PANIS ANGELICUS

(O Lord, I Give You Praise)

for S.A.T.B. voices, accompanied,* with optional flute and cello**



- * Also available for S.A.B. voices, No. 17916, and 2-Part (treble) voices in Eb major, No. 17917.
- ** Parts for flute and cello may be found on pages 10 and 11, respectively. A Latin pronunciation guide is provided on page 9.

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PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Pa-nis an-ge-li-cus, fit pa-nis ho-mi-num,
PAH-nees ahn-JEH-lee-koos, feet PAH-nees AW-mee-noom,

Dat pa-nis coe-li-cus fi-gu-ris ter-mi-num, daht PAH-nees CHEH-lee-koos fee-GOO-rees TEHR-mee-noom,

O res mi-ra-bi-lis man-du-cat Do-mi-num, aw rehs mee-RAH-bee-lees mahn-DOO-kaht DAW-mee-noom,

Pau-per, pau-per, ser-vus, et hu-mi-lis. PAHoo-pehr, PAHoo-pehr, SEHR-voos, eht OO-mee-lees.

César Franck (1822-1890) was born in Belgium but became one of the most important French musicians during the second half of the nineteenth century. A renowned composer, teacher and organist in Paris, he was the founder of the French School, which was known for its polyphonic compositional style.

Franck is especially revered today for his symphonic, chamber and keyboard works. His **Panis Angelicus** has been widely performed by soloists and choirs alike. Written for performance at the church of St. Clotilde in Paris, where Franck was organist from 1858 until his death, it was probably based upon an improvisation which Franck played during a Christmas service in 1861. The original Latin text is the sixth verse of the Corpus Christi hymn *Sacris solemnis*. Composed as an independent work, Franck later integrated it into his *Messe à 3 voix*.

The original version of **Panis Angelicus** was composed for tenor soloist with an accompaniment of organ, harp, cello and double-bass. The work is presented here for S.A.T.B. voices with keyboard accompaniment and an optional part for flute (or C-instrument) or cello. The original work was in A major. The cello part is Franck's original and provides a beautiful prelude to the opening vocal entrance. The flute part is a duplication of the cello part, written two octaves ligher. The keyboard part is a reduction of all of the instrumental parts. The editor has also added dynamic and tempo indications and English words.

Panis Angelicus is appropriate for performance by both school and church choirs. For school choirs, it serves as an outstanding introduction to Latin diction and basic choral fundamentals and may be especially appropriate as festival or contest literature as well as for both Christmas and general concerts.

The alternate English text is an outstanding complement to the original Latin words and affords this edition of Panis Angelicus special interest for church choirs. When performed in worship, it may be sung throughout the church year or for Ascension, Christ the King, Christmas, Communion or Trinity Sunday. Suggested corresponding lectionary readings include Psalm 145: 13b-21, John 13: 31-35, Acts 14: 8-18 and Revelation 17:1-6.

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FLUTE (or C-Instrument)

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CELLO

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