

vestments, which they had hitherto worn, and robed themselves in white for the joyful Mass of Easter Eve, which was celebrated by the Bishop. The joys of the Paschal tide were announced to his Lordship by the Subdeacon who after having chaunted the Epistle approached him, saluted him and sung: *Reverendissime Pater annuntio vobis gaudium magnum quod est Alleluia. Right Reverend Father I announce to you great joy, which is Alleluia.* He then kissed his Lordship's hand. This glad song of jubilee to God was then taken up by the Bishop, who sang the Alleluia three times, on each occasion, in a higher key, and thrice was he responded to by the whole choir. At the conclusion of the Pontifical Mass, Vespers were sung in the Choir. On Easter Sunday the Church looked remarkably beautiful, and all the ornaments in good taste. After Tierce, the Pontifical Mass of the Resurrection was solemnly celebrated by the Bishop, and thus concluded a week which will be long remembered by the Catholics of Halifax.

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### Prayers for assisting devoutly at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

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FAITH.

GREAT GOD! Eternal Truth! I most firmly believe, that in this adorable sac-

rifice Jesus Christ, my Saviour is going to immolate himself, and to place himself in a state of death, for the sins of the world. I believe with the same faith all the sacred mysteries which are about to be renewed on this altar, because you have revealed them.

#### INVOCATION.

Grant me, O Lord, the graces that are necessary for me to assist at this Holy Mass, with all that attention, respect, devotion, and love, which so august a sacrifice requires. And you, O Blessed Spirits! who are to be, like me, the witnesses and adorers of the Great Victim that is going to offer himself, assist me in glorifying this God of my salvation, on the Altar where his Love will again sacrifice him for all mankind, and for me in particular.

Grant, O Lord! that I may not be present here like the sacrilegious Jews, the murderers and blasphemers of a dying God. May I rather conceive at this moment the most lively sorrow for my sins, through the love of you; and may I participate in the fruits of this Great Sacrifice, through the pardon which I hope and humbly implore from your mercy.

#### OFFERING AND DIRECTION OF INTENTION.

O my God! I desire to assist at this Holy Mass, to comply with the precept of the Church, (if it be a Mass of obligation,) in memory of the Passion and Death of Jesus Christ, and I offer this divine sacrifice to your Sovereign Majesty.

To acknowledge your infinite greatness; to render true homage and suitable adoration to your Sovereign Being, and to make a public avowal of my entire dependence on you, and of your absolute dominion over all creatures.

To thank you, from my whole heart,