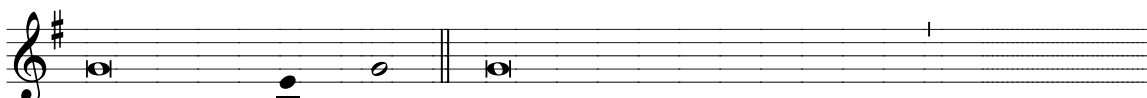


Proper 7 (Year A)

Gospel—Matthew 10: 16-33



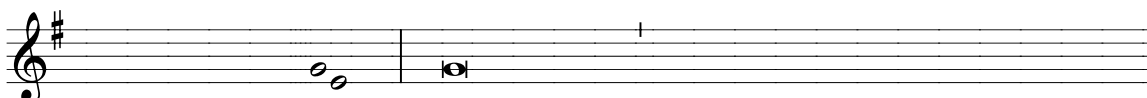
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Je-sus Christ according to Mat- thew.



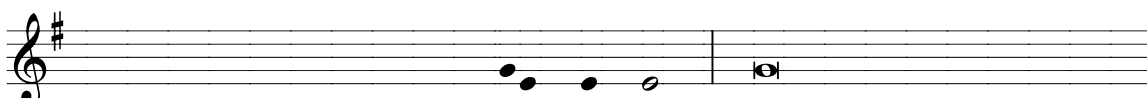
℞. Glory to you, Lord Christ. Jesus said to the twelve apostles, “See, I am



sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents



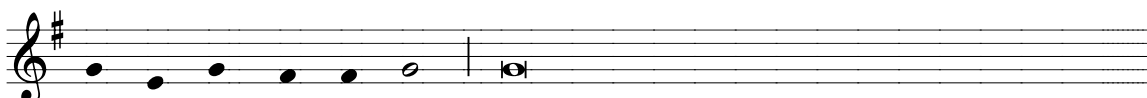
and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to



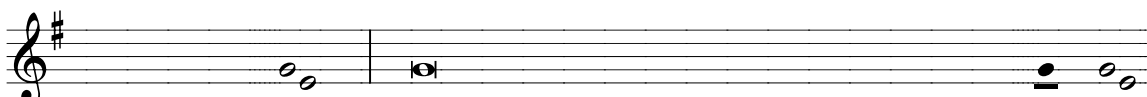
councils and flog you in their syn- a-gogues; and you will be dragged before



governors and kings be-cause of me, as a testimony to them and the Gen-tiles.



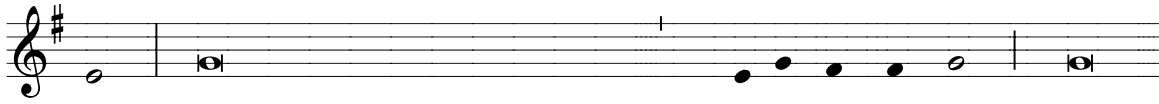
When they hand you o- ver, do not worry about how you are to speak or



what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time;



for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through



you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and



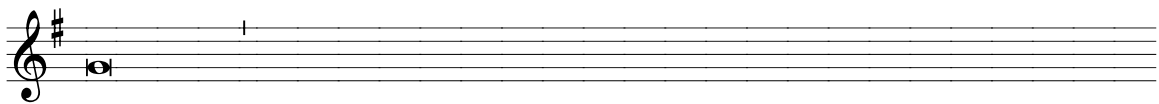
children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be



hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be



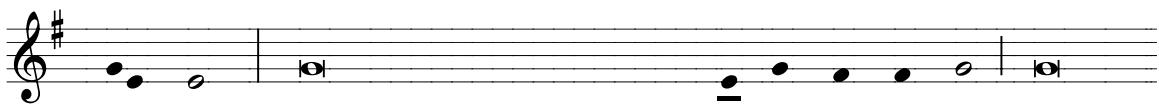
saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for



truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the



Son of Man comes. A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above



the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the



slave like the master.



If they have called the master of the house Be- el- ze- bul, hów múch



more will they malign those of his house-hold! So have no fear of them;



for nothing is covered up that will not be un- cov-ered, and nothing secret



that will not be-cóme knówn. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the



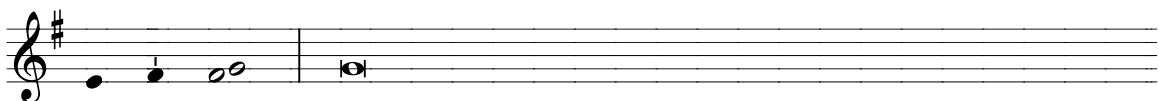
light; and what you héar whís-pered, proclaim from the house-tops. Do



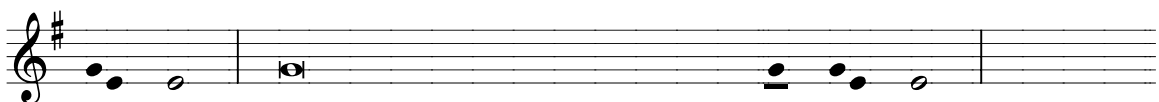
not fear those who kill the body but can- not kill the soul; rather fear him



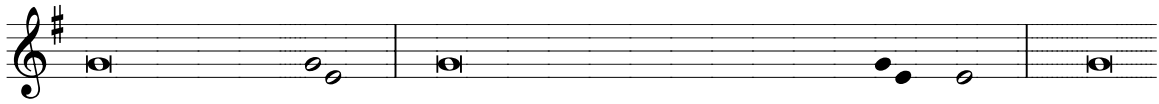
who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are nót twó spár-rows sold for



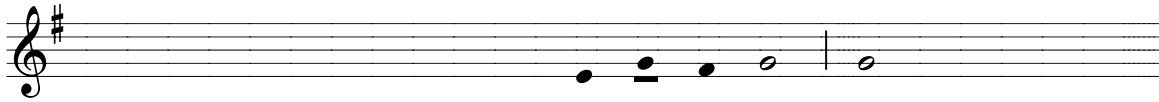
a pen- ny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your



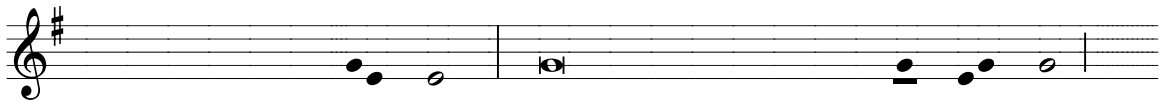
Fa- ther. And even the hairs of your head are áll cóunt- ed.



So do not be a-fraid; you are of more value than many spar-rows. Every-



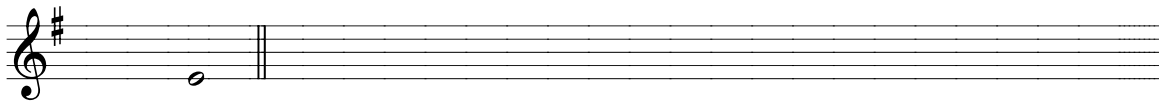
one therefore who acknowledges me be-fóre óth- ers, I also will acknowledge



before my Father in hea- ven; but whoever denies me be-fóre óth- ers,



I al- so will de- ny be- fore my Fa- ther in hea- ven." The Gospel



of the Lord.