

The *Saint Jean de Brébeuf Hymnal* (©2018) is a Pew Book (932 pages).  
 This superb hymnal does not mimic Protestant models.  
 The Brébeuf CHORAL SUPPLEMENT is 1,192 pages.  
 The Brébeuf ORGAN ACCOMPANIMENT (3 volumes) is 1,292 pages.  
 A staggering amount of research went into its creation.

One of the main writers for the [Church Music Association of America](#)  
 weblog declared (June 2022): **“The Brébeuf Hymnal has no  
 parallel and not even any close competitor.”**

What follows is merely the “tip of the iceberg” in terms of the supporting materials  
 assembled over a period of five years for this “game changing” Catholic hymnal.

## HOLY ANGELS

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ANGEL'S SONG (SONG 34).

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Melody and bass by O. GIBBONS,  
 1583-1625. (A.G.M.)

### New Westminster Hymnal (Msgr. Knox & Dom Murray)

THEY come, God's messengers of love,  
 They come from realms of peace above,  
 From homes of never-fading light,  
 From blissful mansions ever bright.

- 2 They come to watch around us here,  
 To soothe our sorrow, calm our fear:  
 Ye heavenly guides, speed not away,  
 God willeth you with us to stay.
- 3 But chiefly at its journey's end  
 'Tis yours the spirit to befriend,  
 And whisper to the faithful heart,  
 "O Christian soul, in peace depart."
- 4 Blest Jesu, thou whose groans and tears  
 Have sanctified frail nature's fears,  
 To earth in bitter sorrow weigh'd,  
 Thou didst not scorn thine angel's aid;
- 5 An angel guard to us supply,  
 When on the bed of death we lie;  
 And by thine own almighty power  
 O shield us in the last dread hour.
- 6 To God the Father, God the Son,  
 And God the Spirit, Three in One,  
 From all above and all below  
 Let joyful praise unceasing flow.

[R. CAMPBELL, 1814-68]