Blessed feasts of blessed martyrs
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1. Bless-ed feasts of bless-ed mar-tyrs, ho-ly wo-men,
   ho-ly men, with af-fec-tion’s re-col-lec-tions
   greet we your re-turn a-gain. Wor-thy deeds they wrought, and won-ders,
   wor-thy of the Name they bore; we, with meet-est

2. Faith pre-vail-ing, hope un-fail-ing, lov-ing Christ with
   sin-gle heart, thus they, glo-rious and vic-to-rious,
   brave-ly bore the mar-tyr’s part, by con-tempt of ev’ry an-guish,
   by un-yield-ing bat-tle done; vic-tors at the

3. There-fore, ye that reign in glo-ry, fel-low-heirs with
   Christ on high, join to ours your sup-pli-ca-tion
   when be-fore him we draw nigh, pray-ing that, this life com-plet-ed,
   all its fleet-ing mo-ments past, by his grace we

praise and sweet-est, hon-or them for ev-er-more.
last, they tri-umph, with the host of an-gels one.
may be wor-thy of e-ter-nal bliss at last.

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