

Preface Prayers (76/76)

Giving Praise and Thanksgiving to God:

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Common Preface I

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

In Him You have been pleased to renew all things, giving us all a share in His fullness. For though He was in the form of God, He emptied Himself and by the Blood of His Cross brought peace to all creation.

Therefore He has been exalted above all things, and to all who obey Him, has become the source of eternal salvation.

And so, with [Angels](#) and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Common Preface II

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For in goodness You created man and, when He was justly condemned, in mercy You redeemed Him, through Christ our Lord.

Through Him the Angels praise Your majesty, [Dominions](#) adore and Powers tremble before You. Heaven and the Virtues of heaven and the blessed Seraphim worship together with exultation.

May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in humble praise, as we acclaim:

Common Preface III

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For just as through Your beloved Son You created the human race, so also through Him with great goodness You formed it anew.

And so, it is right that all Your creatures serve You, all the redeemed praise You, and all Your Saints with one heart bless You.

Therefore, we, too, extol You with all the Angels, as in joyful celebration we acclaim:

Common Preface IV

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For, although You have no need of our praise, yet our thanksgiving is itself Your gift, since our praises add nothing to Your greatness but profit us for salvation, through Christ our Lord.

And so, in company with the choirs of Angels. We praise You, and with joy we proclaim:

Common Preface V

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

His Death we celebrate in love, His Resurrection we confess with living faith, and His Coming in glory we await with unwavering hope.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we praise You, as without end we acclaim:

Common Preface VI (EPII)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Father most holy, through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, Your Word through whom You made all things, whom You sent as our Savior and Redeemer, incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin.

Fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people, He stretched out His hands as He endured His Passion, so as to break the bonds of death and manifest the resurrection.
And so, with the Angels and all the Saints, we declare Your glory, as with one voice we acclaim:

Preface I of Sundays in Ordinary Time

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.
For through His Paschal Mystery, He accomplished the marvelous deed, by which He has freed us from the yoke of sin and death, summoning us to the glory of being now called a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for Your own possession, to proclaim everywhere Your mighty works, for You have called us out of darkness into Your own wonderful light.
And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Preface II of Sundays in Ordinary Time

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.
For out of compassion for the waywardness that is ours, He humbled Himself and was born of the Virgin, by the passion of the Cross He freed us from unending death, and by rising from the dead He gave us life eternal.
And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Preface III of Sundays in Ordinary Time

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.
For we know it belongs to your boundless glory, that You came to the aid of mortal beings with Your Divinity and even fashioned for us a remedy out of mortality itself, that the cause of our downfall might become the means of our salvation, through Christ our Lord.
Through Him the host of Angels adore your majesty and rejoices in Your presence forever. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in one chorus of exultant praise, as we acclaim:

Preface IV of Sundays in Ordinary Time

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.
For by His birth He brought renewal to humanity's fallen state, and by His suffering, cancelled out our sins; by His rising from the dead He has opened the way to eternal life, and by ascending to You, O Father, He has unlocked the gates of heaven.
And so, with the company of Angels and Saints, we sing the hymn of Your praise, as without end we acclaim:

Preface V of Sundays in Ordinary Time

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.
For You laid the foundations of the world and have arranged the changing of times and seasons; You formed man in Your own image and set humanity over the whole world in all its wonder, to rule in Your Name over all You have made and forever praise You in Your mighty works, through Christ our Lord.
And so, with all the Angels, we praise You, as in joyful celebration we acclaim:

Preface VI of Sundays in Ordinary Time

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For in You we live and move and have our being, and while in this body we not only experience the daily effects of Your care, but even now possess the pledge of life eternal.

For, having received the first fruits of the Spirit, through whom You raised up Jesus from the dead, we hope for an everlasting share in the Paschal Mystery.

And so, with all the Angels, we praise You, as in joyful celebration we acclaim:

Preface VII of Sundays in Ordinary Time

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You so loved the world that in Your mercy You sent us the Redeemer, 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 sinning, we had lost in disobedience.

