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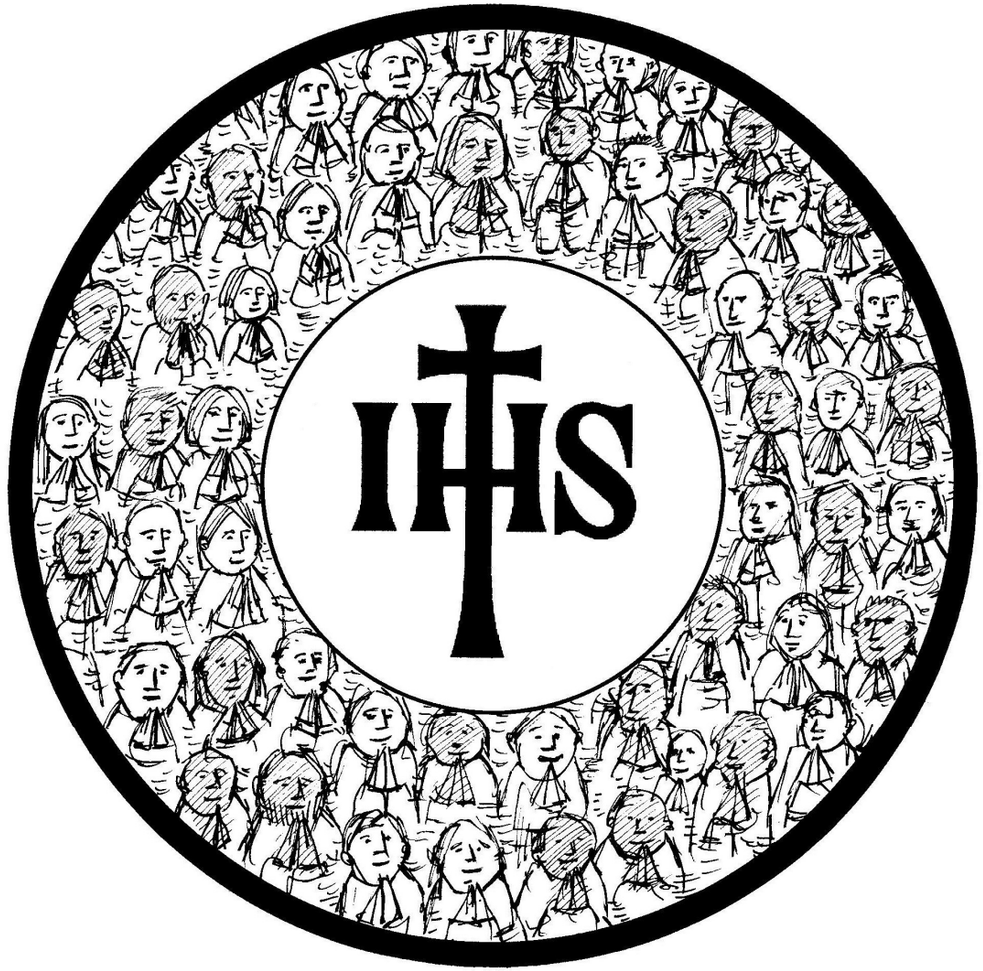
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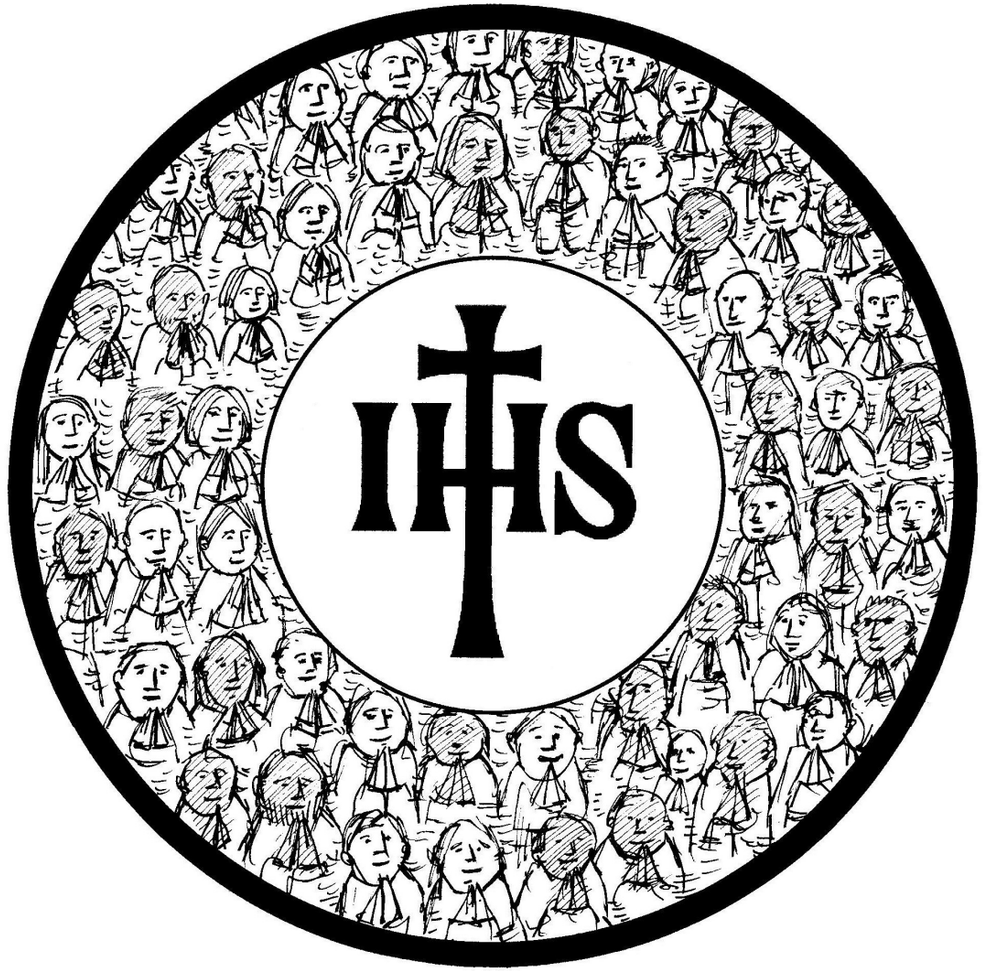
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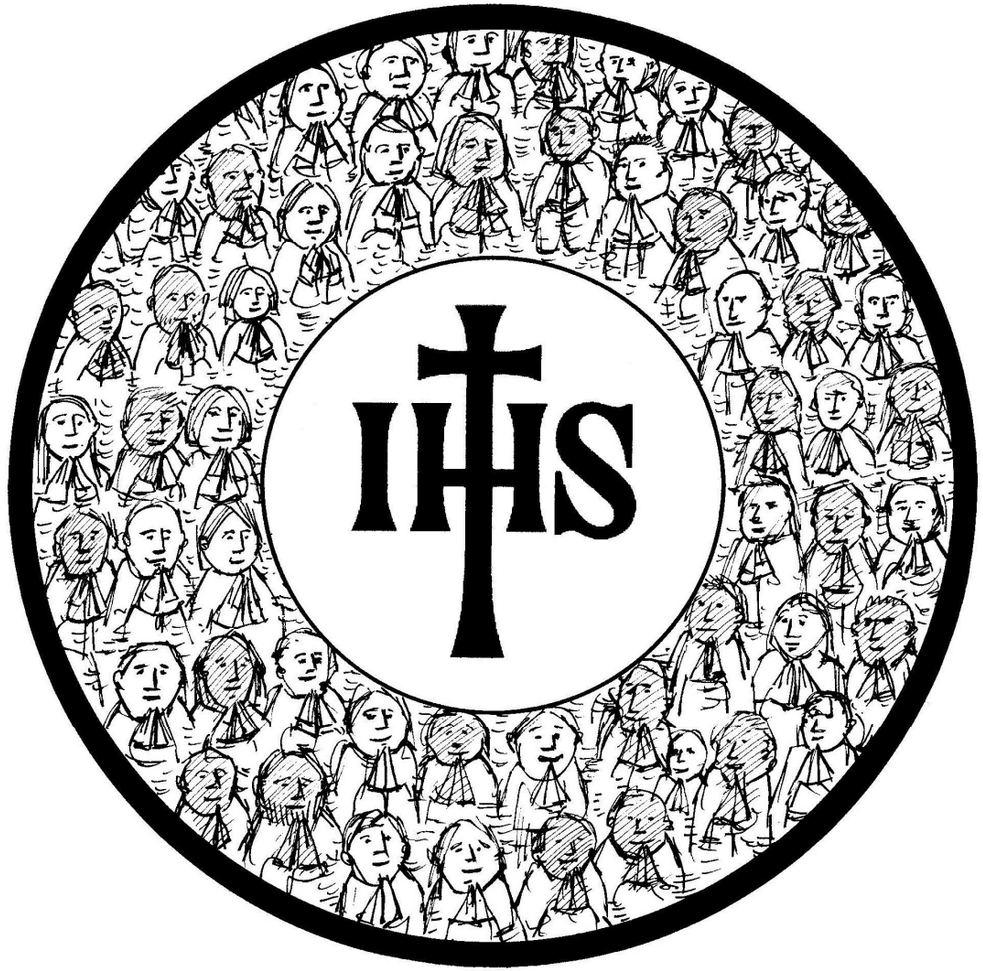
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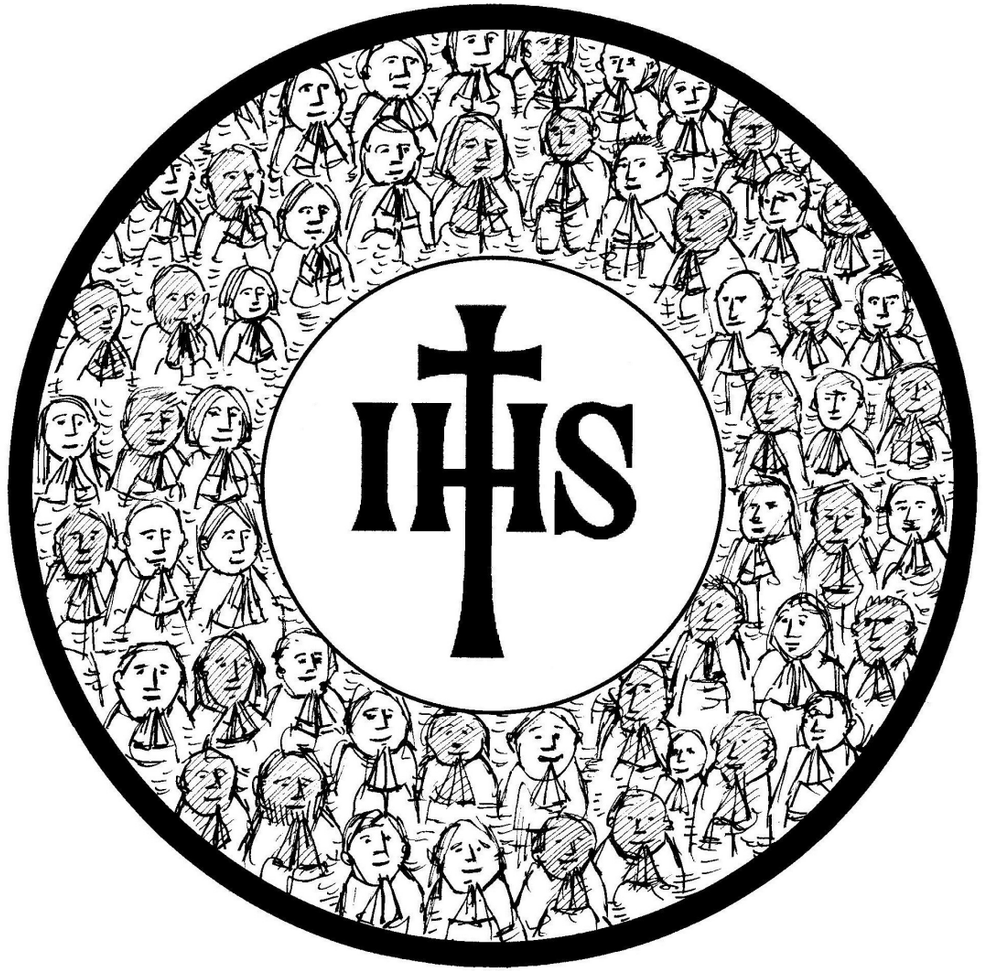
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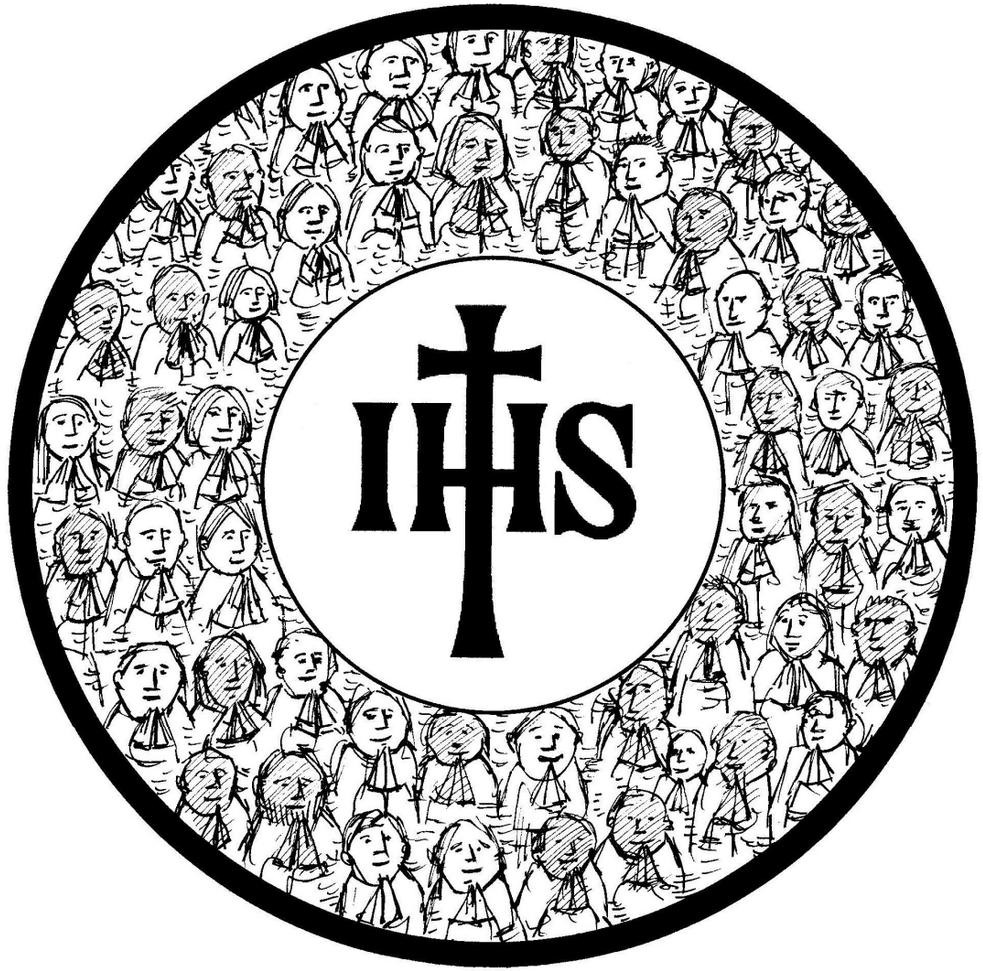
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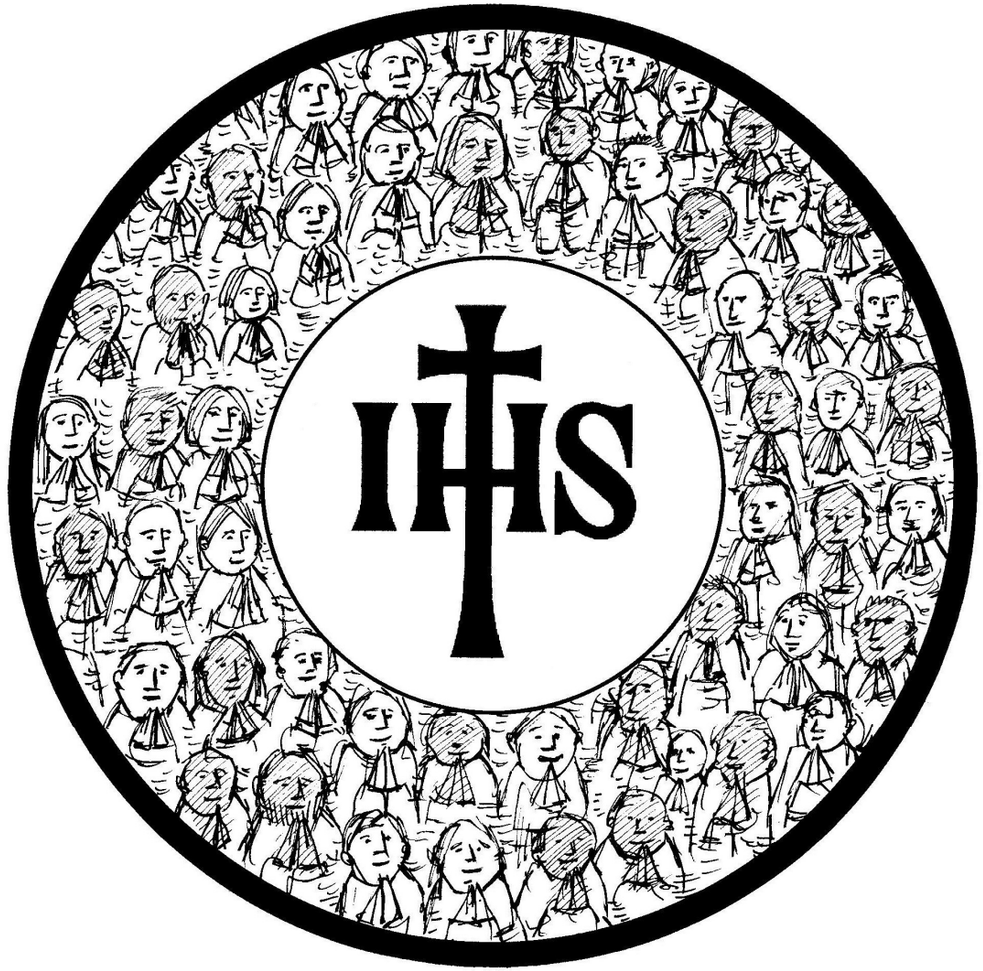
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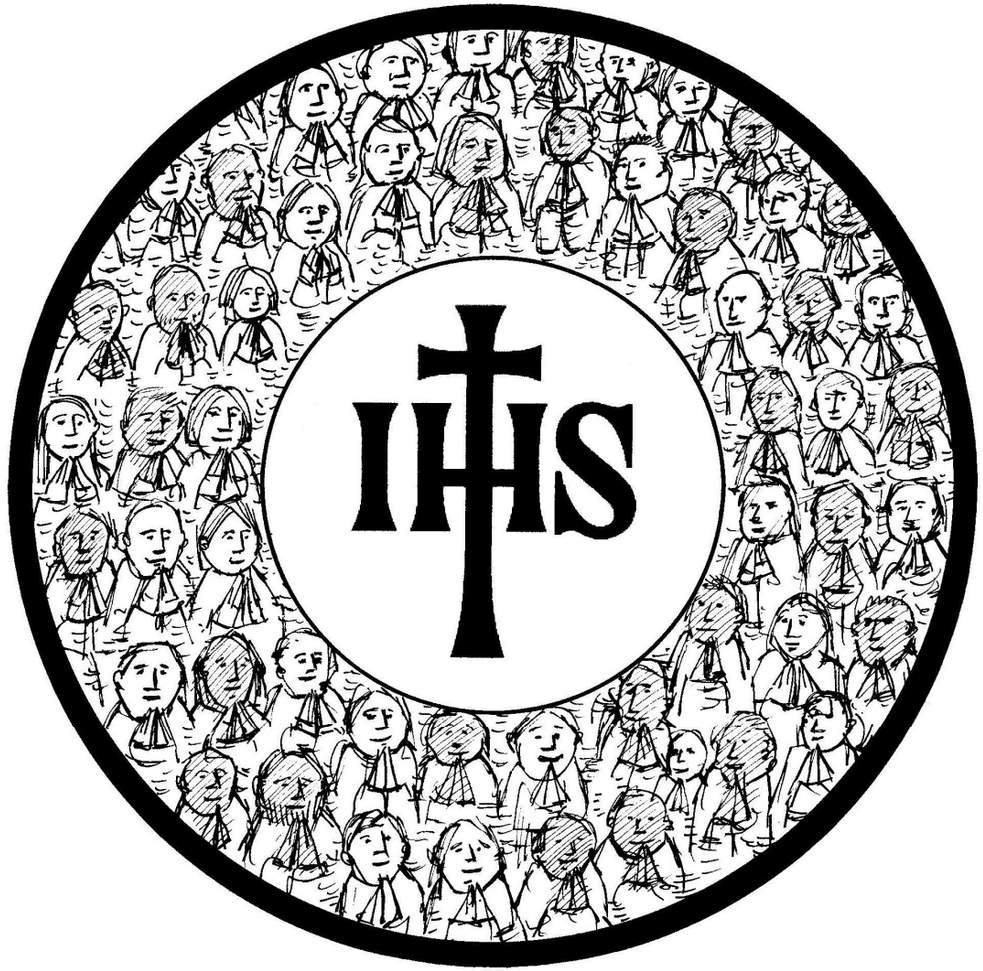
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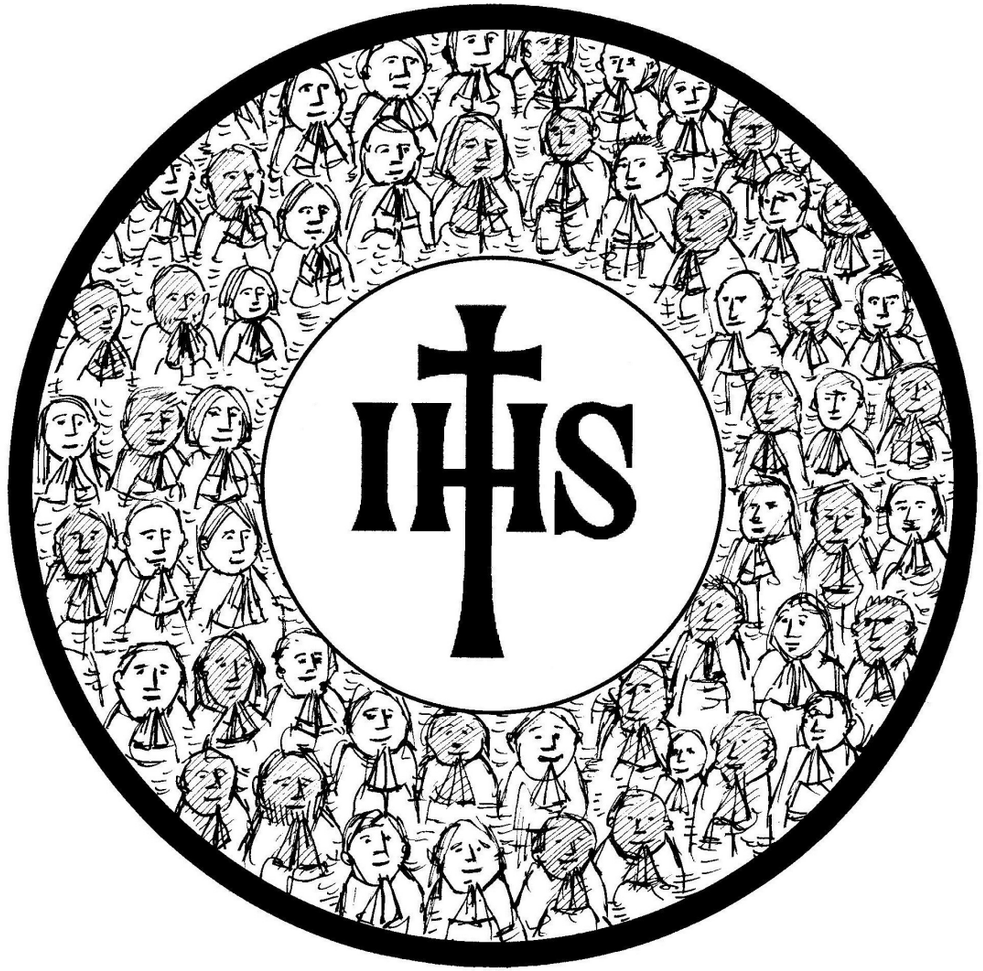
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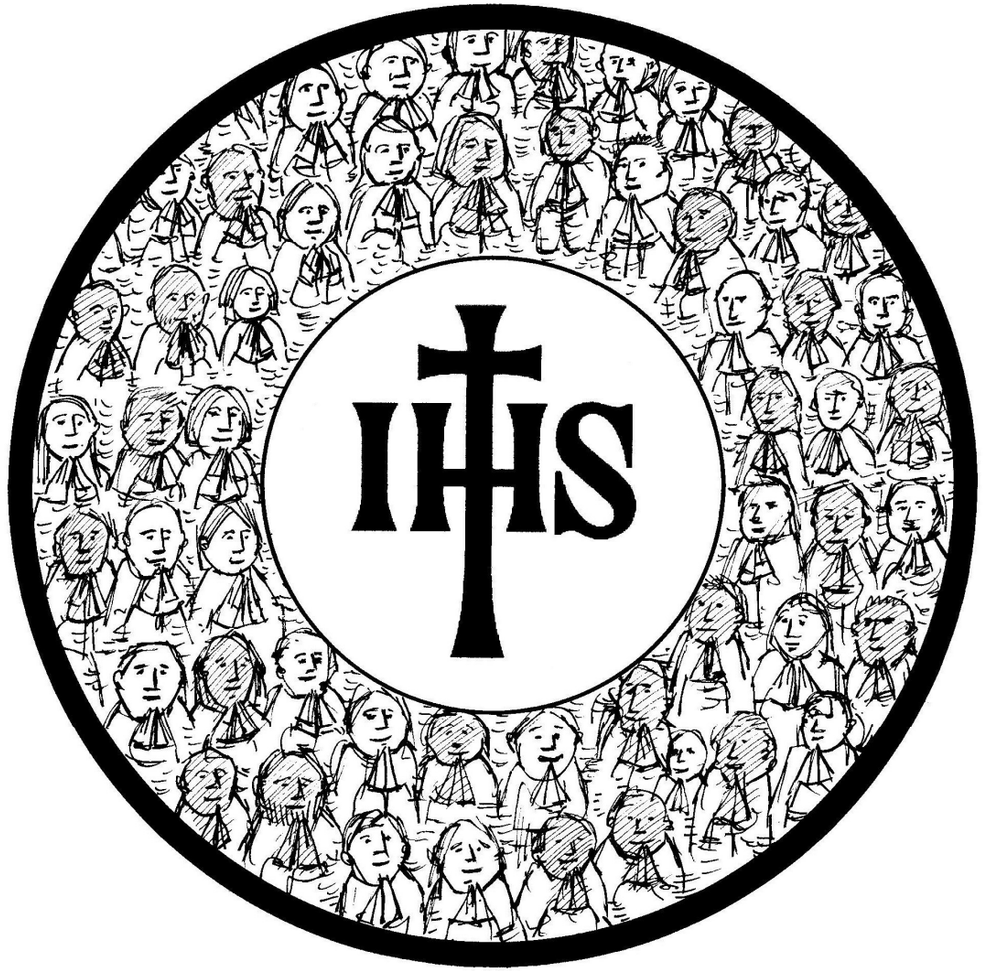
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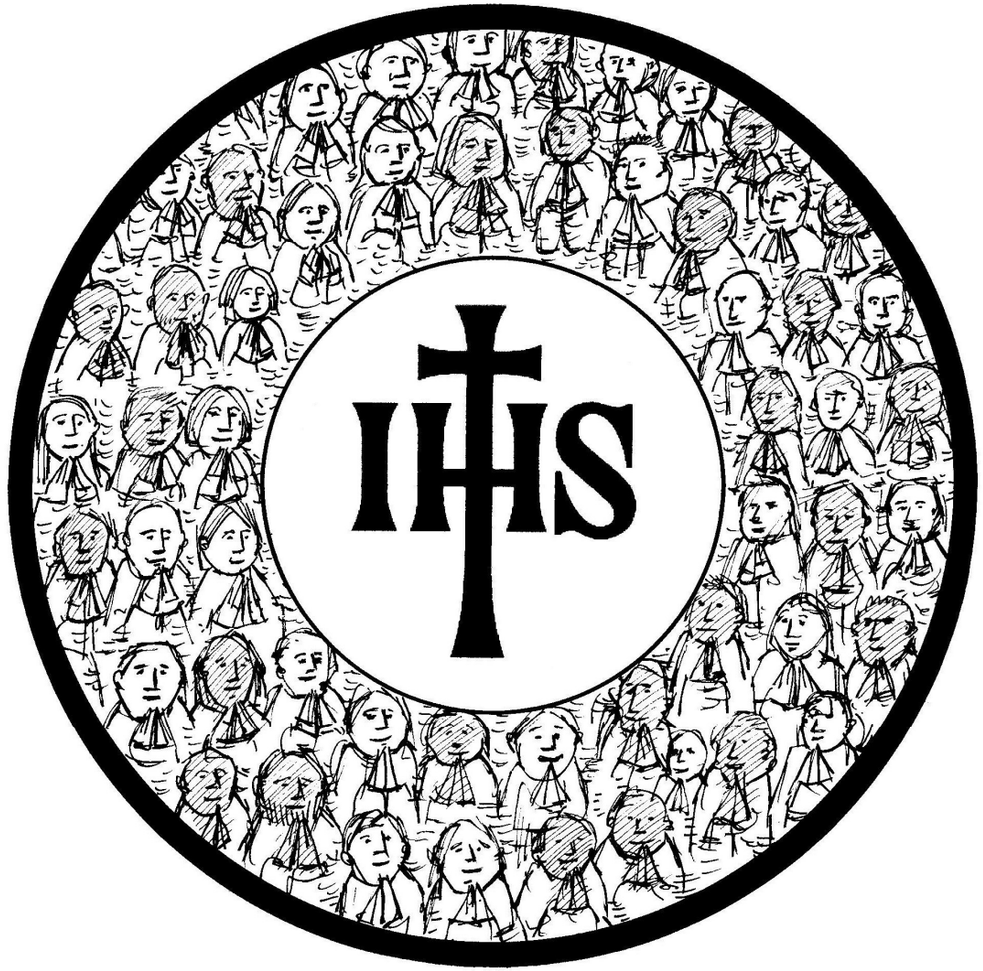
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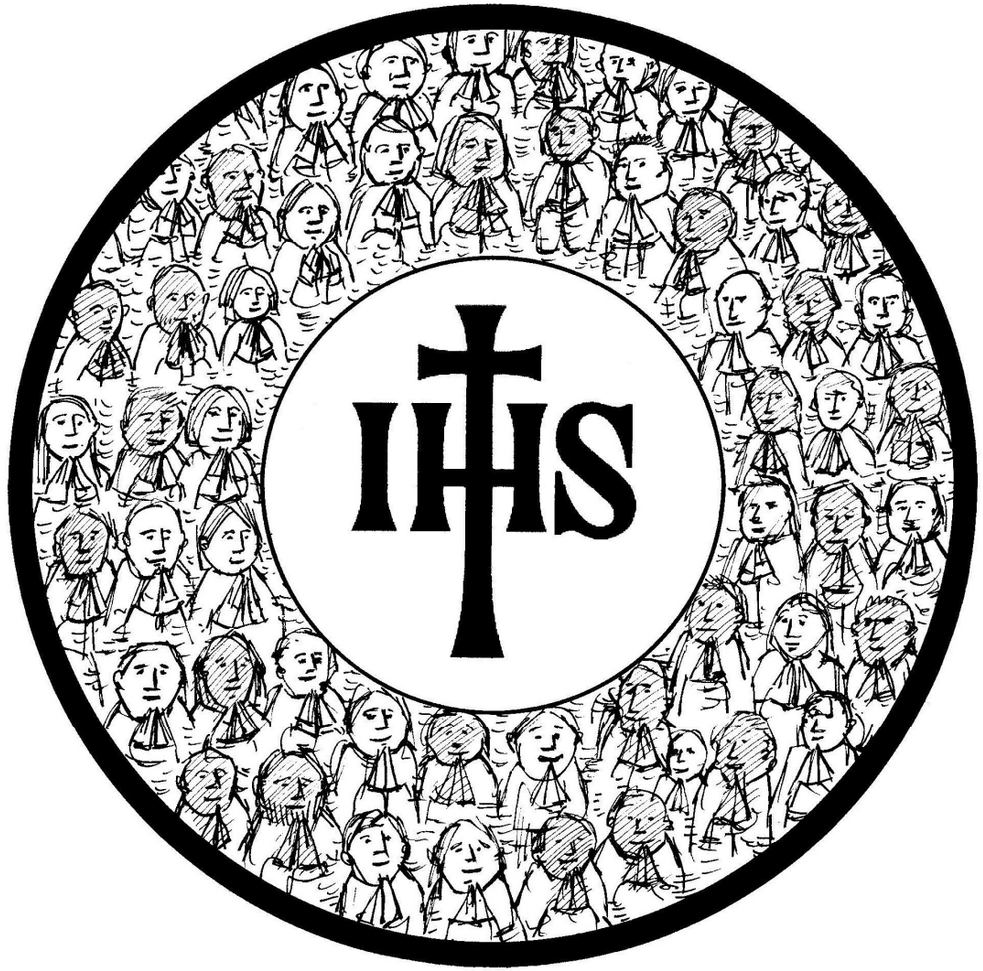
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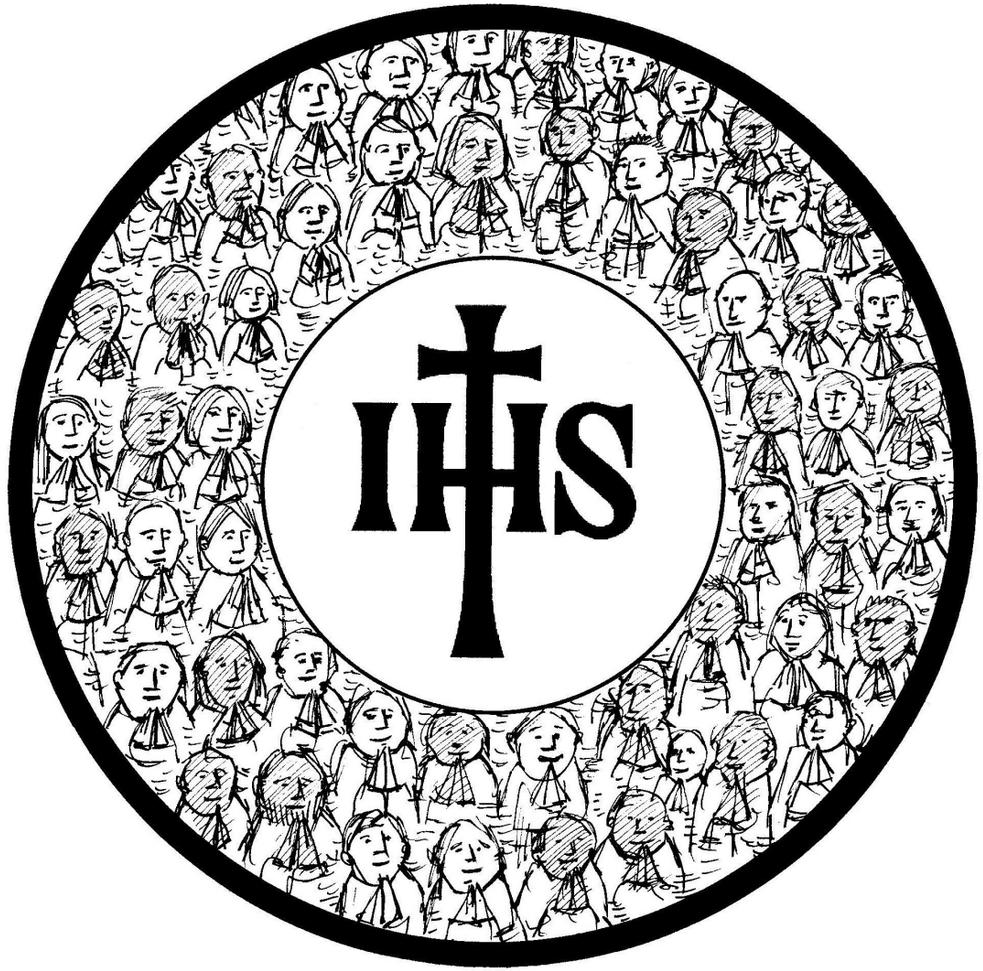
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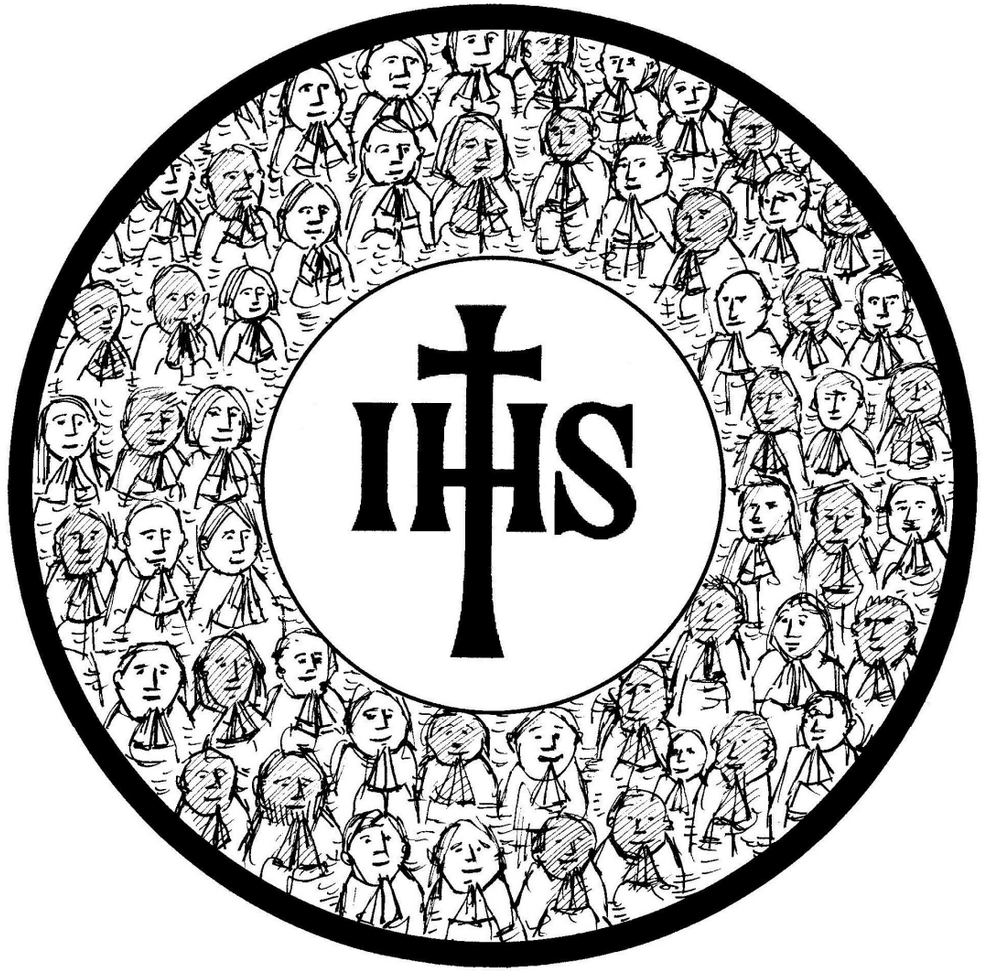
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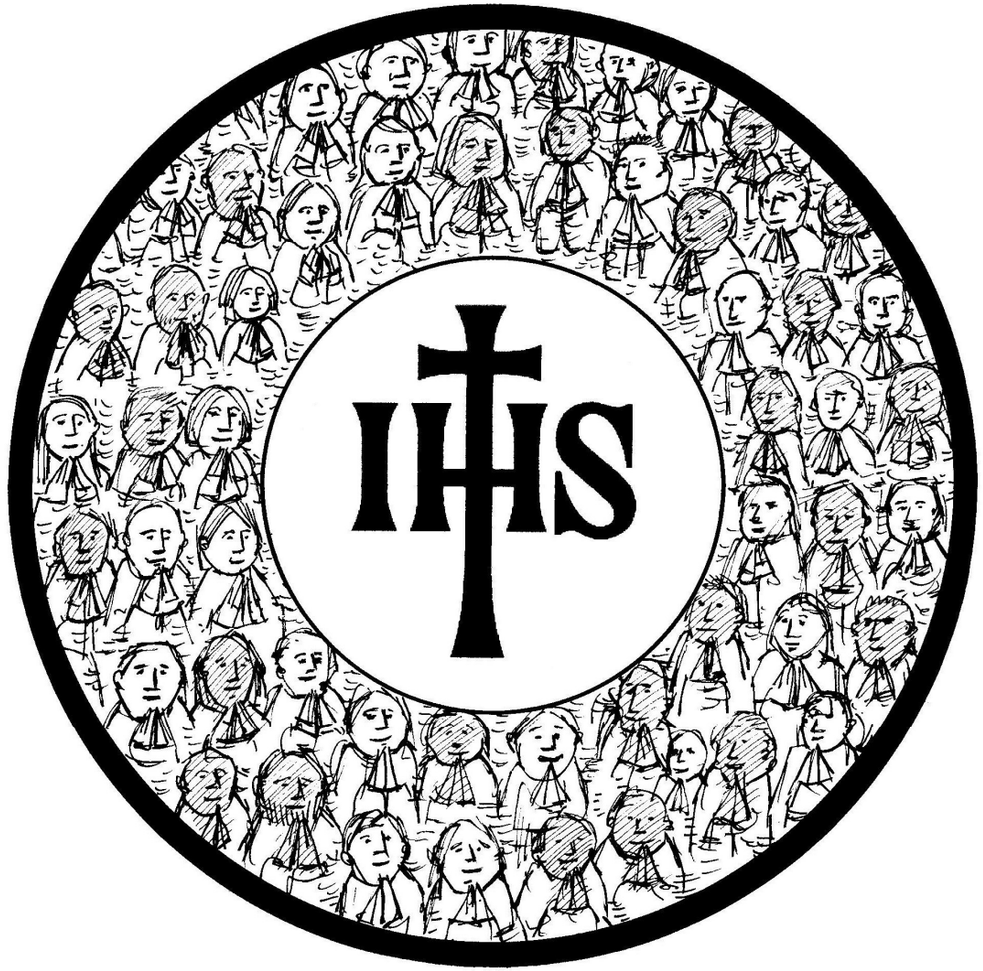
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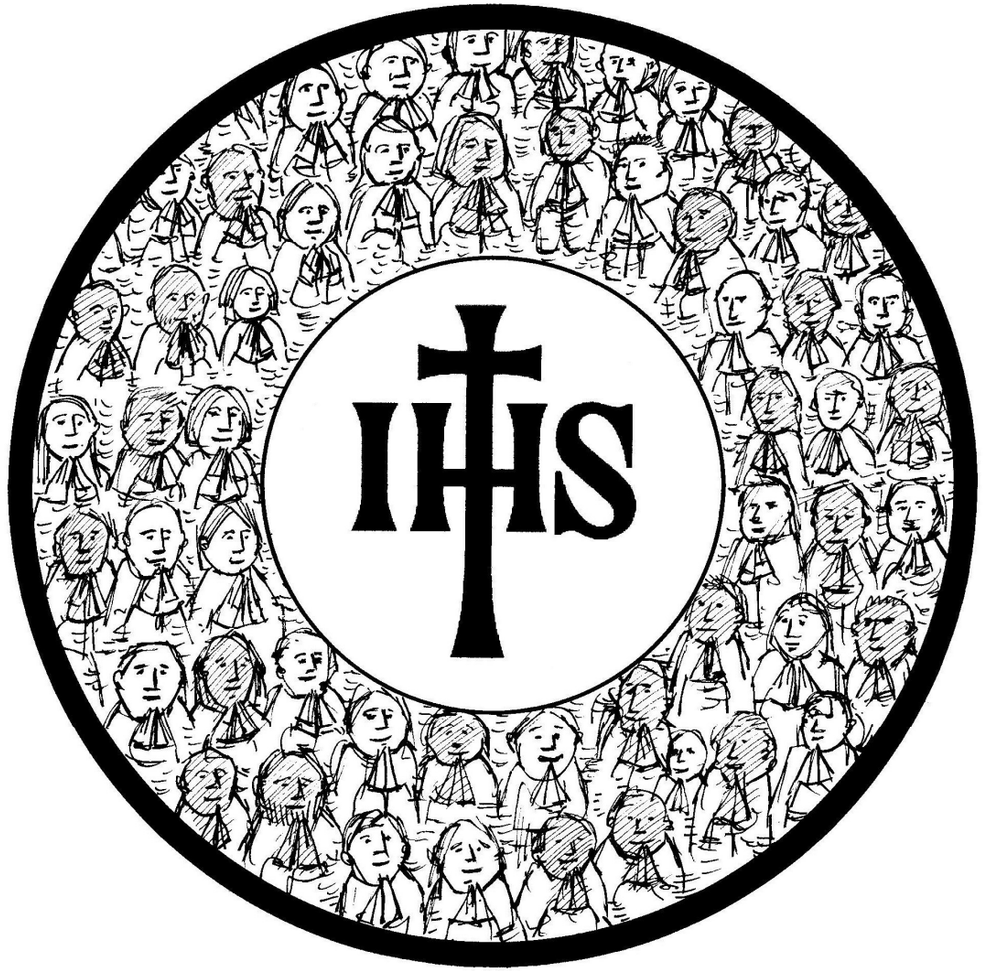
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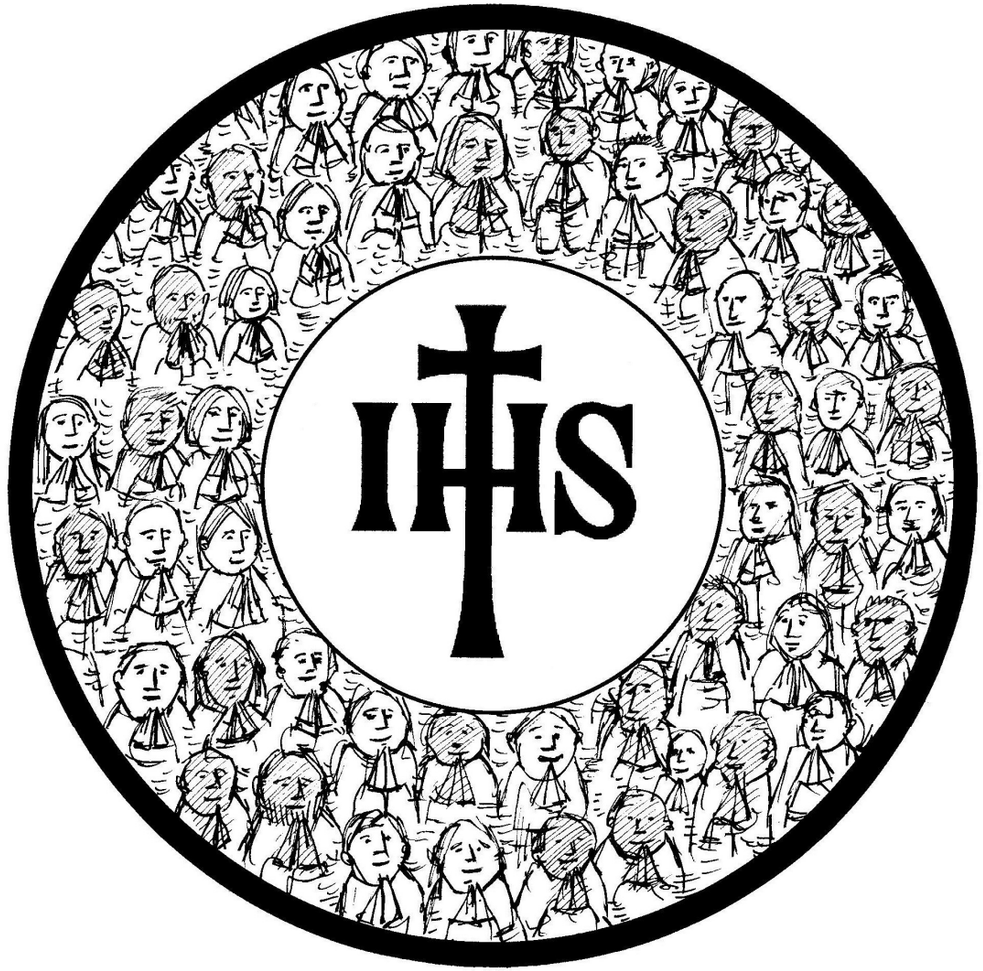
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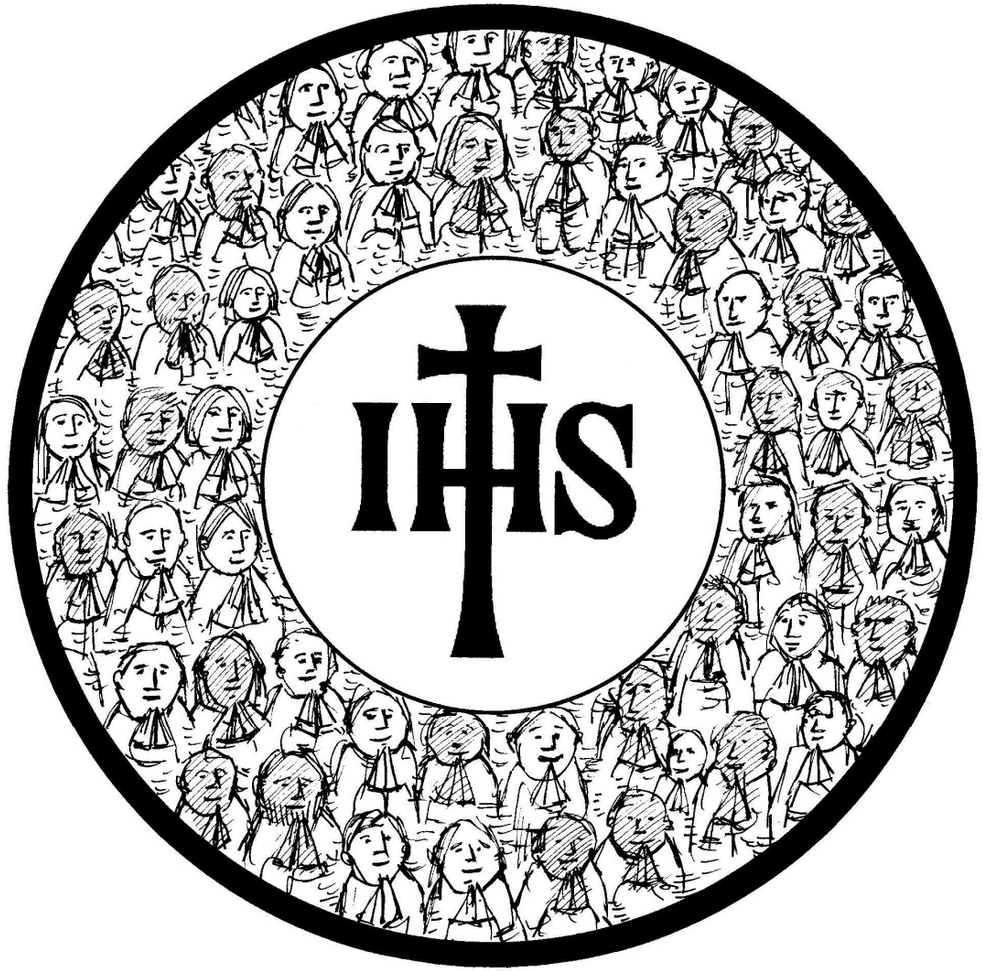
