claim our interest and our veneration as Catholics, both for their service in the past and for their importance in the future.


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To a *Virgin of Israel*

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To a Virgin of Israel,
Kneeling in sweet, contemplative prayer,
An Angel of God comes, stealing thru
The mists of the morning air;
Comes with a message from Heaven,
That softly falls on the ears
Of the Spotless, Immaculate Lily,
Humility’s flower—who hears
That she is to mother the Saviour
Expected since Adam’s fall,
That she, of all creatures the purest,
Shall bear the Redeemer of all.