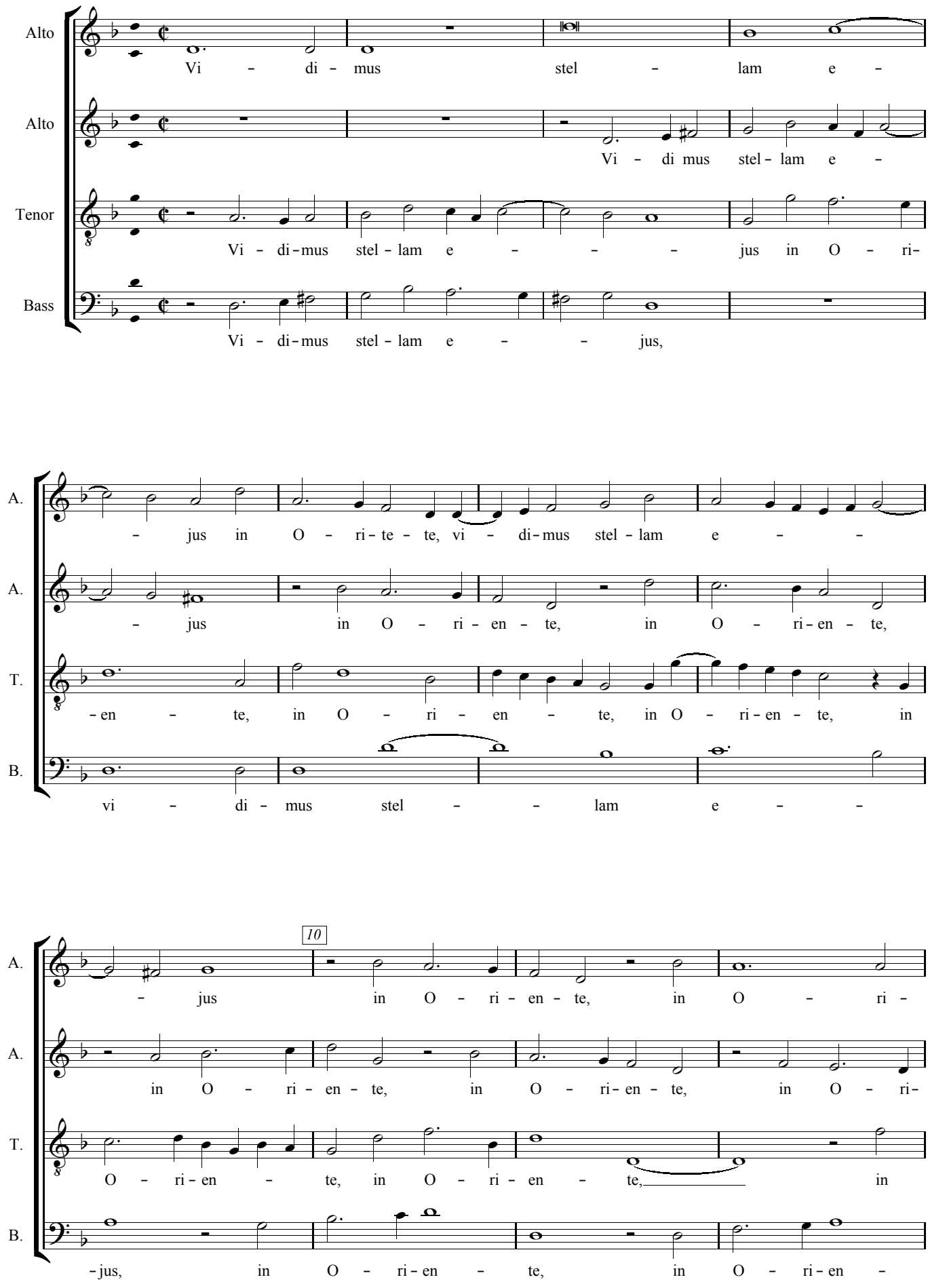
Vidimus stellam

Communion motet, Mass for Epiphany

William Byrd

Matthew 2: 2



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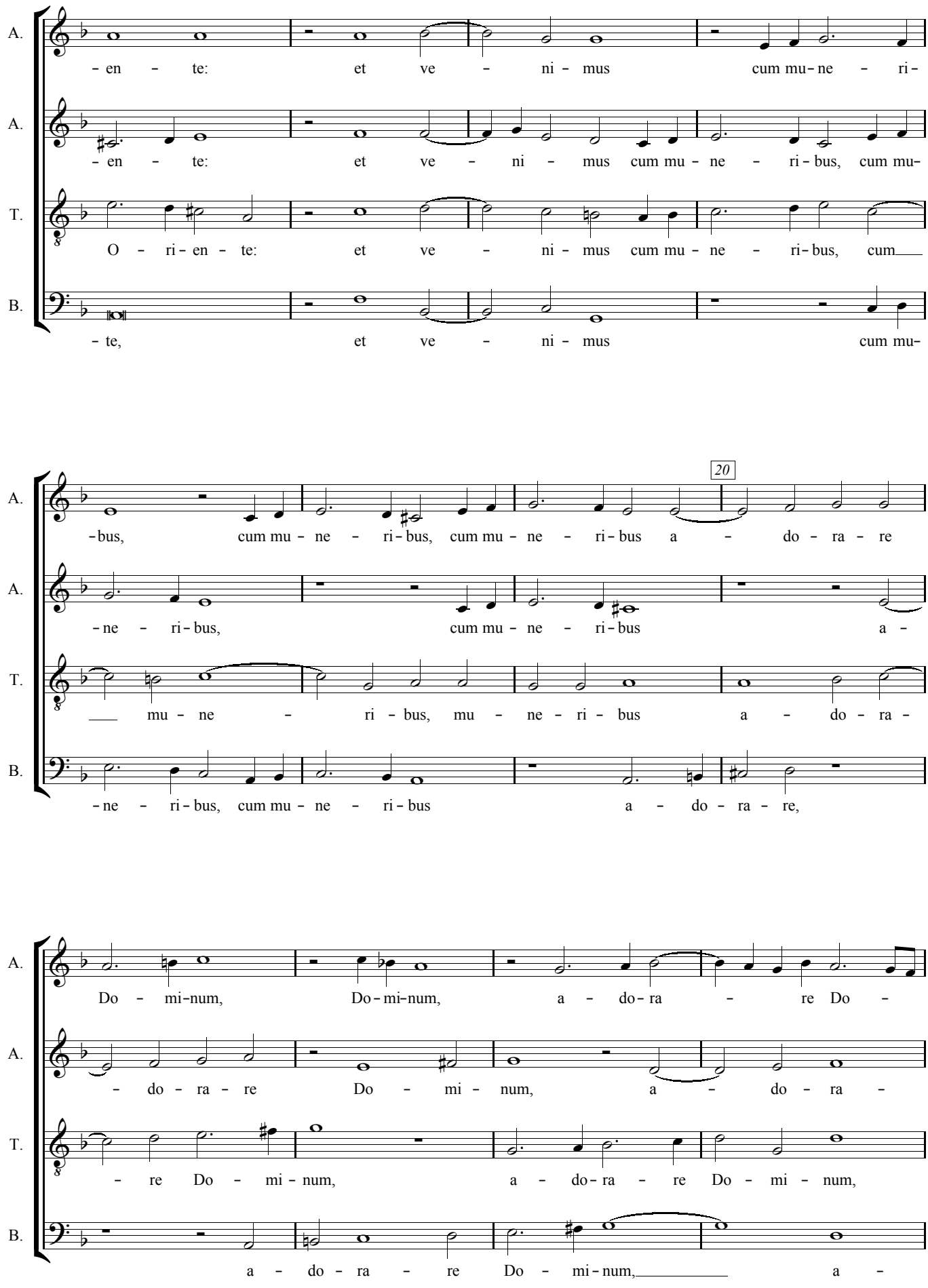
A.
– en – te: et ve – ni – mus cum mu – ne – ri –
A.
– en – te: et ve – ni – mus cum mu – ne – ri – bus, cum mu –
