

Upon certain Feasts (Christmas Day, the Epiphany, Saint Matthias, Easter Day, Ascension Day, Whit Sunday, Trinity Sunday, Saint John Baptist, Saint James, Saint Bartholomew, Saint Matthew, Saint Simon and Saint Jude, and Saint Andrew), there shall be sung at Matins, instead of the Apostles' Creed, this Confession of our Christian Faith, commonly called "The Creed of Saint Athanasius."

THE ATHANASIAN CREED

Quicumque vult.



WHOSOEV•ER would be sav'd * needeth before all things to hold fast the Ca•tholic Faith.

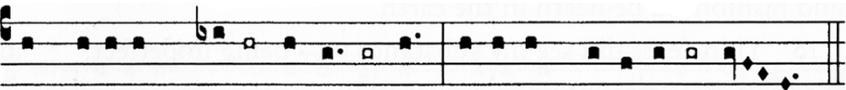
2 Which Faith except a man keep whole • and undefil'd * without doubt he will perish • eternally.

NOW the Catho•lic Faith is this * that we worship one God in Trinity and the Trinity • in Unity;

4 Neither confus•ing the Persons * nor dividing • the Substance.

5 For there is one Person of the *Father*, † an•other of the Son * another of • the Holy Ghost;

6 But the Godhead of the Father and of the *Son*, † and of the Holy • Ghost is all one * the glory equal, the majesty co•eternal.



7 Such as the Father is • such is the Son * and such • is the Holy Ghost;

8 The Father uncreated, † the Son • uncreated * the Holy Ghost • uncreated;

9 The Father *infinite*, † the • Son infinite * the Holy • Ghost infinite;

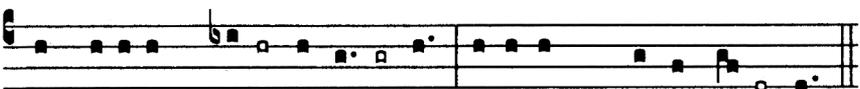
10 The Father *eternal*, † the • Son eternal * the Holy • Ghost eternal;

11 And yet there are not • three eternals * but • one eternal;

12 As also there are not three uncreated nor • three infinities * but one infinite and one • uncreated.

13 So likewise the Father is *almighty*, † the • Son almighty * the Holy • Ghost almighty;

14 And yet there are not • three almighties * but • one almighty.



15 So the Father is • God, the Son God * the • Holy Ghost God;

16 And yet • there are not three Gods * • but one God.

17 So the Father is • Lord, the Son Lord * the • Holy Ghost Lord;

18 And yet • there are not three Lords * • but one Lord.

19 For like as we are compell'd by the • Christian verity * to confess
each Person by himself to • be both God and Lord;

20 So are we forbidden by the Catho•lic Religion * to speak of three •
Gods or three Lords.



21 The Fa•ther is made of none * nor created nor • begotten.

22 The Son is of the • Father alone; * not made nor created but •
begotten.

23 The Holy Ghost is • of the Father; * not made nor created nor
begotten but • proceeding.

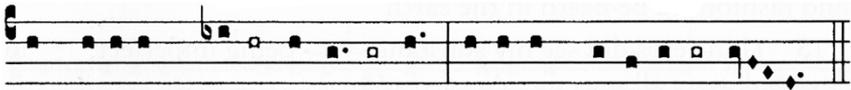
24 There is therefore one Father not three *Fathers*; † one • Son not three
Sons; * one Holy Ghost not three • Holy Ghosts.

25 And in this Trinity there is no be•fore or after * no great•er or less;

26 But all three Persons are co-eter•nal together * and • co-equal.

27 So that in all ways as • is aforesaid * both the Trinity is to be
worshipped in Unity and the Unity • in Trinity.

28 He therefore • that would be sav'd * let him thus think of • the
Trinity.



FURTHERMORE it is necessary to eter•nal salvation * that he also
believe faithfully the Incarnation of our • Lord Jesus Christ.

30 Now the right Faith is that we be•lieve and confess * that our Lord
Jesus Christ the Son of God • is both God and Man.

31 He is God of the Substance of the *Father*, † be•gotten before the
worlds; * and he is Man of the Substance of his Mother • born in the
world;

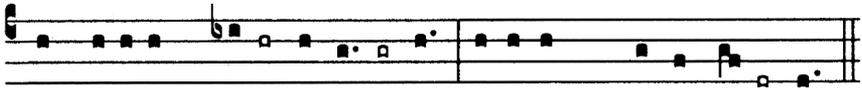
32 Perfect • God and perfect Man * of reasoning soul and human •
flesh subsisting;

33 Equal to the Father as • touching his Godhead; * less than the Father
as touch•ing his Manhood.

34 Who al•though he be God and Man * yet he is not two • but is one
Christ;

35 One however not by conversion of • Godhead into flesh * but by taking of • Manhood into God;

36 One • altogether; * not by confusion of Substance but by uni•ty of Person.



37 For as reasoning soul and • flesh is one man * so God and • Man is one Christ;

38 Who suffer'd for • our salvation * descended into hell, rose a•gain from the dead;

39 Ascended into heaven, † sat down at the right • hand of the Father * from whence he shall come to judge the • quick and the dead.

40 At whose coming all men must rise a•gain with their bodies * and shall give account • for their own deeds.

41 And they that have done *good* † will go into • life eternal; * they that have done evil in•to eternal fire.

THIS is the • Catholic Faith * which except a man do faithfully and steadfastly believe he • cannot be sav'd.

Glory be to the • Father and to the Son * and • to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the *beginning*, † is now and • ever shall be * world • without end. Amen.