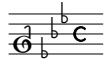
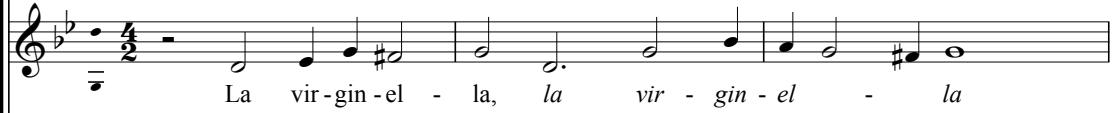


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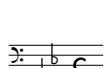
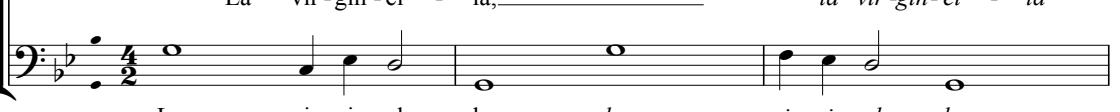
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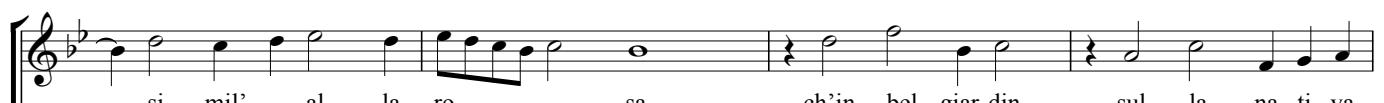
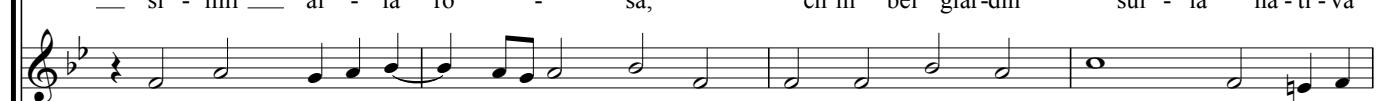
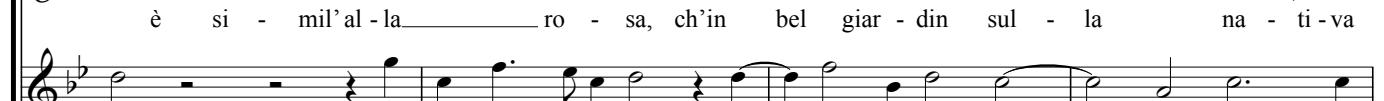
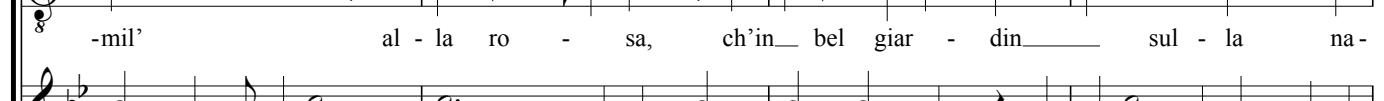
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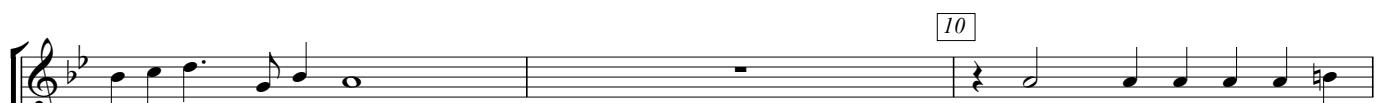
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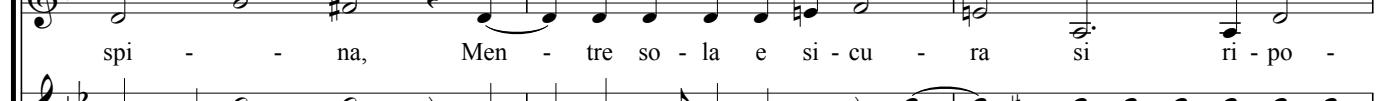
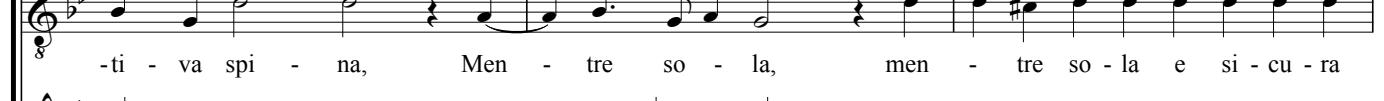
Tenor [Tenor]  

Bassus [Bass]  


[10]




-cu - ra si ri - po - sa Nè greg - ge, nè pas -
 -sa, si ri - po - sa, Nè greg - ge, nè pas - tor,
 si ri - po - sa, Nè greg - ge, nè greg - ge, nè pas - tor
 si ri - po - sa, Nè greg - ge, nè pas -
 si ri - po - sa, Nè greg - ge, nè

