

# Rite For Receiving The Holy Oils\*

John Schiavone

VERSE 1: Cantor

Melody

1. Be-hold the oil of the sick, blessed by our Bish-op,—

Keyboard

to Refrain A or B

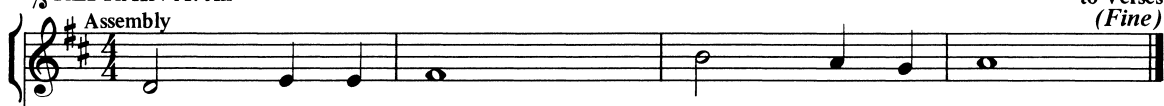
1. sent to us for the anointing of all who suf-fer ill-ness.—

© 1989, John Schiavone. Published by OCP, 5536 NE Hassalo, Portland, OR 97213. All rights reserved.

\*To take place at the beginning of the Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper.

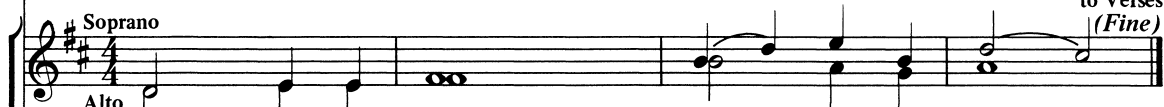
## REFRAIN A: All

Assembly to Verses  
(Fine)



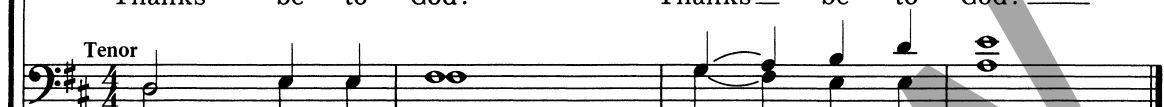
Thanks be to God! Thanks be to God!

Soprano to Verses  
(Fine)



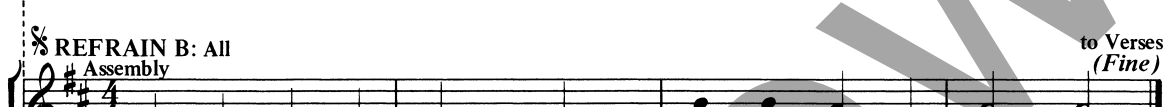
Thanks be to God! Thanks be to God!

Alto



Thanks be to God! Thanks be to God!

Tenor

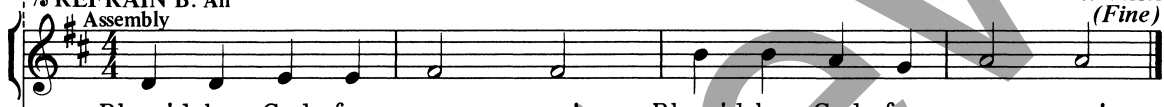


Thanks be to God! Thanks be to God!

Bass


## REFRAIN B: All

Assembly to Verses  
(Fine)




Bless'd be God for - ev - er! Bless'd be God for - ev - er!

Soprano to Verses  
(Fine)




Bless'd be God for - ev - er! Bless'd be God for - ev - er!

Alto



Bless'd be God for - ev - er! Bless'd be God for - ev - er!

Tenor



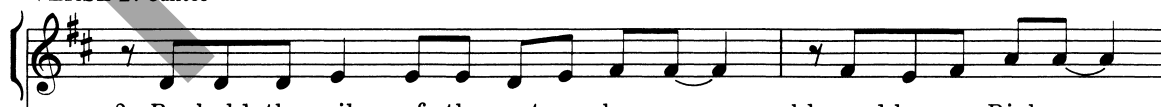
Bless'd be God for - ev - er! Bless'd be God for - ev - er!

