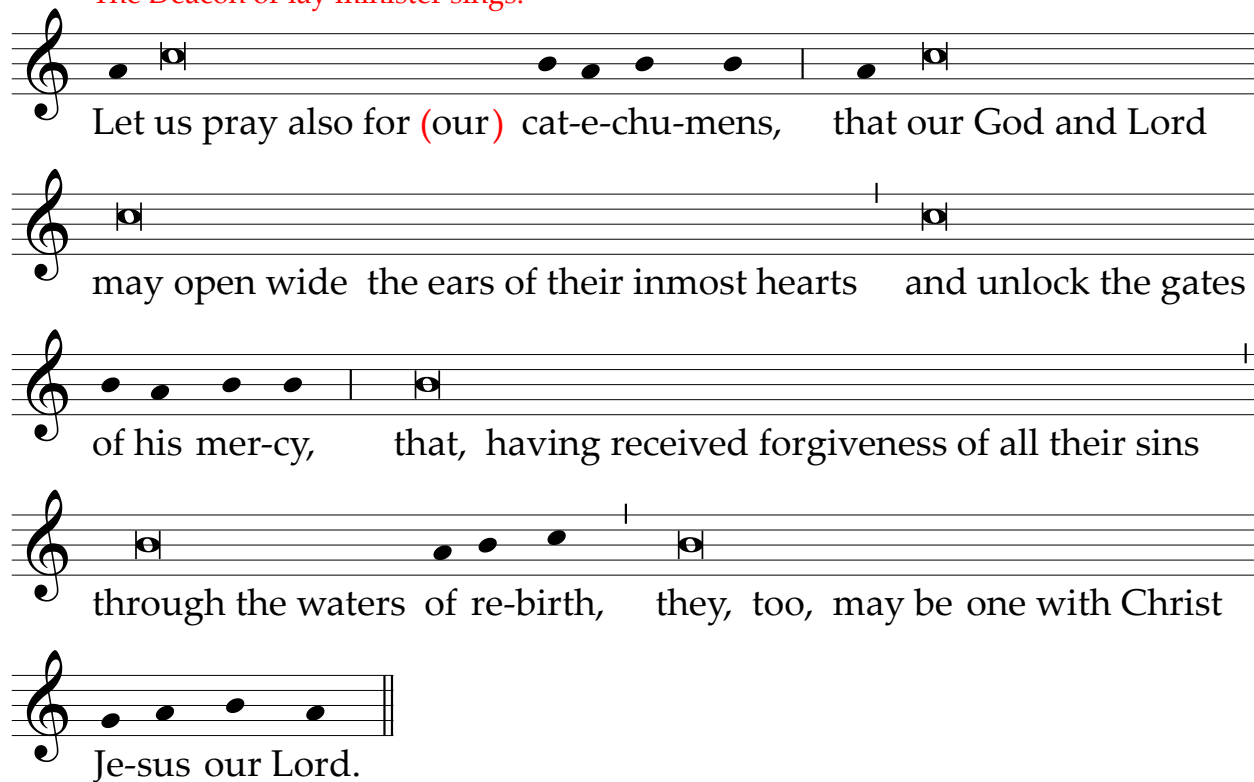


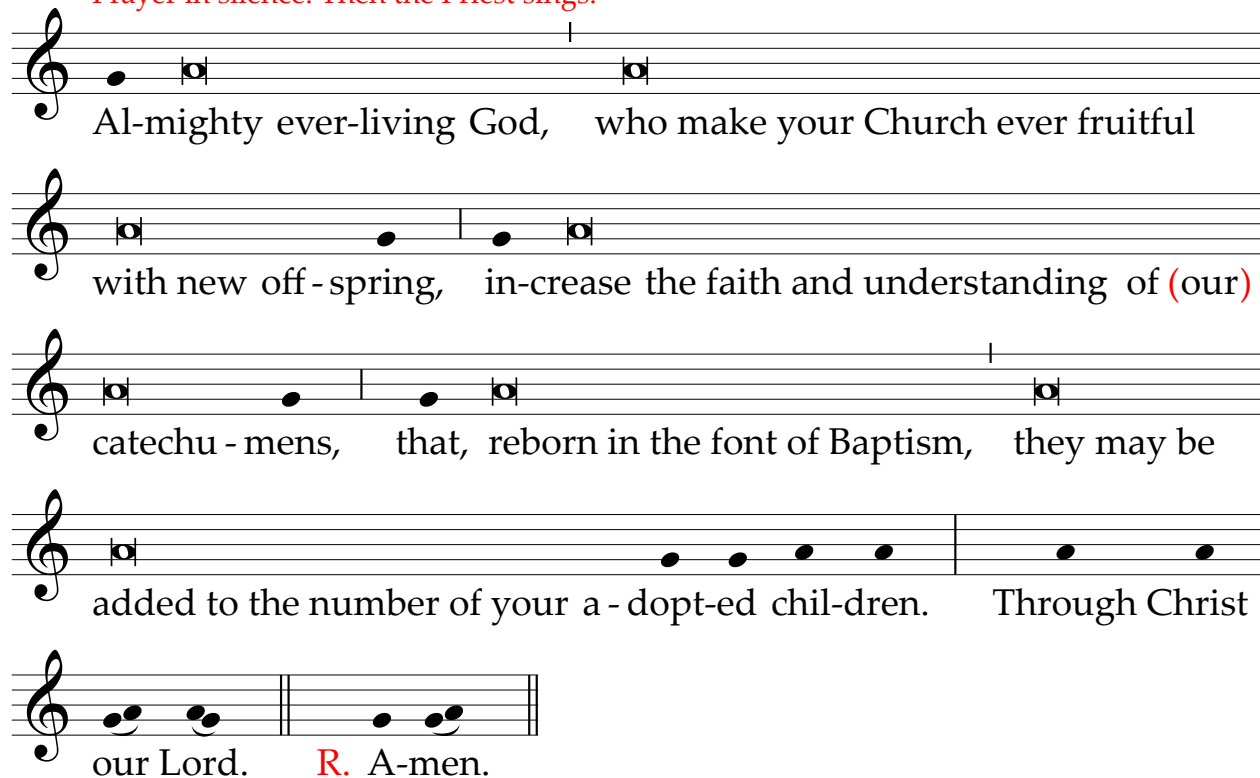
IV. For catechumens

The Deacon or lay minister sings:



Let us pray also for (our) cat-e-chu-mens, that our God and Lord
may open wide the ears of their inmost hearts and unlock the gates
of his mer-cy, that, having received forgiveness of all their sins
through the waters of re-birth, they, too, may be one with Christ
Je-sus our Lord.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest sings:



Al-mighty ever-living God, who make your Church ever fruitful
with new off-spring, in-crease the faith and understanding of (our)
catechu-mens, that, reborn in the font of Baptism, they may be
added to the number of your a-do-pt-ed chil-dren. Through Christ
our Lord. **R.** A-men.