And so Lord, with all the Angels and Saints, we, too, give You thanks, as in exultation we acclaim:

Preface VIII of Sundays in Ordinary Time

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For when Your children were scattered afar by sin, through the Blood of Your Son and the power of the Spirit, You gathered them again to Yourself, that a people, formed as one by the unity of the Trinity, made the Body of Christ and the temple of the Holy Spirit, might, to the praise of Your manifold wisdom, be manifest as the Church.

And so, in company with the choirs of Angels, we praise You, and with joy we proclaim:

Christ the King

It is truly right and just, our duty and salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, Holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You anointed Your Only Begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, with the oil of gladness as Eternal Priest and King of all creation, so that, by offering Himself on the altar of the Cross as a spotless sacrifice to bring us peace, He might accomplish the mysteries of human redemption and, making all created things subject to His rule, He might present to the immensity of Your Majesty an eternal and universal Kingdom, a Kingdom of truth and life, a Kingdom of holiness and grace, a Kingdom of justice, love, and peace.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your Glory, as without end we acclaim:

Preface I of Advent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For He assumed at his first coming the lowliness of human flesh, and so fulfilled the design You formed long ago, and opened for us the way to eternal salvation, that, when He comes again in glory and majesty and all is at last made manifest, we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise in which now we dare to hope.

And so, with Angels and [Archangels](#), with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Preface II of Advent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For all the oracles of the prophets foretold Him, the Virgin Mother longed for Him with love beyond all telling, John the Baptist sang of his coming and proclaimed his presence when He came.

It is by his gift that already we rejoice at the mystery of his Nativity, so that He may find us watchful in prayer and exultant in his praise.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with [Thrones](#) and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Preface I of the Nativity of the Lord

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For in the mystery of the Word made flesh a new light of your glory has shone upon the eyes of our mind, so that, as we recognize in Him God made visible, we may be caught up through Him in love of things invisible.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Preface II of the Nativity of the Lord

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For on the feast of his awe-filled mystery, though invisible in His own divine nature, He has appeared visibly in ours; and begotten before all ages, He has begun to exist in time; so that, raising up in Himself all that was cast down, He might restore unity to all creation and call straying humanity back to the heavenly Kingdom.

And so, with Angels, we praise You, as in joyful celebration we acclaim:

Preface III of the Nativity of the Lord

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For through Him the holy exchange that restores our life has shone forth today in splendor: when our frailty is assumed by Your word not only does human mortality receive unending honor but by this wondrous union we, too, are made eternal.

And so, in company with the choirs of Angels, we praise You, and with joy we proclaim:

Preface of the Epiphany of the Lord

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For today You have revealed the mystery of our salvation in Christ as a light for the nations, and, when He appeared in our mortal nature, You made us new by the glory of His immortal nature.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Preface of the Presentation of the Lord

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For Your Co-Eternal Son was presented on this day in the Temple and revealed by the Spirit as the glory of Israel and Light of the nations.

And so, we too, go forth, rejoicing to encounter Your Salvation, and with the Angels and Saints praise You, as without end we acclaim:

Preface of the Baptism of the Lord

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For in the waters of the Jordan You revealed with signs and wonders a new Baptism, so that through the Voice that came down from heaven we might come to believe in Your Word dwelling among us, and by the Spirit's descending in the likeness of a dove we might know that Christ Your Servant has been anointed with the oil of gladness and sent to bring the good news to the poor.

And so, with the Powers of heaven, we worship You constantly on earth, and before Your majesty without end we acclaim:

Preface I of Lent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For by your gracious gift each year Your faithful await the sacred paschal feasts with the joy of minds made pure, so that, more eagerly intent on prayer and on the works of charity, and participating in the mysteries by which they have been reborn, they may be led to the fullness of grace that You bestow on

Your sons and daughters.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your glory as without end we acclaim:

Preface II of Lent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You have given Your children a sacred time for the renewing and purifying of their hearts, that, freed from disordered affections, they may so deal with the things of this passing world as to hold rather to the things that eternally endure.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we praise You, as without end we acclaim:

Preface III of Lent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You will that our self-denial should give You thanks, humble our sinful pride, contribute to the feeding of the poor, and so help us imitate You in Your kindness.

And so we glorify You with countless Angels, as with one voice of praise we acclaim:

Preface IV of Lent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For through bodily fasting You restrain our faults, raise up our minds, and bestow both virtue and its rewards, through Christ our lord.

Through Him the Angels praise your majesty, Dominions adore and Powers tremble before You. Heaven and the [Virtues](#) of heaven and the blessed Seraphim worship together with exultation. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in humble praise, as we acclaim:

Preface of First Sunday of Lent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

By abstaining forty long days from earthly food, He consecrated through His fast the pattern of our Lenten observance and, by overturning all the snares of the ancient serpent, taught us to cast out the leaven of malice, so that, celebrating worthily the Paschal Mystery, we might pass over at last to the eternal paschal feast.

And so, with the company of Angels and Saints, we sing the hymn of Your praise, as without end we acclaim:

Preface of Second Sunday of Lent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For after He had told the disciples of his coming Death, on the holy mountain He manifested to them his glory, to show, even by the testimony of the law and the prophets, that the Passion leads to the glory of the Resurrection.

And so, with the Powers of heaven, we worship You constantly on earth, and before Your majesty without end we acclaim:

Preface of Third Sunday of Lent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For when He asked the Samaritan woman for water to drink, He had already created the gift of faith within her and so ardently did He thirst for her faith, that He kindled in her the fire of divine love.

And so we, too, give You thanks and with the Angels praise Your mighty deeds, as we acclaim:

Preface of Fourth Sunday of Lent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

By the mystery of the Incarnation, He has led the human race that walked in darkness into the radiance of the faith and He brought those born in slavery to ancient sin through the waters of regeneration to make them Your adopted children.

Therefore, all creatures of heaven and earth sing a new song in adoration, and we, with all the host of Angels, cry out, and without end acclaim:

Preface of Fifth Sunday of Lent

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For as true man He wept for Lazarus his friend and as Eternal God raised Him from the tomb, just as, taking pity on the human, He leads us by sacred mysteries to new life.

Through Him the host of Angels adores Your majesty and rejoices in Your presence for ever. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in one chorus of exultant praise, as we acclaim:

Preface of the Passion of the Lord I

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For through the saving Passion of your Son the whole world has received a heart to confess the infinite power of your majesty, since by the wondrous power of the Cross your judgment on the world is now revealed and the authority of Christ crucified.

And so, Lord, with all the Angels and Saints, we, too, give You thanks, as in exultation we acclaim:

Preface of the Passion of the Lord II

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For the days of his saving Passion and glorious Resurrection are approaching, by which the pride of the ancient foe is vanquished and the mystery of our redemption is celebrated.

Through Him the host of Angels adores Your majesty and rejoices in Your presence for ever. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in one chorus of exultant praise, as we acclaim:

Preface of the Passion of the Lord (Palm Sunday)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For, though innocent, He suffered willingly for sinners and accepted unjust condemnation to save the guilty. His Death has washed away our sins, and His Resurrection has purchased our justification.

And so, with all the Angels, we praise You, as in joyful celebration we acclaim:

Preface of Easter I

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim You, O Lord, but above all to laud You yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

For He is the true Lamb who has taken away the sins of the world; by dying He has destroyed our death, and by rising, restored our life.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in Your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of Your glory, as they acclaim:

Preface of Easter II

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim You, O Lord, but in this time above all to laud You yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

Through Him the children of light rise to eternal life and the halls of the heavenly Kingdom are thrown open to the faithful; for His Death is our ransom from death, and in His rising the life of all has risen.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in Your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of Your glory, as they acclaim:

Preface of Easter III

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim You, O Lord, but in this time above all to laud You yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

He never ceases to offer Himself for us but defends us and ever pleads our cause before You: He is the sacrificial Victim who dies no more, the Lamb, once slain, who lives for ever.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in Your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of Your glory, as they acclaim:

Preface of Easter IV

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim You, O Lord, but in this time above all to laud You yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

For, with the old order destroyed, a universe cast down is renewed, and integrity of life is restored to us in Christ.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they acclaim:

Preface of Easter V

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim You, O Lord, but in this time above all to laud You yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

By the oblation of His Body, He brought the sacrifices of old to fulfillment in the reality of the Cross and, by commending Himself to You for our salvation, showed Himself the Priest, the Altar, and the Lamb of sacrifice.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in Your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of Your glory, as they acclaim:

Preface of the Ascension of the Lord I

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For the Lord Jesus, the king of glory, conqueror of sin and death, ascended (today) to the highest heavens, as the angels gazed in wonder.

