Missal, Use of Sarum

Parchment (FSOS). Fols 283. Parchment finding tabs from another manuscript in textura (s. xiii?). Overall: 420mm x 285mm. In double columns, each column 300mm x 83mm, with 17mm between columns, in 36 lines to the column. Frequent signs of full pricking; bounded and ruled in brown ink, vertical borders and top horizontal extending to the edges of the page; lines do not extend into the central reservation. Written in gothic textura quadrata by five scribes:

A = fols 1-104
B = fols 105-124, 132-165
C = fols 165-180
D = fols 183-191
E = fols 191-283.

Their work has been supplemented by two later additions, each in its own textura (s. xv), to fill in gaps, fols 125-31 and fols 181-82. Punctuation by point, puntus elevatus, punctus interrogativus, and (scribe E only) double point.

2° f°: KL Primus mandentem; uero sicut in (fol. 7); dum chorus (fol. 8)

CONTENTS

1. Fols 1-6: A calendar in black, red, and blue.
   Includes ‘Richard [Wyche] episcopus [of Chichester] et confessor’ (3 April, in red, as is also his translation, 16 June); ‘Dedicacio ecclesie sancti botulphi extra aldgate’ (20 May, in blue); ‘sancti botulphi abbatis’ (17 June, in blue). Becket’s name has been expunged (5 January, 7 July and 29 December), as also the title ‘papa’ throughout.

2. Fols 7-118: ‘|| uero sicut in duplicibus alibi benedicitur et iii a cantata aspergitur more --- lux et origo Chorus respondet Deo gracias Et sic missa et vespera simul finiantur’.

   The temporale, Advent-Holy Saturday, ed. Francis H. Dickinson, Missale ad usum insignis et præclarae ecclesiæ Sarum (Brantisland, 1861–83). The incipit, following a missing leaf, is in the blessing of salt and holy water (**32, note j); this section ends at Dickinson 358. The manuscript lacks a number of passages, owing to excised leaves: Dickinson, **40-580 (after fol. 7), 57-58 (after fol. 29), 80-87 (after fol. 35), 279-85 (after fol. 93); the feast of Becket expunged (fol. 33 vb); further removals of text by rewashing (fol. 35 ra, 106 ra and 113 rb). This manuscript is listed among other copies of the Sarum Missal, J. Wickham Legg, Tracts on the Mass, HBS 27 (1904), xiv.

3. Fols 118-31: ‘Orazio sancti Augustini dicenda a sacerdote in missa dum cantatur Officium et kyriel’ . . . Svmmne sacerdos et uere pontifex qui te optulisti --- nel cantus de’ criste de’ lux et origo lte missa est. Deo gracias’.

   The ordinary and canon of the mass, ed. Dickinson, 565-610, 617-37. The missing materials fall between fols 124 (the last of the four-leaf quire 17) and 125. The latter is the original second leaf of quire 18, a replacement of s. xv, written in a much larger hand and bounded and ruled in purple ink. Fol. 131” has a red catchword in a red box, ‘In die pasche’, which corresponds to the heading of what should be the next section.
4. Fol. 132\textsuperscript{a}-177\textsuperscript{b}: ‘\textit{Pollens laude eterna Amen} Secundum Marcem xvi. In illo tempore Maria magdalene et maria iacobi --- Super que erant cherubyn glorie obumbrancia propici [chorum de] \textit{\textsuperscript{\textasteriskcentered}}\textsuperscript{\textasteriskcentered}’.

The temporale concluded, Easter-the Saturday in the September Rogation Days, ed. Dickinson, 359-550. Lacking, owing to excised leaves, are Dickinson, 359-61 (before fol. 132), 371-81 (after fol. 134), 410-14 (after fol. 144), 424-30 (after fol. 147), 449-58 (after fol. 152), and 502-9 (after fol. 166), 547-550 (after fo. 177).

5. Fols 178\textsuperscript{a}-180\textsuperscript{b}: ‘\textit{\textsuperscript{\textasteriskcentered}}\textsuperscript{\textasteriskcentered} Et ipsi populus eius erunt et ipse deus cum eis erit eorum deus --- ab omni sorde uiciorum aliena tibi semper assistant deuota Per dominum nostrum’.

The mass for commemorating the dedication of a church, acephalous following an excised leaf; ed. Dickinson, 550-59. At fol. 180\textsuperscript{b}, text ends at l. 16 and rest of column is blank.

Fol. 180\textdagger: blank but ruled.

6. Fols 181\textsuperscript{a}-82\textsuperscript{b}: ‘\textit{In feste visitacioni beate marie ad missam} Gaudeamus omnes [set to right: \textit{Officium}] in domino diem festum celebrantes sub honore marie virginis --- preceptit ihesus erstat flius tuus dominus noster Qui tecum viuit regnat in vitutate spiritus sancti deus Per omnia’.

