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Translation:
The Bread of Angels becomes bread for humankind.
A miraculous thing!
The servant of God eats of the Lord.

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O res mi-rá-bi-lis, O res mi-rá-bi-lis. Ser-vus

E♭ Dm Gm7 C Fmaj7

De-i man-dú-cat Dó-mi-num, man-dú-cat Dó-mi-num. Fine

B♭ F/C Am/C Dm B♭ C/B♭ F/A Gm7 Cm7 F Fine

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ENGLISH VERSES

Cantor

1. At this our sacred feast let holy joy abound,
2. To you, O saving God, we come to you in prayer;
3. Now ancient rites are gone; for us all things are new.
4. O holy God, we pray that when our days are done,

F C/E

a tempo (\( \dot{q} \approx \text{ca. 72} \))

Bb F/A Bb Gm/Bb C A

1. and from each grateful heart our songs of praise respond.
2. enrich us by this gift, the Bread of Life we share.
3. Inspire us with your grace, God in all we do.
4. in everlasting light we see you with your Son.

Cantor/Choir

1-4. Christ commands us, “Take and eat my Body given up for you. Take and

Dm Am/C

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1-4. drink this chalice of my Blood, new covenant poured out for you.”
Cantor/Choir

1-4. Cris to di jo: To-men, co man; es to es mi cuer po. To-men

Dm, Gm C Bb F/A Bb ,

D.S.

1-4. de es-te cá liz, es mi san de-rra-ma-da por us te des.
Composer Notes

Panis Angelicus is a Communion piece for assembly, cantor(s), and/or unison/SATB choir. The refrain and verses are adapted from “Sacris Solemniis,” a Corpus Christi hymn by Saint Thomas Aquinas (1225–1274).

This print edition includes English and Spanish verses, plus C and B-flat instrument parts and part for cello. Check ocp.org for availability of additional languages. A manuscript score for string quartet is available online at ocp.org, edition 30139500.

The refrain is sung by everyone, and the chanted verses are sung in speech rhythm by the cantor(s) or unison choir. The bridge to the refrain is sung by either cantor(s) or unison/SATB choir. Sing the refrain in harmony with the descant after the people are secure singing their part.

Sing Panis Angelicus at any Mass during the Communion procession. It has special significance when sung on Holy Thursday and the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). It is also fitting for ordinations, solemn professions, rites of initiation, other times of commitment, or funeral Masses.

Panis Angelicus was written in 2016 for the Catholic Diocese of Arlington, Virginia and the installation of His Excellency, the Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Fourth Bishop of Arlington; commissioned by Dr. Richard P. Gibala of St. Thomas More Cathedral, Director of Music Ministries, whose inspiration and kindness has sustained liturgical musicians for many years.

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(Guitar/Vocal)

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SPANISH VERSES

1. Que es este banquete sa - grado
2. A ti, Dios de Salva - ción,
3. Ritos antiguos han pa - sado;
4. Oh Dios Trino, tus hijos o - 
   grado la sante ale - gría,
   re - dade la alabanza, gloria y ho - nor;
   todo lo hiciste nuevo;
   que al final de nuestros días

1-4. Christ com-mands us, “Take and eat my bod - y giv - en up for you. Take and

1-4. drink this chal - ice of my blood, my cov - e - nant poured out for you.”

1. y de cada corazón agrade - cido bro - tan - don - ti - das de a - la - ban - za.
2. Con tu Admirable Don nos fi - men - tas, Se - ñor.
3. Con tu gracia y amor di - vino das luz a nues - tro ca - mi - no.
4. tu rostro com - plemos, con tu Hijo el país de la vi - da.

1-4. Cris - to di - jo: To - men, co - man; es - to es mi cuer - po. To - men

1-4. de es - te cá - líz, es mi san - gre de - rra - ma - da por us - te - des.

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SOLO INSTRUMENT in C

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INTRO Peacefully ($d = ca. 72$)

REFRAIN

VERSES 1-4

Cantor

($d = ca. 72$) a tempo

D.S.

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PANIS ANGELICUS

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Refrain

Panis angelicus, fit panis hominum.

O res mirabilis, O res mirabilis. Servus

De i manu-cat Domi-num, manu-cat Domi-num.

English Verses

1. At this our sacred feast
et holy joy abound,
and from each grateful heart
our songs of praise resound.
Christ commands us,
“Take and eat my Body given for you.
Take and drink this chalice of my Blood,
new covenant poured out for you.”

1. Que es este banquete sagrado
abunde la sante alegria,
y de cada corazon agradecido
broten cantos de alabanza.
Cristo dijo: Tomen, coman;
Tomen de este cáliz,
es mi sangre derramada por ustedes.

2. To you, O saving God,
we come to you in prayer;
enrich us by this gift,
the Bread of Life we share.
Christ commands us,
“Take and eat my Body given for you.
Take and drink this chalice of my Blood,
new covenant poured out for you.”

2. A ti, Dios de Salvacion,
danos alabanza, gloria y honor:
Con tu Admirable Don
nos alimentas, Señor.
Cristo dijo: Tomen, coman;
Tomen de este cáliz,
es mi sangre derramada por ustedes.

3. Now ancient rites are gone;
for us all things are new.
Inspire us with your grace,
O God, in all we do.
Christ commands us,
“Take and eat my Body given for you.
Take and drink this chalice of my Blood,
new covenant poured out for you.”

3. Ritos antiguos han pasado;
todo lo hiceate nuevo.
Con tu gracia y amor divino
das luz a nuestro camino.
Cristo dijo: Tomen, coman;
Tomen de este cáliz,
es mi sangre derramada por ustedes.

4. O holy God, we pray
that when our days are done,
in everlasting light
we see you with your Son.
Christ commands us,
“Take and eat my Body given for you.
Take and drink this chalice of my Blood,
new covenant poured out for you.”

4. Oh Dios Trino, tus hijos oramos:
que al final de nuestros dias
tu rostro contemplemos,
con tu Hijo, en el pais de la vida.
Cristo dijo: Tomen, coman;
Tomen de este cáliz,
es mi sangre derramada por ustedes.

Spanish Verses

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