Bass


to Verses  
(Fine)



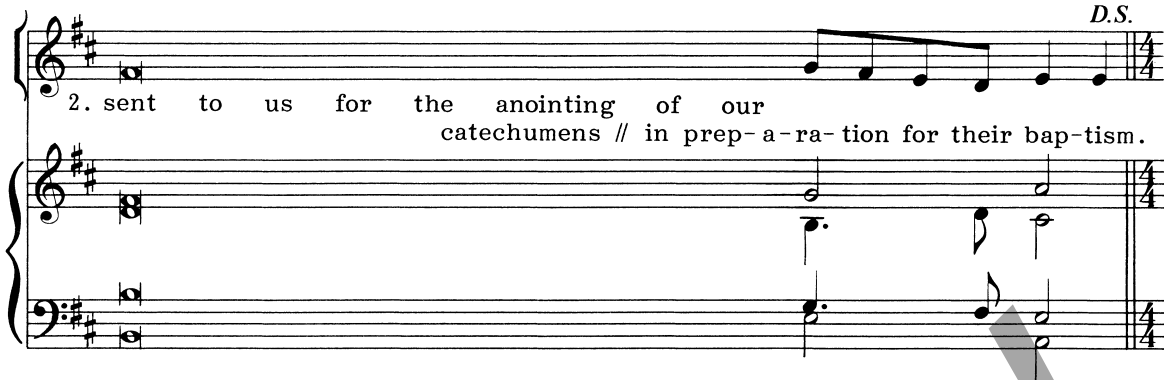
## VERSE 2: Cantor



2. Be-hold the oil of the cat-e-chu-mens, - blessed by our Bish-op, -

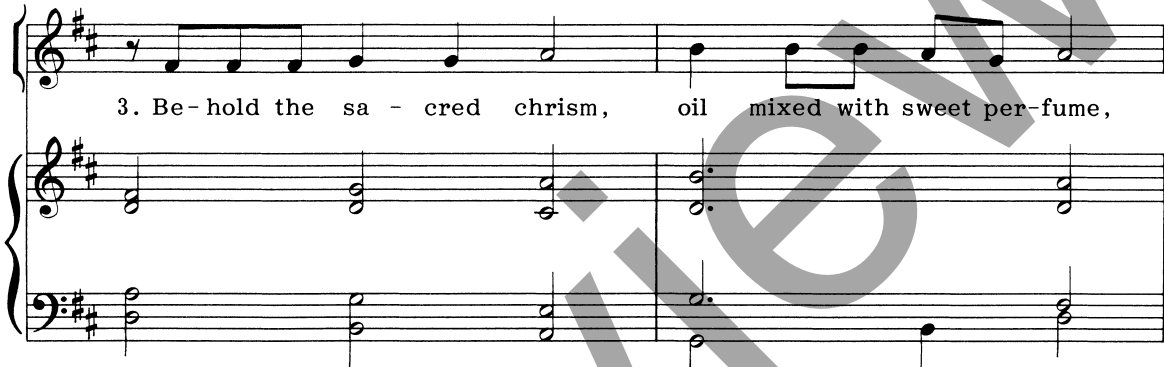


*D.S.*



2. sent to us for the anointing of our  
catechumens // in preparation for their baptism.

VERSE 3: Cantor



3. Behold the sacred chrism, oil mixed with sweet perfume,



3. and consecrated by our Bishop, — sent to us for the anointing  
of the bap-

*D.S.*



3. tized who are to be sealed with the Holy Spirit. —

# Rite For Receiving The Holy Oils\*

(Guitar/Vocal)

John Schiavone

## VERSE 1: Cantor

D Em/D D Bm F#m

1. Be-hold the oil of the sick, blessed by our Bish-op, —

Bm Em A to Refrain A or B

1. sent to us for the anointing of all who suf-fer ill-ness. —

REFRAIN A or B: All D Bm Em/G A D Bm G Em A sus A to Verses (Fine)

Ref. A Thanks — be to God! — Thanks — be to God! —  
Ref. B Bless'd be God for - ev - er! Bless'd be God for - ev - er!

## VERSE 2: Cantor

D Em/D D Bm F#m

2. Be-hold the oil of the cat-e-chu-mens, — blessed by our Bish-op, —

Bm Em A D.S.

2. sent to us for the anointing of our catechumens // in prep - a - ra-tion for their bap-tism.

## VERSE 3: Cantor

D G/B A G D

3. Be-hold the sa - cred chrim, oil mixed with sweet per - fume,

C G A

3. and con-se-cratt-ed by our Bish-op, — sent to us for the anointing of the bap-

Bm Em A D.S.

