

*Ceremonies of the Mass.*

The Celebrant, bowing down before the Altar, says :

O holy Trinity, let the performance of my homage be pleasing to thee ; and grant that the Sacrifice which I, unworthily, have offered up in the sight of thy Majesty, may be acceptable to thee, and through thy mercy be a propitiation for me, and all those for whom I have offered it. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. [He then intones :]

V. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

R. From this time forth for evermore.

V. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

Then he kisses the Altar, and raising his eyes, extending, raising, and joining he hands, he bows his head to the Crucifix, and says :

May the Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Bless you.

(At the word God, the Mitre being placed on his head, and the Pastoral Staff in his left hand, he turns to the people, and makes the Sign of the Cross three times over them.)

Afterwards the Celebrant sits down, and places the Mitre on the head of the newly consecrated Archbishop, saying to him :—

We set on the head of this Bishop, Thy champion, the helmet of defence and of salvation, that with comely face, and with his head armed with the horns of either Testament, he may appear terrible to the gainsayers of truth, and may become their vigorous assailant, through the abundant gift of Thy grace, who didst make the face of Thy servant Moses to shine after familiar converse with Thee ; and didst adorn it with the resplendent horns of Thy brightness and Thy truth, and commandest the Mitre to be set on the head of Aaron Thy high priest. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

With the aid of the Assistant Bishops, he then puts on his Gloves, saying :

Compass about, O Lord, the hands of this servant of thine with the purity of the new Man, who came down from Heaven ; that, like as Jacob, Thy beloved one, covering his hands with the skins of kids, and bringing to his father most savory meat and drink, obtained Isaac's blessing, so may he, presen-