

power. They signify grace, they cause grace, and they derive this grace from the Passion of Christ. From this much alone is seen the vastness of the sacramental sphere. Viewed merely from their significative side, the sacraments are not things of a particular moment or period but, instead, their signification reaches back to the suffering Christ, embraces the spiritual wonders of the present, and reaches forward from time into eternity. Thus, the Passion of Christ, the historical event of centuries gone by, continues to abide with us today in the sacraments where it is a vital principle of their causality and signification.

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## HOSTIA SALUTARIS

(At Easter)

Rejoice! The bard concealed a deeper truth  
In titling her man's "*solitary* boast,"  
Whose sinless Child in our frail flesh became  
For her and us the Man men needed most—  
A thorn-crowned, Cross-throned, conq'ring Victim King,  
"Our tainted nature's" *salutary* Host.