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PRIEST'S OATH. I, \_\_\_\_\_, now in the presence of Almighty God, the blessed Virgin Mary, the Archangel Michael, the Holy Spirit, the blessed St. John the Baptist, the Holy Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul, and the Saints and Sacred Hosts of the Holy Roman Church, and to you, my lord, I do declare from my heart, without mental reservation that the pope is Christ's vicar-general, and is the true and only head of the Catholic or universal church throughout the world; and that by virtue of the keys of binding and loosing given to his holiness by Jesus Christ, he hath power to depose heretical kings, princes, states, commonwealths and governments, all being illegal without his sacred confirmation, and that they may be safely destroyed. Therefore, to the utmost of my power, I will defend this doctrine and his holiness' rights and customs against all usurpers of the heretical or Protestant authority whatsoever, especially the Lutheran church of Germany, the Calvinists, Huguenots, and all persons who are contumacious, and who refuse to receive or tolerate heretics, and much more are not to permit their rites, or other exercises of their religion, or rather, their false sect, but are most solemnly bound everywhere, to repel and expel them.

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