

Attaingnant, *Liber decimus quartus XIX musicas ... P. de Manchicourt* [Paris, 1539]

'in Resurrectione Domini'

*Canō. Sàs sospirer
ne châtez pointz.*

SUPERIUS PRIMUS

SUPERIUS SECUNDUS

CONTRATENOR

TENOR

BASSUS SECUNDUS

BASSUS PRIMUS

Canon

Resolutio

The musical score consists of six staves, each representing a different voice part. The voices are labeled from top to bottom: SUPERIUS PRIMUS, SUPERIUS SECUNDUS, CONTRATENOR, TENOR, BASSUS SECUNDUS, and BASSUS PRIMUS. The first two staves (SUPERIUS) are grouped together under the heading 'Canon'. The remaining four staves (CONTRATENOR, TENOR, and the two Bassus parts) are grouped together under the heading 'Resolutio'. The music is written in common time with a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are provided below the notes in a single-line format.

Re - gi - na cae - li lae -

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Re - gi - na cae - li

Re -

li lae - ta - - - - re,

cae - li lae - ta - - - - re, Re - gi - na cae - li

Re - gi - na cae - li lae - ta - - - - re,

ta - re, lae - ta - - - - re, lae - ta - - - -

This section of the score continues the musical line from the previous page. It features the same six voices and grouping (Canon and Resolutio). The music is in common time with a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are provided below the notes in a single-line format, continuing from the previous section.

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Music score for the first section of the hymn. The score consists of six staves of music for voices. The lyrics are:

lae - ta - - - - re, lae -
gi - na cae - li lae - ta - - - re,
- lae - ta - - - - re, lae - ta - -
lae - ta - - - - re, lae -
re, lae - ta - - - - re, al - le -

15

Music score for the second section of the hymn. The score consists of six staves of music for voices. The lyrics are:

ta - - - -
lae - ta - - - -
al - le - lu - - ia, -
- - re, al - le - lu - - ia, al -
- ta - - - - re, al - le - lu - - ia, al -
lu - ia, lae - ta - - - re, al - le - lu - -

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re, al - le - lu
re, al - le - lu
lae - ta - re, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia:
le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia:
le - lu - ia: Qui - a quem
ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Qui - .

Musical score for voices and organ, page 25. The score consists of five staves. The top three staves are soprano voices, the fourth is alto, and the fifth is bass. The organ part is on the bottom staff. The vocal parts sing in Latin, with lyrics including "ia:", "Qui - a", "ia:", "Qui - a", "ia:", "Qui - a quem me - ru - i -", "Qui - a quem me - ru - i - sti, qui - a quem", "me - ru - i - sti, qui - a, a quem me - ru - i - sti, qui - a quem me - ru -". The organ part features sustained notes and chords.

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quem me - ru - i

a quem me - ru - i

sti, me - ru - i - sti,

me - ru - i - sti, qui - a quem

qui - a quem me - ru - i - sti, qui -

i - - - sti, qui - a quem me - ru - i -

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sti _____

sti _____ por -

me - - - ru - i - - - sti por - - ta -

me - - - ru - i - - - sti por - - ta -

a quem me - - - ru - i - - - sti por - - ta -

sti, me - - ru - i - - sti por - - ta - re,

Musical score for measures 40-44. The music is in common time, key signature is one flat. The vocal parts are: soprano (S), alto (A), tenor (T), bass (B), and organ (O). The lyrics are: por - ta - re, por - ta - re, por - ta - re, al - le -

40
por - ta -
ta -
re, por - ta -
re, por - ta -
re, por - ta -
re, al - le -

Musical score for measures 45-50. The music continues in common time, key signature is one flat. The vocal parts are: soprano (S), alto (A), tenor (T), bass (B), and organ (O). The lyrics are: al - le - lu - ia, al -

45
re, al -
re, al - le - lu -
re, al - le - lu - ia, al -
re, al - le - lu - ia, al -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al -

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le - lu - ia,

ia,

al - le -

al - le - lu - ia, al -

lu - ia, al - le -

le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al -

le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al -

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al - le - lu - ia.

lu - ia.

le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

- le - lu - ia.

ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SECUNDA PARS

Resolutio

Canon

60

Re - sur - re - xit, si - cut di - xit, re - sur - re - xit, re - sur - xit, re - sur - xit,

65

Re - sur - re - xit, si - cut di - xit, re - sur - xit, si - cut di - xit, si - cut di - xit, re - sur - re - xit, si - cut di - xit, re - sur - xit,

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si - cut di - - - - xit, _____
di - - - - xit, _____
xit, al - - - - le - lu -
al - le - lu - ia, al - - - - le - - - -
-xit, si - cut di - - xit, al - - - - le - - - -
xit, si - cut di - - - - xit, al - - - - le - - - -

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al - - - - le - lu - - - - ia.
al - - - - le - lu - ia.
ia, _____ al - - - - le - - - - lu - - - - ia.
O - - - - ra - - - - lu - ia, _____ al - - le - - lu - - - - ia.
O - - - - ra - - - - lu - ia, _____ al - - le - lu - - - - ia.
O - - - - pro - - - -

80

Music score for voices and organ. The score consists of six staves. The top three staves are soprano, alto, and tenor voices in treble clef. The bottom three staves are bass, tenor, and bassoon in bass clef. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The vocal parts sing Latin words: 'Ora pro nobis Deum,' 'pro nobis Deum, pro nobis Deum,' and 'ia.' The organ part provides harmonic support.

