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HE Second Person of the most Blessed Trinity deigned to assume our flesh in order that He might show us how precious we are to God. Our Lord Jesus Christ came to redeem us, to make us friends and sons of God, coheirs to heaven. Not

only did He pay the price of our redemption but He also willed to bestow such a dignity upon His children as would enable them to coöperate in the Redemption and perpetuate His work to the end of time. His priests participate in His eternal priesthood by receiving the power to consecrate and forgive sins in His name, by being His ambassadors on earth. Saint Dominic gathered about him holy and learned men and instituted his Order of Friars Preachers to labor for souls, to defend and preach truth. After a thorough training in the sacred sciences and an intensive cultivation of the spiritual life the Dominican student is permitted to receive the sacred character of the priesthood, the privilege of becoming another Christ.

On the fourteenth of June, in Saint Dominic's Church, Washington, D. C., the Most Reverend Michael J. Curley, D.D., Archbishop of Baltimore, ordained twenty members of the Order of Preachers, a new band of laborers for Christ's kingdom. The newly ordained are the Reverend Fathers Robert Slavin, Dorchester, Mass.; Patrick Walsh, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Gabriel Lane, Jersey City, N. J.; Donald Reilly, New York City; Quentin Friel, Pittsburg, Pa.; Andrew Kavanaugh, Minneapolis, Minn.; Edmund Marr, Union, N. J.; Hilary Neal, Allston, Mass.; Luke Devine, Pittsburg, Pa.; Marcellus Raetz, New York City; Jerome Barth, Minneapolis, Minn.; Brendan Sullivan, Lowell, Mass.; Hugh Serror, Providence, R. I.; Augustine McKeon, Revere, Mass.; Gerard Precourt, Chartley, Mass.; Anselm Vitie, Philadelphia, Pa.; Christopher Gunning, Columbus, O.; Alexius Simones, Omaha, Neb.; Antoninus Baverso, Braddock, Pa.; and Urban McClellan, Moline, Ill.

Their brothers are happy in the joy of these newly ordained priests of God and extend their sincere congratulations. May they continue to follow in the footsteps of the Master and live up to the glorious traditions of a Friar preacher.