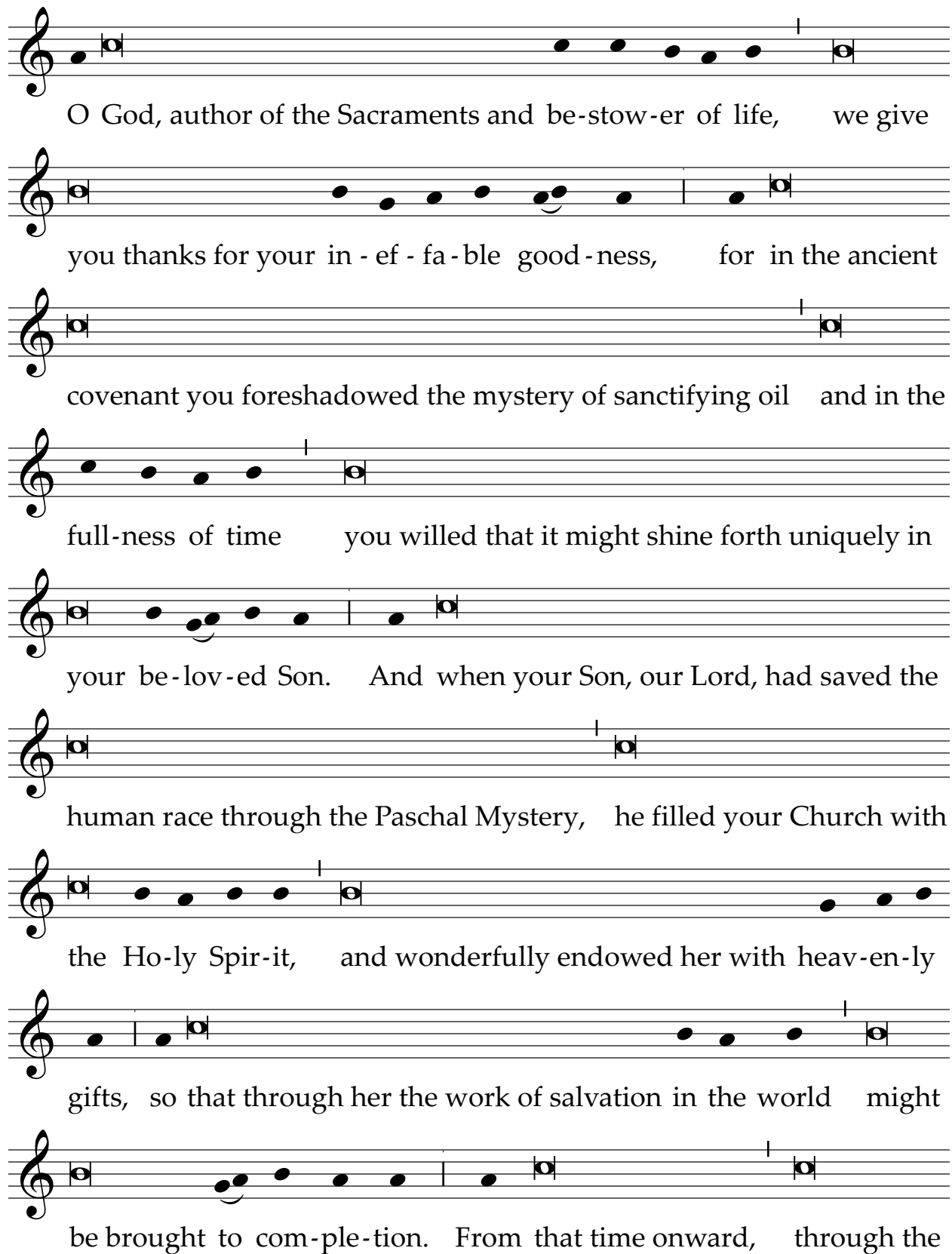


THE BLESSING OF THE OILS AND THE CONSECRATION OF THE CHRISM

Consecration of the Chrism, second option (no. 25-2)



O God, author of the Sacraments and be-stow-er of life, we give  
you thanks for your in - ef - fa - ble good - ness, for in the ancient  
covenant you foreshadowed the mystery of sanctifying oil and in the  
full-ness of time you willed that it might shine forth uniquely in  
your be-lov-ed Son. And when your Son, our Lord, had saved the  
human race through the Paschal Mystery, he filled your Church with  
the Ho-ly Spir-it, and wonderfully endowed her with heav-en-ly  
gifts, so that through her the work of salvation in the world might  
be brought to com-ple-tion. From that time onward, through the

sacred mys-te-ry of Chri-sm you have so bestowed the riches of  
 your grace upon all hu-ma-ni - ty, that your sons and daughters  
 born again in the cleansing waters of Baptism, are strengthened  
 by the anointing of the Spir-it and, conformed to your Christ,  
 they share in his prophetic, priestly, and king-ly of-fice.

All the concelebrants extend their right hand toward the Chrism until the end of the prayer, without saying anything.

There-fore we beseech you, O Lord, that by the power of your grace  
 this mingling of fra-grance and oil may become for us a sacrament  
 of your ✠ bless-ing. Pour out in abundance the gifts of the Ho-ly

Spir-it on our brothers and sisters anointed with this oil; a-dorn  
with the splen-dor of ho-li-ness the places and things signed by  
sa-cred oils; but above all, by the mystery of this oil, bring to  
completion the growth of your Church, until she reaches that  
meas-ure of full-ness in which you, resplendent with e-ter-nal  
light, will be all in all with Christ in the Ho-ly Spir-it, for ev-er  
and ev-er. **R.** A-men.

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