

Pange, lingua, gloriosi
Corporis mysterium,
Sanguinisque pretiosi,
Quem in mundi pretium,
Fructus ventris generosi,
Rex effudit gentium.

Nobis datus, nobis natus
Ex intacta Virgine,
Et in mundo conversatus,
Sparso verbi semine,
Sui moras incolatus
Miro clausit ordine.

In supremæ nocte cœnæ
Recumbens cum fratribus,
Observata lege plene
Cibis in legalibus,
Cibum turbæ duodenæ
Se dat suis manibus.

Verbum caro, panem ve-
rum
Verbo carnem efficit :
Fitque sanguis Christi me-
rum :
Et si sensus deficit,
Ad firmandum cor since-
rum
Sola fides sufficit.

Tantum ergo Sacramen-
tum
Veneremur cernui :
Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui :
Præstet fides supplemen-
tum
Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque
Laus et jubilatio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque
Sit et benedictio :
Procedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

Sing, my tongue, the Mys-
tery of the glorious Body and
precious Blood !—that Blood
which the King of all nations,
the Fruit of Mary's womb,
shed for the world's redemp-
tion.

He gave himself to us ; for
us was he born from a pure
Virgin ; he lived among men,
sowing the seed of his word,
and closed his career on earth
by a gift of wondrous love.

On the night of the Last
Supper, he assembled his
Brethren around him ; and
having observed the law, and
eaten the Pasch prescribed,
he, with his own hands, gave
himself to the Twelve, as their
Food.

The Word made Flesh
changes bread, by his word,
into his own Flesh, and the
wine becomes the Blood of
Christ. Our senses fail us
here : but Faith has power
to take all wavering from the
Christian heart.

Let us, therefore, venerate
this great Sacrament in pros-
trate adoration ! Let the an-
cient form give place to the
new rite ! Let Faith supply
what the senses cannot give.

Be praise and jubilee to the
Father and the Son ! Salva-
tion, honour, power, yea and
benediction, be to them ; and
to the Spirit that proceeds
from both, be one co-equal
praise ! Amen.