

the *presbytère*. If the ceremony of the entrance into the church is to be preceded by a conference, the bells must be rung for the people to assemble, a quarter of an hour after the arrival of the prelate.

At the conclusion of the conference or instruction, (or a quarter of an hour after the arrival of the prelate, if the conference did not take place), the bells must be rung; and while the bishop is putting on his pontifical vestments, the curate vested with a surplice and a white cope, without a stole, holding a crucifix in his hands, and preceded by all the clergy, will proceed to the door of the *presbytère* in the following order.

The thuriferary carrying the censer and the navicula, walks in front, having at his left a cleric carrying the holy water vase with the aspersory in it. Another cleric carrying the processional cross follows between two acolytes with lighted tapers; then all the clergy, two by two, those of the lowest rank first, and the curate followed by the church-wardens who carry the canopy and by the people.

When the clergy is arrived at some distance from the *presbytère*, the cleric who carries the holy water vase, the thuriferary, the cross-bearer and the acolytes stop and retire to the right side. All the others station themselves in two straight lines, so that the highest in dignity may be placed nearest the door of the *presbytère*. They who carry the canopy approach the place where the carpet and the cushion shall have been prepared for the bishop.

The prelate having left the *presbytère*, and having knelt down on the cushion, the curate standing erect presents the crucifix to him, without previously bowing, through respect for the crucifix which he holds in his hands. The bishop kisses the crucifix and rises. The curate having handed the crucifix which he carried to one of the assistants, bows profoundly before the prelate, and after the clergy have all saluted the prelate by a semi-genuflexion, or an inclination, according to their respective dignity, and the people have received the benediction on their knees, the procession proceeds to the