T.
O – ri – en – te: et ve – ni – mus cum mu – ne – ri – bus, cum
B.
– te, et ve – ni – mus cum mu –
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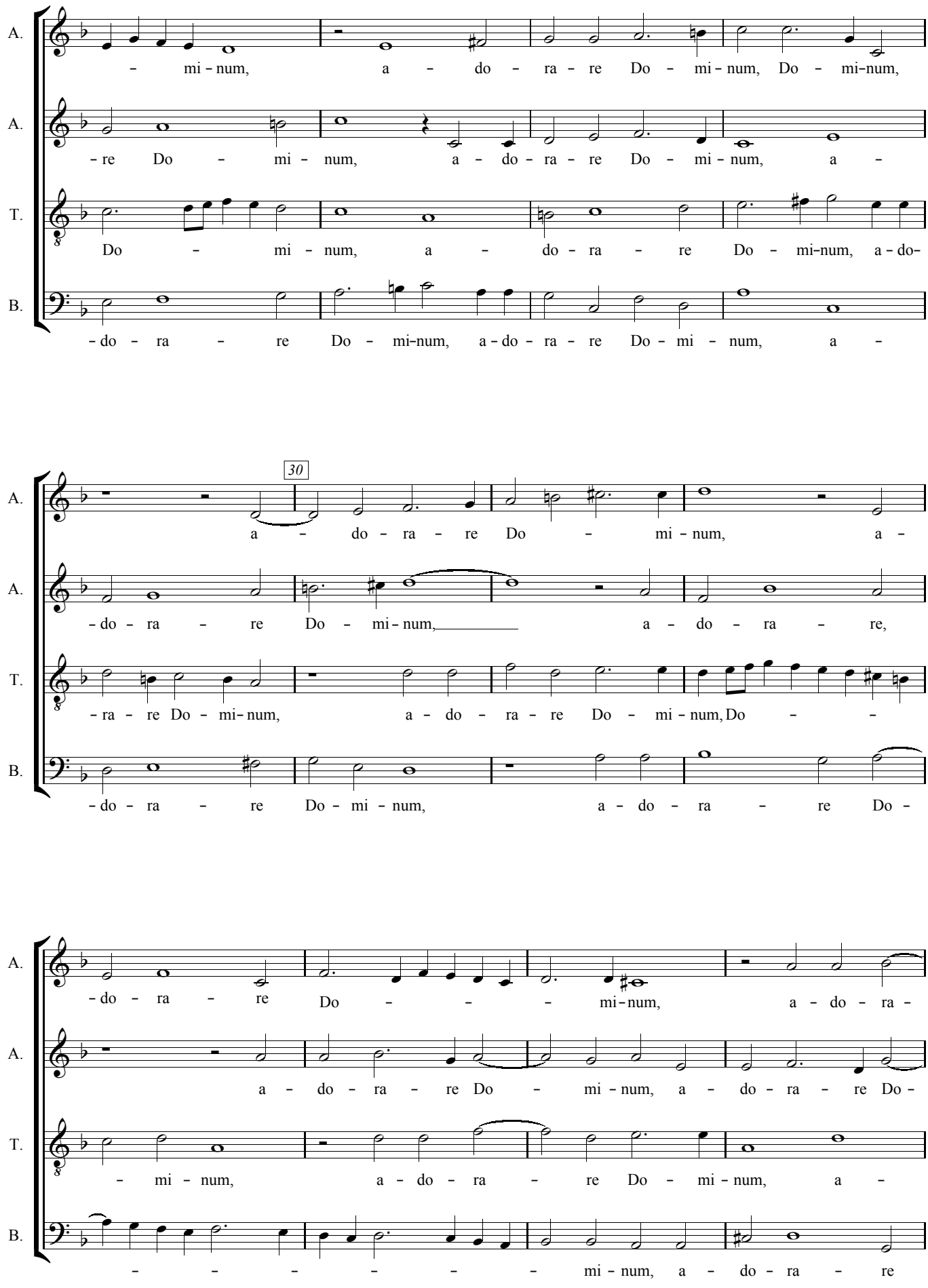
A.
– bus, cum mu – ne – ri – bus, cum mu – ne – ri – bus a – do – ra – re
A.
– ne – ri – bus, cum mu – ne – ri – bus a –
T.
mu – ne – ri – bus, mu – ne – ri – bus a – do – ra –
B.
– ne – ri – bus, cum mu – ne – ri – bus a – do – ra – re,
A.
Do – mi – num, Do – mi – num, a – do – ra – re Do –
A.
– do – ra – re Do – mi – num, a – do – ra –
T.
– re Do – mi – num, a – do – ra – re Do – mi – num,
B.
a – do – ra – re Do – mi – num, a –


