

# Parce Domine & Psalm 51 (Miserere meus)

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Introduction (optional)

Antiphon A (initially, sung twice: 1st by choir or cantor, 2nd by all)

Spare, O spare us Lord, spare thy people, spare them Lord: and let not thy wrath  
*Par - ce Do - mi - ne, par - ce po - pu - lo tu - o: ne in ae - ter num*

11

Verses (choir or cantor alone)

be up - on us ev - er.  
*i - ra - sca - ris no - bis.*

*Swell organ*  
 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your lov - ing kindness; in your great compassion blot out my of - fenses.  
 Against you only have I sinned and done what is ev - il in your sight.  
 For behold, you look for truth deep with - in me, and will make me understand wis - dom se - cret - ly.

*without Pedal*

18

Wash me through and through And so you are justified Purge me from my sin, and I from my wickedness when you speak pure; and wash me, and I and cleanse me from my sin. up - right in your judgement. shall be clean in deed.

23

For I know Indeed, I have been wicked Make me hear of my trans - gressions, from my birth, and joy and gladness, and my a sinner that the body you have sin is ever be - fore me. *Antiphon A* from my mo - ther's womb. *Antiphon A* bro - ken may re - joice. *Antiphon B*

28 S-A Descants

Par - - - ce Do - - - mi - - - ne, par - - - ce Do - mi - ne.

28 Antiphon B

*Great*

Spare, O spare us Lord, spare they peo-ple, spare them Lord, and let not thy wrath be up-on us ev-er.  
 Par-ce Do-mi-ne, par-ce po-pu-lo tu-o: ne in ae-ter-num i-ra-sca-ris no-bis.

*with Pedal*

37 Verses (choir or cantor alone)

*Swell organ*

Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.  
 Give me the joy of your saving help a-gain and sustain me with your bounti-ful Spirit.  
 Open my lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall pro-claim your praise.

*without Pedal*

42

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spirit with in me.  
 I shall teach your ways to the wicked, and sinners shall re-turn to you.  
 Had you desired it, I would have of-fered sacrifice; but you take no de-light in burnt-offerings.

47

Cast me not a - - - way from your presence and take not your ho - ly Spi - rit from me. *Antiphon B*  
 Deliver me from death, O God, and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness, O God of my sal - vation. *Antiphon B*  
 The sacrifice of God is a trou - bled spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God you will not de - spise. *Antiphon C*

52 S-A Descants

Par - - - ce Do - mi - ne, par - - - ce po - pu -

52 Antiphon C

*Great*  
 Spare, O spare us Lord, spare thy peo - ple, spare them Lord:  
 Par - ce Do - mi - ne, par - ce po - pu - lo - tu - - - o:

*with Pedal*

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lo tu - - - o, par - - - ce Do - - mi - - - ne.

*rit.*

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and let not thy wrath be up - on them ev - - - er.  
 ne in ae - ter - num i - ra - sca - - - ris no - - - - - bis.

*rit.*