

pared in the jewel-decked raiments of the Magi. Christ in return will give us Himself—Emmanuel. At His coming into our hearts at Communion-time Mary, His Mother, and St. Joseph will be present to give Him right royal reception. "Lo! this is our God, we have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the Lord, we have patiently waited for Him, we shall rejoice and be joyful in his salvation."⁷

—Ferrer Kienberger, O. P.

⁷ Isaias XXV, 9.

STARS

Fixed stars: fiery sun—
 God Eternal, Three in One,
 Eternal Splendor, (else all night)
 "Light of Light."

Planet stars: silvery moon—
 Mother Mary, Starry Boon,
 Hailed of all the human race,
 "Full of grace."

Meteor stars: falling-star—
 Gates of Heaven thrust ajar;
 Infant Jesus, Starry Gem
 In Bethlehem.

Galaxy, star on star—
 Angel faces from afar;
 Heaven gates with clang of bar
 Broken are.

Constellation: Southern Cross—
 Jesus born to die for us.
 Comets soaring 'round the dome
 Of Heaven, their Home.

—Gabriel Knauff, O. P.