For All the Faithful Women

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For all the faithful women who served in days of old To you shall thanks be given, to all their story told. They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom gave.

To you their lives bore witness, proclaimed your power to save.

We honour faithful Mary, fair maiden, full of grace. She bore the Christ, our brother, who saved our human race.

May we, with her, surrender ourselves to your command,

And lay upon your altar our gifts of heart and hand.

We praise the other Mary, who came at Easter dawn, And near the tomb did tarry, but found her Lord was gone.

As joyfully she saw him in resurrection light, May we by faith behold him, the day who ends all night.

All praise to God the Father! All praise to Christ the Son!

All praise the Holy Spirit, who binds the Church in one! With saints who went before us, with saints who witness still,

We sing glad alleluias and strive to do your will.

36B- Faith of our Mothers

Faith of our Mothers living still In all that's beautiful and brave; How nobly will we work God's will And seek from sin our souls to save. Faith of our mothers living faith We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our mothers living faith In hearts of love and songs of praise; We gladly join with one accord, To sing to God our sweetest lays. Faith of our mothers constant faith, We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our Mothers living still In love and life that ne'er shall die; And Children's children ever dear, Shall hold the faith that rends the sky. Faith of our Mothers holy faith, We will be true to thee till death.

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37 B- O Mother's Love

O Mother's love sweet Mother's love, The gift divine from heaven above. It lifts our thoughts to realms of light And bids us see the good and right, God knew the need of humankind The depths of sin our souls might find, And so, to keep us pure and fair We have a Mother's love and prayer.

O Mother's love, the sweetest known
The richest earthly gift we own,
For it our thanks shall clearly wing,
To reach the throne of God, our king.
Our praise shall seek the Lord of pow'r
For blessings know this festal hour;
Ah, far above all gifts divine,
The love of Mothers brightly shine.

O Mother's love, so blest and true, That guides and keeps our lifetime through; Through sacrifice and service dear, Its depth and sweetness shine more clear; It is to us a precious gift, That lives to bless and bends to lift, With lifted hearts we send above Our gratitude for Mother's love.

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