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O domina dominatrix
F-EV 17, f.159v

Source and Contents

180x130mm. Music is contained in 2 gatherings at front and back, unrelated to main MS.

First gathering (ff.1-4v): *Deus in adiutorium* (blank staves), *Verbo verbum*, *Salve virgo*, *Gaude gloriosa* (incomplete as the partner leaves of 1-4 are missing though stubs remain).

Second gathering (ff.5-12v): *Obituarium*, *Spiritus et alme*, 'Ymnus de Sancto Nicholao': *Exultet aula celica* (AH 51, 210- many concordances from s.xi onwards, and this MS is noted as a witness), followed by a rubric '*Divisio ad laudes*' preceding further hymn verses *Veneranda solempnitas* (AH 12, 202 notes this MS as only witness, and comments on the rubric, suggesting it could be either further verses or a free-standing hymn for Lauds); and note of prayer agreement, dated 1262.

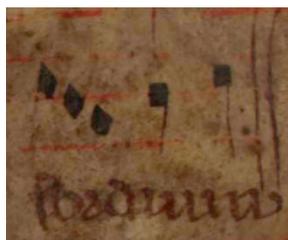
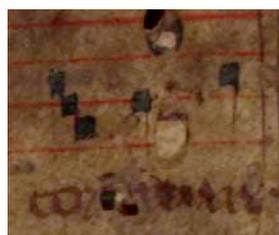
Final gathering (ff.156r-159v, i.e. a binion): *Salve celi ianua*, *Congratulamini*, *Spe mercedis et corone*, *Gaude gloriosa*, various English names, *O domina dominatrix*.

NB: *Deus in adiutorium* omitted from MB 95 as music not filled in, ditto un-notated hymn to St Nicholas. *Spiritus et alme* omitted because of its liturgical form (it is a Gloria trope). For *Spiritus et alme*, see text: U. Chevalier, *Repertorium hymnologicum* (Louvain, 1892), vol.2, p.592, and facsimile in A. Machabey, 'Problèmes de notation musicale: notations médiévales des manuscrits d'Évreux', in *Mélanges de linguistique et de littérature romanes à la mémoire d'István Frank* (Saarbrücken, 1957), 361-387, plate 1.

Notation:

Final gathering, different notators from first and second gatherings.

O domina dominatrix: probably same notator as *Salve celi ianua*. Red staff lines and very neat and upright notation. Three notes descending can be extended clivis (**CORdium**) or 'English conjunctura' (**SORdium**).





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NB: in *Salve celi*, this scribe only used traditional climacus. In this piece, alignment lines between most words are often doubled.

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