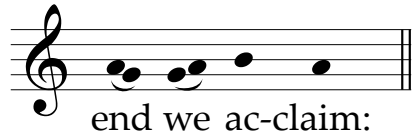


PREFACE I OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

The Paschal Mystery and the People of God



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. For through his Paschal
Mystery, he accomplished the mar-vel-ous deed, by which he has
freed us from the yoke of sin and death, sum-moning us to the glo-
-ry of be-ing now called a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy
nation, a people for your own pos-ses-sion, to proclaim every-
-where your might-y works, for you have called us out of dark-ness
into your own won-der-ful light. And so, with Angels and Arch-
-angels, with Thrones and Do-min-ions, and with all the hosts and
Pow-ers of heav-en, we sing the hymn of your glo-ry, as without



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