They are home—sick and weary—hearted,
Desolate, lonely and sad,
And their voices of pleading echo
Through the regions with pleasure glad—
She turns, and her soft eyes sweep downward
Such a glance of infinite love,
That there falls to earth a wavelet
Of mystical light from above;

And it rests on a kneeling people,—
Its beauty glows on each face
As they drink in the wonderful meeting,
Their hearts overflowing with grace,
They are glad, and their lips sing Laetare!
Their voices are blending in praise;
O Queen, in thy home eternal,
Unforgotten are earthly days.

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FIRST PART.

His Baptism. Flight into the desert. Transfiguration.

Then Jesus began to practice and to teach.



E shall now consider the public life of our Lord on earth and its similitude in the Blessed Sacrament. The two actions mentioned above form the sum and the substance of the life of the Son of God during this period, and bring under our consideration His words and His actions; His sermons

and His works.

We will begin by His works: they are of two kinds; the virtues He practised and the miracles He performed. The virtues we shall take up later on in the third part of