

# Ash Wednesday

## Optional Responsorial Psalm during Distribution of Ashes

RESPONSE

Psalm 51 (50): 3b

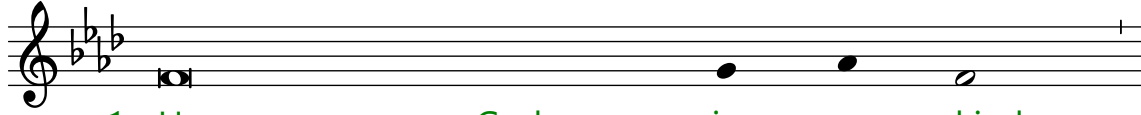


R. Blot out my trans - gres - sions, O Lord.

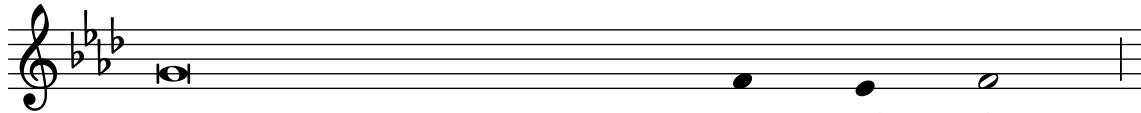
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Psalm Tone: 2

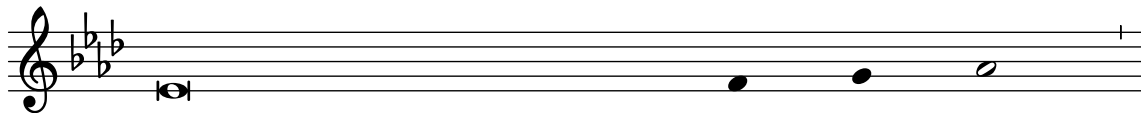
Psalm 51 (50): 3-4, 5-6b, 12-13, 14-15, 16-17, 18-19



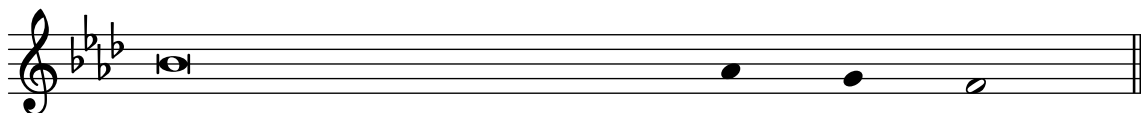
1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
2. My offences truly I know them;
3. A pure heart create for me, O God,
4. Give me again the joy of your help;
5. O rescue me, God, my helper,
6. For in sacrifice you take no de - light,



1. In your compassion blot out my of - fence.
2. my sin is al - ways be - fore me.
3. put a steadfast spir - it with - in me.
4. with a spirit of fer - vour sus - tain me.
5. and my tongue shall ring out your goodness.
6. burnt offering from me you would re - fuse;



1. O wash me more and more from my guilt
2. Against you, you alone, have I sinned;
3. Do not cast me away from your presence;
4. that I may teach transgres - sors your ways,
5. O Lord, o - pen my lips
6. my sacrifice, a con - trite spirit.



1. and cleanse me from my sin.
2. what is evil in your sight, I have done.
3. nor deprive me of your ho - ly spirit.
4. and sinners may re - turn to you.
5. and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.
6. A humbled contrite heart you will not spurn.