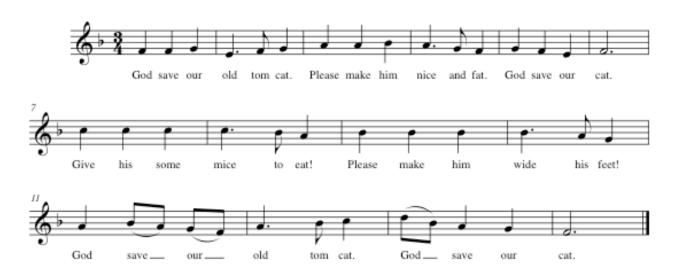
God Save Our Old Tom Cat

Traditional



God Save Our Old Tom Cat

God save our old tom cat.
Please make him nice and fat.
God save our cat.
Give him some mice to eat.
Please make him wipe his feet.
God save our old tom cat.
God save our cat.

I don't know when and or from where Dad picked this up. I remember him singing it at home, one weekend afternoon, when I was about fourteen. That is the only time I remember hearing it sung.

Its cheeky impudence delighted me, in the same way that Dan's daring defiance of his mother had, when I was younger.

Although I am sixty, I am still the boy who enjoyed hearing his father sing. Lately, I have been surprised to realize just how formative an effect his singing had on me.

Source

As sung by Brendan Gallagher

Many variants of this parody are known in Britain, the United States, Australia and elsewhere.