

Commissioned by St. Gregory the Great Church, Virginia Beach, Virginia.  
Dedicated to my mother, Barbara A. Rossi

# AVE VERUM

Text attributed to  
Innocent VI (c. 1300–1362)

Music by  
Richard Robert Rossi

Adagio con molto espressivo ♩ = 60–65

*S,A* *pp* *p*

A - ve, a - ve ve - rum

*T,B* *pp* *p*

5 *div.*

cor - pus, na - tum de Ma - rí - a vír - gi - ne, Ve - re

9 *div.*

pas - sum im - mo -

Ve - re pas - sum

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lá - tum in cru - ce pro hó - mi - ne.

\* Performance note for smaller choirs: Tenors could sing the low alto part and altos the high tenor part in measures 8–11 and 26–32.

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