3. tized who are to be sealed with the Ho - ly Spir-it. —

\*To take place at the beginning of the Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper.

# Rite For Receiving The Holy Oils\*

*The following are needed for the Introductory Rites:*

- *the vessels containing the holy oils*
- *a table for the placement of the holy oils*

*The procession begins at the entrance to the church. The order of procession is as follows:*

- *incense bearer*
- *cross bearer*
- *acolytes bearing lighted candles*
- *presenters bearing the vessels of the holy oils*
- *lector bearing the Lectionary or deacon (or concelebrating priest) bearing the Book of the Gospels*
- *concelebrating priests*
- *presiding priest*

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### 1. Entrance Song and Procession

*The presenters bearing the vessels of the holy oils carry them in procession in the order described above. When they arrive at the front of the assembly, they stand where they can be seen by all.*

*A gathering hymn is sung by the assembly during the procession. Then the presiding priest gives the customary greeting:*

### 2. Greeting

**Priest:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Assembly:** Amen.

**Priest:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**Assembly:** And also with you.

\*Compiled and composed by John Schiavone.

### 3. Reception of the Oils

*The presiding priest, facing the people, introduces the liturgy in these or similar words:*

**Priest:** Dear friends, we are gathered together on this holy night to begin the Easter Triduum. United with the Church throughout the world, we commemorate the suffering, death, and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We begin as he did: at the Passover table of the Last Supper.

Several days ago, united with the priests and people of the Diocese (Archdiocese) of N . . . , Bishop (Archbishop or Cardinal) N . . . consecrated the holy chrism and blessed the oils for use in the anointing of the sick and in the preparation of catechumens for Baptism.

Tonight we receive these holy oils, which we will use in the celebration of the sacraments. By means of these powerful symbols, the crucified and risen Savior will continue in our midst the work he began at his death and resurrection: forgiveness, healing, new life.

*As each oil is presented, the cantor (in simple, solemn chant) or another minister (in recitation) makes the following proclamations. The vessel containing the oil should be held high by each presenter.*

Cantor or

**Minister:** Behold the oil of the sick,  
blessed by our bishop,  
sent to us for the anointing of all who suffer illness.

**Assembly: Blessed be God forever!**  
**or**  
**Thanks be to God!**

Cantor or

**Minister:** Behold the oil of the catechumens,  
blessed by our bishop,  
sent to us for the anointing of our catechumens in preparation for their baptism.

**Assembly: Blessed be God forever!**  
**or**  
**Thanks be to God!**

Cantor or

**Minister:** Behold the sacred chrism,  
oil mixed with sweet perfume,  
and consecrated by our bishop,  
sent to us for the anointing of the baptized who are to be sealed with the Holy Spirit.

**Assembly: Blessed be God forever!**  
**or**  
**Thanks be to God!**

*The oils are carried by the presenters and placed on a specially prepared table. It is appropriate that the table be located near the baptismal font.*

*The Mass continues with the singing of the “Gloria.”*

## *Assembly Edition*

### RITE FOR RECEIVING THE HOLY OILS

John Schiavone

VERSE 1: Cantor

1. Behold the oil of the sick, blessed by our Bishop,  
sent to us for the anointing of all who suffer illness. (to Refrain A or B)



Ref. A: Thanks\_\_ be to God!\_\_ Thanks\_\_ be to God!\_\_  
Ref. B: Bless'd be God for - ev - er! Bless'd be God for - ev - er!

VERSES 2, 3: Cantor

2. Behold the oil of the catechumens, blessed by our Bishop,  
sent to us for the anointing of our catechumens  
in preparation for their baptism. (to Refrain A or B)
3. Behold the sacred chrism, oil mixed with sweet perfume,  
and consecrated by our Bishop, sent to us for the anointing  
of the baptized who are to be sealed with the Holy Spirit. (to Refrain A or B)

© 1989, John Schiavone. Published by OCP, 5536 NE Hassalo, Portland, OR 97213. All rights reserved.

For reprint permissions, please visit [OneLicense.net](http://OneLicense.net) or contact us at 1-800-663-1501.