DEVELOPMENT OF THE SYNAXIS TO c. A.D. 800

Original nucleus thus: (A), (B) ⇒ etc.
'Second Stratum' thus: (α), (β) ⇒ (§); (1), (2), (3)
Later elements in each rite bracketed thus: [ ]

Date when particular items were added is given where known
Items known to have existed but since disappeared bracketed thus: < >
The sign '—' means that this element is altogether absent in the history of the rite
A blank means that this item is found at some other point in the rite

Column groupings: I (Monophysite) = W. Syrian, Coptic; II; III = Byzantine group; IV = Roman, Milanese, French, Spanish.

Ps-Denys	E. Syrian	Armenian	W. Syrian	Coptic	Gk. St. Mark	Byzantine	Gk. St. James	Roman	Milanese	French	Spanish
				(A) GREETING / (§) Prayer							
(α) Censing	?	(α) Censing	(α) Censing 5th c.	[(α) Censing ? 6th c.]	[(α) Censing ? 6th c.]	[(α) Censing 6th c.]	[(α) Censing ? 6th c.]	—		—	—
						[Enarxis Litanies introduced ? 8th c.]					
		[(1) Entrance Chant (Monogenes ? cent.)] [(A GREETING)]			[(1) Entrance Chant (Monogenes)] (A) GREETING (§) Prayer	(1) Entrance Chant (Monogenes A.D. 536) <(A) GREETING attested c. A.D. 400>	(1) Entrance Chant (Monogenes A.D. 536) (A) GREETING	(1) Entrance Chant (Psalm c. A.D. 430)	(1) Entrance Chant (Psalm ? 6th c.)	(1) Entrance Chant (Trisagion with Kyries 6th c.) (A) GREETING	(1) Entrance Chant Psalm [Trisagion added c. 7th c. on great feasts]
		(β) Psalm 'of day' = Hymn		(2) Litany		(2) Litany (Jerusalem 5th c.)	(2) Litany (c. A.D. 495)	(2) Litany	(2) Litany		(Litany after Epistle)
	(3) Hymn (Trisagion before 8th cent)	[(3) Hymn (Trisagion)]	(Trisagion after Epistle)	(Trisagion after Epistle)	[(3) Hymn (Trisagion ? cent.)]	(3) Hymn (Trisagion c. A.D. 440)	(3) Hymn (Trisagion before A.D. 470)	(3) Hymn (Gloria c. A.D. 500)	or (3) Hymn (Gloria with Kyries 6th c. ?)	(3) Hymn (Benedictus 6th cent.?)	(3) Hymn (Gloria c. 9th cent.)
(β) Hymn (Psalms)	(β) Hymn (Psalms)	[(2) Litany)] (β) Hymn (Psalm)						(A) GREETING	(A) GREETING	[? (A) GREETING after 7th cent.]	
								(§) Prayer	(§) Prayer	(§) Prayer	[(§) Prayer c. 10th cent.]
											(A) GREETING
(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS	(B) LECTIONS
?	(C) CHANTS between (B)	(C) CHANTS between (B)	(C) CHANTS between (B)	(C) CHANTS between (B)	(C) CHANTS between (B)	(C) CHANTS between (B)	(C) CHANTS between (B)	(C) CHANTS between (B)	(C) CHANTS between (B)	(C) CHANTS between (B)	(C) CHANTS between (B)
(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON	(D) SERMON
(E) DISMISSALS	(E) DISMISSALS	(E) DISMISSALS	<(E) DISMISSALS>	(E) DISMISSALS	(E) DISMISSALS	(E) DISMISSALS	<(E) DISMISSALS>	(E) DISMISSALS	(E) DISMISSALS	<(E) DISMISSALS>	(E) DISMISSALS