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to the

Sacred Priesthood

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But of all the designations given to a minister of religion the title of *Priest* is manifestly the most sacred and honorable. The essential office of a priest is to offer sacrifice: "For every high priest taken from among men, is ordained for men in the things that appertain to God, that he may offer up gifts and sacrifices for sins." As the most sublime act of Jesus Christ was His sacrifice on Calvary, so the sacrifice of the Mass, which commemorates the bloody immolation of Christ, is the most august act that can be performed by a human being. "No act," says St. Thomas, "is greater than the consecration of the Body of Christ." The priest brings down on the Altar, he holds in his hands, and partakes of the same flesh that was born of the Virgin Mary. The true priest has the noblest mission on earth, not only because he offers up the Lamb of God on the Altar, but also because he immolates himself on the altar of duty and charity in behalf of his fellow beings. His whole life is a perpetual sacrifice, and self-sacrifice is an evidence of a magnanimous soul.

—Cardinal Gibbons.