

# Hodie Christus Natus

*Antiphon on the Magnificat at Second Vespers  
of the Nativity of Our Lord*

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The musical score consists of two staves, treble and bass, in G major (two sharps) and common time. The lyrics are in English, describing the nativity and the angels' rejoicing.

**Treble Staff:**

- Measures 1-2: "Ho - di - e Christ-us na - tus est. Christ-us na - tus est."
- Measure 3: "Ho - di - e"
- Measure 4: "To - day the Christ is born, a Sav - ior ap - pears."
- Measure 5: "To - day a Sav - ior ap - pears."
- Measure 6: "A Sav - ior ap - pears. To -"
- Measure 7: "To - day on earth an - gels are sing - ing, arch -"
- Measure 8: "To - day, to - day on earth an - gels are sing - ing, arch -"
- Measure 9: "day, to - day on earth an - gels are sing - ing, arch -"
- Measure 10: "an - gels re - joic - ing, to - day the
- Measure 11: "an - gels re - joic - ing, To - day the
- Measure 12: "an - gels re - joic - ing. The"

**Bass Staff:**

- Measures 1-2: "Ho - di - e Christ-us na - tus est. Christ-us na - tus est."
- Measures 3-4: "Ho - di - e"
- Measures 5-6: "To - day the Christ is born, a Sav - ior ap - pears."
- Measures 7-8: "To - day a Sav - ior ap - pears."
- Measures 9-10: "A Sav - ior ap - pears. To -"
- Measures 11-12: "To - day on earth an - gels are sing - ing, arch -"
- Measures 13-14: "To - day, to - day on earth an - gels are sing - ing, arch -"
- Measures 15-16: "day, to - day on earth an - gels are sing - ing, arch -"
- Measures 17-18: "an - gels re - joic - ing, to - day the
- Measures 19-20: "an - gels re - joic - ing, To - day the
- Measures 21-22: "an - gels re - joic - ing. The"

right - eous ex - ult and say:

right - eous ex - ult and say: Glor - i - a in ex -

right - eous ex - ult and say:

cel - sis De - o! Al - le - lu - ia!

*fine*

Ho - di - e Chri - stus na - tus - est: ho - di - e

sal - va - tor ap - pa - ru - it: ho - di - e in ter - ra ca - nunt An - ge - li,

lae - tan - tur Arch - an - ge - li: ho - di - e ex - sul - tant jus - ti,

di - cen - tes: Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o, all - le - lu - ia.