DROP DOWN DEW, O HEAVENS

(Rorate coeli)

Robert Twynham, 1990

(Solo 84)

Soprano

pp espressivo

Drop down dew, O heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain down the just one.

Organ

pp strings 8'

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Let the earth be opened and bud forth a

On that day the mountains shall drop down

savior.
sweetness, and the hills shall flow with milk and honey.

Alleluya, alleluya, alleluya,
relax  
relax

Baritone solo

\[\text{All you who thirst, come to the waters.}\]

\[\text{Seek the Lord while he may be found.}\]

Be-hold the Lord shall come,
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the Lord shall come,

Be - hold the Lord shall come,

and all his saints with him,

and all his saints with him,
saints with him, with him. And there shall

saints, his saints with him.

_his saints with him._

_and all his saints_ with him.

be a great light on that day._

And there shall be a great light on that day.
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Performance Notes

This anthem, part of a commissioned mass in memory of Eugene A. Walsh, SS, is ideally used during the season of Advent. While the overall beat is mm 84 to the quarter note, it is not intended to be strict or static. There are places where the tempo changes, as indicated by the marks “press forward,” “relax,” etc. The overall effect should be one of expressiveness, which itself rises from a thorough understanding of the text.

—R.T.