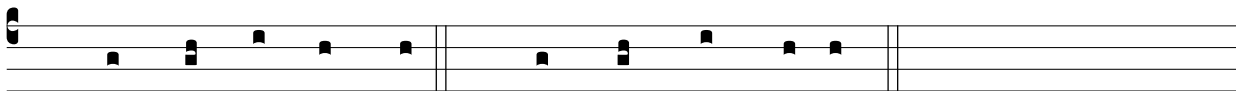
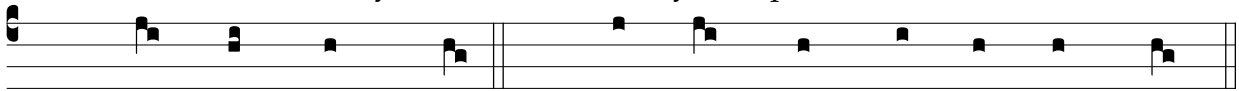


THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

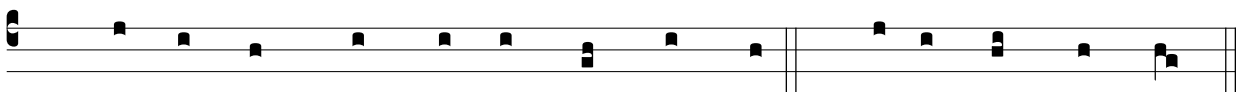
Mary, pattern and Mother of the Church



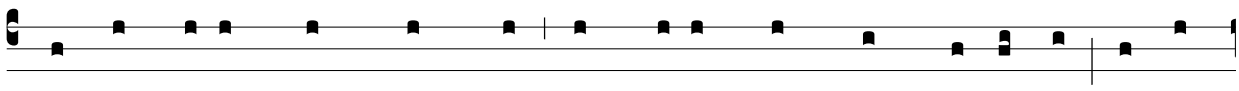
∇. The Lord be with you. Ṙ. And with your spir-it.



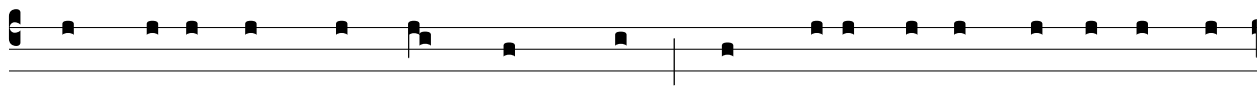
∇. Lift up your hearts. Ṙ. We lift them up to the Lord.



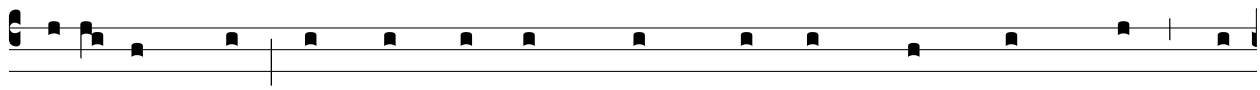
∇. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Ṙ. It is right and just.



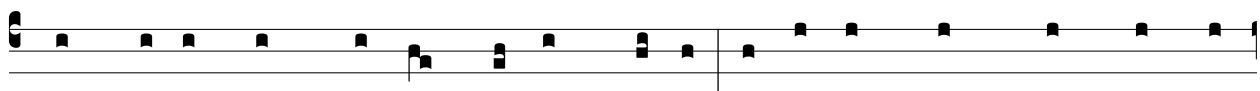
It is truly right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion, al-ways



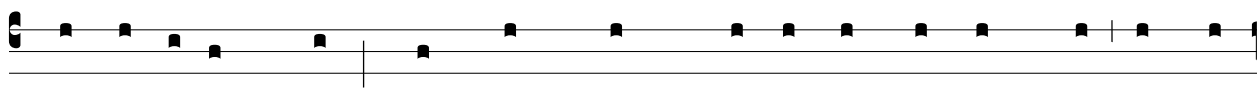
and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and



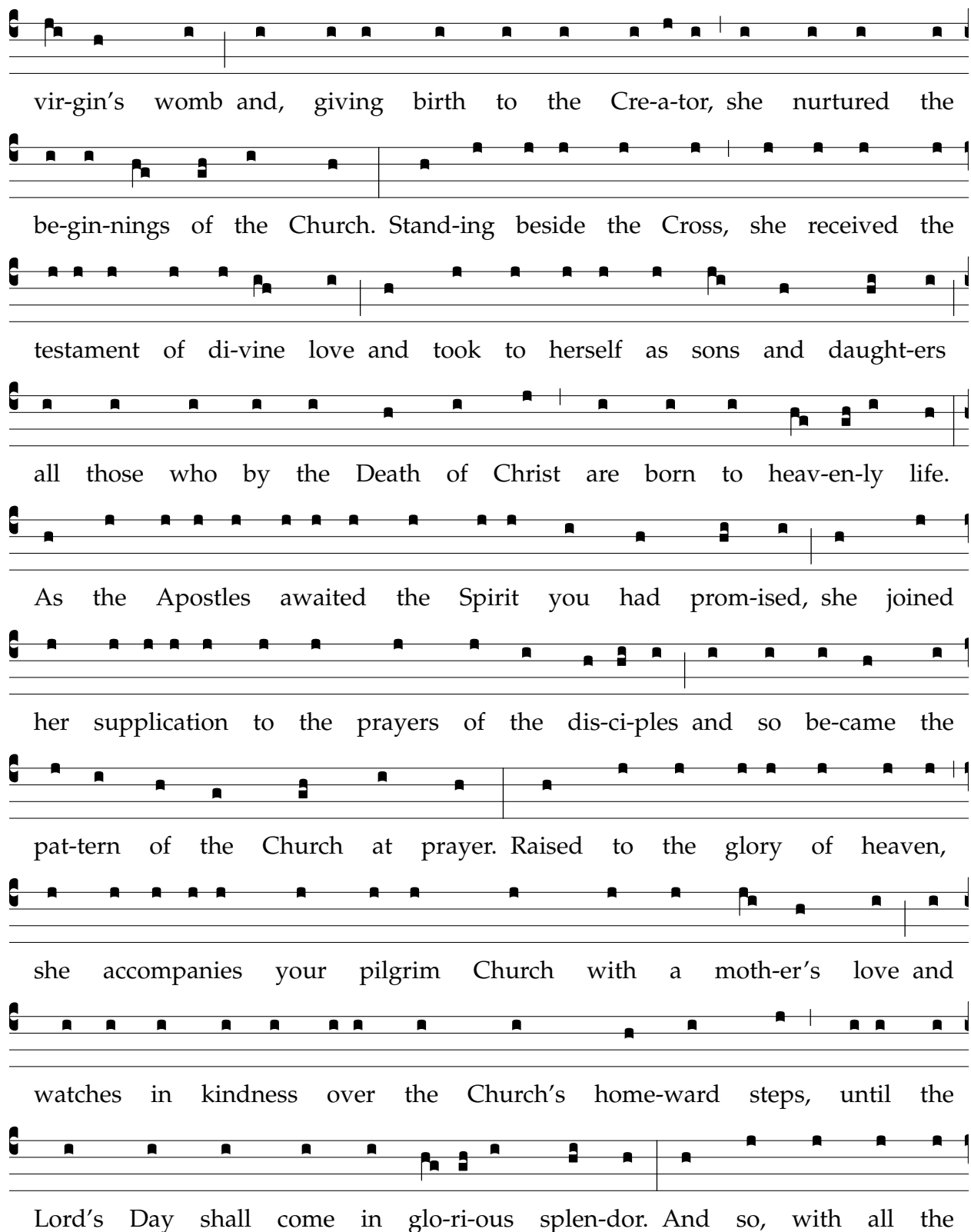
e-ter-nal God, and to proclaim your greatness with due praise, as



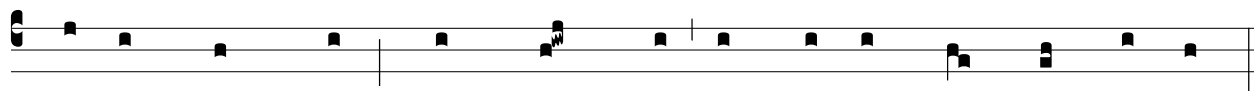
we honor the Bless-ed Vir-gin Mar-y. Re-ceiving your Word in her



Im-mac-u-late Heart, she was found worthy to conceive him in her



vir-gin's womb and, giving birth to the Cre-a-tor, she nurtured the
be-gin-nings of the Church. Stand-ing beside the Cross, she received the
testament of di-vine love and took to herself as sons and daught-ers
all those who by the Death of Christ are born to heav-en-ly life.
As the Apostles awaited the Spirit you had prom-ised, she joined
her supplication to the prayers of the dis-ci-ples and so be-came the
pat-tern of the Church at prayer. Raised to the glory of heaven,
she accompanies your pilgrim Church with a moth-er's love and
watches in kindness over the Church's home-ward steps, until the
Lord's Day shall come in glo-ri-ous splen-dor. And so, with all the



An-gels and Saints, we praise you, as without end we ac-claim: