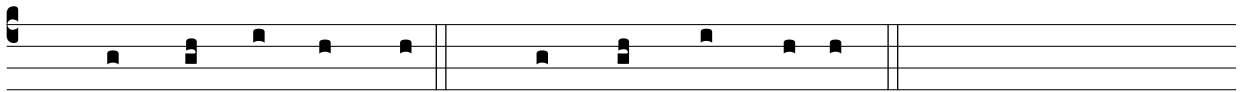
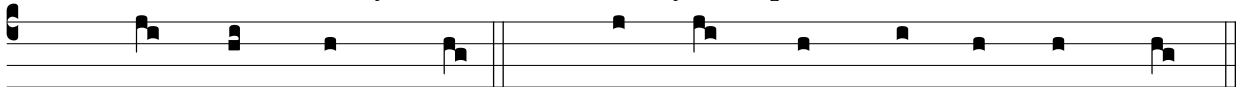


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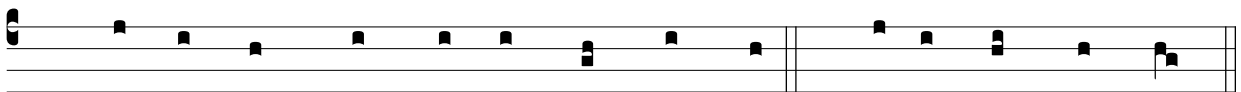
Religious life as service of God through the imitation of Christ



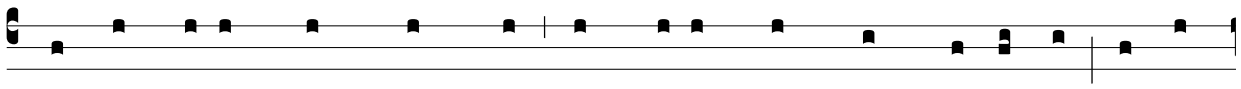
∇. The Lord be with you. Ṙ. And with your spir-it.



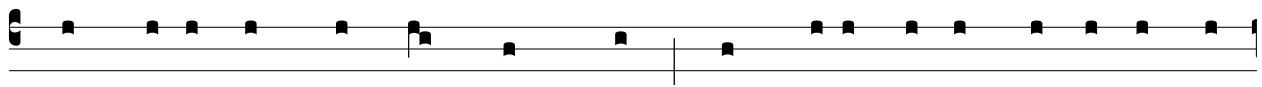
∇. Lift up your hearts. Ṙ. We lift them up to the Lord.



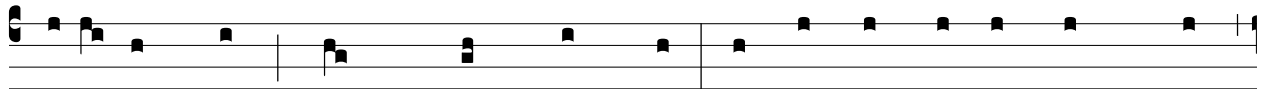
∇. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Ṙ. It is right and just.



It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways



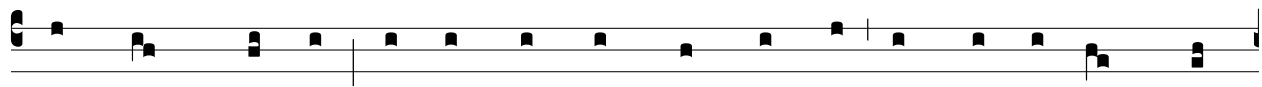
and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and



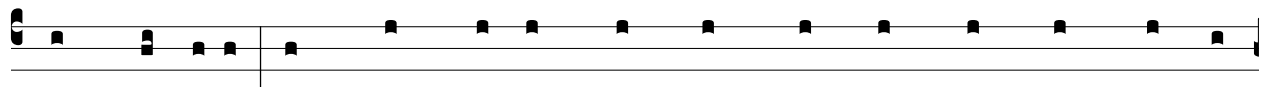
e-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. He is the unblemished flower,



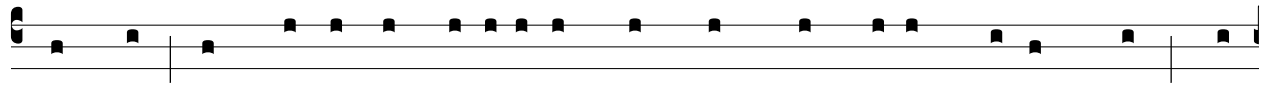
who sprang from the root of the Vir-gin and declared the pure



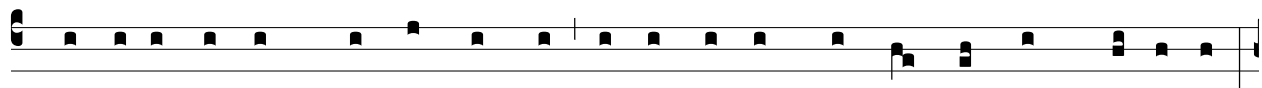
of heart bless-ed, teaching by his way of life the surpass-ing worth



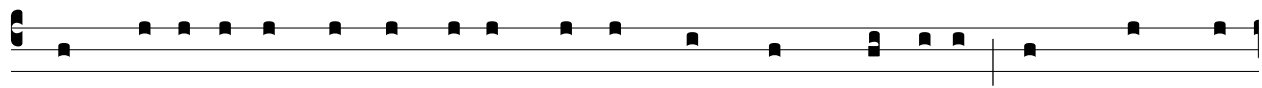
of chas-ti-ty. He chose always to hold fast to what is pleas-ing



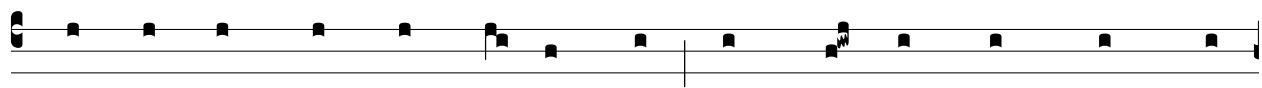
to you and, becoming o-bedient for our sake even un-til death, he



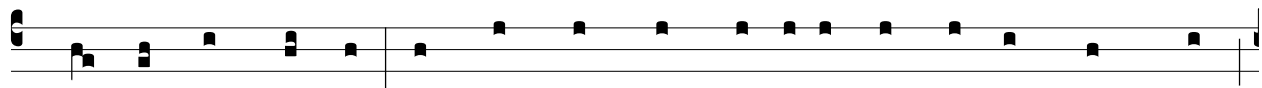
willingly offered him-self to you as a perfect and a fra-grant sac-ri-fice.



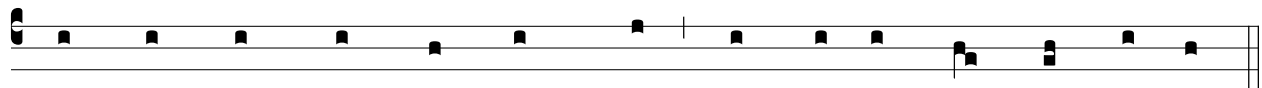
He consecrated to a fuller service of your maj-es-ty those who for



love of you leave all earth-ly things and prom-ised they would find



treas-ure in 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: