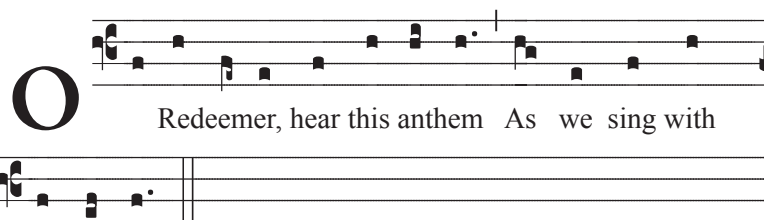


The Blessing of the Holy Oils

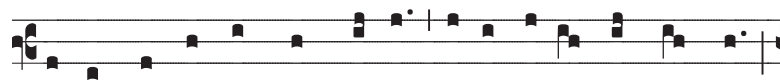
Two Cantors sing the following verse :



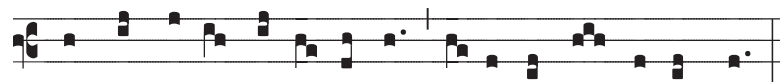
O Redeemer, hear this anthem As we sing with

one ac-cord.

The Choir repeats this verse. The two Cantors then sing the following verses :



Sacred will become this bounty That a fruitful tree once bore



When we bear it in procession Un-to you, our Saving Lord.

The Choir : O Redeemer.

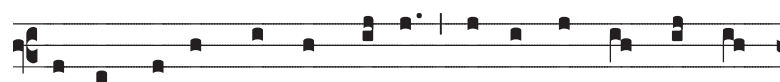


Consecrate, O King of heaven, Olive oil, a liv-ing sign ; Let




it thwart the demons' power, Lend to it your strength divine.

The Choir : O Redeemer.

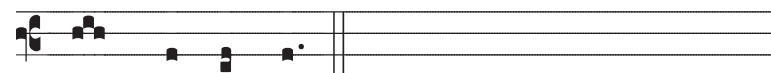


By this Chrism, men and women Are renewed as they are



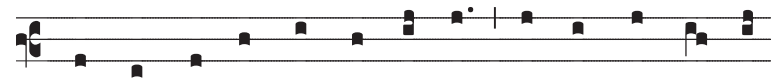
sealed, And our glo- ry, once so wounded, Now at last

The Choir : O Redeemer.

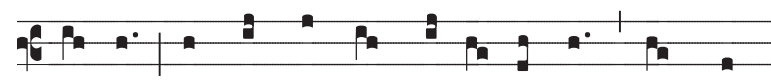


through grace is healed.

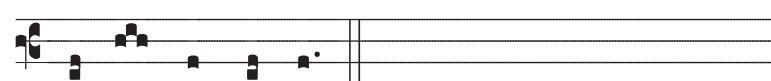
The Choir : O Redeemer.



When the sa-cred font has tak-en All the stains of sin

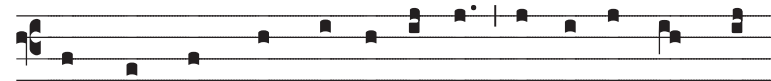


a- way, On those foreheads then a-noint-ed, Send your



gifts, O Lord, we pray.

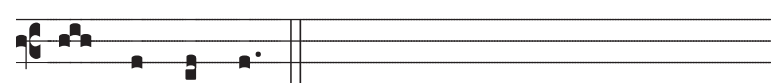
The Choir : O Redeemer.



Lord, who came from God the Fa-ther In the Vir-gin's womb



to rest, Grant us light, and let not per-ish Those who share



this Chri- sm blest.

May this day be al-ways fes-tive For all a- ges, we im-
plore ; Sanc- ti- fy the praise we of- fer, Let us bless
you ev- er- more.

The Choir : O Redeemer.

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