Mediator between God and man, judge of the world and Lord of hosts, He ascended, not to distance Himself from our lowly state but that we, His members, might be confident of following where He, our Head and Founder, has gone before.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in Your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of Your glory, as they acclaim:

Preface of the Ascension of the Lord II

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For after His Resurrection He plainly appeared to all His disciples and was taken up to heaven in their sight, that He might make us sharers in His divinity.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in Your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of Your glory, as they acclaim:

Preface of Pentecost

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For bringing Your Paschal Mystery to completion, You bestowed the Holy Spirit today on those You made Your adopted children by uniting them to your Only Begotten Son. This same Spirit, as the Church came to birth, opened to all peoples the knowledge of God and brought together many languages of the earth in profession of the one faith.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in Your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of Your glory, as they acclaim:

Preface of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For raised up high on the Cross, He gave Himself up for us with a wonderful love and poured out blood and water from His pierced side, the wellspring of the Church's Sacraments, so that, won over to the open heart of the Savior, all might draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we praise You, as without end we acclaim:

Preface of The Holy Trinity

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For with your Only Begotten Son and the Holy Spirit You are One God, One Lord: not in the unity of a single person, but in a Trinity of One substance.

For what You have revealed to us of Your glory we believe equally of Your Son and of the Holy Spirit, so that, in the confessing of the true and Eternal Godhead, You might be adored in what is proper to each Person, Their unity in substance, and Their equality in majesty.

For this is praised by Angels and Archangels, [Cherubim](#), too, and Seraphim, who never cease to cry out each day, as with one voice they acclaim:

Corpus Christi

It is truly right and just, our duty and salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, Holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ, our Lord.

For at the Last Supper with His Apostles, establishing for the ages to come the saving memorial of the Cross, He offered Himself to You as the unblemished Lamb, the acceptable gift of perfect praise. Nourishing Your faithful by this sacred mystery, You make them holy, so that the human race, bounded by one word, may be enlightened by one faith and united by one bond of charity.

And so, we approach the table of this wondrous Sacrament, so that, bathed in the sweetness of Your grace, we may pass over to the heavenly realities here forshadowed. Therefore, all creatures of heaven and earth sing a new song in adoration, and we, with all the host of Angels, cry out, with end we acclaim:

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You placed the salvation of the human race on the wood of the Cross, so that, where death arose, life might again spring forth and the evil one, who conquered on a tree, might likewise on a tree be conquered, through Christ our Lord.

Through Him the Angels praise Your majesty, Dominions adore and Powers tremble before You. Heaven and the Virtues of heaven and the blessed Seraphim worship together with exultation. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in humble praise, as we acclaim:

The Transfiguration of the Lord

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For He revealed His glory in the presence of chosen witnesses and filled with the greatest splendor that bodily form which He shares with all humanity, that the scandal of the Cross might be removed from the hearts of His disciples and that He might show how in the body of the whole Church is to be fulfilled what so wonderfully shone forth first in its Head.

And so, with the Powers of heaven, we worship You constantly on earth, and before Your majesty without end we acclaim:

Holy Spirit I

It is truly right and just, our duty and salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, Holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

Ascending above all the heavens and sitting at Your Right Hand, He poured out the promised Holy Spirit on Your adopted children.

Therefore, now and for the ages unending, with all the host of Angels, we sing to You with all our hearts, crying out as we acclaim:

Holy Spirit II

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, Holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You bestow gifts suited to every season and guide the governing of Your Church in wonderful ways. By the power of the Holy Spirit You come unfailingly to her aid, so that with a heart always subject to You she may never fail to seek Your help in time of trouble nor cease to give thanks in time of joy, through Christ our Lord.

