

# ○ Antíphons

Seven Antiphons for the Magnificat, starting December 17: O Sapientia, O Adonai, O Radix Jesse, O Clavis David, O Oriens, O Rex Gentium and then on 23rd December: O Emmanuel.

Emmá-nu-el, \* Rex et lé-gi-fer noster, exspectá-ti-o  
génti-um, et Salvá-tor e-á-rum : ve-ni ad salvándum nos  
Dómi-ne De-us no-ster.

The antiphons date back at least to the 9th century. The better known version below first appeared in 1710. The two part arrangement is pretty old, coming from a processional book, with one part on the left side page and the other part on the right side page so two singers could walk along singing side by side from the one book.

Ve-ni, ve-ni Em-ma-nu-el cap-ti-vum sol-ve  
Is-ra-el qui gemit in ex-si-li-o, pri-



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 va-tus De-i Fi-li-o. Gau-de! Gau-de! Em-  
 ma-nu-el, na-sce-tur pro te Is-ra-el!

## Vocabulary List

**sapientia** wisdom

**oriens** day-star

**clavis** key

**radix** root

**rex** king

**gentium** of nations

**legifer** law-bearer/giver

**crucifer** cross-bearer

**lucifer** light-bearer

**thurifer** thurible-bearer

**expectatio** expectation

**salvator** saviour

**earum** of them

**veni** come thou

**salvandum** which is to be saved

**Domine** O Lord

**Deus** God

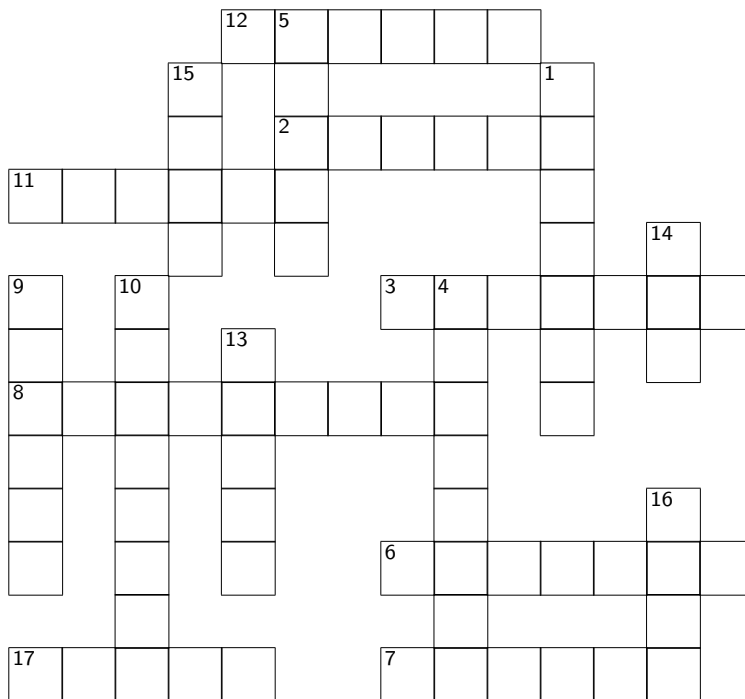
**nascetur** is to be born

**gaude** rejoice thou

**Emmanuel** God with us (Hebrew)

**Adonai** Lord (Hebrew)

# Crossword Puzzle



**Across:** 2 O Lord 3 law-bearer/giver 6 light-bearer 7 key 8 which is to be saved 11 Lord (Hebrew) 12 day-star 17 of them

**Down:** 1 of nations 4 God with us (Hebrew) 5 root 9 our 10 saviour 13 rejoice thou 14 king 15 come thou 16 God