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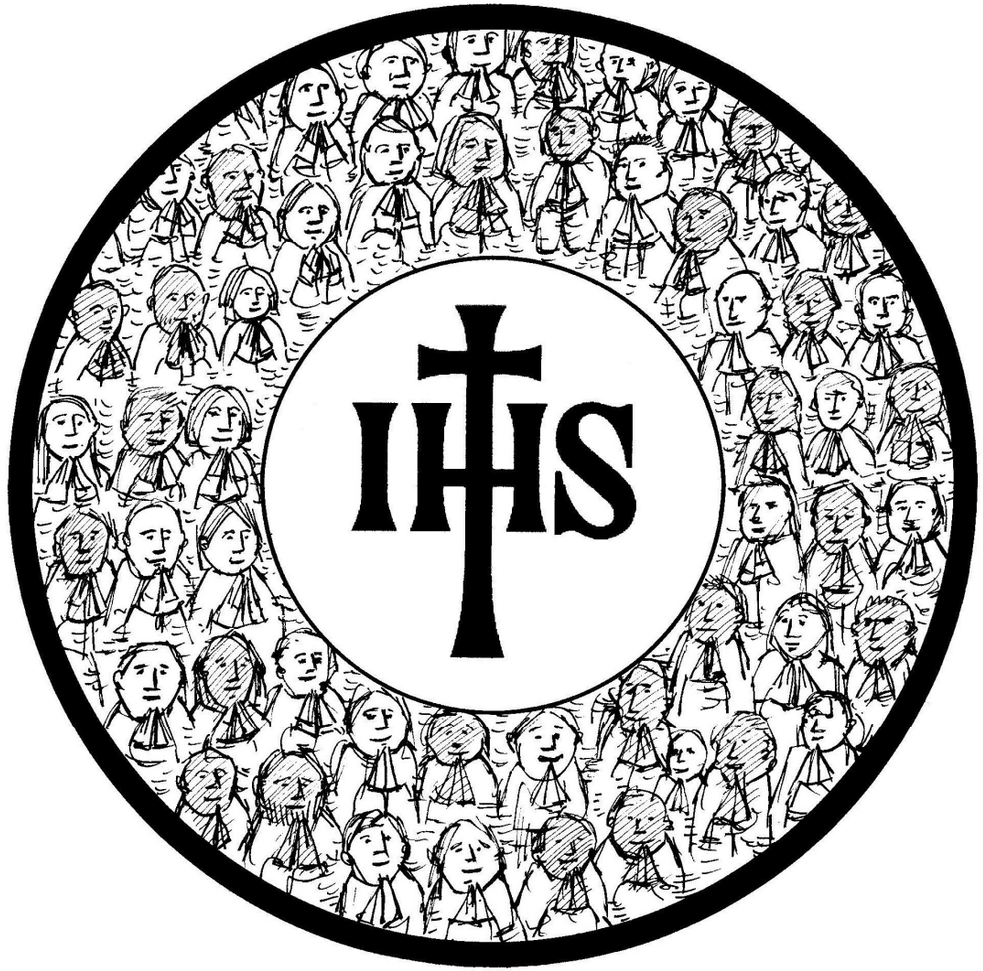
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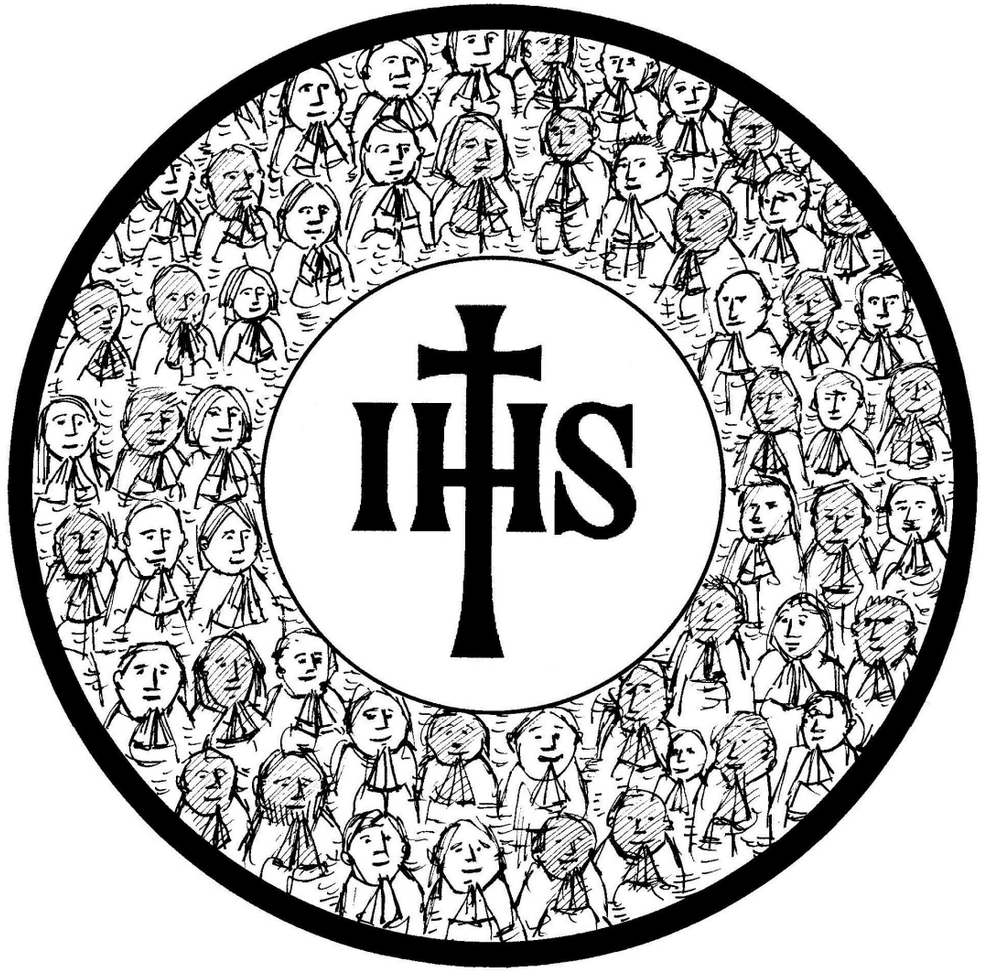
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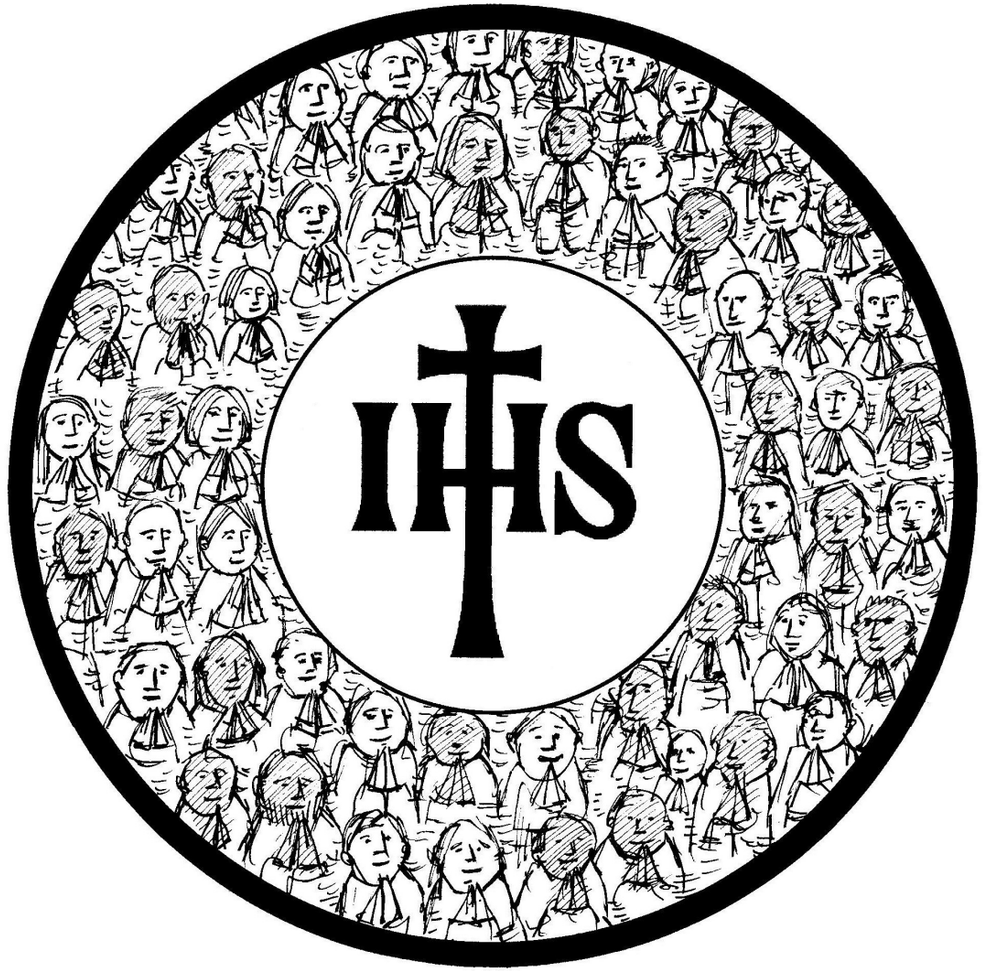
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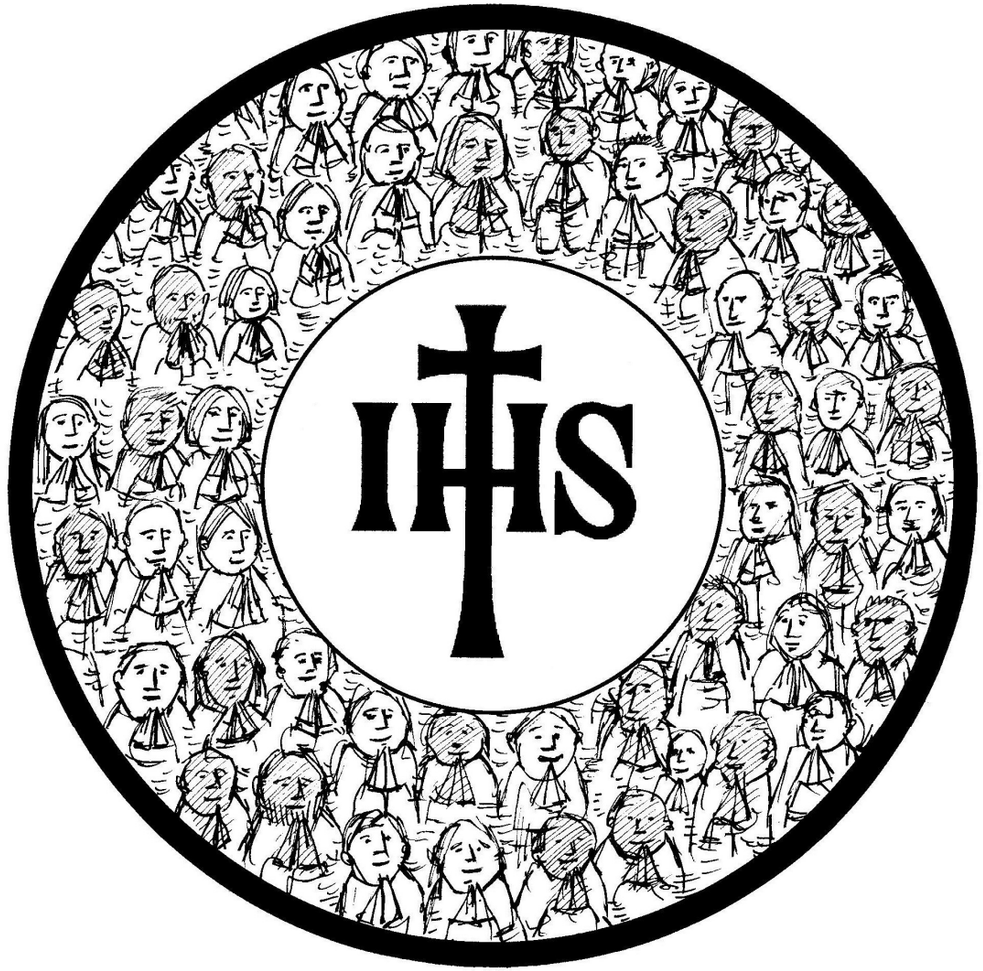
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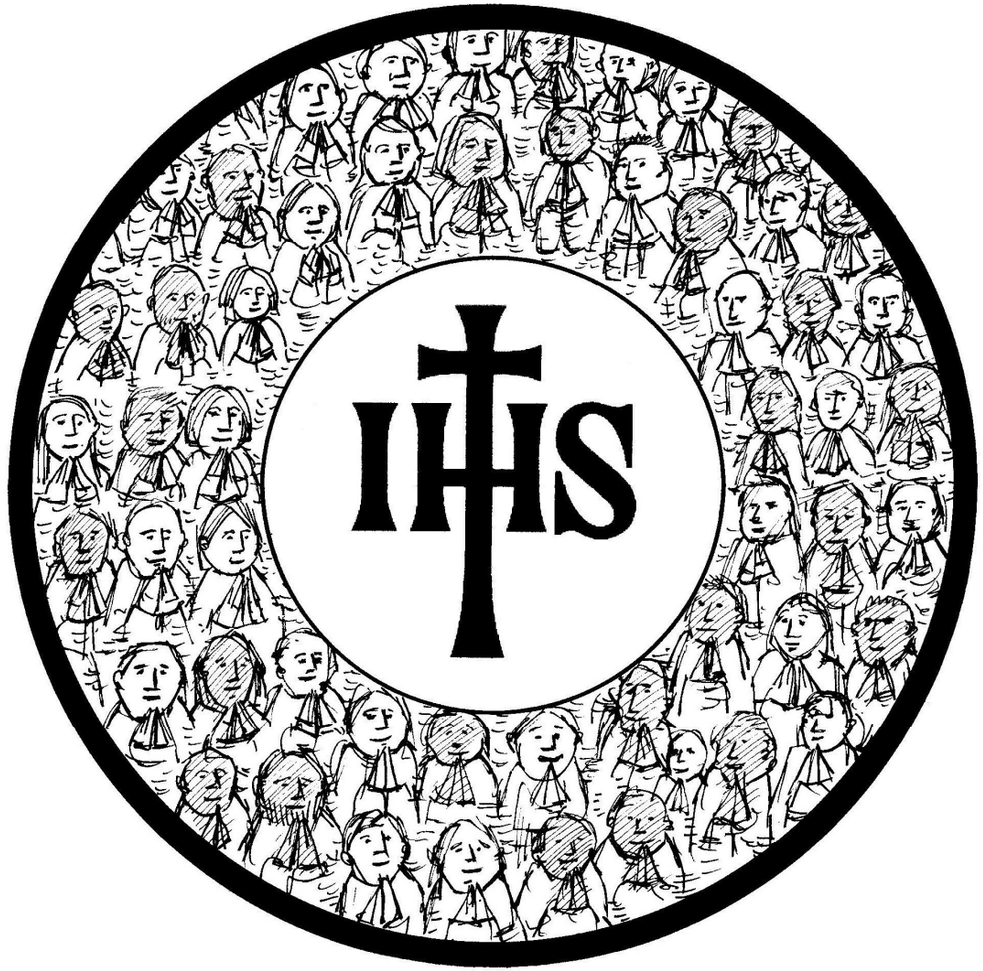
