

Missa De Beata Virgine  
Agnus Dei  
(Missarum, Liber Secundus, 1567)

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The musical score for the Agnus Dei from the Missa De Beata Virgine by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina is presented in three systems of four staves each. The voices are soprano, alto, tenor, and basso continuo. The music is in common time, with various key signatures (F major, C major, G major, D major) indicated by sharp or flat symbols. The lyrics are written below the notes, corresponding to the vocal parts. The score is divided into three systems, each starting with a different vocal entry.

**System 1:** Soprano starts with "Agnus Dei". The lyrics are: "Agnus Dei, Agnus Dei, Agnus Dei, Agnus Dei, Agnus Dei, Agnus Dei".

**System 2:** Alto starts with "Deus misericordia nostra". The lyrics are: "Deus misericordia nostra, agnus dei, agnus dei, agnus dei, agnus dei, agnus dei".

**System 3:** Tenor starts with "Agnus dei". The lyrics are: "Agnus dei, agnus dei, agnus dei, agnus dei, agnus dei, agnus dei".

**System 4:** Basso continuo starts with "Deus misericordia nostra". The lyrics are: "Deus misericordia nostra, agnus dei, agnus dei, agnus dei, agnus dei, agnus dei".

**System 5:** Alto starts with "agnus". The lyrics are: "agnus, agnus, agnus, agnus, agnus, agnus".

**System 6:** Tenor starts with "qui tollis peccata mundi". The lyrics are: "qui tollis peccata mundi, qui tollis peccata mundi".

**System 7:** Basso continuo starts with "misericordia nostra". The lyrics are: "misericordia nostra, qui tollis peccata mundi, qui tollis peccata mundi, qui tollis peccata mundi, qui tollis peccata mundi, qui tollis peccata mundi".

**System 8:** Alto starts with "agnus". The lyrics are: "agnus, agnus, agnus, agnus, agnus, agnus".



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A - gnu s De - i, a - gnu s De - - - i,  
A - gnu s De - - - i, a - - - - gnu s De - i, a -

Canon in diapente

A - gnu s De - - - i, a - gnu s De - - - i, qui  
A - gnu s De - - - i, a - gnu s De - - -

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gnus De - - - i, qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun -  
gnus De - i, a - gnu s De - - - i, qui  
i, qui tol - - lis pec - ca - ta mun - -  
tol - - lis pec - ca - ta mun - - di, qui  
- i, a - gnu s De - - - i, qui tol - - - -

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- - di, qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun -  
tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun - di, qui tol - - - -  
- di, qui tol - - lis pec - ca - ta mun -  
tol - - lis pec - ca - ta mun - - di, mun - -  
- lis pec - ca - ta mun - di, qui tol - lis

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- di, mun - - di, Do - na no - - - bis, do - na  
qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun - di, Do - na no - bis pa -  
- di, mun - - - di, Do -  
- di, Do - na no - bis  
pec - ca - ta mun - di, Do - na no - bis pa - cem,

no - bis pa - cem, do - na no - - - bis, do - na  
cem, do - na no - - - bis pa - - - cem, pa - - cem,  
na no - bis pa - - - cem, pa - - - cem, do  
pa - - - cem, do - na no - bis pa - - - cem, Do - na

no - bis pa - - cem, do - na no - bis, do - na no - bis pa - cem, do -  
do - na no - bis pa - cem, do - na no - bis pa - - - cem, do -  
do - na no - - - bis, do - na no - bis pa - cem, do -  
na no - - - bis, do - na no - bis pa - cem, do -  
no - bis pa - - cem, do - na no - bis pa -

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na no - bis pa - cem, do - na no -  
do - na no - bis, do - na  
do - na no - bis pa - cem,  
- na no - bis pa - cem,  
- - - cem, do - - - na no - bis

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bis pa - - - - cem.  
no - bis pa - cem, do - - na no - bis pa - cem.  
do - - na no - bis pa - cem.  
— pa - - - - cem, do - na no - bis pa - cem.