

by their silent activity that sound doctrine has ever been imparted to the great benefit of human society.

"To this worthy son of St. Dominic, to this deserving disciple of the Dominican school which has been able to focus the light of the 'Summa' of St. Thomas upon every sacred science, and not least of all upon Canon Law, to Father Celestine Daly we extend our blessing, our best wishes for his well-being and for his continued success."

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### **"HOSTIS HERODES"<sup>1</sup>**

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Hostile Herod, cruel king,  
Why fear lest Christ be born?  
He who gives eternal crowns  
Your shadow-throne would scorn.

Starlight shows the Magi Light.  
From farthest East they bring  
Gifts that tell a stable-child  
Is God and Man and King.

Jordan's stream the Lamb's first touch  
Has purged, and to its wave  
—More than cleansing only flesh—  
'Tis given souls to save.

Power never seen or heard  
Bursts forth in wondrous sign:  
Water lays its nature down  
And blushes—it is wine!

Jesus to the Gentiles shown,  
Glory be to Thee,  
To Father and the Holy Ghost,  
Throughout eternity.

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<sup>1</sup>Hymn for first Vespers of the Feast of the Epiphany. The Liturgy on this day commemorates the threefold manifestation of Christ to man: to the Gentiles in the Magi's visit to Bethlehem; to the Jews in the first miracle at Cana; and to the whole world as Son of God at His baptism in the Jordan. The Church, overlooking accidental differences—as she often does in her Liturgy—contemplates the essential oneness of the manifestation of Christ to men.