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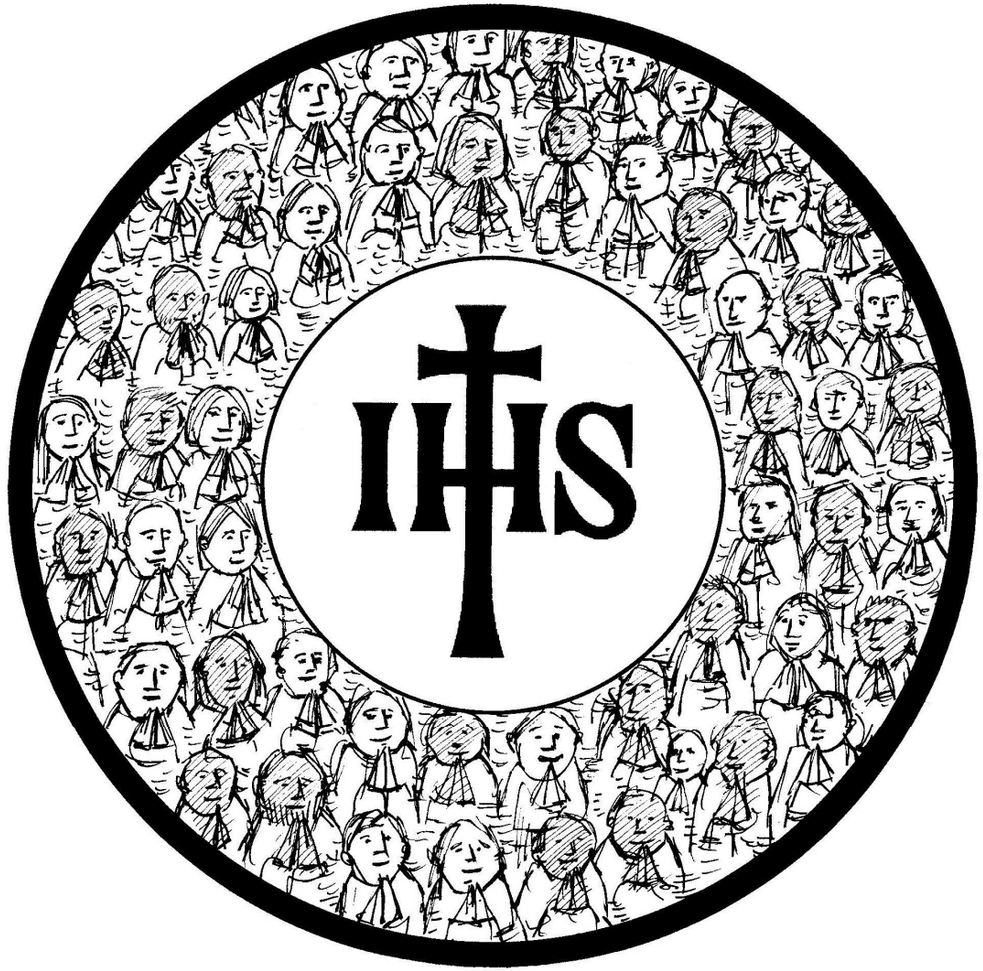
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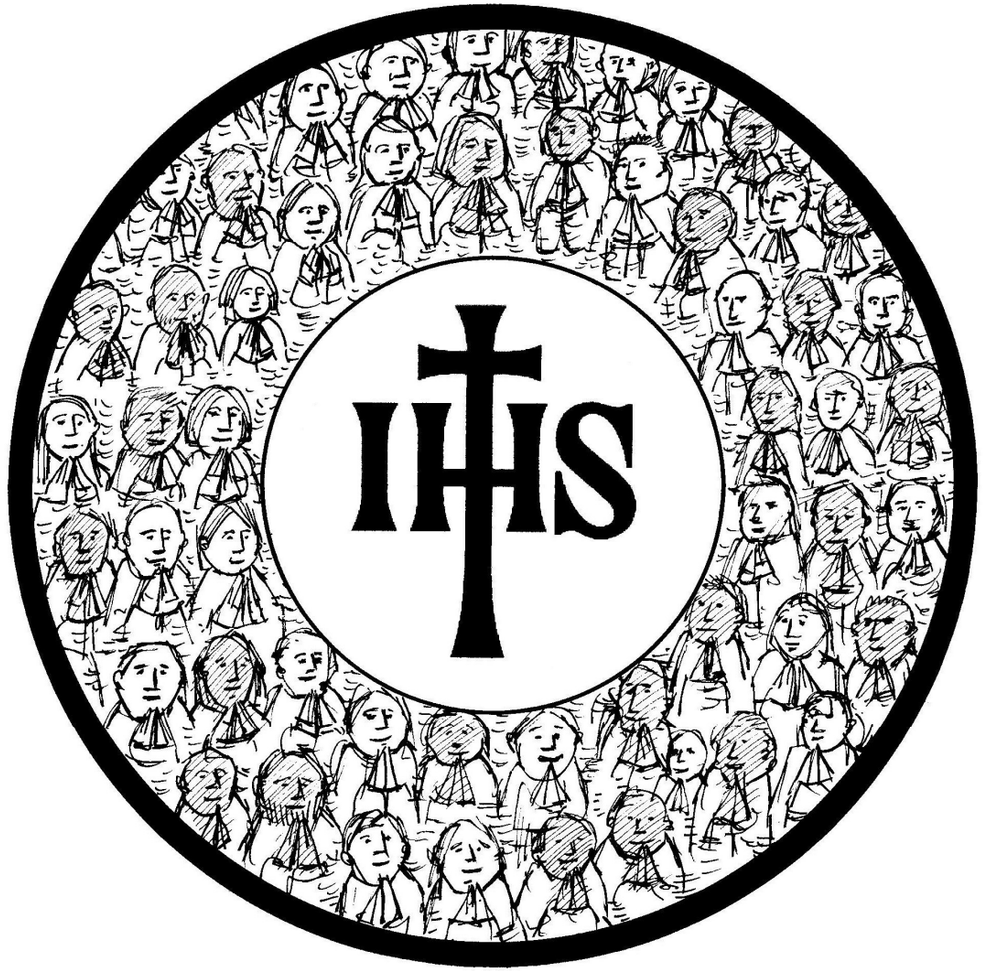
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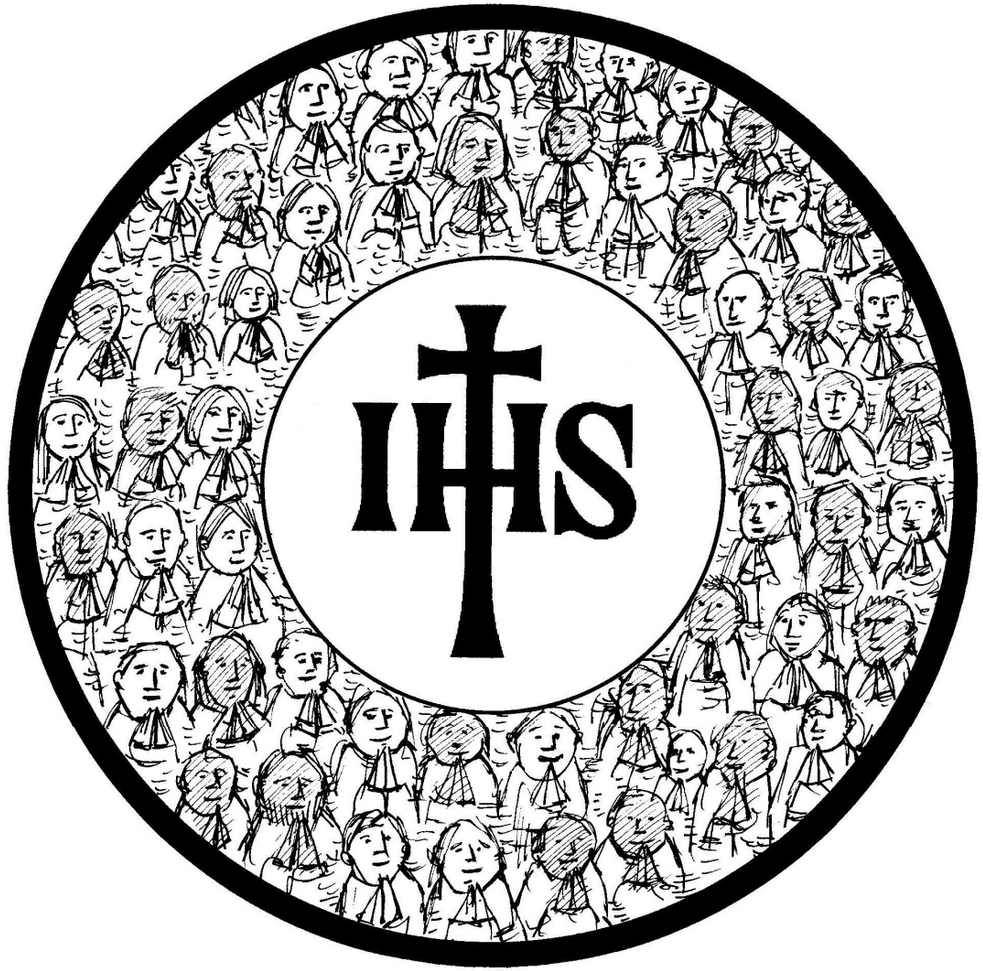
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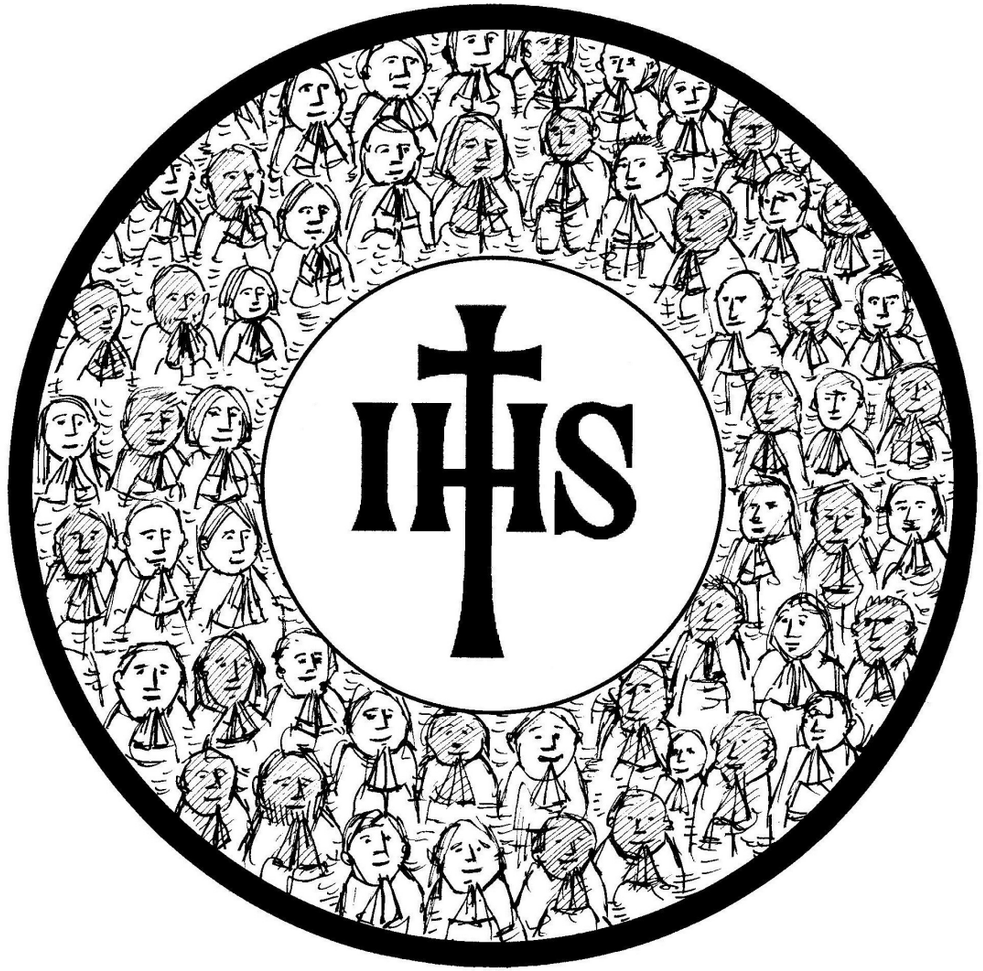
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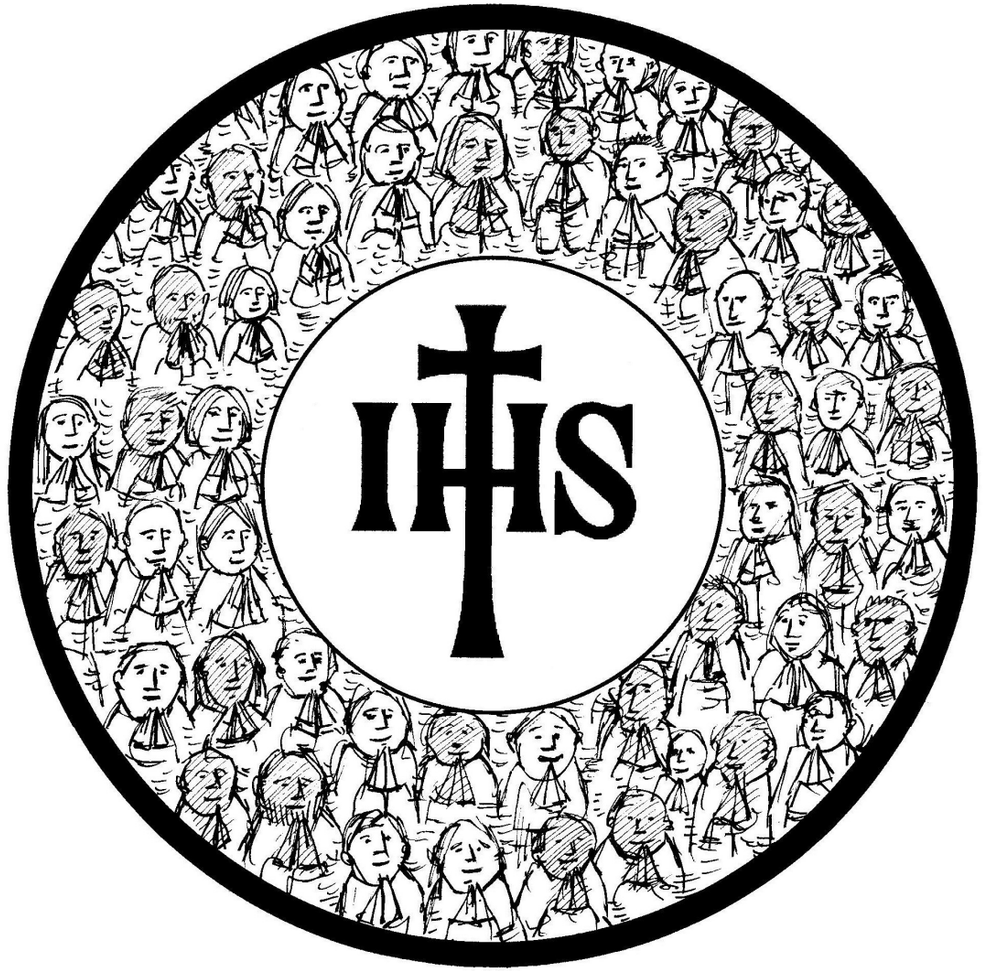
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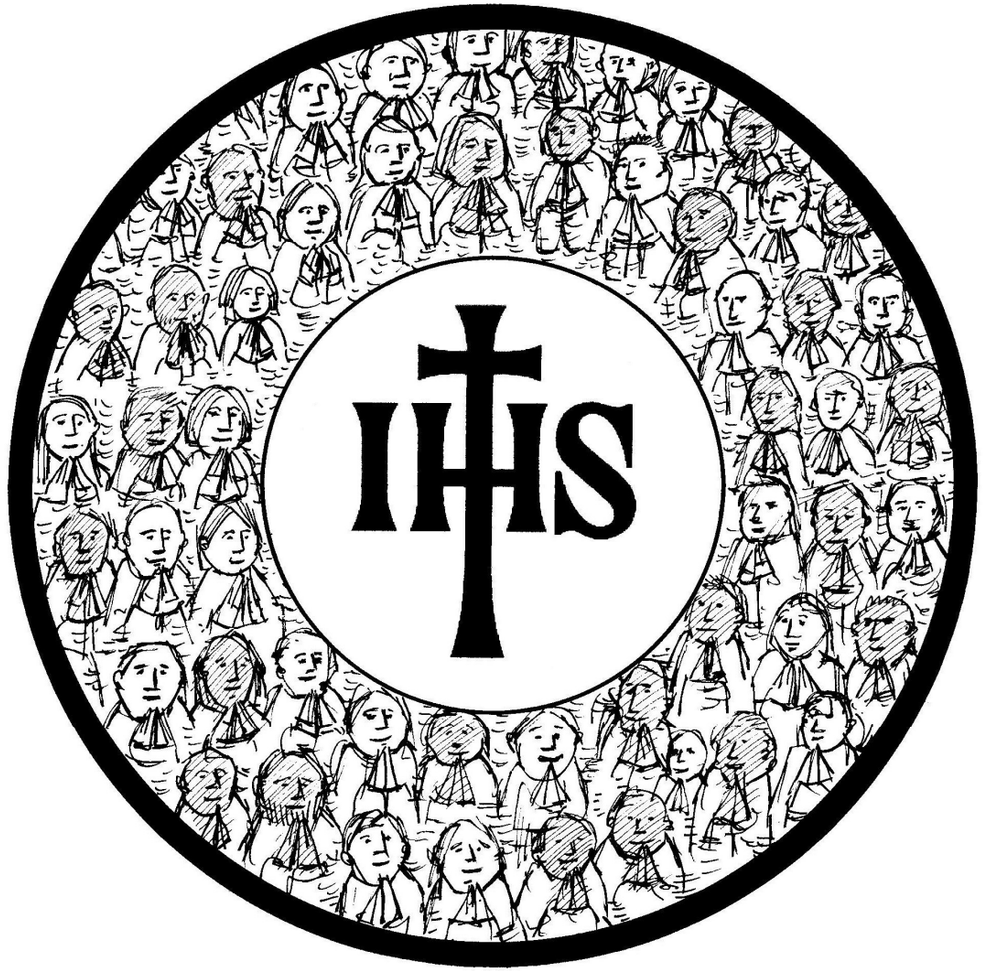
