

Transitus Liturgy
Vigil of the Feast of Saint Francis
-October 3rd-
Verses for the Hymn: Laudate Dominum¹

Station 1: Brother Sun

Praise the Lord through Brother Sun,
Who is day and bright light, Alleluia.
He is beautiful, radiant,
Bearing your likeness O God, Alleluia.
{Alleluia, Alleluia.
Let everything living give praise to the Lord} 2x

Station 2: Sister Moon and Stars

Praise the Lord through Sister Moon,
Praise God through the stars, Alleluia.
God formed them all in heaven,
Clear and precious and lovely, Alleluia.
{Alleluia, Alleluia.
Let everything living give praise to the Lord} 2x

Station 3: Brother Wind

Praise the Lord through Brother Wind,
through the air and weather, Alleluia.
Through them God gives us nourishment
caring for all creation, Alleluia.
{Alleluia, Alleluia.
Let everything living give praise to the Lord} 2x

¹These verses are intended to follow the verses provided for the refrain “Laudate Dominum” of the Taize community. They are not exact duplicated of the melody and require some interpretation in order to match the refrain. They were prepared by Steven Kropp, OFM Cap, of the Province of Saint Joseph of the Capuchin Order.

Station 4: Sister Water

Praise the Lord through Sister Water
font of life for all creatures, Alleluia.

She is helpful and precious,
humble, chaste and refreshing, Alleluia.

{Alleluia, Alleluia.

Let everything living give praise to the Lord} 2x

Station 5: Brother Fire

Praise the Lord through Brother Fire,
who is light in the darkness, Alleluia.

He is beautiful, playful
He is powerful, strong, Alleluia.

{Alleluia, Alleluia.

Let everything living give praise to the Lord} 2x

Station 6: Sister Mother Earth

Praise the Lord through Mother Earth,
nurturing all creatures, Alleluia.

She governs us with tenderness,
Gives us fruit and flowers, Alleluia.

{Alleluia, Alleluia.

Let everything living give praise to the Lord} 2x

Station 7: Those who Pardon

Praise You Lord, through Your great love,
through all those who pardon, Alleluia.

Blessed are those in peace,

They are crowned by the Most High, Alleluia.

{Alleluia, Alleluia.

Let everything living give praise to the Lord} 2x

Station 8: Sister Bodily Death

Praise the Lord through Sister Death,
From whom is no escape, Alleluia.

Blessed are those who do God's will,
death shall do them no harm, Alleluia.

{Alleluia, Alleluia.

Let everything living give praise to the Lord} 2x