

## Order of Mass — Sung Prefaces

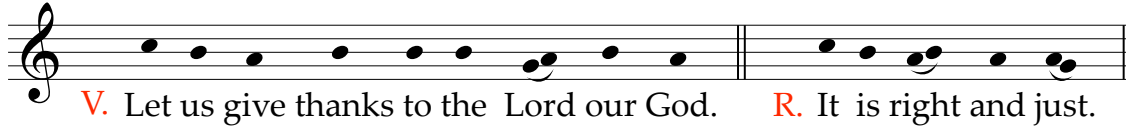
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## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

31. Then the Priest begins the Eucharistic Prayer.



Extending his hands, he says:

The Lord be with you.

The people reply:

And with your spirit.

The Priest, raising his hands, continues:

Lift up your hearts.

The people:

We lift them up to the Lord.

The Priest, with hands extended, adds:

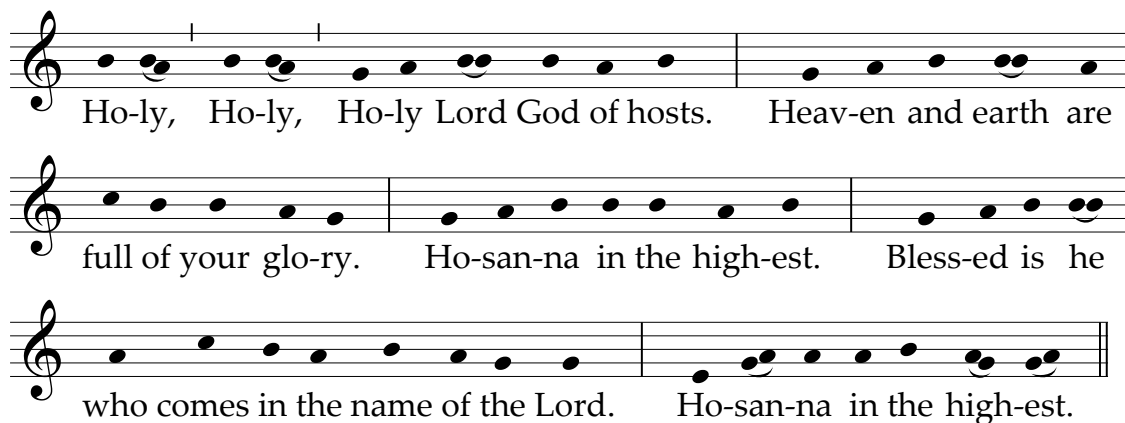
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

The people:

It is right and just.

The Priest, with hands extended, continues the Preface.

At the end of the Preface he joins his hands and concludes the Preface with the people, singing or saying aloud:



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are  
full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he  
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Or:



San-ctus, San-ctus, San-ctus Dó-mi-nus De-us Sá-ba-oth.  
Ple-ni sunt cæ-li et ter-ra gló-ri-a tu-a. Ho-sán-na in ex-cél-sis.  
Be-ne-dí-ctus qui ve-nit in nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni. Ho-sán-na in  
ex-cél - sis.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dóminus Deus Sábaoth.  
Pleni sunt caeli et terra glória tua.  
Hosánna in excélsis.  
Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini.  
Hosánna in excélsis.

# PREFACE I OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

## The power of the Cross

43. The following Preface is said during the Fifth Week of Lent and in Masses of the mysteries of the Cross and Passion of the Lord.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For through the saving Passion of your Son the  
whole world has re - ceived a heart to confess the infinite pow-er  
of your maj-es-ty, since by the wondrous power of the Cross  
your judgement on the world is now re-vealed and the authori-  
-ty of Christ cru-ci-fied. And so, Lord, with all the An-gels and  
Saints, we, too, give you thanks, as in exul - ta-tion we ac-claim:

PREFACE I OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

The Paschal Mystery and the People of God

52. The following Preface is said on Sundays in Ordinary Time.

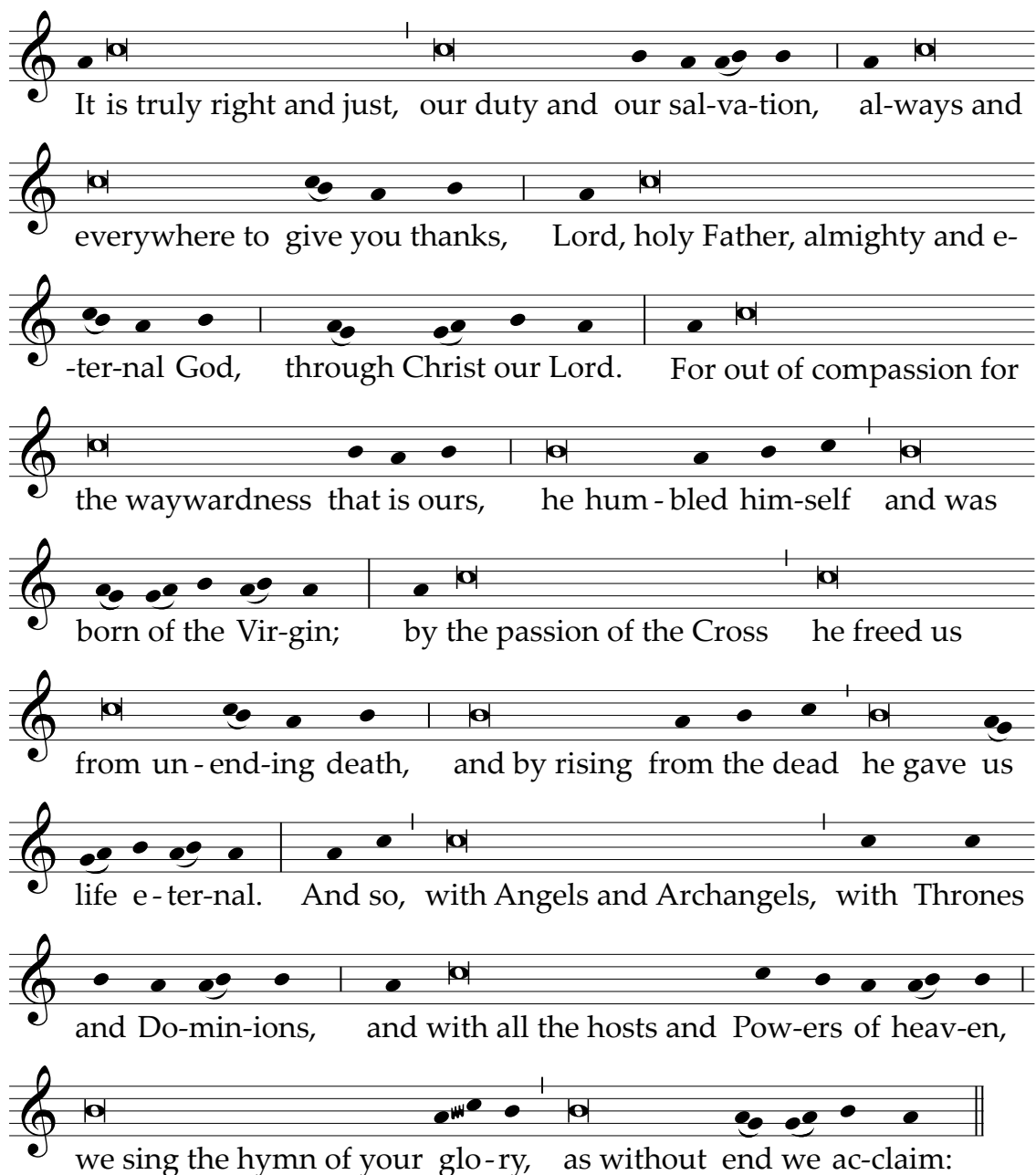


It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. For through his Paschal  
Mystery, he accomplished the mar-vel-lous deed, by which he has  
freed us from the yoke of sin and death, sum-moning us to the glo-  
-ry of be-ing now called a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy  
nation, a people for your own pos-ses-sion, to proclaim every-  
-where your might-y works, for you have called us out of dark-ness  
into your own won-der-ful light. And so, with Angels and Arch-  
-angels, with Thrones and Do-min-ions, and with all the hosts and  
Pow-ers of heav-en, we sing the hymn of your glo-ry, as without  
end we ac-claim:

PREFACE II OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

The mystery of salvation

53. The following Preface is said on Sundays in Ordinary Time.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. For out of compassion for  
the waywardness that is ours, he hum-bled him-self and was  
born of the Vir-gin; by the passion of the Cross he freed us  
from un-end-ing death, and by rising from the dead he gave us  
life e-ter-nal. And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones  
and Do-min-ions, and with all the hosts and Pow-ers of heav-en,  
we sing the hymn of your glo-ry, as without end we ac-claim:

PREFACE III OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

The salvation of man by a man

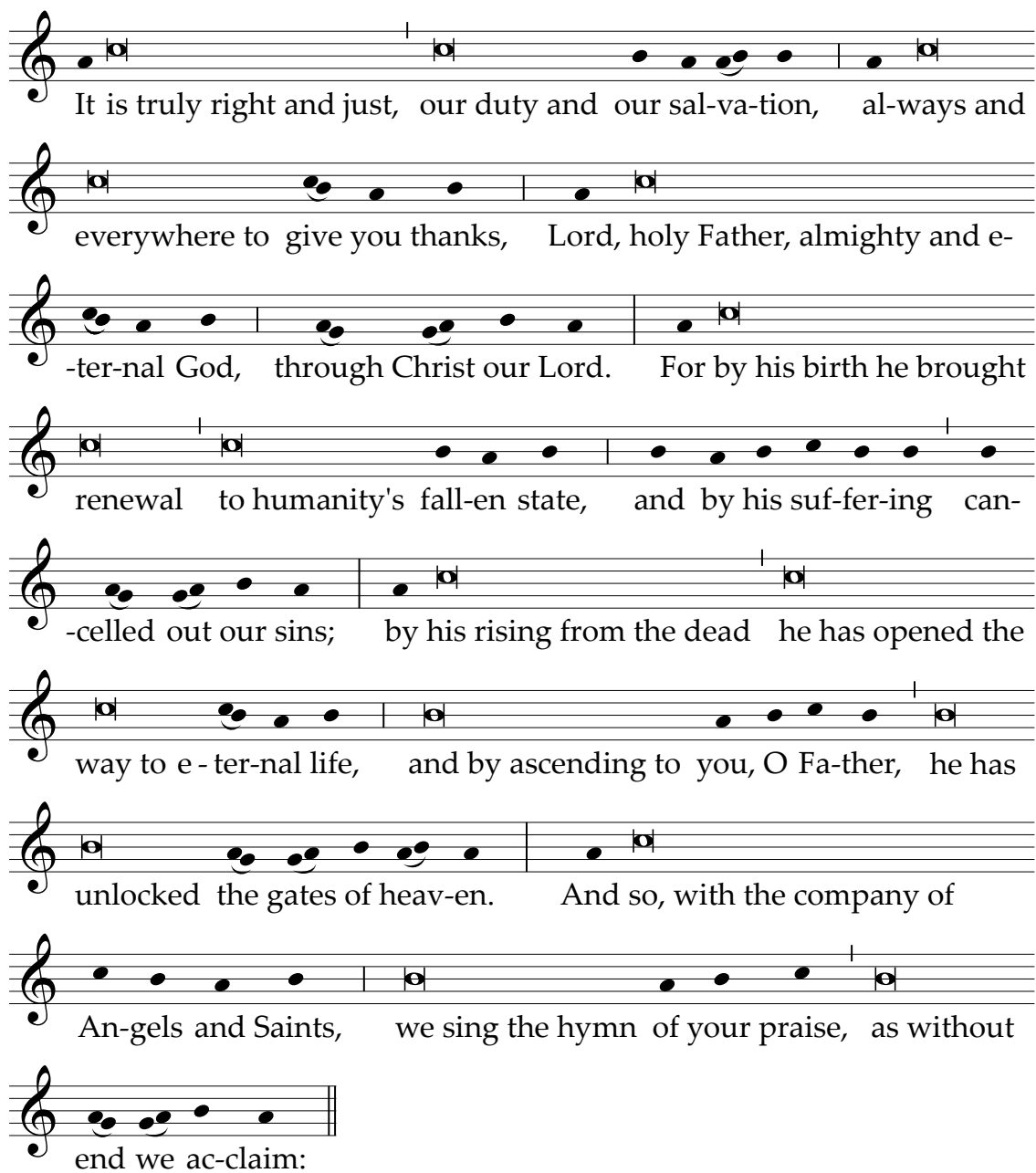
54. The following Preface is said on Sundays in Ordinary Time.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For we know it belongs to your bound-less glo-ry,  
that you came to the aid of mor-tal be-ings with your di-vin-i-ty  
and even fashioned for us a remedy out of mor-tal-i-ty it-self,  
that the cause of our down-fall might become the means of our sal-  
-va-tion, through Christ our Lord. Through him the host of An-  
-gels a-dores your maj-es-ty and re-joic-es in your pres-ence for  
ev-er. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in one chorus  
of ex-ult-ant praise, as we ac-claim:

PREFACE IV OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

The history of salvation

55. The following Preface is said on Sundays in Ordinary Time.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. For by his birth he brought  
renewal to humanity's fall-en state, and by his suf-fer-ing can-  
-celled out our sins; by his rising from the dead he has opened the  
way to e - ter-nal life, and by ascending to you, O Fa-ther, he has  
unlocked the gates of heav-en. And so, with the company of  
An-gels and Saints, we sing the hymn of your praise, as without  
end we ac-claim:

PREFACE V OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

Creation

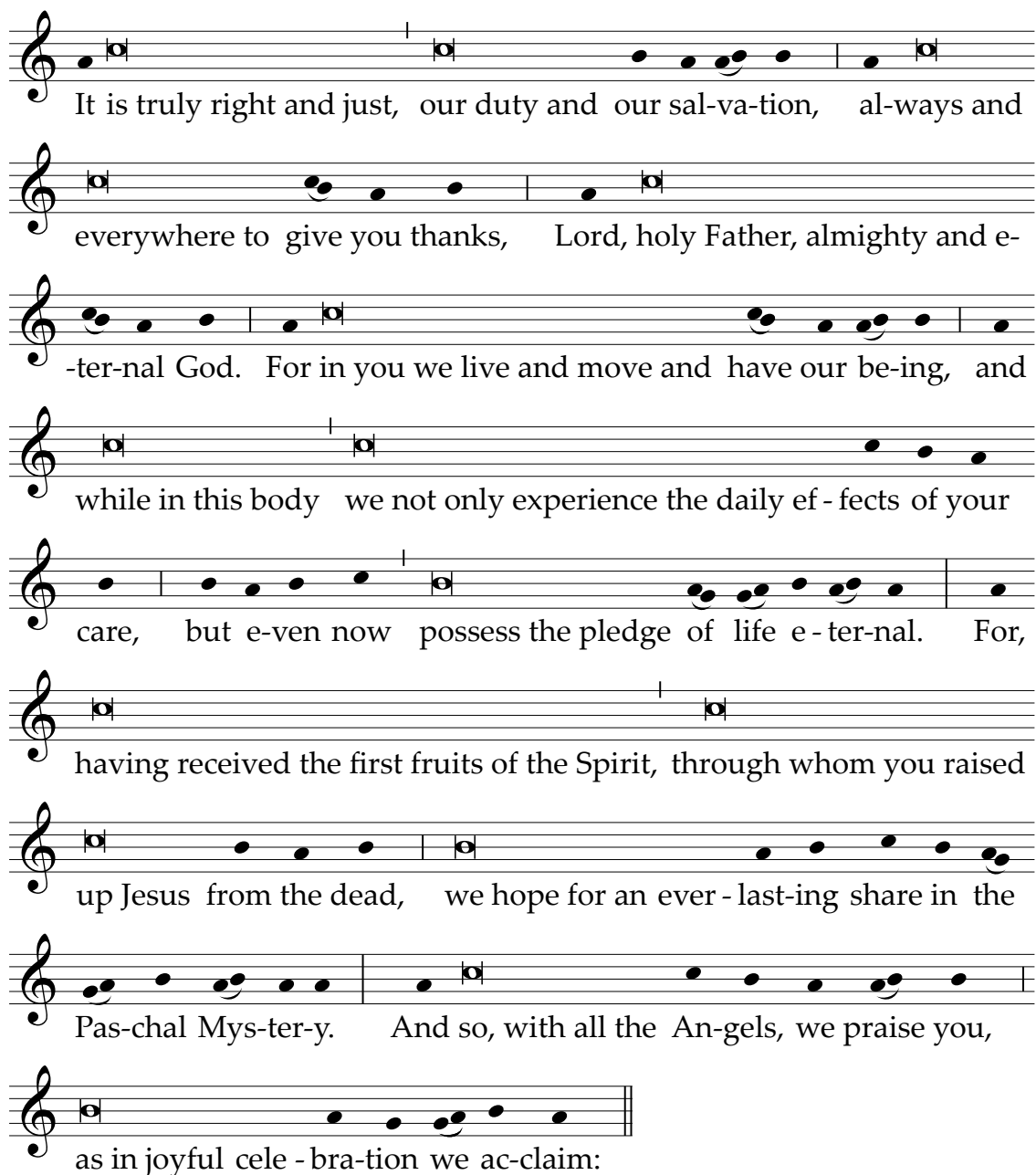
56. The following Preface is said on Sundays in Ordinary Time.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For you laid the foundations of the world and have  
arranged the chang-ing of times and sea-sons; you formed man  
in your own im-age and set humanity over the whole world in  
all its won-der, to rule in your name over all you have made and  
for ever praise you in your might-y works, through Christ our Lord.  
And so, as with all the An-gels, we praise you, as in joyful cele-  
-bra-tion we ac-claim:

PREFACE VI OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

The pledge of the eternal Passover

57. The following Preface is said on Sundays in Ordinary Time.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For in you we live and move and have our be-ing, and  
while in this body we not only experience the daily ef-fects of your  
care, but e-ven now possess the pledge of life e-ter-nal. For,  
having received the first fruits of the Spirit, through whom you raised  
up Jesus from the dead, we hope for an ever-last-ing share in the  
Pas-chal Mys-ter-y. And so, with all the An-gels, we praise you,  
as in joyful cele-bra-tion we ac-claim:

PREFACE VII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

Salvation through the obedience of Christ

58. The following Preface is said on Sundays in Ordinary Time.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For you so loved the world that in your mer-cy  
you sent us the Re-deem-er, to live like us in all things but sin,  
so that you might love in us what you loved in your Son, by  
whose obedience we have been restored to those gifts of yours  
that, by sin-ning, we had lost in dis-o-be-di-ence. And so, Lord,  
with all the An-gels and Saints, we, too, give you thanks, as in  
exul-ta-tion we ac-claim:

PREFACE VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

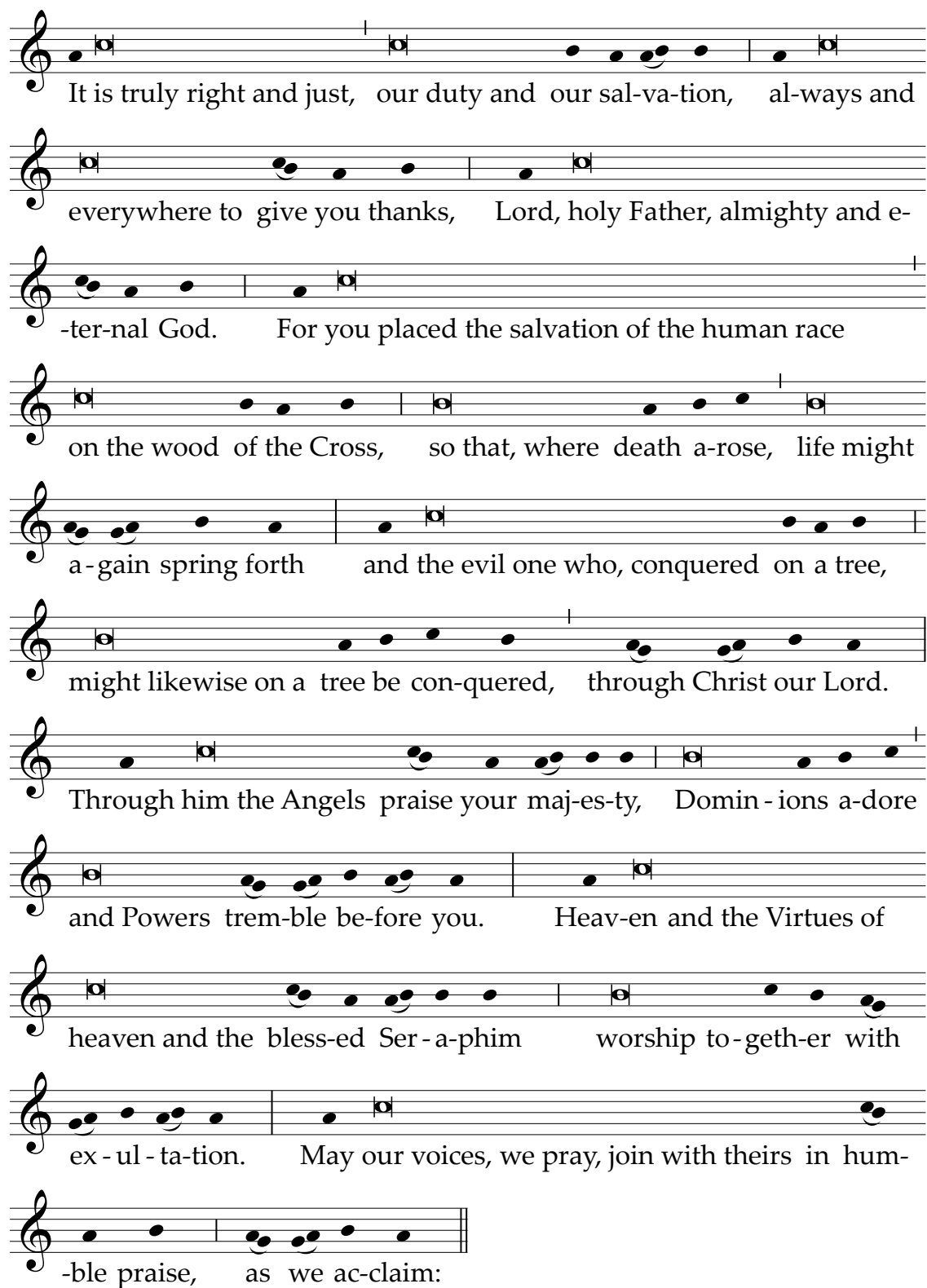
The Church united by the unity of the Trinity

59. The following Preface is said on Sundays in Ordinary Time.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For, when your children were far off on ac-count of sin,  
through the Blood of your Son and the power of the Spir-it, you  
gath-ered them a-gain to your-self, that a people formed as one  
by the unity of the Trin-i-ty, made the body of Christ and the  
temple of the Ho-ly Spir-it, might, to the praise of your ma-ni-fold  
wis-dom, be mani-fest as the Church. And so, in company with the  
choirs of An-gels, we praise you, and with joy we pro-claim:

# PREFACE OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

## The victory of the glorious Cross



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For you placed the salvation of the human race  
on the wood of the Cross, so that, where death a-rose, life might  
a-gain spring forth and the evil one who, conquered on a tree,  
might likewise on a tree be con-quer-ed, through Christ our Lord.  
Through him the Angels praise your maj-es-ty, Domin-ions a-dore  
and Powers trem-ble be-fore you. Heav-en and the Virtues of  
heaven and the bless-ed Ser-a-phem worship to-geth-er with  
ex-ul-ta-tion. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in hum-  
-ble praise, as we ac-claim:

PREFACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Christ, King of the Universe

It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For you anointed your Only Begotten Son, our Lord  
Jesus Christ, with the oil of glad-ness as e-ter-nal Priest and King  
of all cre-a-tion, so that, by offering himself on the altar of  
the Cross as a spotless sacrifice to bring us peace, he might accom-  
-plish the mys-ter-ies of hu-man re-demp-tion and, making all  
created things subject to his rule, he might present to the immen-  
-sity of your maj-es-ty an eternal and u-ni-ver-sal king-dom, a  
king-dom of truth and life, a kingdom of ho-li-ness and grace,  
a kingdom of jus-tice, love and peace. And so, with Angels and  
Archangels, with Thrones and Do-min-ions, and with all the

hosts and Pow-ers of heav-en, we sing the hymn of your glo-ry,

as without end we ac-claim:

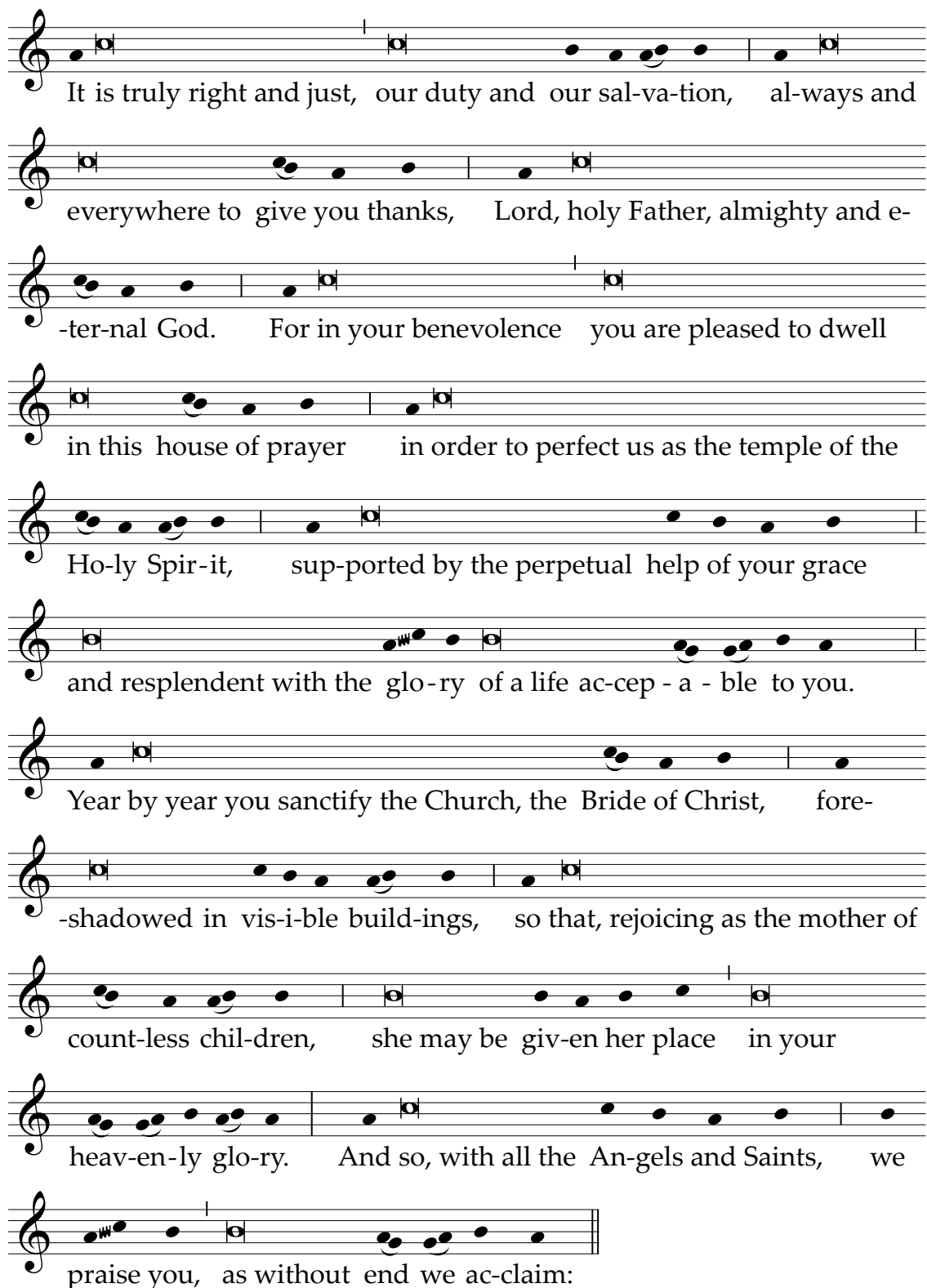
# PREFACE I OF THE DEDICATION OF A CHURCH

From the mystery of the Temple of God which is the Church.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. For in this visible house that  
you have let us build and where you never cease to show favour  
to the family on pilgrimage to you in this place, you wonderfully  
manifest and accomplish the mys-ter-y of your com-mun-ion with  
us. Here you build up for yourself the temple that we are and  
cause your Church, spread throughout the world, to grow ever more  
and more as the Lord's own Bod-y, till she reaches her fullness  
in the vi-sion of peace, the heavenly cit-y of Je-ru-sa-lem. And  
so, with the countless ranks of the blessed, in the temple of your  
glo-ry we praise you, we bless you, and proclaim your greatness,  
as we ac-claim:

## PREFACE II OF THE DEDICATION OF A CHURCH

The Mystery of the Church,  
the Bride of Christ and Temple of the Spirit

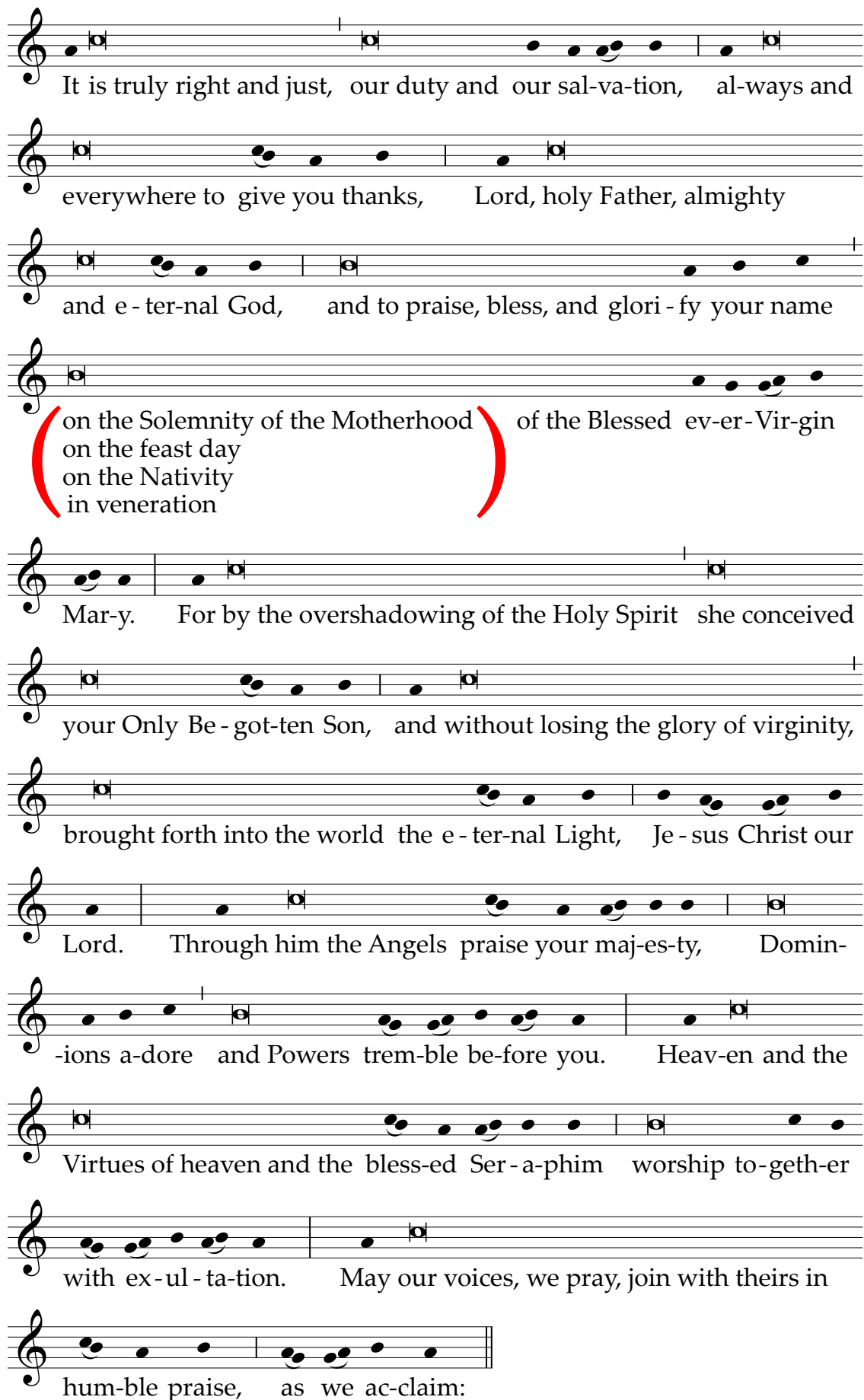


It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For in your benevolence you are pleased to dwell  
in this house of prayer in order to perfect us as the temple of the  
Ho-ly Spir-it, sup-ported by the perpetual help of your grace  
and resplendent with the glo-ry of a life ac-cep - a - ble to you.  
Year by year you sanctify the Church, the Bride of Christ, fore-  
-shadowed in vis-i-ble build-ings, so that, rejoicing as the mother of  
count-less chil-dren, she may be giv-en her place in your  
heav-en-ly glo-ry. And so, with all the An-gels and Saints, we  
praise you, as without end we ac-claim:

# PREFACE I OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

## The Motherhood of the Blessed Virgin Mary

62. The following Preface is said in Masses of the Blessed Virgin Mary, with the mention at the appropriate place of the particular celebration, as indicated in the individual Masses.

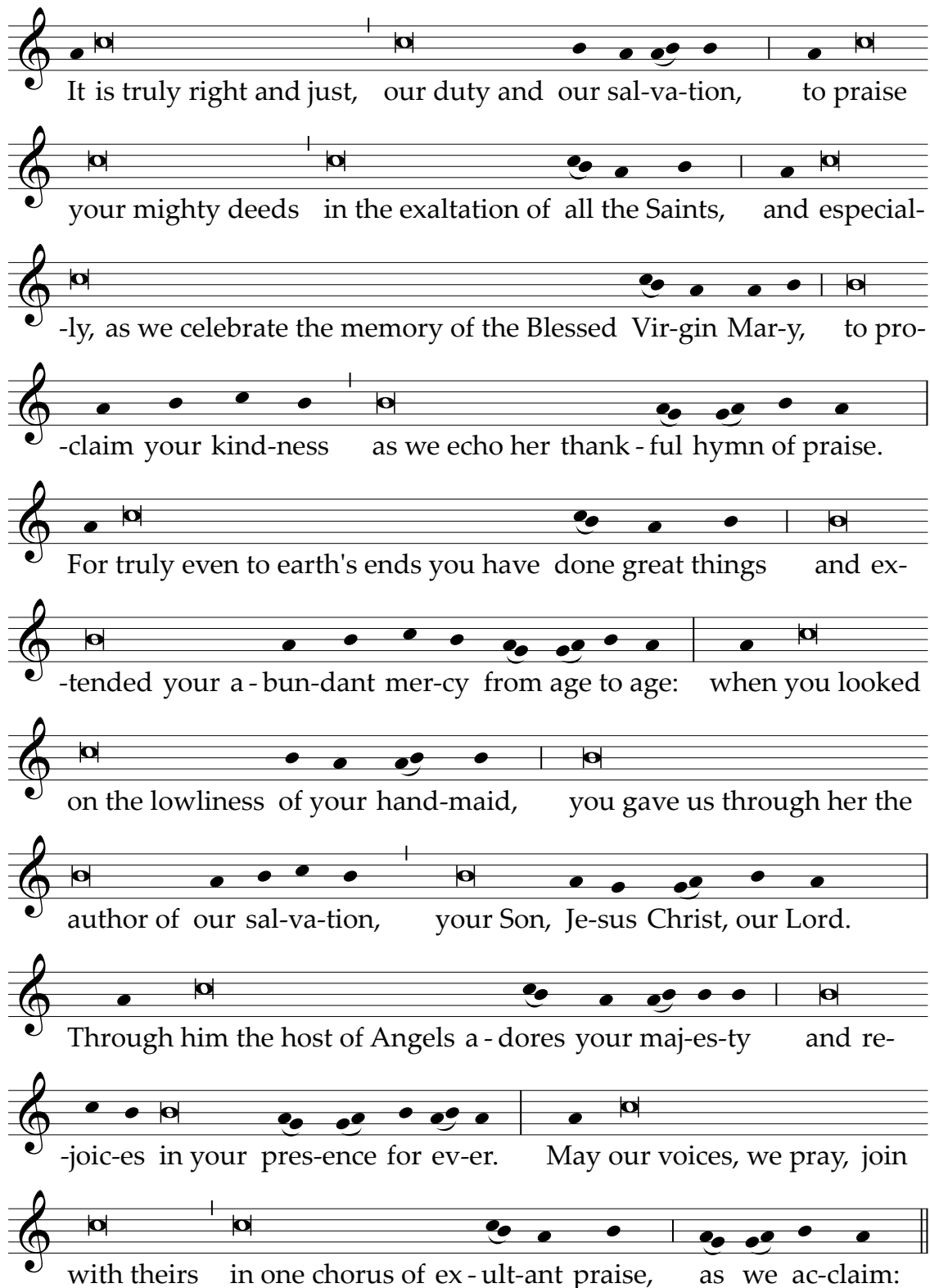


It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty  
and e-ter-nal God, and to praise, bless, and glori-fy your name  
( on the Solemnity of the Motherhood ) of the Blessed ev-er-Vir-gin  
( on the feast day )  
( on the Nativity )  
( in veneration )  
Mar-y. For by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit she conceived  
your Only Be-got-ten Son, and without losing the glory of virginity,  
brought forth into the world the e-ter-nal Light, Je-sus Christ our  
Lord. Through him the Angels praise your maj-es-ty, Domin-  
-ions a-dore and Powers trem-ble be-fore you. Heav-en and the  
Virtues of heaven and the bless-ed Ser-a-phim worship to-geth-er  
with ex-ul-ta-tion. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in  
hum-ble praise, as we ac-claim:

## PREFACE II OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Church praises God with the words of Mary


63. The following Preface is said in Masses of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, to praise  
your mighty deeds in the exaltation of all the Saints, and especial-  
-ly, as we celebrate the memory of the Blessed Vir-gin Mar-y, to pro-  
-claim your kind-ness as we echo her thank - ful hymn of praise.  
For truly even to earth's ends you have done great things and ex-  
-tended your a - bun-dant mer-cy from age to age: when you looked  
on the lowliness of your hand-maid, you gave us through her the  
author of our sal-va-tion, your Son, Je-sus Christ, our Lord.  
Through him the host of Angels a - dores your maj-es-ty and re-  
-joic-es in your pres-ence for ev-er. May our voices, we pray, join  
with theirs in one chorus of ex - ult-ant praise, as we ac-claim:

# PREFACE OF THE HOLY ANGELS

## God glorified through the Angels

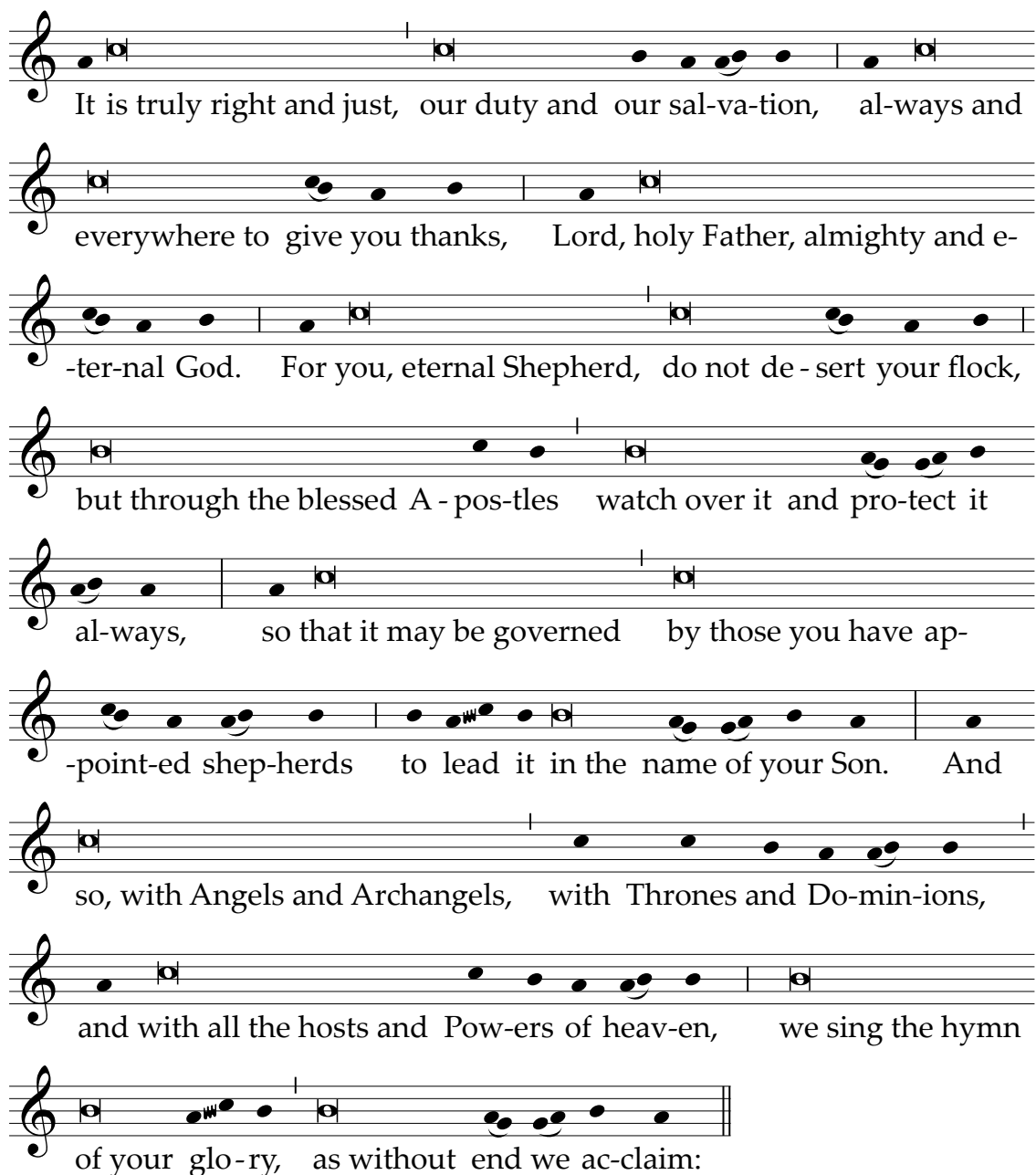


It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, and to praise you with-out end in your Arch - an-gels  
and An-gels. For the honour we pay the angelic creatures in whom  
you de-light redounds to your own sur-pas-sing glo-ry, and  
by their great dig-ni-ty and splen-dour you show how infinitely  
great you are, to be exalted a - bove all things, through Christ our  
Lord. Through him the multitude of Angels ex - tols your maj-es-ty,  
and we are united with them in exultant ad-o - ra-tion, as with one  
voice of praise we ac-claim:

## PREFACE I OF APOSTLES

### The Apostles, shepherds of God's people

64. The following Preface is said in Masses of the Apostles, especially of Saints Peter and Paul.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For you, eternal Shepherd, do not de - sert your flock,  
but through the blessed A - pos-tles watch over it and pro-tect it  
al-ways, so that it may be governed by those you have ap-  
-point-ed shep-herds to lead it in the name of your Son. And  
so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Do-min-ions,  
and with all the hosts and Pow-ers of heav-en, we sing the hymn  
of your glo-ry, as without end we ac-claim:

## PREFACE II OF APOSTLES

### The apostolic foundation and witness

65. The following Preface is said in Masses of the Apostles and Evangelists.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. For you have built  
your Church to stand firm on apos - tol-ic foun-da-tions, to be a  
lasting sign of your ho-li-ness on earth and offer all hu-man-i-ty  
your heav-en-ly teach-ing. There-fore, now and for ages unending,  
with all the host of An-gels, we sing to you with all our hearts,  
crying out as we ac-claim:

## PREFACE I OF SAINTS

### The glory of the Saints

66. The following Preface is said in Masses of All Saints, of Patron Saints and of Saints who are Titulars of a church, and on Solemnities and Feasts of Saints, unless a proper Preface is to be said. This Preface may be said also on Memorials of Saints.

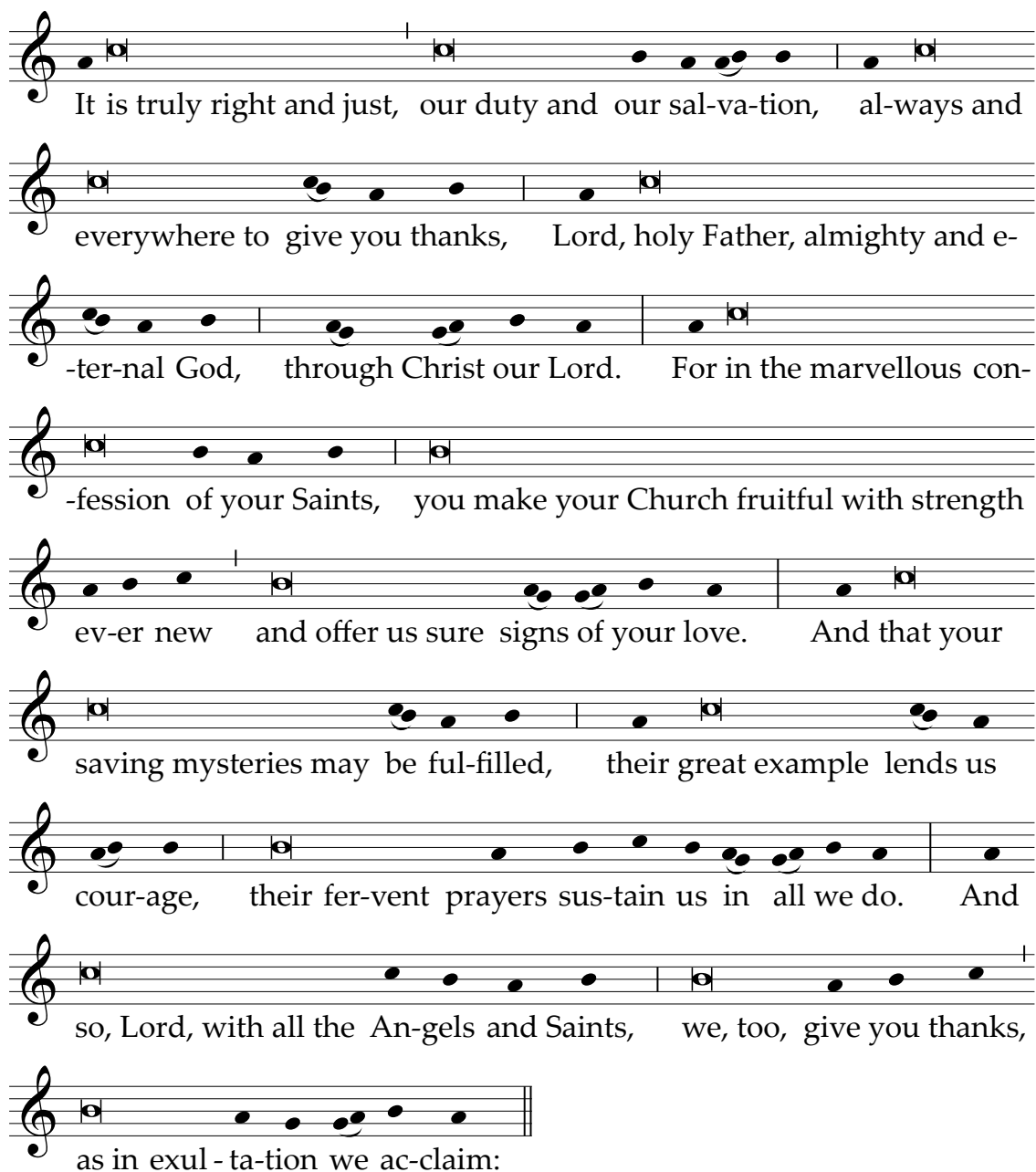


It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For you are praised in the company of your Saints  
and, in crown-ing their mer-its, you crown your own gifts. By  
their way of life you offer us an ex-am-ple, by communion  
with them you gave us com-pan-ion-ship, by their inter-ces-sion,  
sure sup-port, so that, encouraged by so great a cloud of  
wit-ness-es, we may run as victors in the race be-fore us and win  
with them the imperishable crown of glo-ry, through Christ our Lord.  
And so, with Angels and Arch-an-gels, and with the great multitude  
of the Saints, we sing the hymn of your praise, as without end  
we ac-claim:

## PREFACE II OF SAINTS

### The action of the Saints

67. The following Preface is said in Masses of All Saints, of Patron Saints and of Saints who are Titulars of a church, and on Solemnities and Feasts of Saints, unless a proper Preface is to be said. This Preface may be said also on Memorials of Saints.

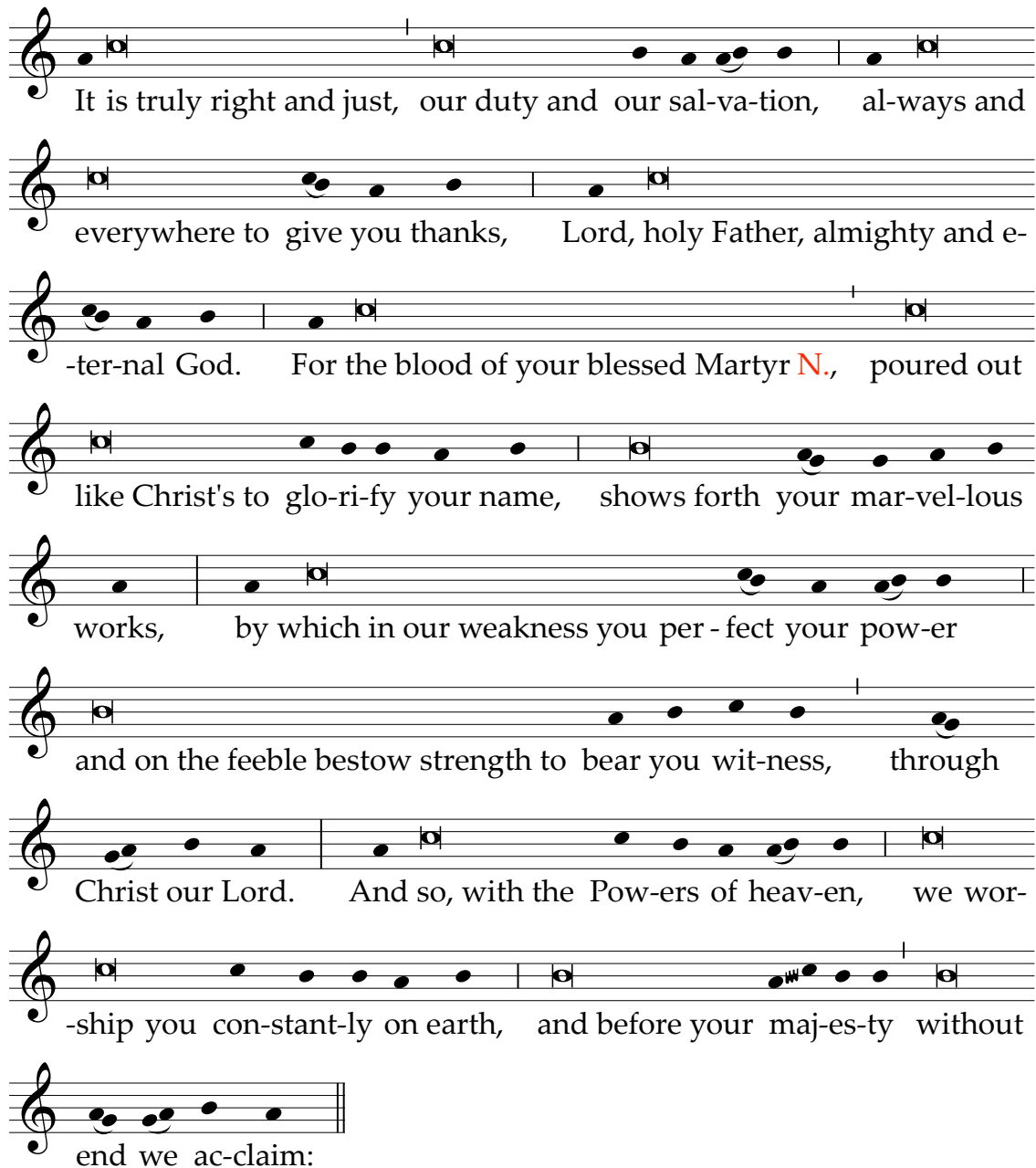


It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. For in the marvellous con-  
-fession of your Saints, you make your Church fruitful with strength  
ev-er new and offer us sure signs of your love. And that your  
saving mysteries may be ful-filled, their great example lends us  
cour-age, their fer-vent prayers sus-tain us in all we do. And  
so, Lord, with all the An-gels and Saints, we, too, give you thanks,  
as in exul - ta-tion we ac-claim:

## PREFACE I OF HOLY MARTYRS

### The sign and example of martyrdom

68. The following Preface is said on the Solemnities and Feasts of Holy Martyrs. It may also be said on their Memorials.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For the blood of your blessed Martyr **N.**, poured out  
like Christ's to glo-ri-fy your name, shows forth your mar-vel-lous  
works, by which in our weakness you per - fect your pow-er  
and on the feeble bestow strength to bear you wit-ness, through  
Christ our Lord. And so, with the Pow-ers of heav-en, we wor-  
-ship you con-stant-ly on earth, and before your maj-es-ty without  
end we ac-claim:

## PREFACE II OF HOLY MARTYRS

### The wonders of God in the victory of the Martyrs

69. The following Preface is said on the Solemnities and Feasts of Holy Martyrs. It may also be said on their Memorials.

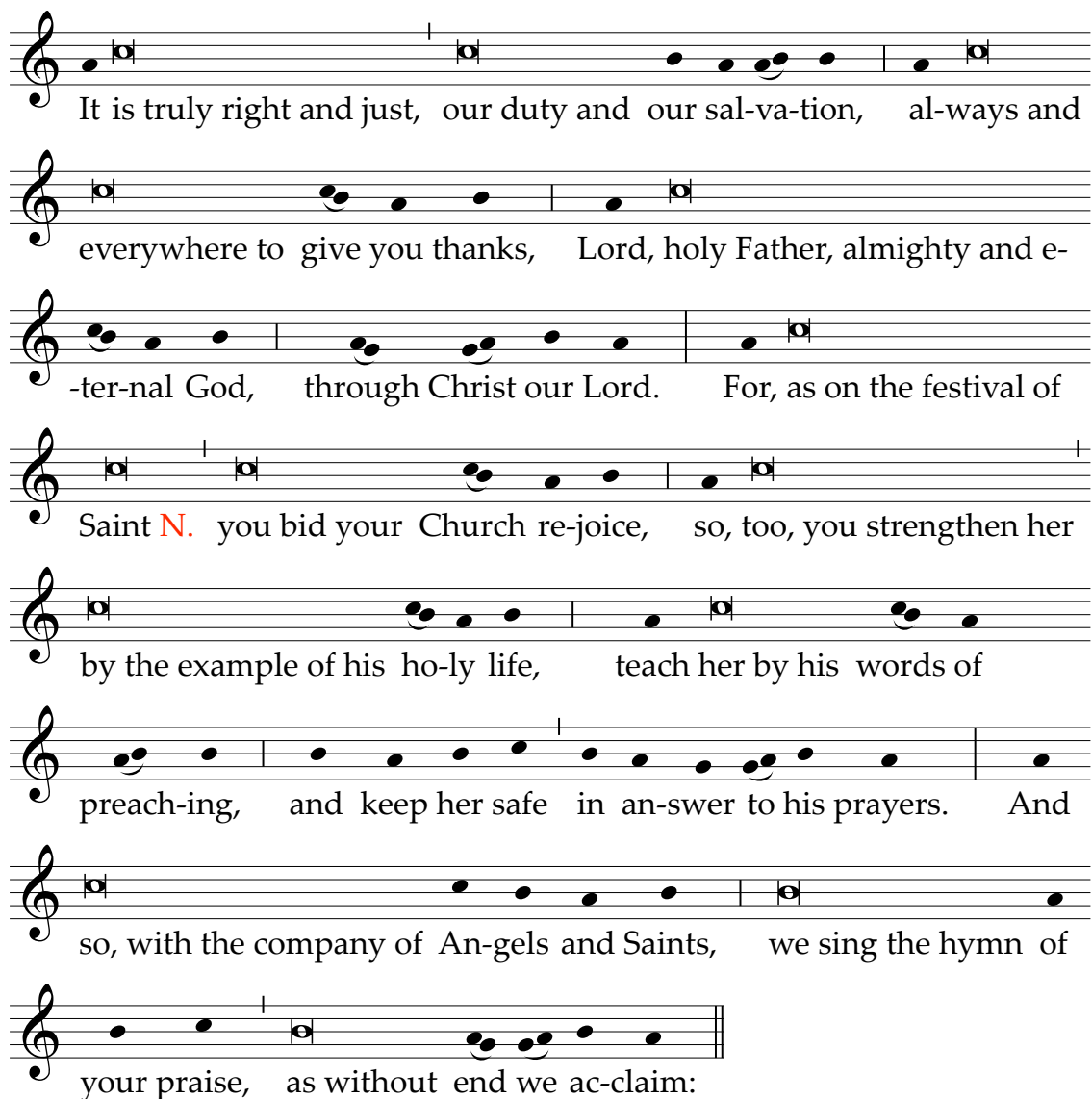


It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For you are glorified when your Saints are praised;  
their ver-y suf-fer-ings are but won-ders of your might: in  
your mercy you give ardour to their faith, to their endurance  
you grant firm re-solve, and in their strug-gle the victory is yours,  
through Christ our Lord. There-fore, all creatures of heaven  
and earth sing a new song in ad-o - ra-tion, and we, with all the  
host of An-gels, cry out, and without end we ac-claim:

## PREFACE OF HOLY PASTORS

### The presence of holy Pastors in the Church

70. The following Preface is said on the Solemnities and Feasts of Holy Pastors. It may also be said on their Memorials.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. For, as on the festival of  
Saint **N.** you bid your Church re-joyce, so, too, you strengthen her  
by the example of his ho-ly life, teach her by his words of  
preach-ing, and keep her safe in an-swer to his prayers. And  
so, with the company of An-gels and Saints, we sing the hymn of  
your praise, as without end we ac-claim:

## PREFACE OF HOLY VIRGINS AND RELIGIOUS

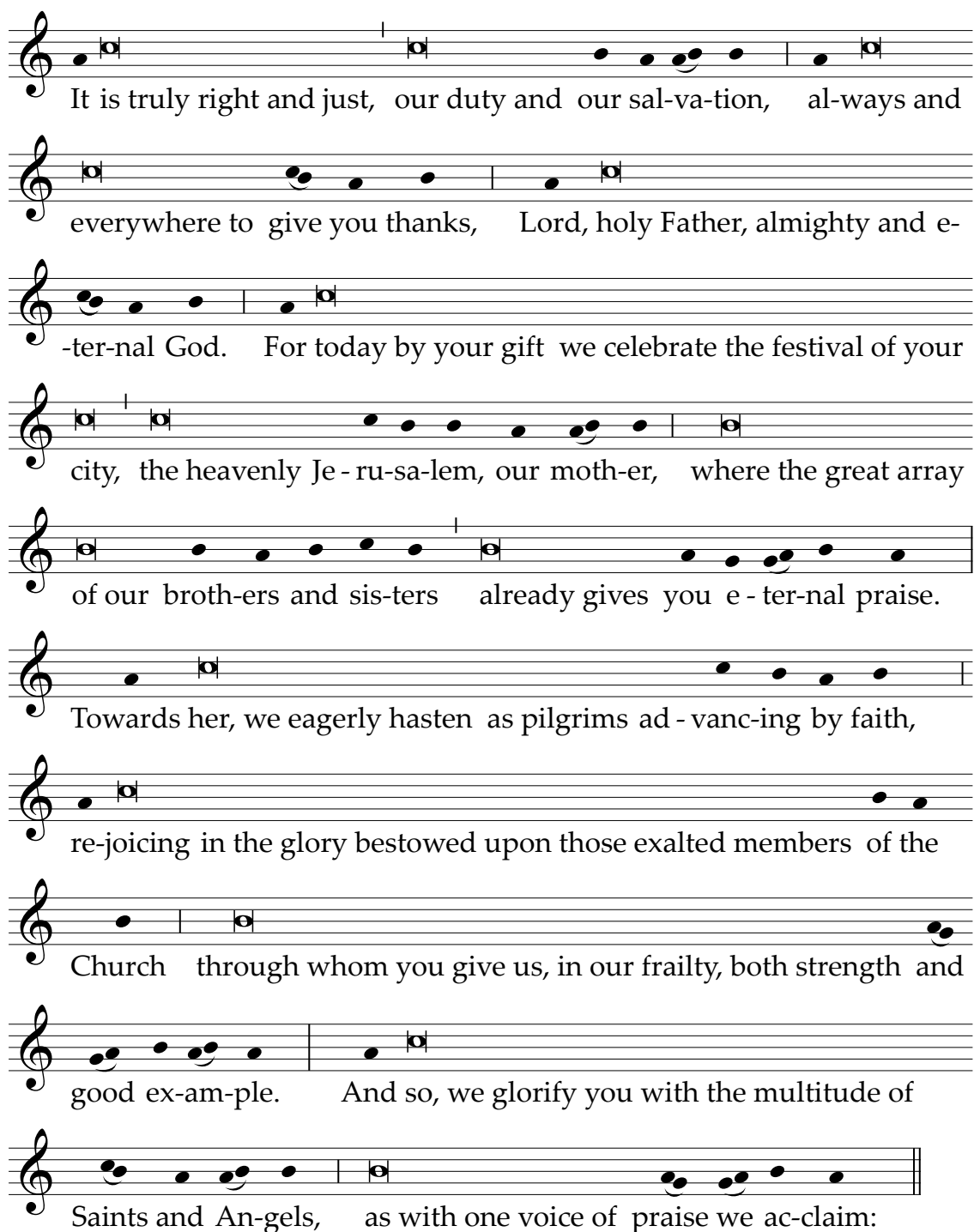
### The sign of a life consecrated to God

71. The following Preface is said on the Solemnities and Feasts of Holy Virgins and Religious. It may also be said on their Memorials.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-ter-nal God. For in the Saints who consecrated themselves to Christ for the sake of the King-dom of Heav-en, it is right to celebrate the wonders of your prov-i-dence, by which you call human nature back to its o-rig-i-nal ho-li-ness and bring it to experience on this earth the gifts you promise in the new world to come. And so, with all the An-gels and Saints, we praise you, as without end we ac-claim:

## PREFACE OF ALL SAINTS

The glory of Jerusalem, our mother.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For today by your gift we celebrate the festival of your  
city, the heavenly Je - ru - sa - lem, our moth - er, where the great array  
of our broth - ers and sis - ters already gives you e - ter - nal praise.  
Towards her, we eagerly hasten as pilgrims ad - vanc - ing by faith,  
re - joicing in the glory bestowed upon those exalted members of the  
Church through whom you give us, in our frailty, both strength and  
good ex - am - ple. And so, we glorify you with the multitude of  
Saints and An - gels, as with one voice of praise we ac - claim:

## COMMON PREFACE I

### The renewal of all things in Christ

72. The following Preface is said in Masses that have no proper Preface, and for which a Preface related to a specific liturgical time is not indicated.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. In him you have been  
pleased to re-new all things, giving us all a share in his full-ness.  
For though he was in the form of God, he emp-tied him-self and by  
the blood of his Cross brought peace to all cre-a-tion. There-  
-fore he has been exalted a-bove all things, and to all who o-bey  
him, has become the source of e-ter-nal sal-va-tion And so, with  
Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Do-min-ions, and  
with all the hosts and Pow-ers of heav-en, we sing the hymn  
of your glo-ry, as without end we ac-claim:

## COMMON PREFACE II

### Salvation through Christ

73. The following Preface is said in Masses that have no proper Preface, and for which a Preface related to a specific liturgical time is not indicated.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-ter-nal God. For in goodness you cre-at-ed man and, when he was just-ly con-demned, in mercy you re-deemed him, through Christ our Lord. Through him the Angels praise your maj-es-ty, Domin-ions a-dore and Powers trem-ble be-fore you. Heav-en and the Virtues of heaven and the bless-ed Ser-a-phem worship to-geth-er with ex-ul-tation. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in hum-ble praise, as we ac-claim:

## COMMON PREFACE III

### Praise to God for the creation and restoration of the human race

74. The following Preface is said in Masses that have no proper Preface, and for which a Preface related to a specific liturgical time is not indicated.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For just as through your beloved Son you created the  
hu-man race, so al - so through him with great goodness you  
formed it a-new. And so, it is right that all your crea-tures serve  
you, all the re - deemed praise you, and all your Saints with one  
heart bless you. There-fore, we, too, extol you with all the An-gels,  
as in joyful cele - bra-tion we ac-claim:

## COMMON PREFACE IV

### Praise, the gift of God

75. The following Preface is said in Masses that have no proper Preface, and for which a Preface related to a specific liturgical time is not indicated.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For, although you have no need of our praise, yet  
our thanks-giv-ing is it-self your gift, since our praises add nothing  
to your great-ness but profit us for sal-va-tion, through Christ  
our Lord. And so, in company with the choirs of An-gels, we  
praise you, and with joy we pro-claim:

## COMMON PREFACE V

### The proclamation of the Mystery of Christ

76. The following Preface is said in Masses that have no proper Preface, and for which a Preface related to a specific liturgical time is not indicated.

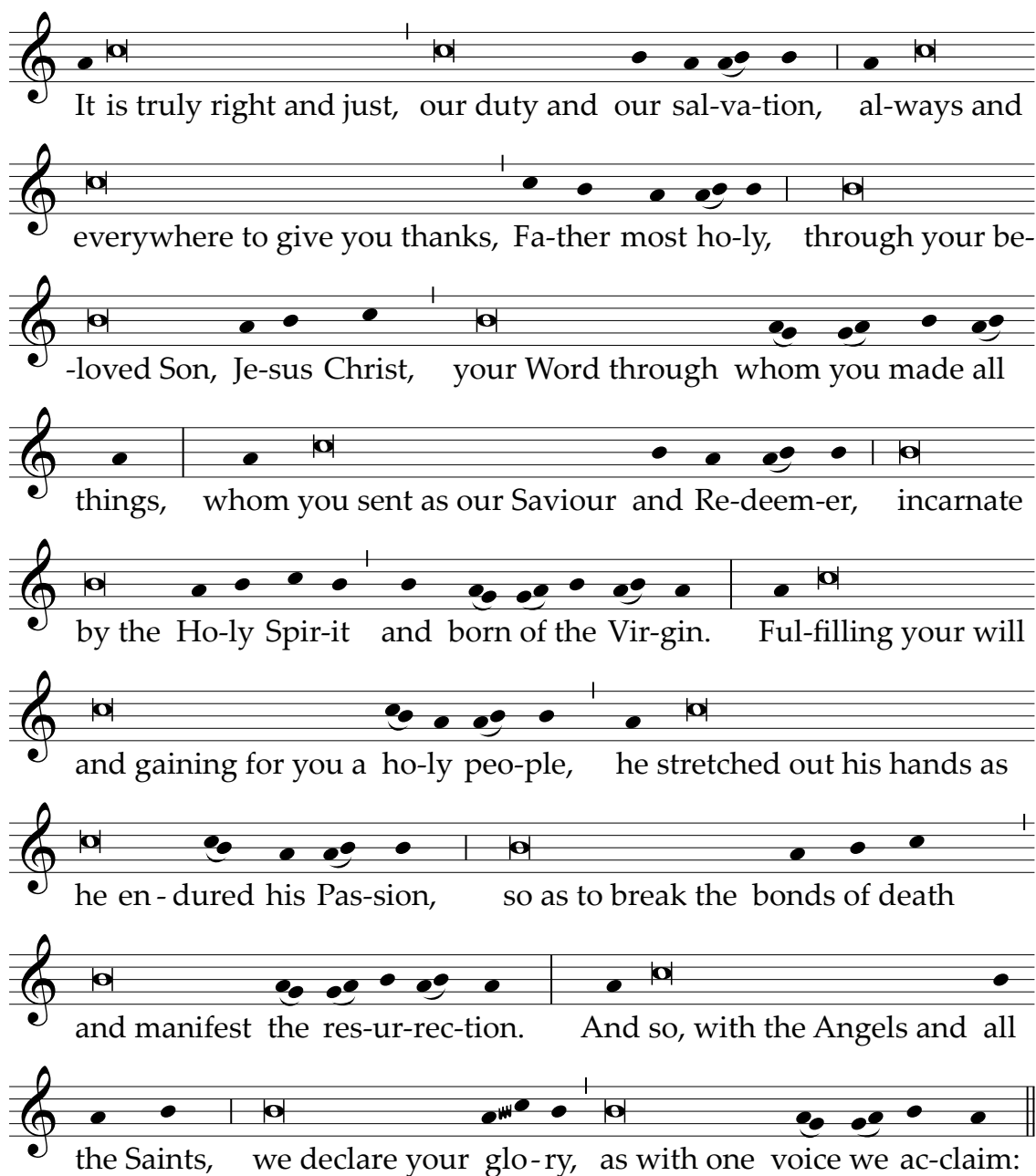


It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. His Death we cel-e-brate  
in love, his Resurrection we confess with liv-ing faith, and his  
Coming in glo-ry we await with un-wa-ver-ing hope. And so, with  
all the An-gels and Saints, we praise you, as without end we  
ac-claim:

## COMMON PREFACE VI

### The mystery of salvation in Christ

77. The following Preface is said in Masses that have no proper Preface, and for which a Preface related to a specific liturgical time is not indicated.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Fa-ther most ho-ly, through your be-  
-loved Son, Je-sus Christ, your Word through whom you made all  
things, whom you sent as our Saviour and Re-deem-er, incarnate  
by the Ho-ly Spir-it and born of the Vir-gin. Ful-filling your will  
and gaining for you a ho-ly peo-ple, he stretched out his hands as  
he en-dured his Pas-sion, so as to break the bonds of death  
and manifest the res-ur-rec-tion. And so, with the Angels and all  
the Saints, we declare your glo-ry, as with one voice we ac-claim:

## PREFACE I FOR THE DEAD

### The hope of resurrection in Christ

78. The following Preface is said in Masses for the Dead.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. In him the hope of blessed  
resur - rec-tion has dawned, that those saddened by the certain - ty  
of dy-ing might be consoled by the prom-ise of im-mor - tal-i - ty  
to come. In-deed for your faithful, Lord, life is changed not end-ed,  
and, when this earthly dwelling turns to dust, an e - ter-nal  
dwell-ing is made ready for them in heav-en. And so, with Angels  
and Archangels, with Thrones and Do-min-ions, and with all the  
hosts and Pow-ers of heav-en, we sing the hymn of your glo-ry,  
as without end we ac-claim:

## PREFACE II FOR THE DEAD

Christ died so that we might live

79. The following Preface is said in Masses for the Dead.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. For as one alone he accept-  
-ed death, so that we might all es-cape from dy-ing; as one man he  
chose to die, so that in your sight we all might live for ev-er.  
And so, in company with the choirs of An-gels, we praise you,  
and with joy we pro-claim:

## PREFACE III FOR THE DEAD

Christ, the salvation and the life

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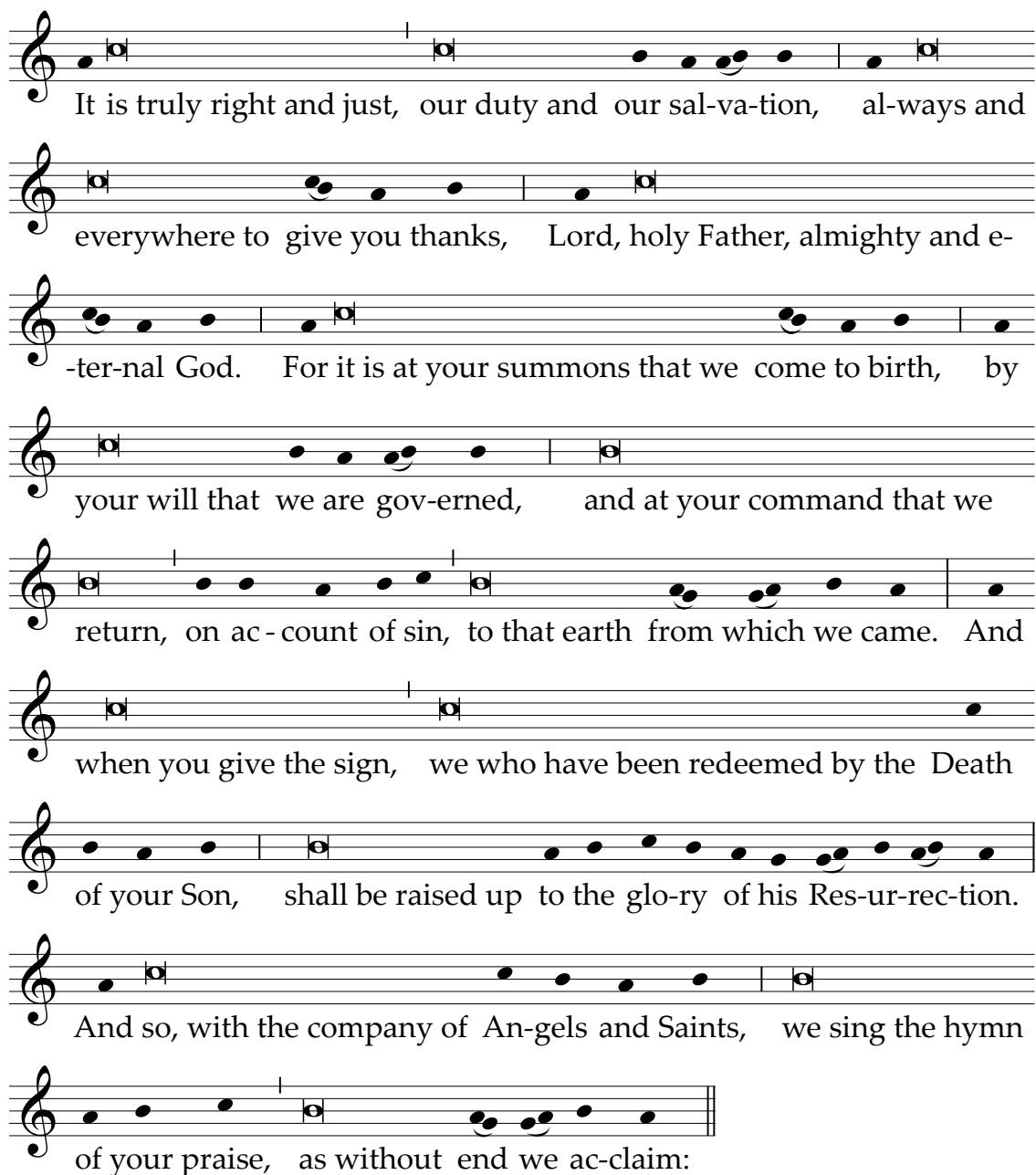


It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. For he is the salvation of  
the world, the life of the hu-man race, the resurrec-tion of the  
dead. Through him the host of Angels a-dores your maj-es-ty  
and re-joic-es in your pres-ence for ev-er. May our voices, we pray,  
join with theirs in one chorus of ex-ult-ant praise, as we ac-claim:

## PREFACE IV FOR THE DEAD

From earthly life to heavenly glory

81. The following Preface is said in Masses for the Dead.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For it is at your summons that we come to birth, by  
your will that we are gov-erned, and at your command that we  
return, on ac-count of sin, to that earth from which we came. And  
when you give the sign, we who have been redeemed by the Death  
of your Son, shall be raised up to the glo-ry of his Res-ur-rec-tion.  
And so, with the company of An-gels and Saints, we sing the hymn  
of your praise, as without end we ac-claim:

## PREFACE V FOR THE DEAD

### Our resurrection through the victory of Christ

82. The following Preface is said in Masses for the Dead.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways and  
everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-  
-ter-nal God. For even though by our own fault we per-ish, yet  
by your compassion and your grace, when seized by death accord-ing  
to our sins, we are redeemed through Christ's great vic-to-ry,  
and with him called back in-to life. And so, with the Pow-ers of  
heav-en, we worship you con-stant-ly on earth, and before your  
maj-es-ty without end we ac-claim: