

Roman Morning

Chill outside
street bare
pavement empty.

down the block
aluminium chairs
small round tables
forlorn outside the bar.

Inside it, light and noise,
crockery crashes,
cutlery clangs,
servers shout.

Wall papered with bottles
of exotic liqueurs and
packets of German biscuits.

Take a caffè
to kick-start the day.

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