETA**

Concertata, e breue à 3. e 4. voci, con Vio-  
lini, e Ripieni à beneplacito

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*Dignissimo Vicelegato di Ferrara.*



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Si vendono da Marino Sighani, all' Insegna del Violino.

## Editorial

Sebastiano Cherici (1647-1704) was maestro di cappella of the cathedral of Ferrara. After a short spell in Dresden, he took the same position in Pistola. In 1686 he published his *Opera terza*, *Compieta concertata, e breve à 3 e 4 voci, con violini, e ripieni à bene placito.* This opus comprises the main parts of the Roman version of the Compline, the last liturgical prayer of the day. The normal practice is to sing three psalms; the selection for the ordinary Sunday is provided here. In contrast to the Vesper, the Compline has only a single antiphons with the psalms. The remaining parts are fixed prayers of the Compline.

The part books for each voice are twofold, named ‘concertans’ and ‘ripieni’, respectively. The ripieni appears in parts 1, 2, 4, 7 and 8, and are always a duplication of the concertans in the tutti sections; these have been omitted in the present edition; instead, *solo* and *tutti* are indicated. In addition to the two violins there is a part for a bass instrument ‘fagotto / violone’. The violone is not a 16’ instrument, but an 8’, such as a cello or viola da gamba. The ‘organo’ part is the basso continuo, which may be doubled by a suitable (8’) instrument.

The bass figuration is original. Accidentals are not consistently indicated in the original but do not pose ambiguities. The text spelling and punctuation has been modernised to that in the *Liber Usualis* (Descée & Socii, 1962).

1. Jube domne benedicere, Confiteor and Converte nos	SATB, 2vi, fg, org
2. Cum invocarem exaudivit me Deus (ps 4)	SATB, 2vi, fg, org
3. In te Domine speravi (responsorium)	SATB, 2vi, fg, org
4. Qui habitat in adjutorio Altissimi (ps 90)	SATB, 2vi, fg, org
5. Ecce nunc benedicite (ps 133)	SATB, 2vi, fg, org
6. Te lucis ante terminum (hymnus)	ATB, 2vi, org
7. In manus tuas Domine (responsorium)	SATB, 2vi, fg, org
8. <u>Nunc dimittis servum tuum</u> (canticum Simeonis)	SATB, 2vi, fg, org
9. Ave Regina Caelorum	SAB, org

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# NUNC DIMITTIS SERVUM TUUM



Sebastiano Cherici  
1647–1704

Violino primo

Violino secundo

Fagotto

Canto

Alto

Tenore

Basso

Basso continuo

*Solo*

Nunc di - mit - tis      ser - vum tu - um      Do - mi - ne,

b

The musical score is arranged in two vertical columns. The left column contains staves for Violino primo, Violino secundo, Fagotto, Canto, Alto, Tenore, and Basso. The right column contains a staff for Basso continuo. The Basso staff has a 'Solo' instruction above it. The vocal parts (Canto, Alto, Tenore) have a key signature of one sharp (F#). The Basso staff has a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The Basso continuo staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#). The time signature for all staves is common time (indicated by a '2'). The vocal parts sing 'Nunc di - mit - tis      ser - vum tu - um      Do - mi - ne,' while the basso continuo provides harmonic support. The basso continuo staff ends with a sharp sign, indicating a change in key.

Source: Compieta concertata, e breve à 3 e 4 voci, con violini, e ripieni à bene placito,  
Opera terza. Bologna, 1686.

## Nunc dimittis servum tuum

6

V1

V2

C

A

T

B

6

BC

*Solo*

se - cun - dum ver - bum tu - um in pa -

se - cun - dum ver - bum tu - um in pa -

se - cun - dum ver - bum tu - um in pa -

6

#

b

12

V1

V2

C

A

T

B

12

BC

*Tutti*

qui - a vi - de - runt

ce, qui - a vi - de - runt o -

ce, qui - a vi - de - runt o -

ce, qui - a vi - de - runt

12

BC

## Nunc dimittis servum tuum

18

V1  
V2  
C  
A  
T  
B  
BC

o - cu - li      me - i      sa - lu - ta - re  
cu - li      me - i      sa - lu - ta - re,  
cu - li      me - i      sa - lu - ta - re  
o - cu - li      me - i      sa - lu - ta - re,

