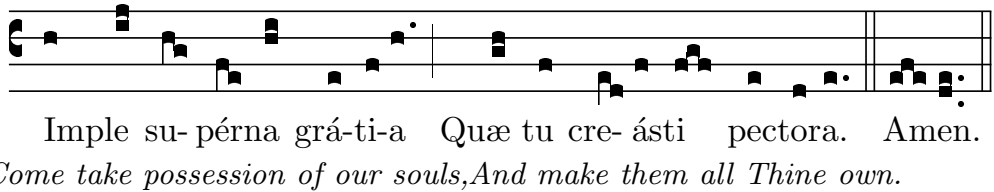


Veni Creator Spiritus

VIII



E-ni Cre-á-tor Spí-ri-tus, Men-tes tu-orum ví-si-ta :
Come, Holy Ghost, Creator, come From Thy bright heavenly throne,



Im-ple su-pérna grá-ti-a Quæ tu cre-ásti pec-tora. Amen.
Come take possession of our souls, And make them all Thine own.

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| 2. Qui díceris Paráclitus,
Altíssimi donum Dei,
Fons vivus, ignis, cáritas,
Et spiritalís únctio. | 2. <i>Thou who art called the Paraclete,
Best gift of God above,
The living spring, the living fire,
Sweet unction and true love.</i> |
| 3. Tu septifórmis múnere,
Dígí-tus patrénæ déxteræ,
Tu rite promíssum Patris,
Sermóne ditans gúttura. | 3. <i>Thou who art se'enfold in Thy grace,
Finger of God's right hand;
His promise, teaching little ones
To speak and understand.</i> |
| 4. Accénde lumen sénsibus,
Infúnde amórem córdibus,
Infírma nostri córporis
Virtúte firmans pérpeti. | 4. <i>O guide our minds with Thy blest light,
With love our hearts inflame;
And with Thy strength, which ne'er
decays,
Confirm our mortal frame.</i> |
| 5. Hostem repéllas lóngius
Pacémque dones prótinus :
Ductóre sic te prævio,
Vitémus omne nóxium. | 5. <i>Far from us drive our deadly foe;
True peace unto us bring;
And through all perils lead us safe
Beneath Thy sacred wing.</i> |
| 6. Per te sciámus da Patrem,
Noscámus atque Fílium,
Teque utriúsque Spíritum
Credámus omni témpore. | 6. <i>Through Thee may we the Father know,
Through Thee th' eternal Son,
And Thee the Spirit of them both,
Thrice blessed Three in One.</i> |
| 7. Deo Patri sit glória,
Et Fílio, qui a mórtuis
Surréxit, ac Paráclito,
In sæculórum sæcula. | 7. <i>All Glory to the Father be,
With His co-equal Son:
The same to Thee, great Paraclete,
While endless ages run.</i> |

Ascribed to Rabanus Maurus, 776–856