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I stand benath the blood-stained Cross Whereon my Saviour hangs! And O what sorrow fills my breast, And O what bitter pangs!

For I it was who nailed Him there,
Who made His pure Blood flow;
Who scourged and crowned and crucified
My loving Saviour so!

My sinful heart is filled with grief,
Mine eyes with tears replete.
And O I press my sinful head
Upon His bleeding Feet!

That thus the precious Blood of Christ
May fall upon my brow,
And I forgiven may rejoice
With Christ arisen now!

-Bro. Chrysostom Kearns, O. P.