18

b

24

V1  
V2  
C  
A  
T  
B  
BC

tu - um, sa - lu - ta - re, sa - lu - ta - re      tu - um. Quod pa -  
tu - um, sa - lu - ta - re, sa - lu - ta - re      tu - um. Quod pa -  
tu - um,      sa - lu - ta - re      tu - um.  
tu - um,

24

4 3      b      4 3

## Nunc dimittis servum tuum

30

V1

V2

Bass:

C A T B

30

C A T B

ra - sti, pa - ra - sti an - te fa - ci-em om - ni-um po - pu -

ra - sti, pa - ra - sti an - te fa - ci-em om - ni-um po - pu -

30

BC

6

b b

36

V1

V2

Bass:

C A T B

36

Tutti

- lo - rum. Lu - men, lu - men ad re - ve - la - ti -

- lo - rum. Lu - men, lu - men ad re - ve - la - ti -

Lu - men, lu - men, lu - men ad re - ve - la - ti -

Lu - men, lu - men, lu - men ad re - ve - la - ti -

36

BC

6 6

## Nunc dimittis servum tuum

42

V1  
V2  
C  
A  
T  
B  
BC

o - nem, ad re - ve - la - ti - o - nem gen - ti - um, et glo -  
o - nem, ad re - ve - la - ti - o - nem gen - ti - um, et glo -  
o - nem, ad re - ve - la - ti - o - nem gen - ti - um,  
o - nem, ad re - ve - la - ti - o - nem gen - ti - um,  
o - nem, ad re - ve - la - ti - o - nem gen - ti - um,

42

V1  
V2  
C  
A  
T  
B  
BC

7 6

48

V1  
V2  
C  
A  
T  
B  
BC

- ri-am, et glo - ri-am ple - bis tu - æ, ple-bis tu - æ  
- ri-am, et glo - ri-am ple - bis tu - æ, ple-bis tu - æ  
et glo - ri-am, et glo - ri-am ple - bis tu - æ  
et glo - ri-am, et glo - ri-am ple - bis tu - æ

48

BC

b b # 6 6 5

## Nunc dimittis servum tuum

54

V1

V2

C Is - ra - el.

A Is - ra - el.

T Is - ra - el. Solo et Spi -

B Is - ra - el. Glo - ri - a Pa - tri et Fi - li - o

BC

54

4 3      b      b

60

V1

V2

C

A

T ri - tu - i, et Spi - ri - tu - i San -

B et Spi - ri - tu - i et Spi - ri - tu - i San -

BC

60

## Nunc dimittis servum tuum

66

V1

V2

Bass

C  
A  
T  
B

*Solo*

Si - cut e - rat in prin - ci - pi - o, et nunc et  
Si - cut e - rat in prin - ci - pi - o, et nunc et

cto.

cto.

66

BC

72

V1

V2

Bass

C  
A  
T  
B

*Tutti*

sem - per, et in sæ - cu - la, et in sæ - cu - la sæ - cu -  
sem - per, et in sæ - cu - la, et in sæ - cu - la sæ - cu -  
et in sæ - cu - la, et in sæ - cu - la sæ - cu -  
et in sæ - cu - la, et in sæ - cu - la sæ - cu -

72

BC

## Nunc dimittis servum tuum

78

V1

V2

C

A

T

B

BC

lo - rum, sæ - cu - lo - rum. A - men,

lo - rum, sæ - cu - lo - rum. A - men,

lo - rum, sæ - cu - lo - rum. A - men, a -

lo - rum, sæ - cu - lo - rum. A - men,

78

7 6      b 6 7 6      2

84

V1

V2

C

A

T

B

BC

a - - - men, a - - -

a - - - men, a - - - men, a - - -

a - - - men, a - - - men, a - - -

84

6 7 6b      #      6      2

## Nunc dimittis servum tuum

90

V1

V2

C

A

T

B

BC

men, a men, a men, a men, a men, a

6 b 5 6 7 6 b b

96

V1

V2

C

A

T

B

BC

men, a - men, a - men, a - men, a -

6 4 3# b b 2 6 b #

## Nunc dimittis servum tuum

102

V1

V2

C

A

T

B

BC

men, a - men, a - men, a - men,

102

6 # 6 7 4 3# 6

108

V1

V2

C

A

T

B

BC

men, a - men, a - men, a - men, a - men, a -

108

b 2 # 6 6 6 b 7 #

Nunc dimittis servum tuum

114

V1

V2

C men, sæ - cu - lo - rum, a - men, a - men.

A men, sæ - cu - lo - rum, a - men, a - men.

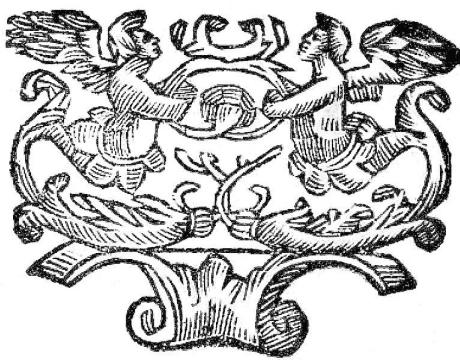
T 8 men, sæ - cu - lo - rum, a - men, a - men.

B men, sæ - cu - lo - rum, a - men, a - men.

BC

114

      b                          b                          4     3                      #                          b



Violino - 1

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The musical score consists of ten staves of music for violin. The key signature is common time (indicated by '3'). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a '2' below it, indicating two-measure bars. The second staff begins with a treble clef and a '3' above it, indicating three-measure bars. Measures 13 through 112 are shown, with measure numbers placed at the beginning of each staff. Measure 13 starts with a long black bar followed by a short black bar. Measures 18, 26, 40, 48, and 56 each begin with a short black bar. Measure 17 begins with a long black bar. Measure 88 begins with a short black bar. Measure 96 begins with a short black bar. Measure 104 begins with a short black bar. Measure 112 begins with a short black bar.

Violino - 2

# NUNC DIMITTIS SERVUM TUUM

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1647–1704

The musical score consists of eleven staves of music for violin. The key signature is common time (indicated by a '3'). The score begins with a treble clef and a dotted half note. Measure 13 starts with a whole note followed by a half note. Measures 18 through 26 show various patterns of eighth and sixteenth notes. Measure 40 features a sustained note over a fermata. Measures 48 and 56 continue the melodic line. Measures 80 and 88 provide harmonic support. Measures 96 and 104 return to the earlier melodic pattern. Measure 112 concludes the piece with a final cadence.

**Violone - fagotto**

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The musical score consists of 12 staves of bassoon music. The key signature changes frequently, indicated by sharp and flat symbols. Measure numbers are placed above the staff at the start of each measure. The first staff begins with a 3/2 time signature. Measures 13 through 16 show a transition from 3/2 to 2/2 time. Measures 17 through 20 show a return to 3/2 time. Measures 24 through 27 show another transition, ending with a 7 in measure 27. Measures 37 through 40 show a return to 3/2 time. Measures 44 through 47 show a transition, ending with a 7 in measure 47. Measures 51 through 54 show a return to 3/2 time. Measures 74 through 77 show a transition, ending with a 17 in measure 77. Measures 81 through 84 show a transition, ending with a 5 in measure 84. Measures 92 through 95 show a transition, ending with a 99 in measure 95. Measures 106 through 109 show a transition, ending with a 113 in measure 113.

## Basso continuo

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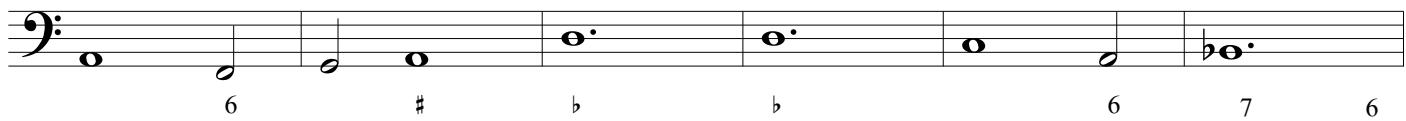
The musical score consists of ten staves of basso continuo music. The key signature alternates between B-flat major (indicated by a B-flat symbol) and G major (indicated by a sharp symbol). The time signature is mostly common time (indicated by a '3'). Measure numbers are provided at the start of each staff: 1, 7, 15, 20, 25, 31, 37, 43, 49, and 55. The music features various note values including whole notes, half notes, quarter notes, eighth notes, and sixteenth notes. Measure 43 includes harmonic changes indicated by Roman numerals: 7, 6, 6, 5, 4, and 3. Measure 49 includes harmonic changes indicated by Roman numerals: 6, 5, 4, and 3.