O - - - - ra
O - - - - ra - pro
ia. O - - - - ra pro no - - - - bis De - um,
- pro - - - - no - - - - bis De - - - - um, pro no - - - - bis De -
- ia. O - - - - ra pro no - - - - bis,
no - - - - bis De - - - - um,

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Music score for voices and organ, continuing from measure 85. The voices sing 'bis De -' and 'no - - - - bis De -'. The organ part continues its harmonic support. The vocal parts sing 'pro nobis Deum,' 'no - - - - bis De -', 'ra pro no - - - - bis De - um,' and 'um, o - - - - bis, pro no - - - - bis De -'.

pro - - - - no - - - - bis - - - - De -
- no - - - - bis - - - - De -
- ra pro no - - - - bis De - - - -
- um, o - - - - bis, pro no - - - - bis De -
pro no - - - - bis, pro no - - - - bis De -
- pro - - - - no - - - - bis - - - - De -

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um,
al - le - lu -
um, al - le - lu - ia, al -
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -
um, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -
um, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

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ia, _____ al -
ia, _____
le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al -
ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - ia, al -
al - le - lu - ia, al - ia, al -

100

The musical score consists of five staves of music. The top three staves are in treble clef, and the bottom two are in bass clef. The key signature is one flat. The tempo is marked '100'. The lyrics are repeated in each measure: 'le - lu - ia,' followed by 'al - le -' on the next staff, then 'al - le - lu - ia,' followed by 'al - le - lu - ia,' and finally 'le - lu - ia,' followed by 'al - le - lu - ia,' and 'al -'. The music features various note values including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests.

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The musical score continues with five staves of music. The key signature changes to no sharps or flats. The lyrics continue from the previous section: 'lu - ia,' followed by 'al - le - lu - ia,' then 'al - le - lu - ia,' followed by 'al - le - lu - ia,' and finally 'le - lu - ia,' followed by 'al - le - lu - ia,' and 'al -'. The music maintains the same style with eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests.

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Regína cæli, lætáre, allelúia:
 Quia quem meruísti portáre, allelúia,
 Resurréxit, sicut dixit, allelúia.
 Ora pro nobis Deum, allelúia.

*Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia:
 For He whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia,
 Has risen, as He said, alleluia.
 Pray for us to God, alleluia.*

(Marian Antiphon for the Office of Compline, from Holy Saturday to the Saturday after Pentecost)

Pierre de Manchicourt was a contemporary of Nicolas Gombert and Jacobus Clemens non Papa, and was active in both Burgundy and Spain during the reigns of Charles V and Phillip II, culminating in his appointment by the latter as *maestro de capilla flamenca* in Madrid in 1559. This work was published in 1539, at which time Manchicourt was choir director at St Gatianus Cathedral in Tours. The fact that Attaingnant, publisher of the French Royal Court, devoted his fourteenth and final volume of motets entirely to Manchicourt's work (an honour he bestowed on no other, and later emulated by Flemish publishers Susato and Phalèse in 1545 and 1554 respectively) bears testament to the composer's reputation in his day.

Composers of the High Renaissance often reserved their finest writing for the four Marian devotional antiphons, among which *Regina cæli laetare* seems to have elicited some of the most complex and beautiful output of the period: for example, Gombert's two settings, in ten and twelve parts, are the only motets (among his output of more than 160) that he composed for such vocal forces. Manchicourt's choice of only six parts may seem comparatively unremarkable; likewise, his elaborate polyphonic setting of substantial parts of the original chant, and the employment of a canon in the upper two parts, were nothing unusual in his day. However, this canon has a couple of interesting twists: firstly, the pitch relationship between the canonic voices is inverted in the *secunda pars*, the second voice (or *comes*) swapping from a fourth below to a fourth above the first voice (or *dux*). Secondly — and more ingeniously — the direction "Sans soupirer ne chantez pointcz" (lit. "without breathing, and don't sing dots") requires the *comes* to omit minim rests and remove the dot from any dotted notes, such that the *comes* starts four semibreves later but ends the *prima pars* three-and-a-half semibreves earlier than the *dux* (and in the *secunda pars*, five and four semibreves respectively). In the process, an already highly melismatic vocal line becomes unusually syncopated. Manchicourt replicates both of these features liberally across the other voices, creating a scintillating exemplar of the complex polyphonic style of High Renaissance composition. Such writing was soon to lose favour in the Catholic church as the liturgical reforms of the Council of Trent took hold in the next decade of the 16th century, compelling the next generation of composers (Palestrina and Victoria notable among them) to value clarity of text above melodic complexity.

Editorial Notes:

This edition is set at the same pitch as the original, though the upper two voice parts are swapped in the *secunda pars* in deference to the aforementioned inversion of the canonic pitch relationship. As per the source, the *signa congruentiae* [] denoted in the respective canonic *dux* voices (m.9, m.58, m.65, m.112) signify the *comes* entry and end points. Editorial accidentals are indicated above the note. Given the ambiguity of word underlay in 16th-century manuscripts, editorial adjustments have been made freely: reiteration or addition of text (including where implied in the source by the marking '*j*') is indicated in *italic*. Original note values have been retained, thus — consistent with 16th-century convention — the $\text{F}^{\#}$ mensuration sign and its modern-equivalent C time signature signify a semibreve tactus. Bar lines are added only to aid reading and direction: 'strong' and 'weak' beats implied by their position should never take precedence over phrasing or word stress. Ligatures and coloration in the source are acknowledged with overarching square brackets and open brackets respectively.