Includes instructions for the octave, for the Transfiguration, and for responses in the Saturday of the Lenten Rogation Days, the incipit at Dickinson, 793. This is a supplied bifolium, unique in being bounded and ruled in red ink; at the foot of fol. 181, a note, s. xv\textsuperscript{1/4}, ‘for þe masse boke’. Richard W. Pfaff, \textit{New Liturgical Feasts in Later Medieval England} (Oxford, 1970), points out (32, 47) that this mass was rarely celebrated in England before 1475.

Fol. 182\textsuperscript{a}-83\textsuperscript{b}: blank but ruled.

7. Fols 183\textsuperscript{a}-234\textsuperscript{b}: ‘\textit{\textsuperscript{\textasteriskcentered}}\textsuperscript{\textasteriskcentered} cathorizet ecclesia Mitissimi sanctorum sanctissima extollendo merita Apostoli andree admiranda prefugentis gracia --- ad palacia evangelium Simile est regnum celorum thesauro \textit{offertorium Filie regum Secretum \textsuperscript{\textasteriskcentered}\textsuperscript{\textasteriskcentered}}’.

The sanctorale, Andrew-Katherine, incomplete at both ends, owing to excised leaves; ed. Dickinson, 660-982, lacking, in the missing leaves, Dickinson, 701-4 (after fol. 189), 722-40 (after fol. 195), 778-81 (after fol. 202), 785-88 (after fol. 203), 814-18 (after fol. 207), 864-68 (after fol. 214), and 951-56 (after fol. 230). A passage removed, after the Break with Rome, by rewashing (fol. 206\textsuperscript{a}).

Richard Pfaff, \textit{The Liturgy in Medieval England: a history} (Cambridge, 2009), 493 notes the lack of a mass to St Botolph and surmises that this ‘probably means that a custom-written calendar was affixed to a stock, if rather fine, missal’.

8. Fols 235\textsuperscript{a}-49\textsuperscript{b}: ‘\textit{\textsuperscript{\textasteriskcentered}}\textsuperscript{\textasteriskcentered} fructum multum quia sine me nichil potestis facere Si quis in me non manserit mitteretur foras sicut palmes --- Communio Quinque prudentes Requere ut supra in communi unius virginis’.

The commons of saints, ed. Dickinson, 658*-729*, acephalous, with the incipit having been on the verso of the leaf now lost after fol. 234.

9. Fols 249\textsuperscript{a}-66\textsuperscript{b}: ‘\textit{Ordinacio misse quotidie beate virginis qui dictur Salue pulsato ad missam beate marie conueniant dericii} --- temporaliter gerimus eorum precibus adiuti eternis gaudiis consequamur Per eundem’.


10. Fols 265\textsuperscript{a}-70\textsuperscript{b}: ‘\textit{Ordinacio facienda sponsalia Statuantur uir et mulier ante ostium ecclesie coram deo saeculato et populo} --- sic discedat saeculato et dimittat eos in pace’.

The marriage service, ed. Dickinson, *830*-45, including English vows and exchange of rings (fol. 267). At fol. 269\textsuperscript{b} (and similarly below at fol. 274\textsuperscript{b}, 280\textsuperscript{a}, 282\textsuperscript{b}), the reference to the pope has been effaced by blacking out.
11. Fols 270*-73*: ‘Ordo ad servicium peregrinorum faciendum In primis dicantur psalmi et preces sequentes super eos — ab inicio creatae Saluator mundi qui uiiuis et regnis cum deo patre Tunc asperegtur aqua benedicta super carnes etc.’.

The service for pilgrims, ed. Dickinson, *850*-56.


Blessings for meat and cheese, for the shield and rod in a duel, and for the eyes, the last ascribed to WILLIAM DE MONTIBUS (Sharpe no. 2129 [793-94]), ed. A. Jefferies Collins, Manuale ad usum Peregrinorum Ecclesiae Sarisburiensis, HBS 91 (1958), 65, 68-70.

13. Fols 274*-83*: ‘Sciendum est quod quotidie per adventum domini quando chorus non regitur . . . [fol. 275*] Ad missam pro defunctis officium Requiem eternam dona eis domine et lux perpetua --- intellectum ueram scienciam usque in finem per te ihsu criste saluator mundi rex glorie Qui cum deo patre et spiritu sancto uiiuit et regnat deus per omnia secula seculorum <Amen>.’

The mass for the dead, ed. Dickinson, *859*-92.

Fol. 283* vb: blank, but bounded and ruled.

**COLLATION** 1° (the calendar, as usual a separate quire) 2° (-1, -3 [before and after fol. 7]) 3°-5° 2° (-2 [before fol. 30]) 6° (-1 [before fol. 36]) 7-12° 13° (-4, -5 [before fol. 94]) 14-16° 17°-18° (-1 [before fol. 125]) 19° (apparently with a singleton inserted before the quire [ie after fol. 131] but now removed, and -4, -5 [before fol. 135]) 20° (-8 [before fol. 145]) 21° (-4, -5 [before fol. 148]) 22° (-3 to -5 [before fol. 153]) 23°-24° (-4, -5 [before fol. 167]) 25°-26° (-1 [before fol. 178]) [to fol. 180, a production unit] | 27° [inserted later, providing item 6] | 28° (-1 [before fol. 183]) 29° (-1, -8 [before fol. 190 & 196]) 30° (-8 [after fol. 202]) 31° (-1, -3, -8 [before fol. 203, 207, 208]) 32° (-6 [before fol. 215]) 33°-34° (-7 [before fol. 231]) 35° (-4 [before fol. 235]) 36-40° 41° (-6, a stub, probably blank [after fol. 283]). Regular catchwords under the inner column. All leaves in the first half of each quire probably originally signed with a red quire letter and a roughly-written roman numeral; in this system, quires 7-16, 20, 23, 30-32 = f-p, s, x, c-e, and similar later signatures in quire 40, signed d in a different sequence. In addition, there were signatures written in red in the intercolumnar space of the bottom margin on the leaves in the first half of each quire, nearly all cut away (see, eg, fol. 217-219).

**TEXTUAL PRESENTATION AND DECORATION** Headings, liturgical directions, and notations for oral reading in red. Sections introduced by alternate two-line lombards, blue with red flourishing and gold leaf with purple flourishing (in both cases with marginal leafy extenders). Some noted portions on a four-line stave in red. Ochre-slashed capitals. A few linefillers in simple geometric blue and gold leaf. Scribe C enjoyed adding crowns to the top margin of several leaves (fol. 167°, 168, 172, 173°, 174, 174°, 176) and, on occasion drew faces, including a woman’s severed head, the neck dripping blood (fol. 172°, and cf. 177°).

The single surviving decorated page is fol. 220, for the Nativity of the Virgin: a vinet in gold leaf, blue and violet, a simple bar outline with floral sprays and knots; a painted (perhaps historiated?) initial has been excised. Nearly all the missing leaves probably reflect more thorough depredations, for surviving surrounding leaves routinely have offset from vinets and demivinets, e.g. fols 6°, 8, 30, 35°, 144°, 178, 180°, 190, 203, 204, 214°, 230°, 235. The removal of folios for their illumination also extended to scratching off the gold-leaf on some of the initials (eg fol. 106°, 233°).

While our manuscript does not appear in Kathleen L. Scott, *Dated & Datable English Manuscript Borders c. 1395-1499* (London, 2002), her discussion suggests that the
illumination (as now appears at fol. 220) was already old-fashioned by the middle of the first decade of the fifteenth century. See AT no. 406 (41).

BINDING White leather (shows red dye on the turnins) over unbevelled wooden boards, s. xv. Sewn on nine thongs, anchored straight into the board, as in Pollard’s Figure 5. Remains of green cloth ties, stubs with nails and one intact metal plate on the upper board; remains of the metal posts to which they were attached at the centre of the lower board. Marks from a ChCh chain staple in Watson’s position 5 (see Appendix I). No front pastedown, a ChCh bookplate inside the upper board, the rear pastedown waste parchment. No flyleaves.

PROVENANCE The Calendar refers to ‘ecclesi[a] sancti botulphi extra aldgate’. As Ker MLGB, 221 notes, there are two London churches dedicated to St Botolph, one ‘extra Aldersgate’, the other ‘iuxta Aldgate’. Which of the two is an issue not just for our manuscript but also for London: Guildhall, MS 515. What is certain is that the two volumes cannot hail from the same church, as the date of dedication recorded in each calendar is different. In the manuscript now in the Guildhall, 4th October is given as the date of ‘dedicacio ecclesie sancti Botulphi extra Aldrichgate’; Ker, AMBL, 1:73-74 surmises that this is probably St Botolph’s-without-Aldersgate; if so, then our manuscript must presumably be from the church commonly called St Botolph without Aldgate.

This must be the volume donated by Thomas Edwardes, chancellor of John King, Bishop of London and former Dean, in 1614, and recorded in the Library Donors’ Register, MS LR 1, p. 25b: ‘Missale Man: Script: fol’. Edwardes, a Berkshire man, matriculated at All Souls in 1581; he was a fellow in 1577 and received his BCL and DCL in 1584 and 1590, respectively. He was subsequently an advocate in Doctors’ Commons (1595), prebendary of St Paul’s (1591-1605), and chancellor to the Bishop (AO, 450). With his bishop, John King, Edwards also gave Christ Church £46 13s 4d for book purchases in 1614, recorded at the Donors’ Register, pp. 14*-17a.

The book contains on the turn-in of the cover to the upper board, the old ChCh shelfmarks: that of the 1676 catalogue, ‘D.2’ (see Appendix I), cancelled, and the New Library’s ‘E.1’ (see Appendix IV).

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