Nunc dimittis servum tuum

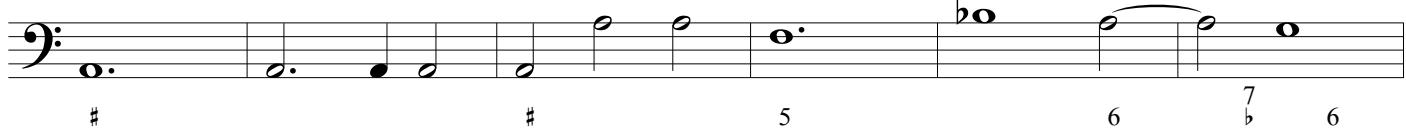
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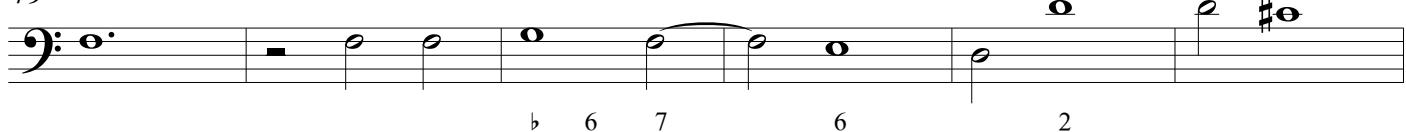
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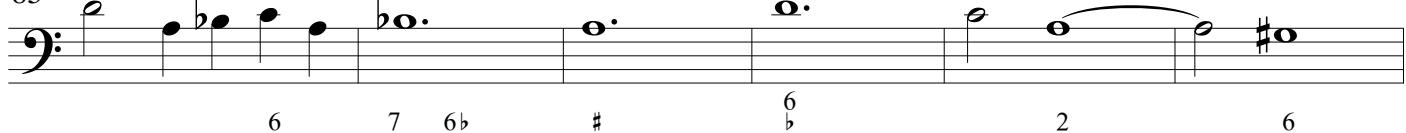
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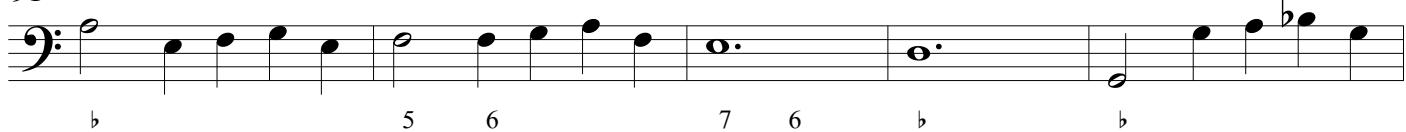
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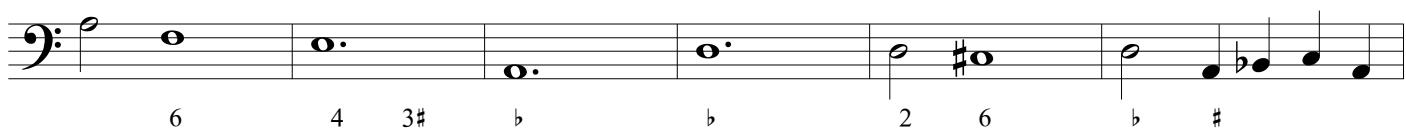
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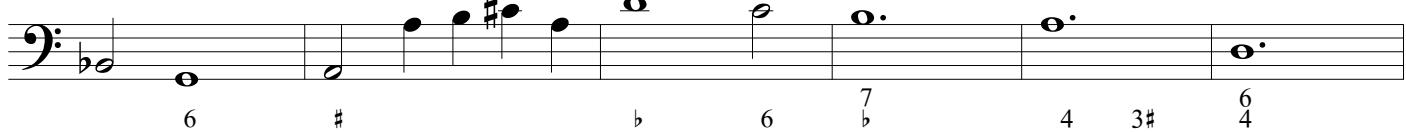
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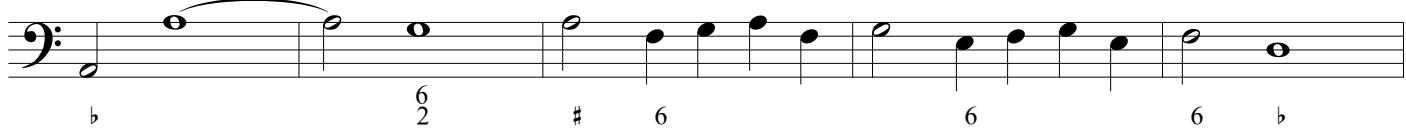
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108



113