And so, in company with the choirs of Angels, we praise You, and with joy proclaim:

Preface of John the Baptist

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, Holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

In his Precursor, Saint John the Baptist, we praise Your great glory, for You consecrated him for a single honor among those born of women.

His birth brought great rejoicing; even in the womb he leapt for joy at the coming of human salvation. He alone of all the prophets pointed out the Lamb of redemption.

And to make holy the flowing waters he baptized the very Author of Baptism and was privileged to bear Him the supreme witness by the shedding of his blood.

And so, with the powers of heaven, we worship You constantly on earth, and before Your majesty without end we acclaim:

Preface of Peter and Paul

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For by Your providence the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul bring us joy: Peter, foremost in confessing the faith, Paul, its outstanding preacher, Peter, who established the early Church from the remnant of Israel, Paul, master and teacher of the Gentiles that You call.

And so, each in a different way gathered together the one family of Christ; and revered together throughout the world, they share one Martyr's crown.

And therefore, with all the Angels and Saints, we praise You, as without end we acclaim:

Preface I of the Apostles

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You, eternal Shepherd, do not desert Your flock, but through the blessed Apostles watch over it and protect it always, so that it may be governed by those You have appointed shepherds to lead it in the Name of Your Son.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Preface II of the Apostles

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.
For You have built Your Church to stand firm on apostolic foundations, to be a lasting sign of Your holiness on earth and offer all humanity Your heavenly teaching.

Therefore, now and for ages unending, with all the host of Angels, we sing to You with all our hearts, crying out as we acclaim:

Preface I of the Holy Martyrs

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For the blood of Your blessed Martyr N., poured out like Christ's to glorify Your name, shows forth Your marvelous works, by which in our weakness You perfect Your power and on the feeble bestow strength to bear You witness, through Christ our Lord.

And so, with the Powers of heaven, we worship You constantly on earth, and before Your majesty without end we acclaim:

Preface II of the Holy Martyrs

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You are glorified when Your Saints are praised; their very sufferings are but wonders of Your might: in Your mercy You give ardor to their faith, to their endurance You grant firm resolve, and in their struggle the victory is Yours, through Christ our Lord.

Therefore, all creatures of heaven and earth sing a new song in adoration, and we, with all the host of Angels, cry out, and without end we acclaim:

Preface of the Holy Pastors

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For, as on the festival of Saint N. You bid Your Church rejoice, so, too, You strengthen her by the example of his holy life, teach her by his words of preaching, and keep her safe in answer to his prayers.

And so, with the company of Angels and Saints, we sing the hymn of Your praise, as without end we acclaim:

Preface of the Holy Virgins and Religious

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For in the Saints who consecrated themselves to Christ for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven, it is right to celebrate the wonders of Your providence, by which You call human nature back to its original holiness and bring it to experience on this earth the gifts You promise in the new world to come.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we praise You, as without end we acclaim:

Preface of the Saints I

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You are praised in the company of Your Saints and, in crowning their merits, You crown Your own gifts.

By their way of life You offer us an example, by communion with them You give us companionship, by their intercession, sure support, so that, encouraged by so great a cloud of witnesses, we may run as victors in the race before us and win with them the imperishable crown of glory, through Christ our Lord. And so, with the Angels and Archangels, and with the great multitude of the Saints, we sing the hymn of Your praise, as without end we acclaim:

Preface of the Saints II

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord. For in the marvelous confession of Your Saints, You make Your Church fruitful with strength ever new and offer us sure signs of Your love. And that Your saving mysteries may be fulfilled, their great example lends us courage, their fervent prayers sustain us in all we do.

And so, Lord, with all the Angels and Saints, we, too, give You thanks, as in exultation we acclaim:

Preface of Saint Joseph

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, and on the Solemnity of Saint Joseph to give You fitting praise, to glorify You and bless You.

For this just man was given by You as spouse to the Virgin Mother of God and set as a wise and faithful servant in charge of your household to watch like a father over Your Only Begotten Son, who was conceived by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Through Him the Angels praise Your majesty, Dominions adore and Powers tremble before You. Heaven and the Virtues of heaven and the blessed [Seraphim](#) worship together with exultation. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in humble praise, as we acclaim:

Preface of Immaculate Conception of Mary (page 1016)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You preserved the most Blessed Virgin Mary from all stain of original sin, so that in her, endowed with the rich fullness of Your grace, You might prepare a worthy Mother for Your Son and signify the beginning of the Church, His beautiful Bride without spot or wrinkle.

She, the most pure Virgin, was to bring forth a Son, the innocent Lamb who would wipe away our offenses; You placed her above all others to be for Your people an advocate of grace and a model of holiness.

And so, in company with the choirs of Angels, we praise You, and with joy we proclaim:

Preface of the Annunciation of the Lord

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For the Virgin Mary heard with faith that the Christ was to be born among men and for men's sake by the overshadowing power of the Holy Spirit. Lovingly she bore Him in her immaculate womb, that the promises to the children of Israel might come about and the hope of nations be accomplished beyond all telling.

Through Him the host of Angels adores Your majesty and rejoices in Your presence for ever. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in one chorus of exultant praise, as we acclaim:

Assumption of Mary

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For today the Virgin Mother of God was assumed into heaven as the beginning and image of Your Church's coming to perfection and a sign of sure hope and comfort to Your pilgrim people; rightly You would not allow her to see the corruption of the tomb since from her own body she marvelously brought forth Your Incarnate Son, the Author of all life.

And so, in company with the choirs of Angels, we praise You, and with joy we proclaim:

Preface I of the Blessed Virgin Mary

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, and to praise, bless, and glorify Your name.

Mary, Mother of God: on the Solemnity of the Motherhood Our Lady's Saturday: in veneration of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

For by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit she conceived Your Only Begotten Son, and without losing the glory of virginity, brought forth into the world the eternal Light, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Him the Angels praise Your majesty, Dominions adore and Powers tremble before You. Heaven and the Virtues of heaven and the blessed Seraphim worship together with exultation.

May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in humble praise, as we acclaim:

Preface II of the Blessed Virgin Mary

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, to praise Your mighty deeds in the exaltation of all the Saints, and especially, as we celebrate the memory of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to proclaim Your kindness as we echo her thankful hymn of praise.

For truly even to the earth's ends You have done great things and extended Your abundant mercy from age to age: when You looked on the lowliness of Your handmaid, You gave us through her the Author of our salvation, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Him the host of Angels adores Your majesty and rejoices in Your presence for ever. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in one chorus of exultant praise, as we acclaim:

Mary, Mother of the Church

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, Holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, and to proclaim Your greatness with due praise, as we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Receiving Your Word in her Immaculate Heart, she was found worthy to conceive Him in her virgin's womb and, by giving birth to the Creator, she nurtured the beginnings of the Church.

Standing beside the Cross, she received the testament of Divine Love and took to herself as sons and daughters all those won by the Death of Christ are born to heavenly life.

As the Apostles awaited the Spirit You had promised, she joined her supplication to the prayers of the disciples and so became the pattern of the Church at prayer.

Raised to the glory of heaven, she accompanies Your pilgrim Church with a mother's love and watches with indness over the Church's homeward steps, until the Lord's Day shall come in glorious splendor.

And so, with all the Angel and Saints, we praise You, as without end we acclaim:

Preface of the Eucharistic Prayer IV

It is truly right to give You thanks, truly just to give You glory, Father most holy, for You are the one God living and true, existing before all ages and abiding for all eternity, dwelling in unapproachable Light; yet You, who alone are good, the source of Life, have made all that is, so that You might fill your creatures with blessings and bring You to many of them by the glory of Your Light.

And so, in Your presence are countless hosts of Angels, who serve You day and night and, gazing upon the glory of Your face, glorify You without ceasing.

With them we, too, confess Your name in exultation, giving voice to every creature under heaven, as we acclaim:

Holy Angels (10/19/12)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, and to praise You without end in Your Archangels and Angels.

For the honor we pay the angelic creatures in whom You delight redounds to Your own surpassing glory, and by their great dignity and splendor You show how infinitely great You are, to be exalted above all things, through Christ our Lord.

Through Him the multitude of Angels extols Your majesty, and we are united with them in exultant adoration, as with one voice of praise we acclaim:

Independence Day

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

He spoke to us a message of peace and taught us to live as brothers and sisters. His message took form in a vision of our founding fathers as they fashioned a nation where we might live as one. His message lives on in our midst as our task for today and a promise for tomorrow.

And so, with hearts full of love, we join the angels today and every day of our lives, to sing Your glory as we acclaim:

Thanksgiving

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, Holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

You have entrusted to us the great gift of freedom, a gift that calls forth responsibility and commitment to the truth that all have a fundamental dignity before You. In Jesus, through His Death and Resurrection, we find our ultimate redemption, freedom from sin, and every blessing.

And so, with hearts full of love, we join the angels, today and every day of our lives, to sing Your glory as we acclaim:

Preface of The Most Holy Eucharist I

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For He is the true and eternal Priest, who instituted the pattern of an everlasting sacrifice and was the first to offer Himself as the saving Victim, commanding us to make this offering as His memorial.

As we eat His flesh that was sacrificed for us, we are made strong, and, as we drink His Blood that was poured out for us, we are washed clean.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of Your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Preface of The Most Holy Eucharist II

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For at the Last Supper with his Apostles, establishing for the ages to come the saving memorial of the Cross, He offered Himself to You as the unblemished Lamb, the acceptable gift of perfect praise.

Nourishing your faithful by this sacred mystery, You make them holy, so that the human race, bounded by one world, may be enlightened by one faith and united by one bond of charity.

And so, we approach the table of this wondrous Sacrament, so that, bathed in the sweetness of Your grace, we may pass over to the heavenly realities here foreshadowed.

Therefore, all creatures of heaven and earth sing a new song in adoration, and we, with all the host of Angels, cry out, and without end we acclaim:

Preface of Reconciliation I

It is truly right and just that we should always give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God.

For You do not cease to spur us on to possess a more abundant life and, being rich in mercy, You constantly offer pardon and call on sinners to trust in your forgiveness alone.

Never did You turn away from us, and, though time and again we have broken Your covenant, You have bound the human family to Yourself through Jesus your Son, our Redeemer, with a new bond of love so tight that it can never be undone.

Even now You set before your people a time of grace and reconciliation, and, as they turn back to You in Spirit, You grant them hope in Christ Jesus and a desire to be of service to all, while they entrust themselves more fully to the Holy Spirit.
And so, filled with wonder, we extol the power of Your love, and, proclaiming our joy at the salvation that comes from You, we join in the heavenly hymn of countless hosts, as without end we acclaim:

Preface of Reconciliation II

It is truly right and just that we should give You thanks and praise, O God, Almighty Father, for all You do in this world, through our Lord Jesus Christ.
For though the human race is divided by dissension and discord, yet we know that by testing us You change our hearts to prepare them for reconciliation.
Even more, by your Spirit You move human hearts that enemies may speak to each other again, adversaries join hands, and peoples seek to meet together.
By the working of your power it comes about, O Lord, that hatred is overcome by love, revenge gives way to forgiveness, and discord is changed to mutual respect.
Therefore, as we give You ceaseless thanks with the choirs of heaven, we cry out to Your majesty on earth, and without end we acclaim:

Preface of the Unity of Christians

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give You thanks, Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Eternal God, through Christ our Lord.
For through Him You brought us to the knowledge of Your truth, so that by the bond of one faith and one Baptism we might become His Body.
Through Him You poured out Your Holy Spirit among all the nations, so that in a wondrous manner He might prompt and engender unity in the diversity of your gifts, dwelling within Your adopted children and filling and ruling the whole Church.
And so, in company with the choirs of Angels. we praise You, and with joy we proclaim:

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