

Glossed Psalter (Glossa ordinaria)**Psalterium Glosatum**

Codicology: Vellum, mm 419 x 289, (16.6 x 11.5 in.), ff. 280, double columns of 56 lines (gloss: text indented in it in larger script). Cent. **xiii early**, in a splendid hand of the St Albans[¶] type. Upper corners eaten off, but the text not touched.

Collation: 1⁸-29⁸ 30¹² 32¹⁰ 33⁸ 34¹⁰.

2 fo.: "in deum" or "per quod ad eum".

Research: The book should be compared with the glosses on the Gospels and Epistles at Trinity College B. 5. 3^[CTC149], O. 5. 8^[CTC289], both from St Albans[¶].

Foliation: ff. i-ii + 1-280 + iii-iv.

Language: Latin.

Contents:**1.****1r-279v** *Glossed Psalter (Glossa ordinaria)**Glossa ordinaria super Psalmos*

Prologue

1r *Incipit:* Cum omnes prophetas2r *Explicit:* sedet sed secundus est

The cycle of subjects in the historiated initials is very unusual

2v *Incipit:* Beatus vir

2v Large and splendid initial, chiefly in red and gold on blue ground in gold frame. The letter is filled with convolutions and contains also small red and white beasts. Initials to verses alternately red and blue with flourishing in blue or red

44v () *Incipit:* Dominus illuminatio

44r () Fine decorative initial to gloss, on purple ground. Noli me tangere

44v () Initial to Psalm. Christ stands on R. with small cross. On R, and L. are hares. Burnished gold ground

71v () *Incipit:* Dixit custodiam

71r () Initial to gloss has wrestlers

71v () Initial to Psalm. Judgment of Solomon[¶]. Solomon sits on L., a man with silver sword before him: two women, one holding a child, on R.94r () *Incipit:* Quid gloriaris

93v () Fine decorative initial to gloss

94r () Initial to Psalm. The shame of Noah[¶]: he lies in front: his three sons and Canaan[¶] stand over him: two spread a robe over him95r () *Incipit:* Dixit insipiens

95r () Decorative init. to gloss

95r () Initial to Psalm. Balaam[¶] on ass, with whip of three lashes, faces R. The angel on R. with sword holds the ass's bridle. Blue ground outside the letter122r () *Incipit:* Salvum me fac

121v () Initial to gloss decorative

122r () Psalm. Above, three men, one with long blank scroll, thrust Jonah out of boat. Below, Jonah with scroll sits (not astride) on the back of a purple fish. Two trees seen behind

154r () *Incipit:* Exultate

154r () Decorative initial to gloss, purple ground external

154r () Psalm. Above, a figure, nude but for mantle, with silver sword. Below, seated figure with two scrolls

180v () *Incipit:* Cantate

180v () Decorative initial to gloss

180v () Psalm. Two shepherds look up: one points to star above in cloud. In front sheep and on R. a comical dog

184v () *Incipit:* Domine exaudi

184v () Decorative initial to gloss

184v () Psalm. A bearded man seated face R. with hands raised: a youth on L. Above, a cloud: and on R. a building in layers of blue and red divided by bands of vermilion: it has a turret

208r () *Incipit:* Dixit dominus

208r () Decorative initial to gloss

208r () Psalm. The Annunciation. The angel stands on L, on a rock holding blank scroll. The Virgin on R. with book

279v *Explicit:* uite eterne uox est. omnis spiritus laudet dominum. Finite Christus rex libro sit benedictus. Amen

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