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Text attributed to Pope Innocent VI

*Ave verum corpus,
natum de Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine
cuius latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine.*

*O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie,
O Jesu, fili Mariae.
Miserere mei.
Amen*

Performance notes

Dotted slurs indicate a seamless transition between sung words and humming.

All humming may be sung as an *Nn* or *Ng* sound if preferred.

The tenor line from bb.6-9 may be sung as a solo for lightness of texture.

Duration

4 minutes approx.

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Delicate ♩=56

Soprano *p espress.* *pp* *p* *pp*
A - ve a - ve a - ve ve - rum

Alto *p espress.* *pp* *p* *pp*
A - ve a - ve a - ve ve - rum cor-pus

Tenor *p* *pp*
a - ve

S. *p* *espress.* *mp* *p*
a - ve ve - rum cor-pus na-tum de Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne, Ma - ri -

A. *p* *espress.* *mp* *p*
a - ve ve - rum cor-pus na-tum de Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne, Ma - ri -

T. *p* *pp* *mp espress.*
a - ve Ma - ri - a

B. *p*
Ma - ri -

S. *pp* *p* *mm*
- a ve - re pas-sum im - mo - la - tum

A. *pp* *p* *mm*
- a ve - re pas-sum ve - re pas - sum

T. *p* *pp* *p* *mm*
Vir - gi - ne ve - re pas-sum ve - re pas-sum

B. *pp* *p* *mm*
- a ve - re pas-sum