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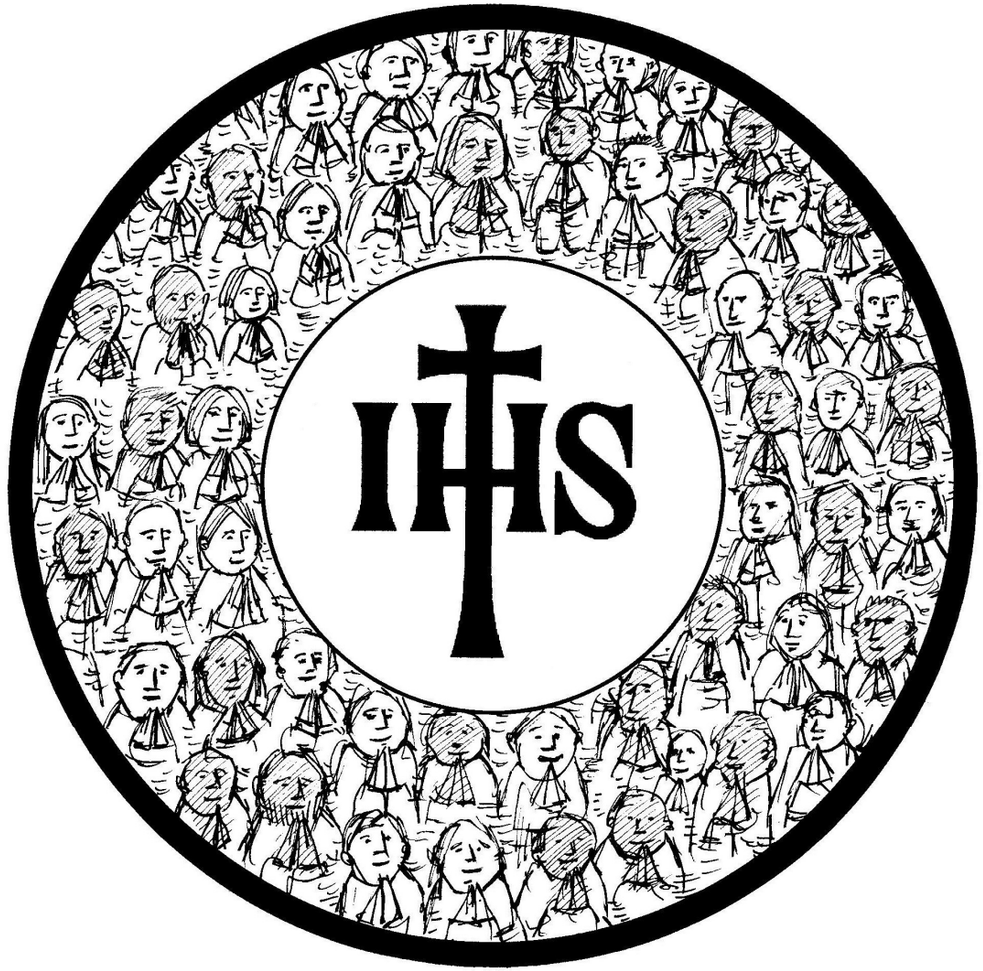
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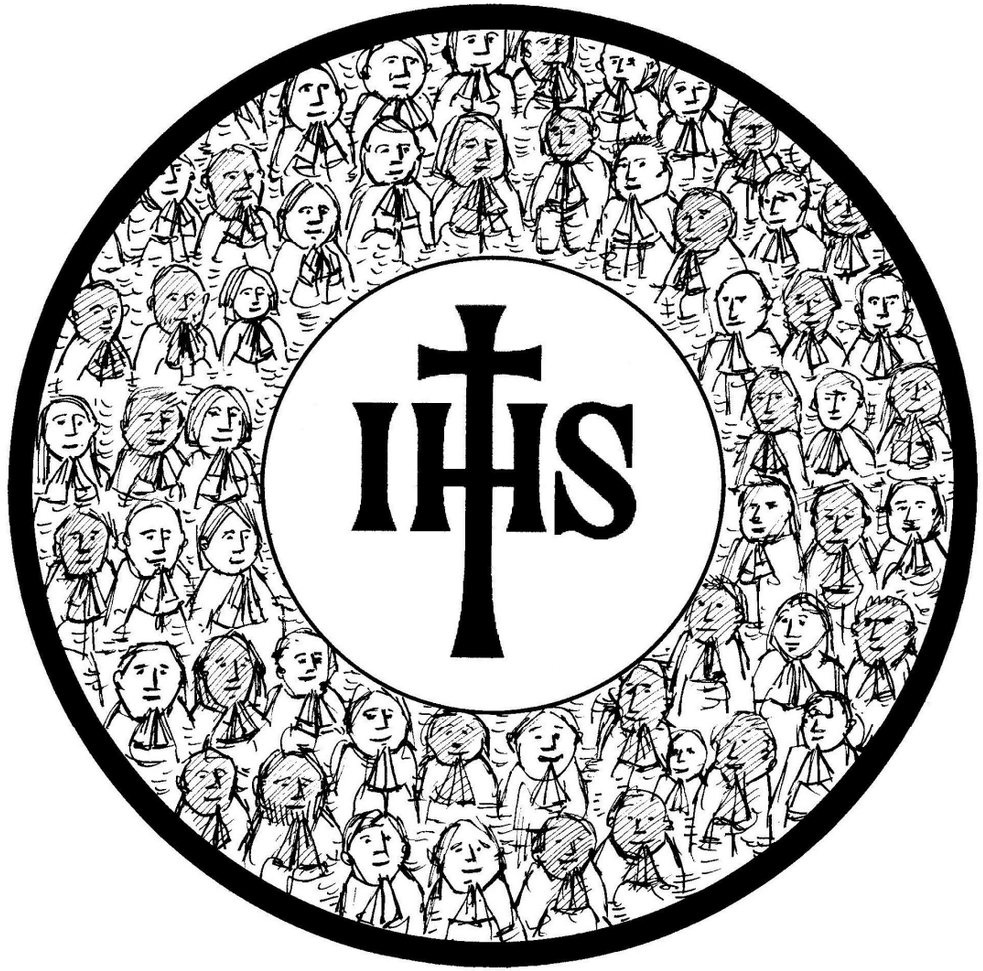
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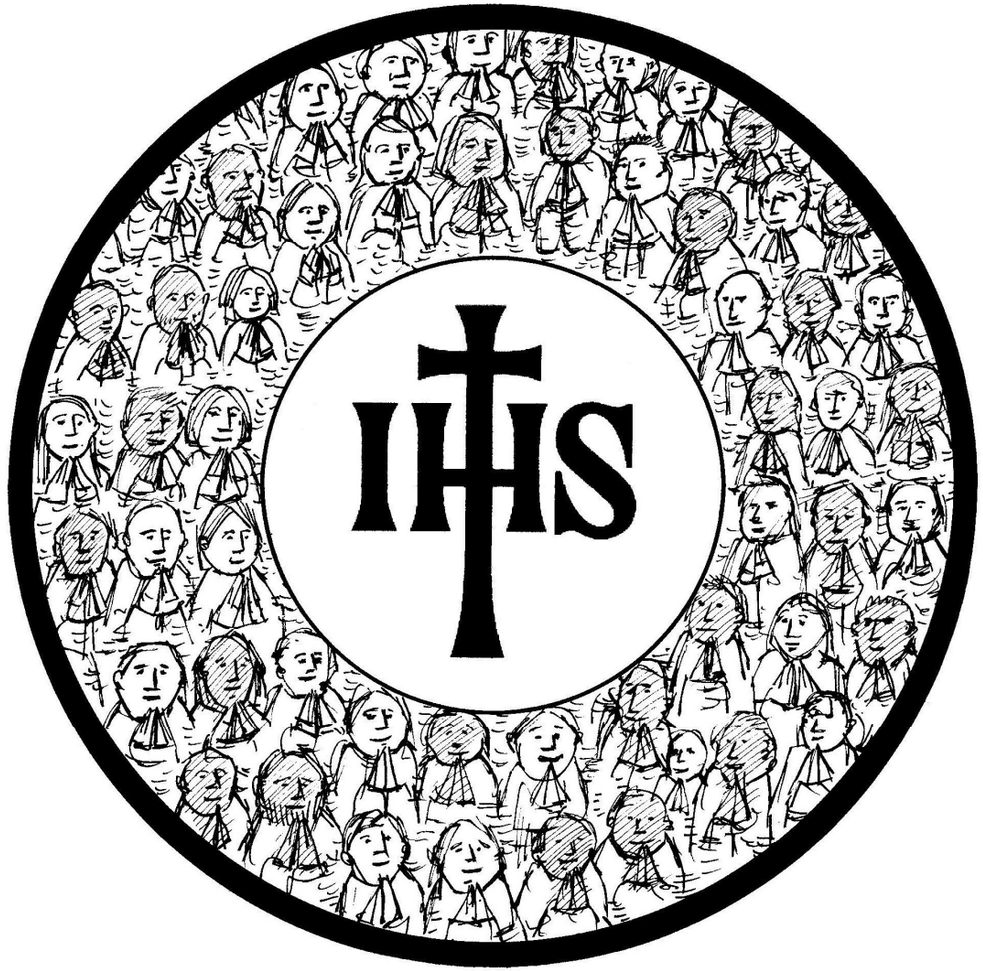
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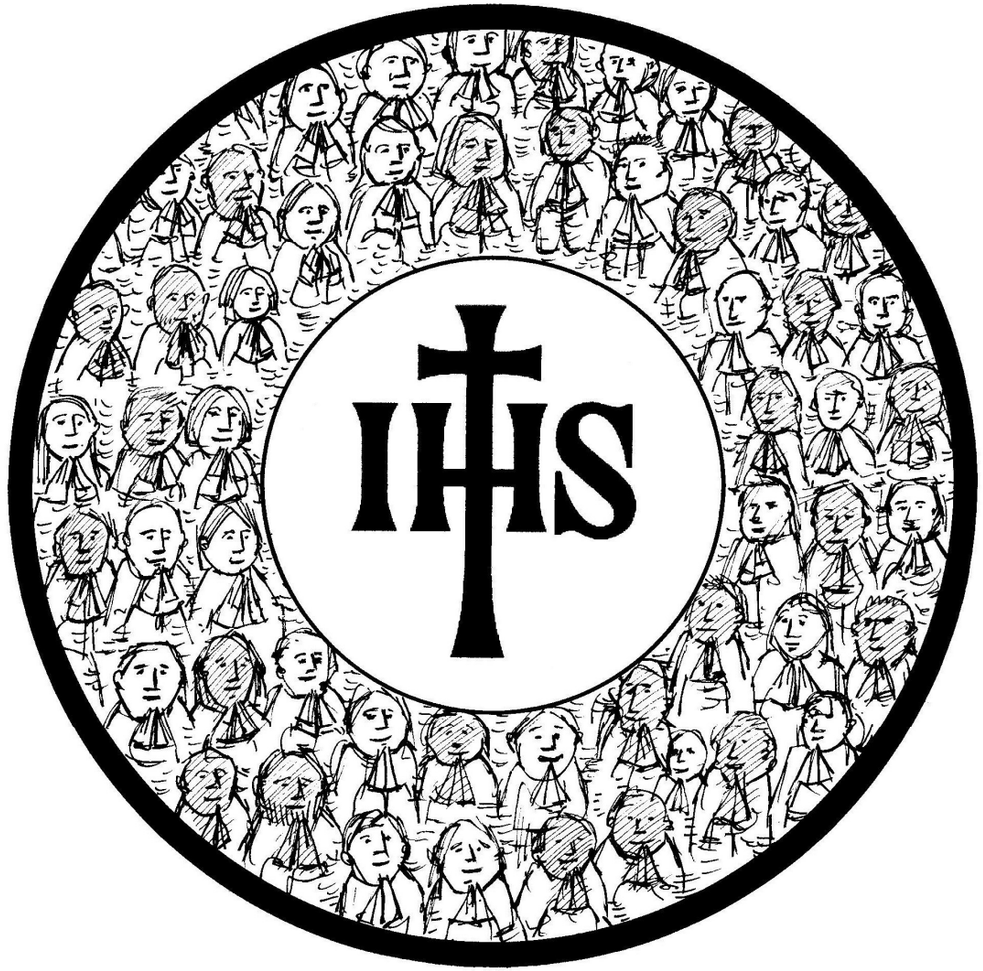
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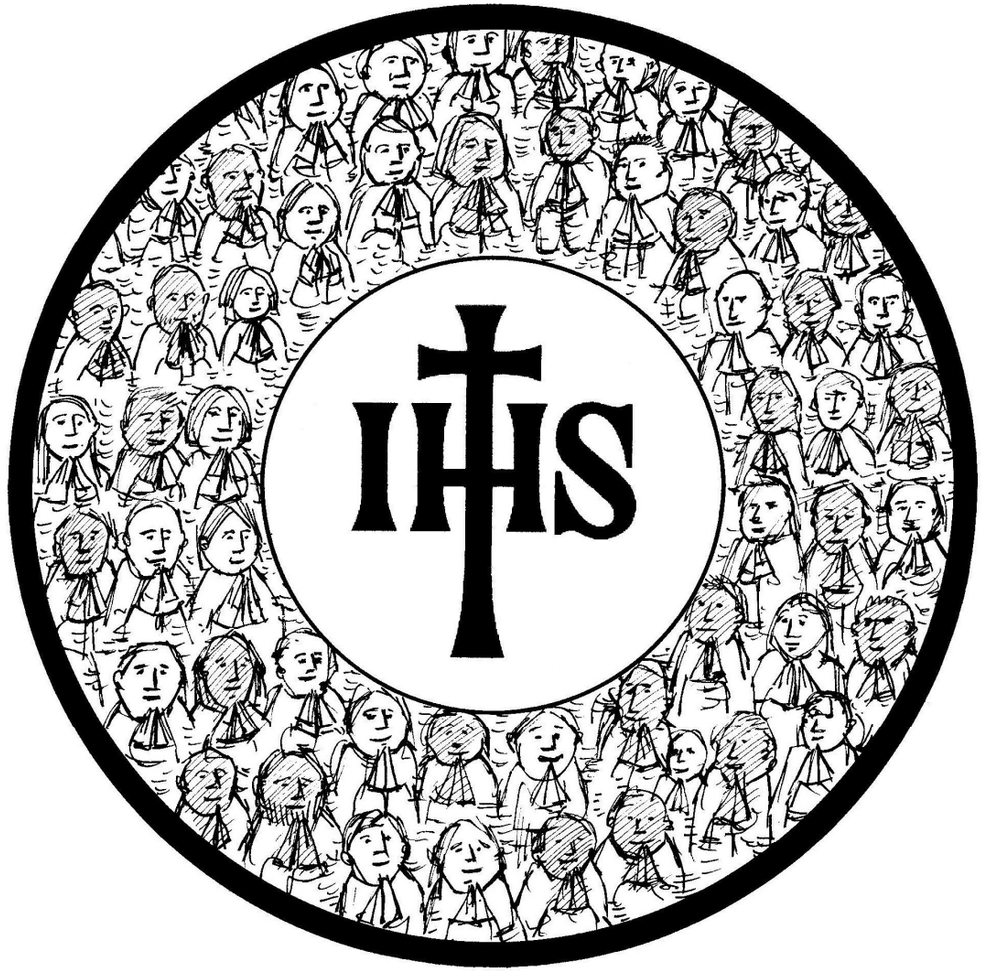
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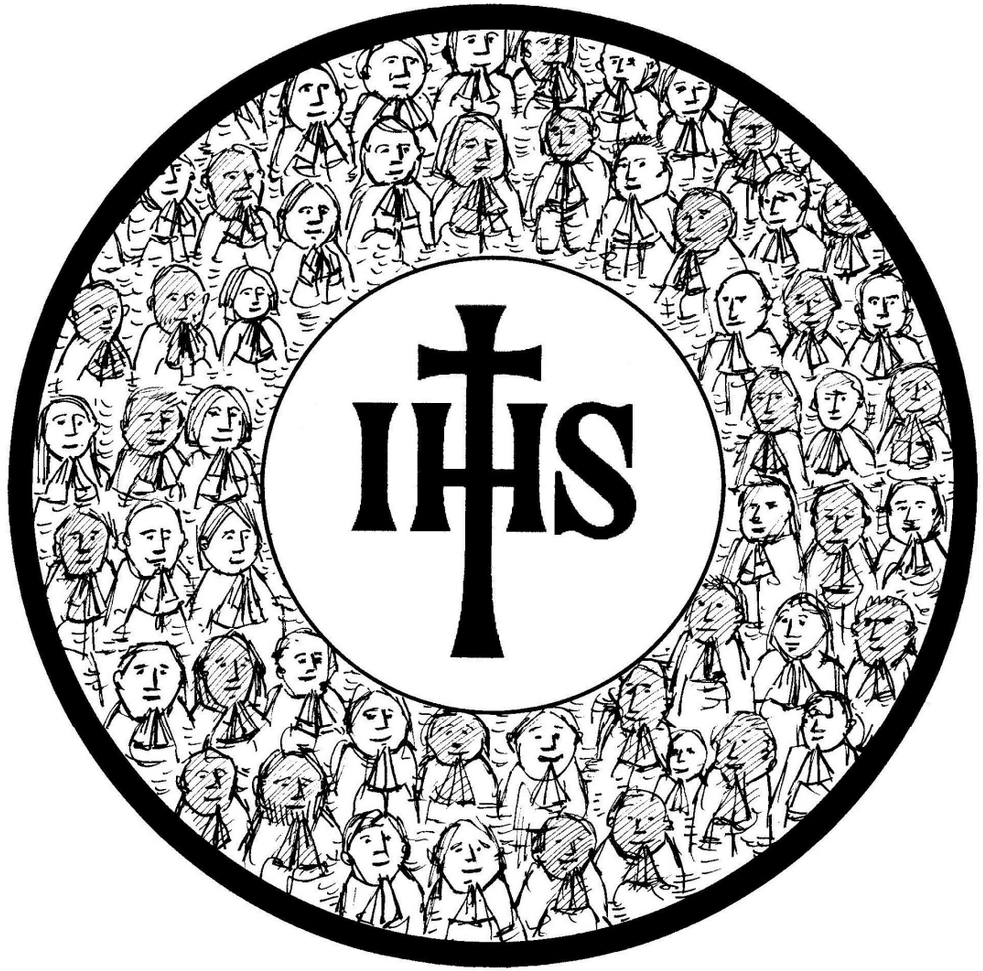
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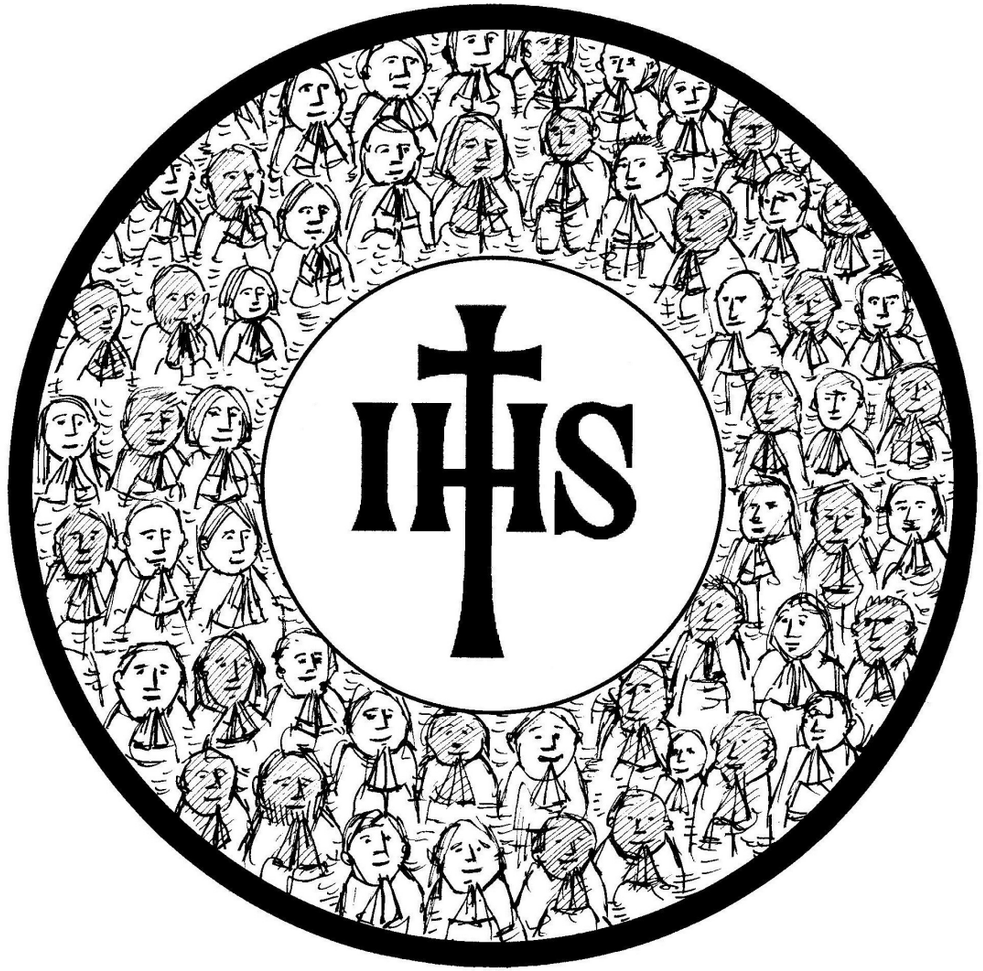
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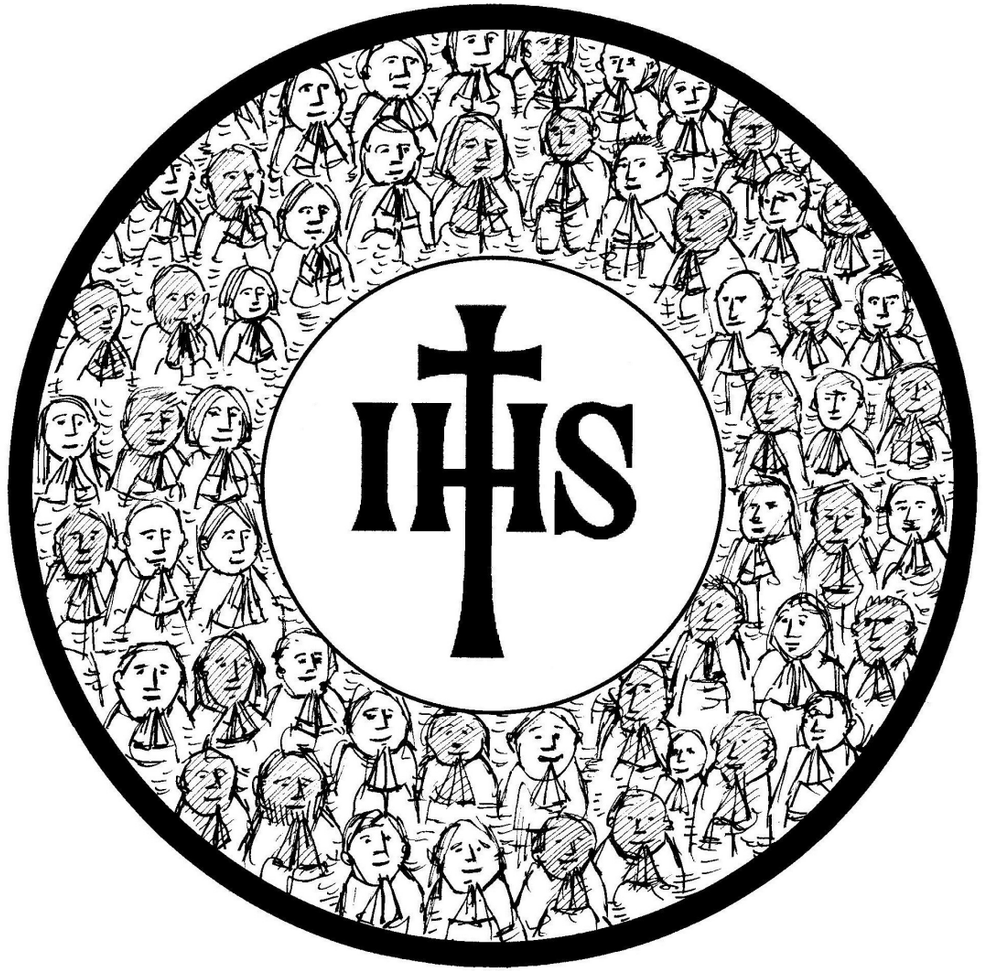
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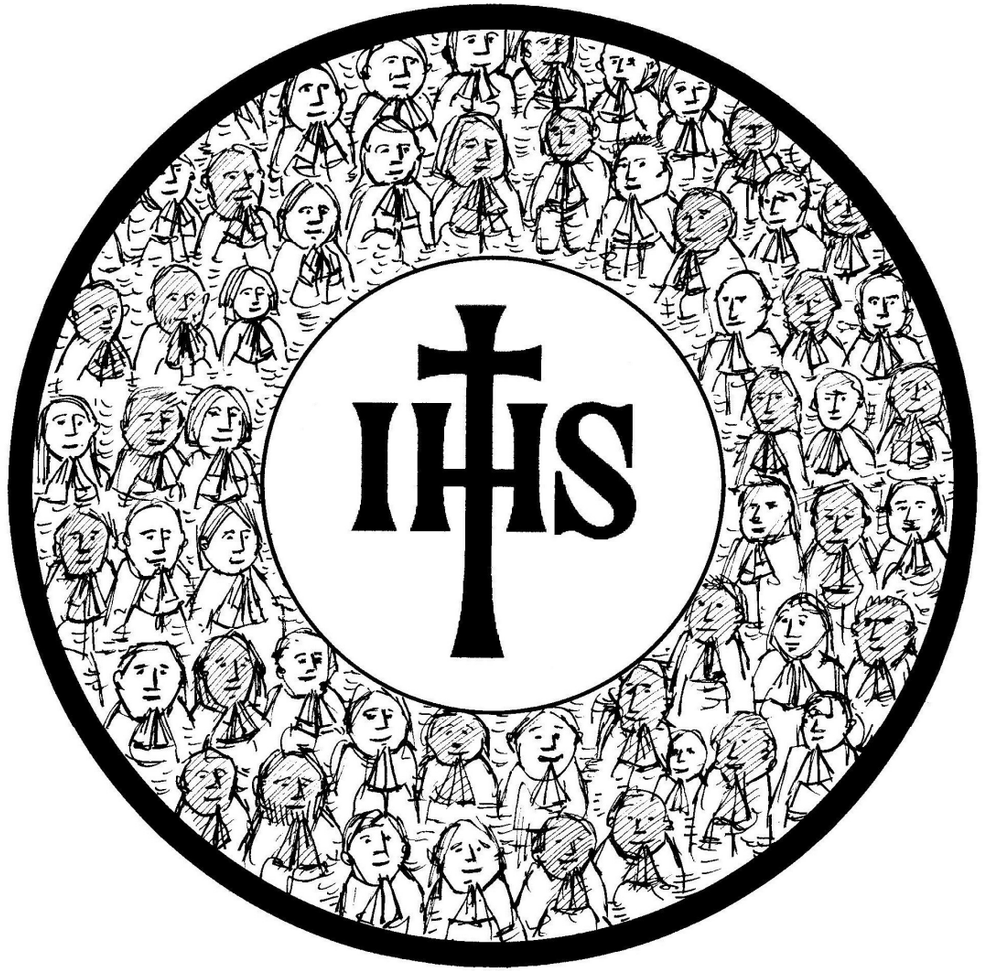
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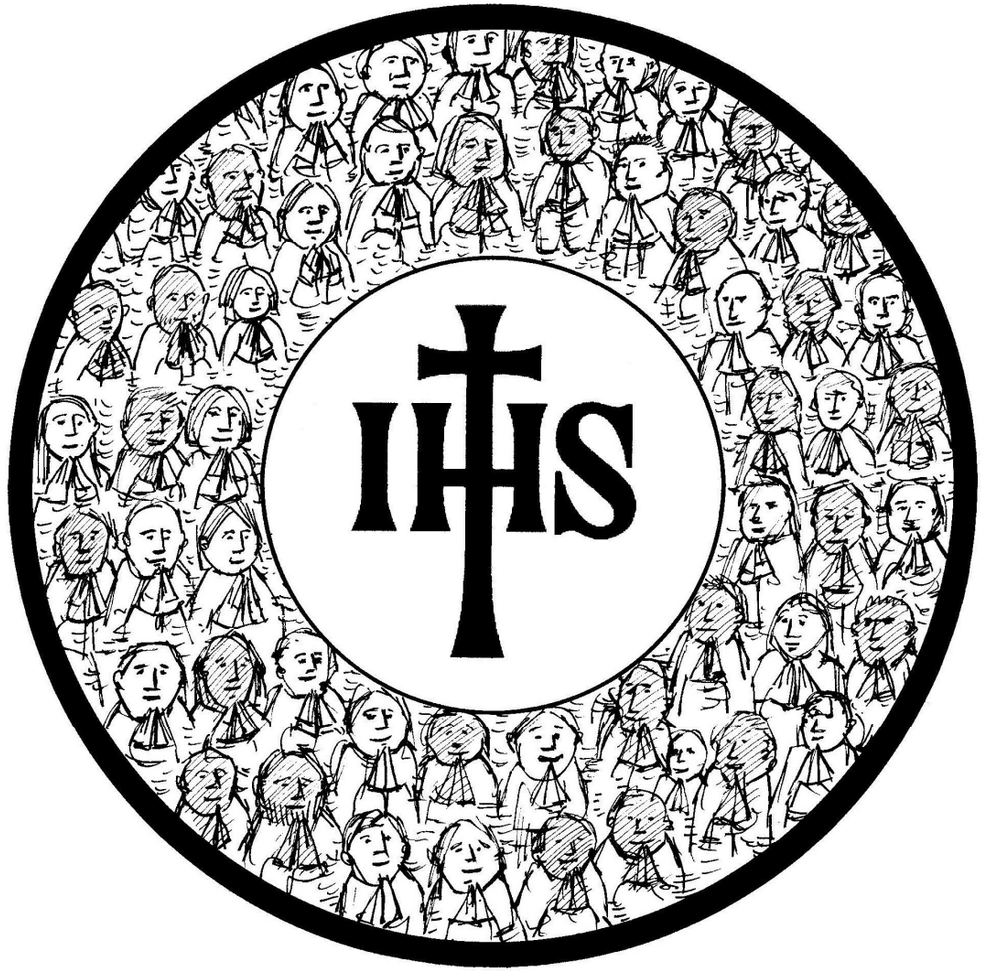
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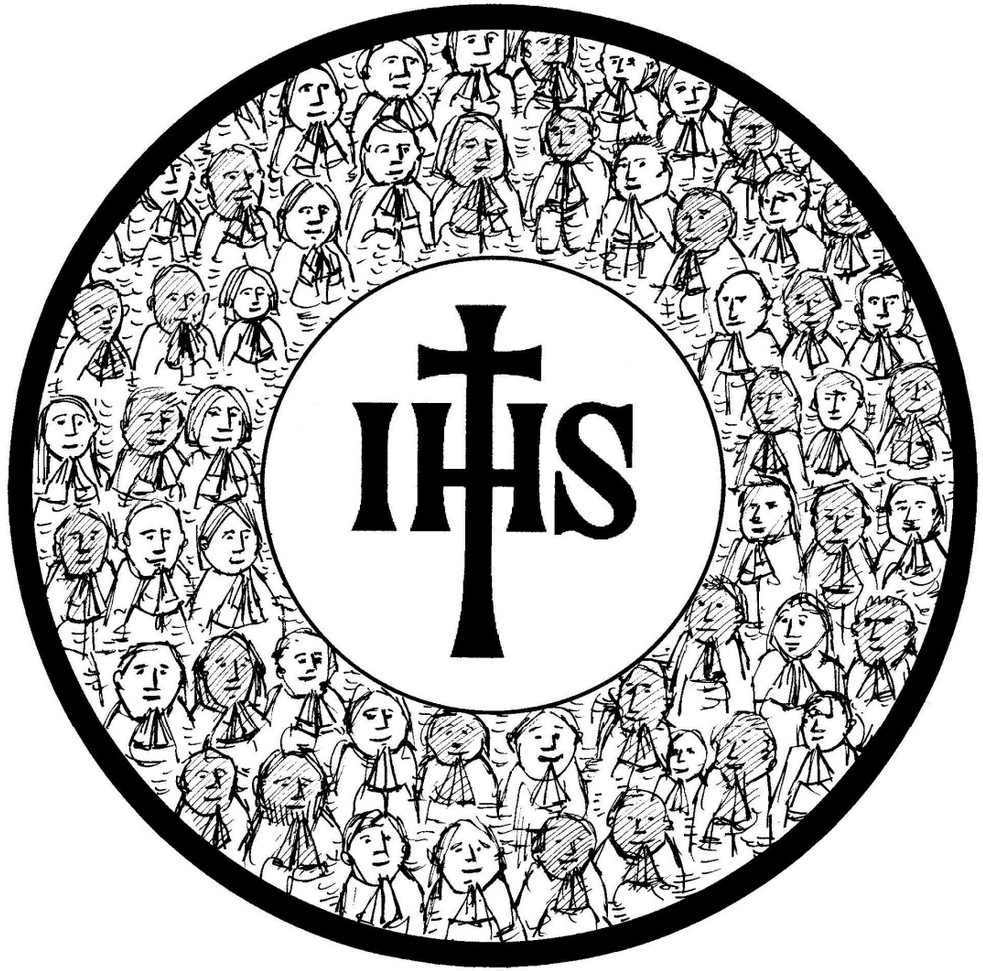
