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# Vidi aquam (I Saw Water)

SATB divisi, a cappella

trad. Latin;  
tr. Susan Palo Cherwien

Michael McCarthy

$\text{♩} = 60$

*p*

Soprano

Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam e - gre -  
I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter flow - ing

*Div. p*

Alto

Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam e - gre -  
I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter flow - ing

*Div. p*

Tenor

Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam e - gre -  
I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter flow - ing

*p*

Bass

Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam e - gre -  
I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter flow - ing

*(For rehearsal only)*

Keyboard

In the Tridentine Rite, used by the Western Church until 1962, the “Vidi aquam” is sung at every High Mass on the Sundays during Eastertide. It replaces the “Asperges Me” until Ascension Thursday.

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dien - tem de tem - plo. Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam a  
 forth from the tem - ple. I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter a flow

dien - tem de tem - plo. Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam a  
 forth from the tem - ple. I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter a flow

dien - tem de tem - plo. Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam a  
 forth from the tem - ple. I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter a flow

dien - tem de tem - plo. Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam a  
 forth from the tem - ple. I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter a flow

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la - ter - re dex - tro et o - mnes, ad quos per -  
 forth from the right side, and all those to whom this

la - ter - re dex - tro et o - mnes, ad quos per -  
 forth from the right side, and all those to whom this

la - ter - re dex - tro et o - mnes, ad quos per -  
 forth from the right side, and all those to whom this

la - ter - re dex - tro et o - mnes, ad quos per -  
 forth from the right side, and all those to whom this

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*p*  
 Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam e - gre - dien - tem de -  
 I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter flow - ing forth from the

*p*  
 Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam e - gre - dien - tem de  
 I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter flow - ing forth from the

*p*  
 Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam e - gre - dien - tem de  
 I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter flow - ing forth from the

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*ppp*  
 Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam.  
 I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter.

*ppp*  
 tem - plo. Vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam, vi - di a - quam.  
 tem - ple. I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter, I saw wa - ter.

*ppp*  
 tem - plo. a - quam.  
 tem - ple. wa - ter.

*ppp*  
 tem - plo. a - quam.  
 tem - ple. wa - ter.