

## For the Penitent

*Ad Coeli Clara*

*I am not worthy, Lord, mine eyes  
To turn unto thy starry skies;  
But bowed in sin, with moans and sighs,  
I beg Thee, hear me.*

*My duty I have left undone,  
Nor sought I crime or shame to shun.  
My feet in sinful paths have run,  
Sweet Christ, be near me.*

*O, fill my soul with grief sincere  
For mine offences; let the tear  
Moisten my pillow; Father hear,  
And grant repentance.*

*For all my many crimes, O Lord,  
The pains of hell were just reward;  
But thou, O God, my cry regard,  
And spare the sentence.*

*Redeemer, sole-begotten Son,  
Father and Spirit, three in one,  
Thou art my hope; as ages run  
Be thine all glory.*

*If in the balance thou shouldst weigh  
My crimes, there were nor hope nor stay,  
But Lord, Thy clemency I pray,  
To grace restore me.*

*Dear Jesus, I acknowledge Thee,  
Thou gavest Thy life upon the tree;  
Who takes from Thy Divinity  
Is a blasphemer.*

*All godless errors, proud or vain,  
The false belief and murmuring strain  
Insult Thy love, Thy law profane.  
Gentle Redeemer.*

*Sweet Lord, I love Thy holy name;  
I hear my mother church proclaim*

*The Spirit, Sire and Son the same,  
One God eternal.*

*Power, love and glory be to Thee,  
O high and holy Trinity;  
Be ours the bliss Thy face to see  
In light supernally.*

*(From the Roman Breviary)*

Thank you for visiting <http://www.JMJsite.com>. Please tell others about this website and pray much more. Saint Alphonsus Maria (the great Doctor of prayer) reminds us that: "Those who pray will certainly save their souls, and those who do not pray will certainly lose them." Read the sermons and listen to the audio files. "Ignorance is the mother of all evils." Do penance for Jesus told us: "Unless you do penance you shall all likewise perish." The devil is never far away from those too busy to pray! If Truth stands in your way, you are going on the wrong path!

Ora pro nobis,  
Patrick Henry