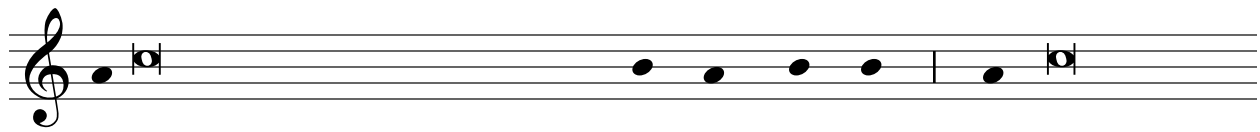
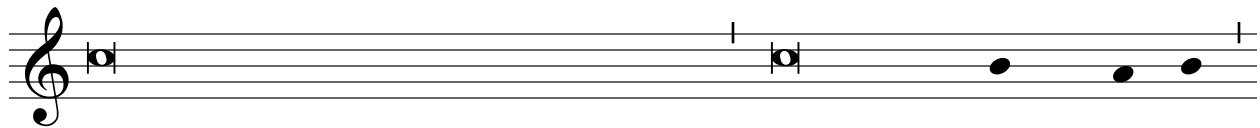


THE BLESSING OF THE OILS AND THE CONSECRATION OF THE CHRISM

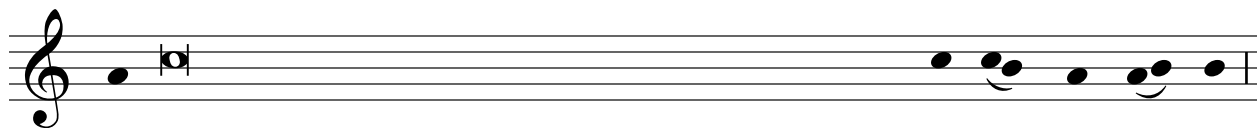
Blessing of the Oil of Catechumens (no. 22)



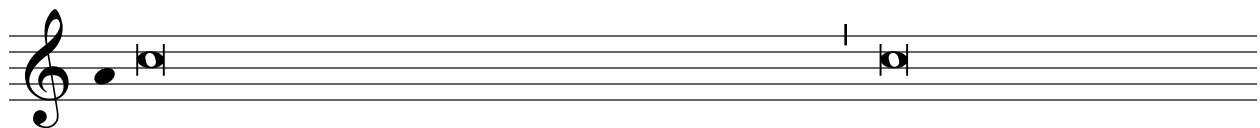
O God, strength and protection of your peo-ple, who have made



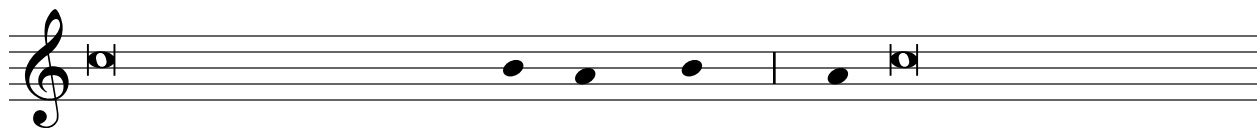
the oil you created a sign of strength, graciously bless ✠ this oil,



and grant courage to the catechumens who will be a-noin-ted with it,



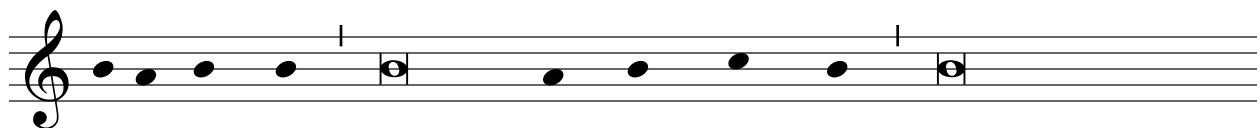
so that, receiving divine wisdom and power, they may understand



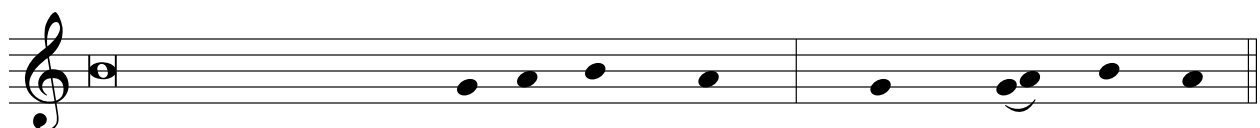
more deeply the Gospel of your Christ, they may undertake with



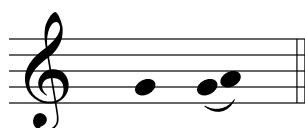
a generous heart the labors of the Chris-tian life, and, made worthy



of a-dop-tion as your sons and daugh-ters, they may rejoice to



be born anew and to live in your Church. Through Christ our Lord.



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