A.
– mi – num, a – do – ra – re Do – mi – num, Do – mi–num,
A.
– re Do – mi – num, a – do – ra – re Do – mi – num, a –
T.
Do – mi – num, a – do – ra – re Do – mi–num, a – do–
B.
– do – ra – re Do – mi–num, a – do – ra – re Do – mi – num, a –
30
A.
a – do – ra – re Do – mi – num, a –
A.
– do – ra – re Do – mi – num, a – do – ra – re,
T.
– ra – re Do – mi – num, a – do – ra – re Do – mi – num, Do – –
B.
– do – ra – re Do – mi – num, a – do – ra – re Do –
A.
– do – ra – re Do – – – mi – num, a – do – ra –
A.
a – do – ra – re Do – mi – num, a – do – ra – re Do –
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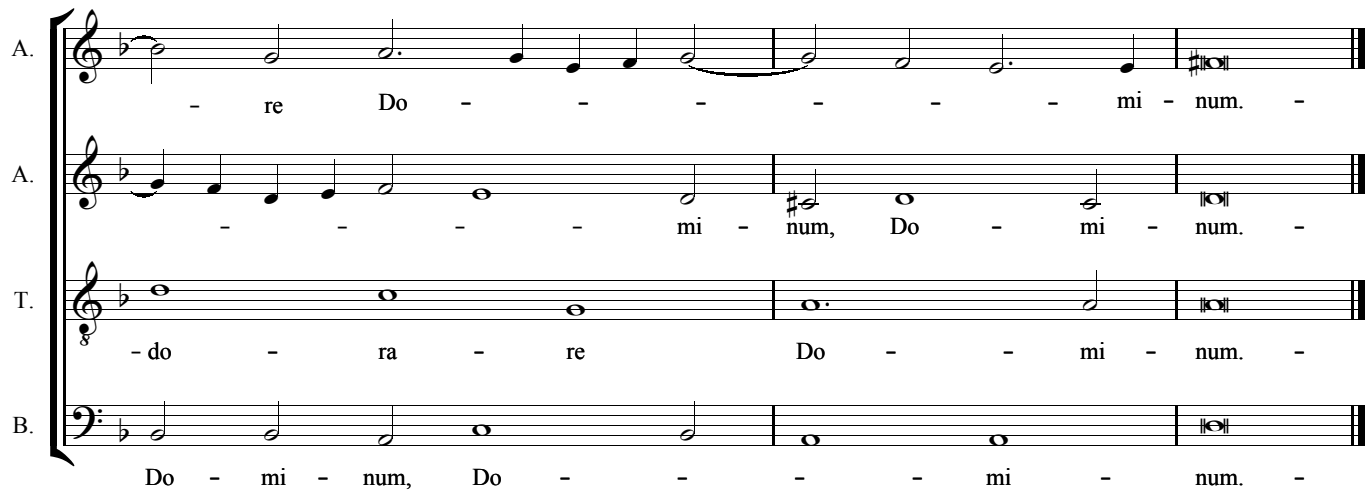
B.
– – – – – – mi – num, a – do – ra – re



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This piece has already appeared in this ongoing Byrd edition as a "transfer" into the Gradual *Surge, illuminare* in order to provide a setting of part of the Gradual text apparently omitted by Byrd.

The complete Propers for Epiphany are as follows:

Ecce advenit dominator Dominus (Introit)
Surge, illuminare – Alleluia – Vidimus stellam (Gradual & Alleluia)
Reges Tharsis (Offertory)
Vidimus stellam (Communion)