Texts and Translations – Mozart's Requiem

i. Introit

Requiem

Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.
Te decet hymnus, Deus, in Sion, et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem.
Exaudi orationem meam, ad te omnis care veniet.
Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Kyrie

Kyrie, eleison. Christe, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.

ii. Sequence

Dies iræ

Dies iræ, dies illa Solvet sæclum in favilla, teste David cum Sibylla. Quantus tremor est futurus, quando judex est venturus, cuncta stricte discussurus!

Rex tremendæ

Rex tremendæ majestatis, qui salvandos savas gratis, salve me, fons pietatis.

Confutatis

Confutatis maledictis, flammis acribus addictis, voca me cum benedictus. Oro supplex et acclinis, cor contritum quasi cinis, gere curam mei finis.

Lacrimosa

Lacrimosa dies illa, qua resurget ex favilla judicandus homo reus. Huic ergo parce, Deus,

i. Introit

Requiem

Grant them eternal rest, Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them. You are praised, God, in Zion, and homage will be paid to You in Jerusalem. Hear my prayer, to You all flesh will come. Grant them eternal rest, Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them.

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.

ii. Sequence

Dies irae

Day of wrath, day of anger will dissolve the world in ashes, as foretold by David and the Sibyl. Great trembling there will be when the Judge descends from heaven to examine all things closely.

Rex tremendae

King of tremendous majesty, who freely saves those worthy ones, save me, source of mercy.

Confutatis

When the accused are confounded, and doomed to flames of woe, call me among the blessed. I kneel with submissive heart, my contrition is like ashes, help me in my final condition.

Lacrimosa

That day of tears and mourning, when from the ashes shall arise, all humanity to be judged.

Spare us by your mercy, Lord,

pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem. Amen.

iii. Offertory

Domine Jesu

Domine Jesu Christe, Rex gloriæ, libera animas omnium fidelium defunctorum de poenis inferni et de profundo lacu.
Libera eas de ore leonis, ne absorbeat eas tartarus, ne cadant in obscurum.
Sed signifier sanctus Michael repræsentet eas in lucem sanctam, quam olim Abrahæ promisisti et semini ejus.

Hostias

Hostias et preces tibi, Domine, laudis offerimus. Tu suscipe pro animabus illis, quarum hodie memoriam facimus. Fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad vitam, quam olim Abrahæ promisisti et semini ejus. gentle Lord Jesus, grant them eternal rest. Amen.

iii. Offertory

Domine Jesu

Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, liberate the souls of the faithful, departed from the pains of hell and from the bottomless pit.

Deliver them from the lion's mouth, lest hell swallow them up, lest they fall into darkness.

Let the standard-bearer, holy Michael, bring them into holy light, which was promised to Abraham and his descendants.

Hostias

Sacrifices and prayers of praise, Lord, we offer to You.
Receive them in behalf of those souls we commemorate today.
And let them, Lord, pass from death to life, which was promised to Abraham and his descendants.