

**La altarul credinței străbune**  
**At the altar of our ancestors' faith**

**Rough translation**

1. At the altar of our ancestors' faith

Pious believers come to pray

And ask the divine power

For peace and better times

At the old holy alter

We fall on our knees before you, Father,

And fervently pray

Through the mist of frankincense and light

Give us, Lord, the power to know

That we are still Your children

And though there were times we had  
sinned

Today, one by one, we cry and repent our  
sins

2. At the altar of the pure faith

Through tears we watch the crucifixion

Up, on the cross is the Love

That defeats the deadly sin.

There is nothing in this world that would  
break us

If we strongly believe in You

Thou, who are the spring of holy grace

On the altar of our ancestors' faith

Give us, Lord, the power to know

That we are still Your children

And though there were times we had  
sinned

Today we come one by one, crying and  
repenting our sins

## Phonetic transcription

**1**[la al'tarul kre'dintsej strə'bune  
vin pi'oſi kredin'ſoſi sə ſeŋ'kine  
(SA) ſi ſe 'ʃarə pu'terij di'vine  
(SAT) ,paſen 'tsarə ſi 'vremuri maj 'bune  
(B) ,paſen 'tsarə 'bune

la al'tarul ſfin'tſit din ve'kime  
in dže'nuŋk<sup>j</sup> ne in'toarſem pə'rinte  
(SA) kurg ku'vinte de 'rugə fjer'binte  
(tutti) ,printre 'nori de tə'mij ſi lu'mine

,dəne 'dəamne pu'tintſə deaſti  
kam rə'mas 'totuſi aj təj ko'pij  
ſi de au fost 'klipe kind am gre'ſit  
azi plin'gind rind pe rind neam kə'it

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la al'tarul kre'dintsej ku'rate  
,printre 'lakrimi pri'vim rəſtig'nirea  
(SA) sus pe 'krufſe se 'aflə ju 'birea  
ſe in'vindže pə'katul de 'moarte

nuj ni'mik ſe ne 'birujen 'lume  
,dakə 'kredem pu'ternik in 'tine  
tu iz'vorul de 'haruri ſe'nine  
pe al'tarul kre'dintsej strə'bune

,dəne 'dəamne pu'tintſə deaſti  
kam rə'mas 'totuſi aj təj ko'pij  
ſi de au fost 'klipe kind am gre'ſit  
azi plin'gind rind pe rind neam kə'it  
ʃam ve'nit]