-tor se le av - vi - ci na: L'au -
 nè pas - tor se le av - vi - ci na: L'au -
 se le av - vi - ci na: L'au - ra so - a - ve,
 -tor se le av - vi - ci na: L'au - ra so - a - ve, l'au -
 pas - tor se le av - vi - ci na: L'au - ra so - a - ve, so -

-ra so - a - ve, e l'al - ba ru - gi - a - do - sa,
 -ra so - a - ve, e l'al - ba ru - gi - a - do - - - sa, L'ac -
 e l'al - ba ru - gi - a - do - - - sa, L'ac -
 -ra so - a - ve, e l'al - ba ru - gi - a - do - sa, ru - gi - a - do - - - sa, L'ac -
 -a - - - ve e l'al - ba ru - gi - a - do - - - sa, L'ac -

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L'acqua, la ter - ra, al su - o fa - vor s'in - chi -
 -qua, la ter - ra, *l'acqua*, la ter - ra, al su - o fa - vor *s'in-chi* -
 -qua, la ter - ra, *l'acqua*, la ter - ra, al su - o _____ fa - vor s'in - chi -
 -qua, la ter - ra, al su - o fa - vor s'in - chi - na, *s'in-chi* - na, *s'in-chi* -
 -qua, la ter - ra, *l'acqua*, la ter - ra, al su - o fa - vor *s'in-chi* -

-na: Gio - va - ni va - - ghi, va - - ghi, e
 -na: Gio - va - ni va - - ghi, va - - ghi, e
 -na: Gio - va - ni va - - ghi, gio - va - ni va -
 -na: Gi - o - va - ni va - ghi, gio - va - ni va - ghi e donn'

e donn' in - a - mo - ra - te, A - ma -
 donn' in - a - mo - ra - te, A - ma - no a - ver - ne, a -
 et donn' in - a - mo - ra - te,
 - ghi, e donn' in - a - mo - ra - te, e donn' in - a - mo - ra - te, A -
 in - a - mo - ra - te, A - ma - no a - ver - ne

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-no a - ver - ne, e se - ni e tem - pie or - na -
-ver - - - ne, e se - ni e tem - pie or - na -
e se - ni e tem - - pie or - na -
-ma - no a - ver - ne e se - ni e tem - pie or - na -
e se - ni e tem - - pie or - na -

The musical score consists of five staves of music. The top four staves are in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The time signature is 2/4. The lyrics are as follows:

 -te. Gio - ve - ni va - - ghi,

 -te. Gio - ve - ni va - - ghi, va - - ghi, e

 -te. Gio - ve - ni va - - ghi, va - - ghi,

 -te. Gio - ve - ni va - - ghi, gio - ve - ni va -

 -te. Gio - ve - ni va - - ghi, gio - ve - ni va - - ghi e donn'

The musical score consists of five staves of music. The top staff uses soprano C-clef, the second staff alto F-clef, the third staff tenor G-clef, the fourth staff bass F-clef, and the bottom staff bass C-clef. The key signature is one flat. The time signature varies between common time and 8/8. The lyrics are as follows:

 e donn' in - a - mo - ra - - te, A - ma -

 donn'in - a - mo - ra - - te, A - ma - no a - ver - ne, a -

 et donn'in - a - mo - ra - - te,

 -ghi, e donn' in - a - mo - ra - - te, e donn'in - a - mo - ra - - te, a -

 in - a - mo - ra - - - te, A - ma - no a - ver - ne

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-no a - ver - ne e se - ni e tem - pie or - na - - te.
 -ver - ne, e se - ni, e tem - pie or - na - - te.
 8 e se - ni e tem - pie or - na - - te.
 8 -ma-no a-ver - ne e se - ni e tem - pie or - na - - te.
 e se - ni e tem - pie or - na - - - - te.

The fayre yong Virgin is lyke the rose untaynted,
 in garden fayre while tender stalke doth beare it,
 sole and untouched, with no resort acquainted,
 No shepherd nor his flock doth once come neare it,
 th'ayre full of sweetnesse, the morning fresh depainted,
 the earth, the water, with all theyr favours cheare it,
 daintie yong gallants, and ladyes most desired,
 delight to have therewith their heads and breasts attyred.

*Ludovico Ariosto (1474-1535): Orlando Furioso, Canto I, stanza 42
 translation set by Byrd in Musica Transalpina (1588)*

Source: William Byrd, *Psalmes, Sonets, & songs of sadness and pietie* (London, 1588-1607), no.24.

The underlay is reproduced exactly from the original publication; Byrd was evidently not an Italian speaker, nor aware of the rules for the elision of vowels in Italian.

I.18.4-6: underlay unclear; *ru* \downarrow *gia* \bullet \bullet also possible

V.24-5: *giovani in vaghi*