The holy martyr Agatha

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1. Lord, you fool the strong with weakness, calling forth at
your command those the world has judged as worthless,
fearlessly to death withstand. In their martyrdom they
wit ness to their faith in you, their Lord; for their
stead fast ness in trials, may your Name be e’er adored!

2. For Saint Agatha we thank you; her who heard your
loving voice, spurning wealth and rank’s advantage,
making you her final choice. To her trial as to a
wed ding she went confident and brave; gave her
life, O Christ, Redeemer, back to you, so strong to save!

3. With the saints’ and martyrs’ chorus, with Saint Agatha
the most blest, let your Church on earth together
with the Church in heav’nly rest praise you, Father, Son, and
faith ful in our witness till our work for you is done.

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