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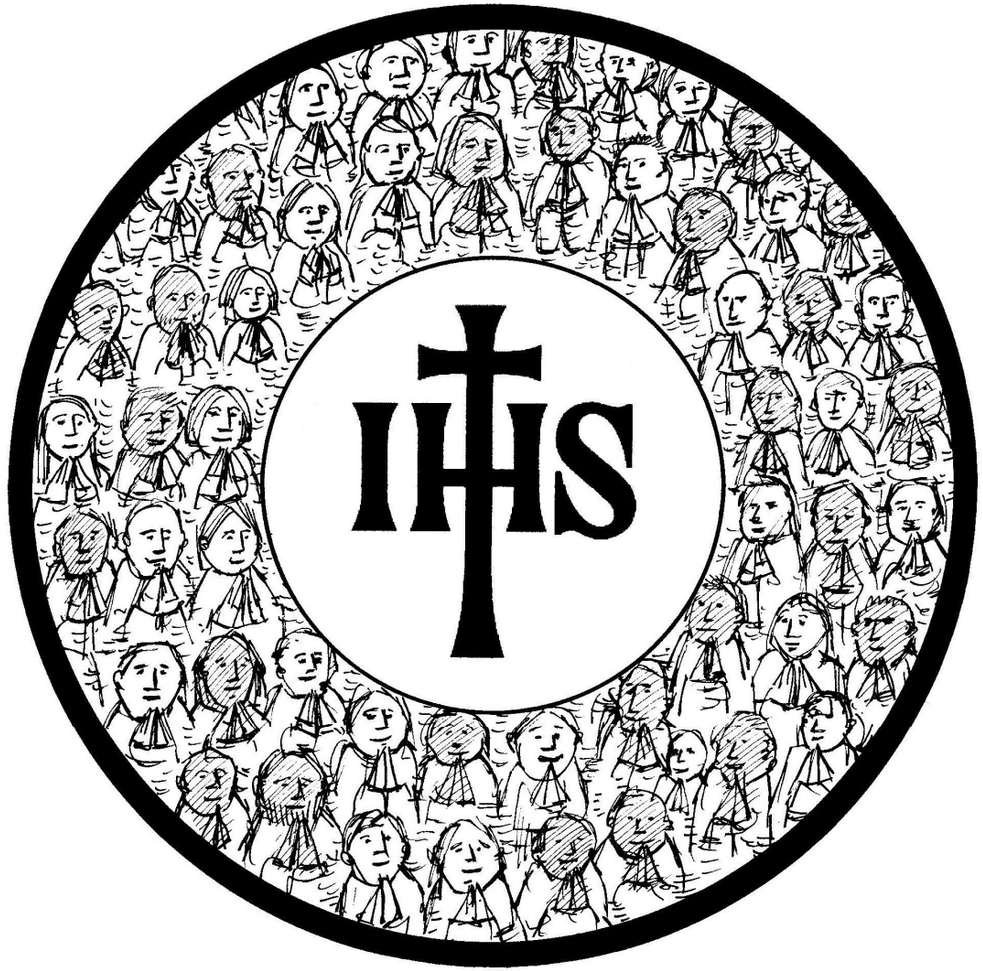
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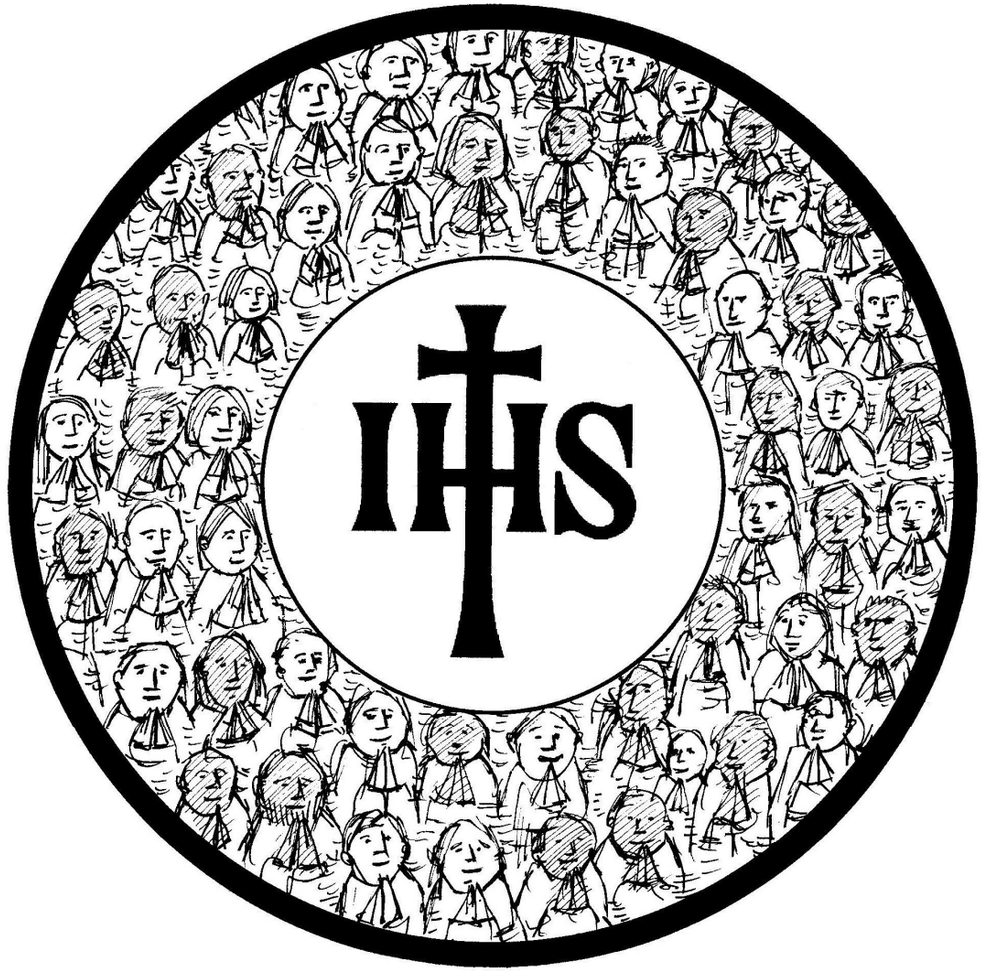
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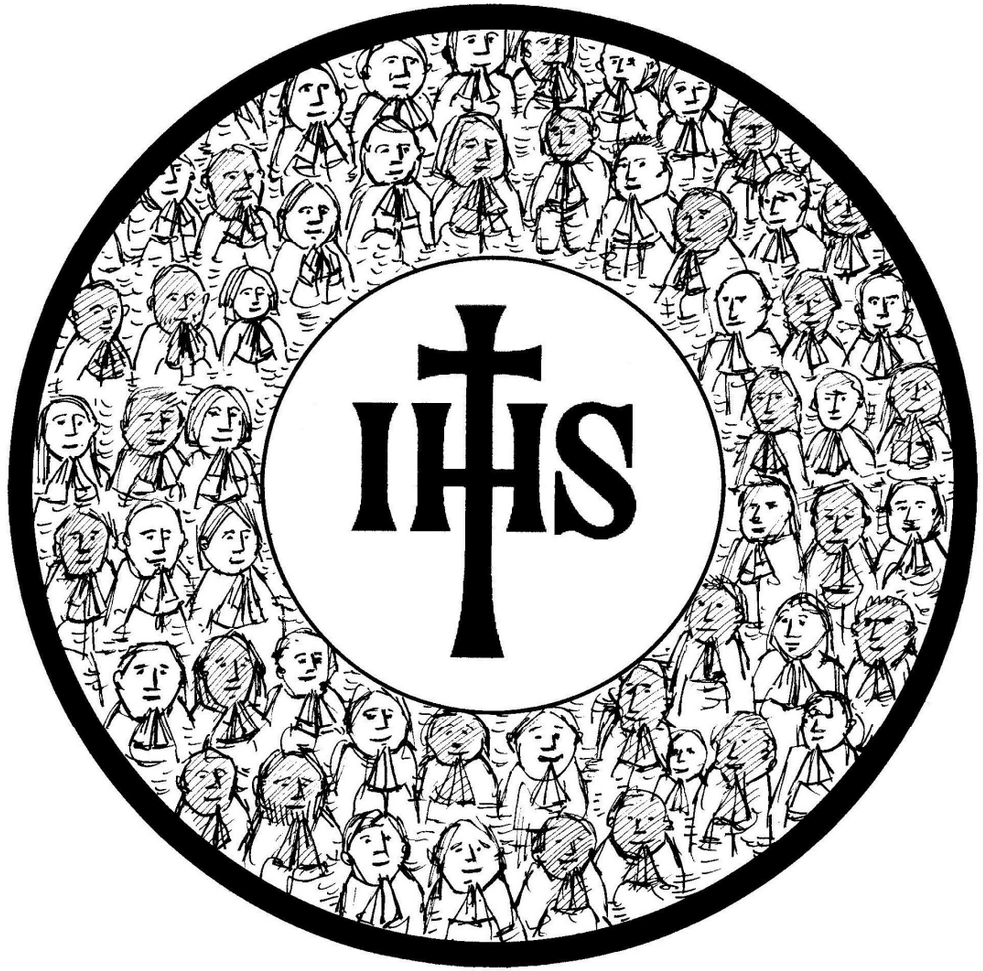
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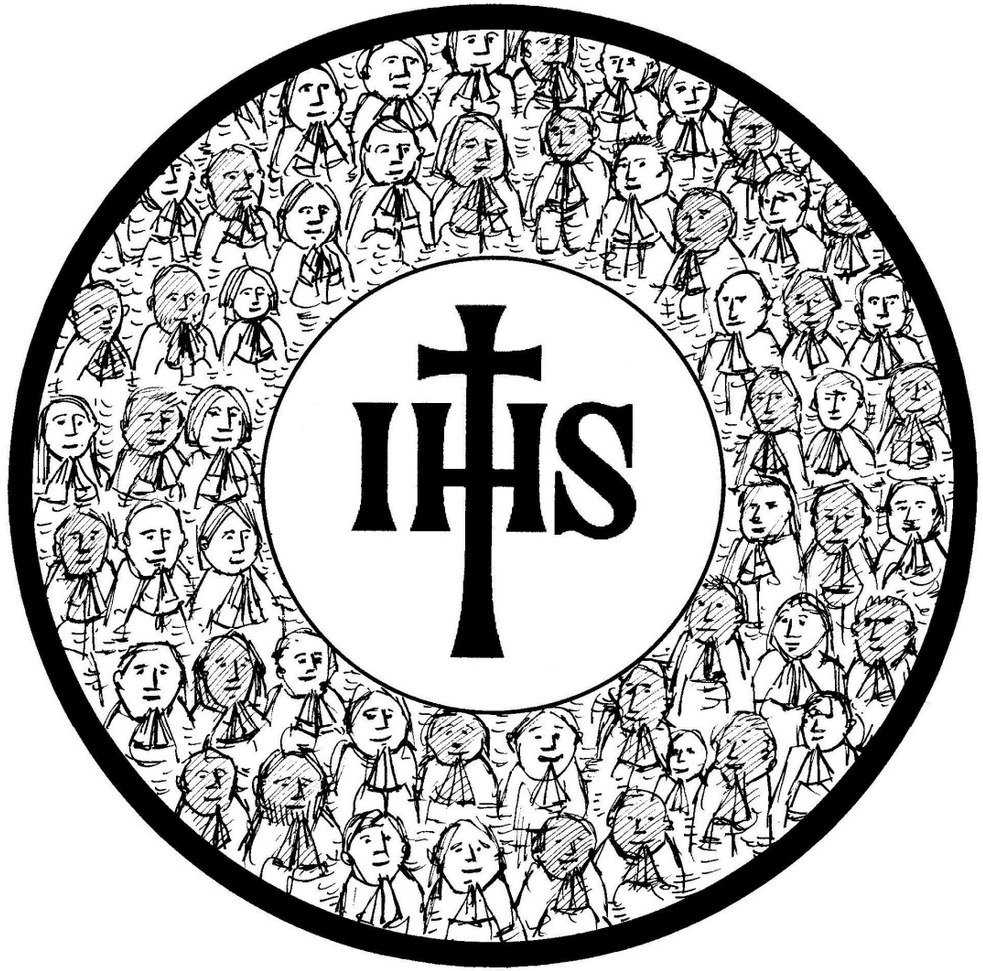
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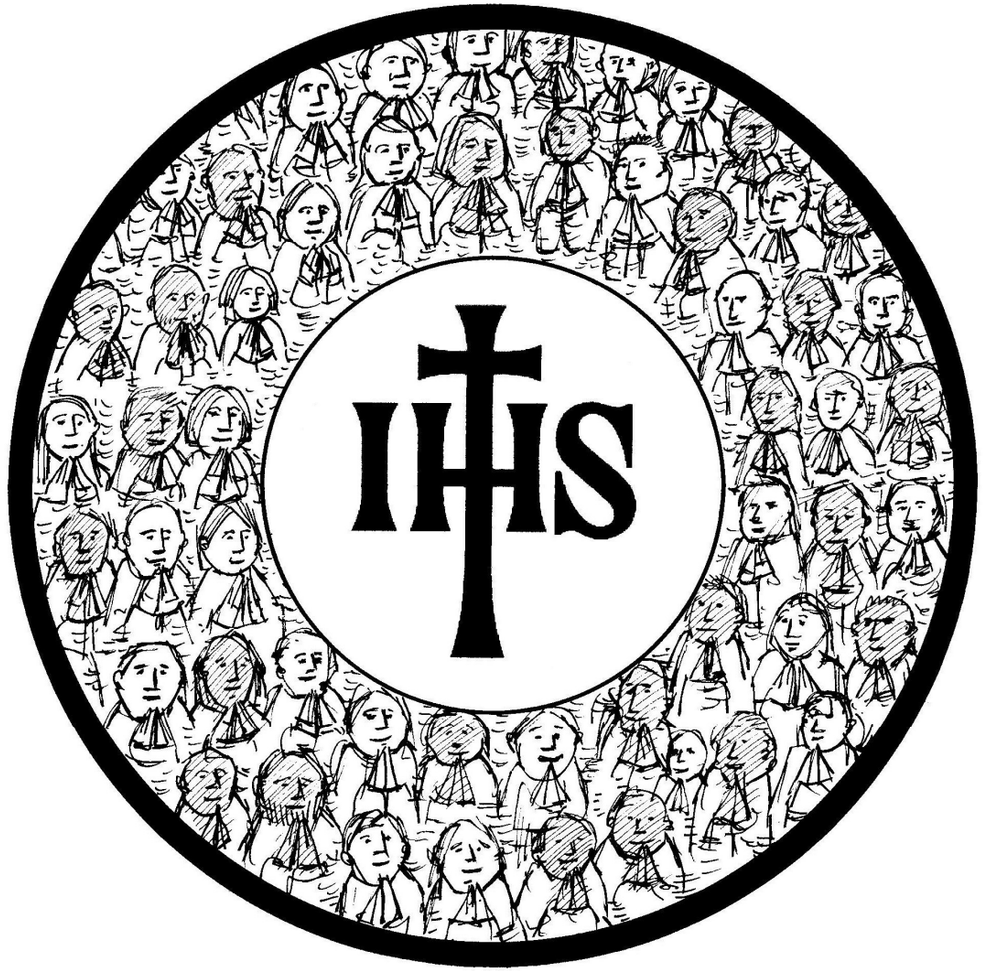
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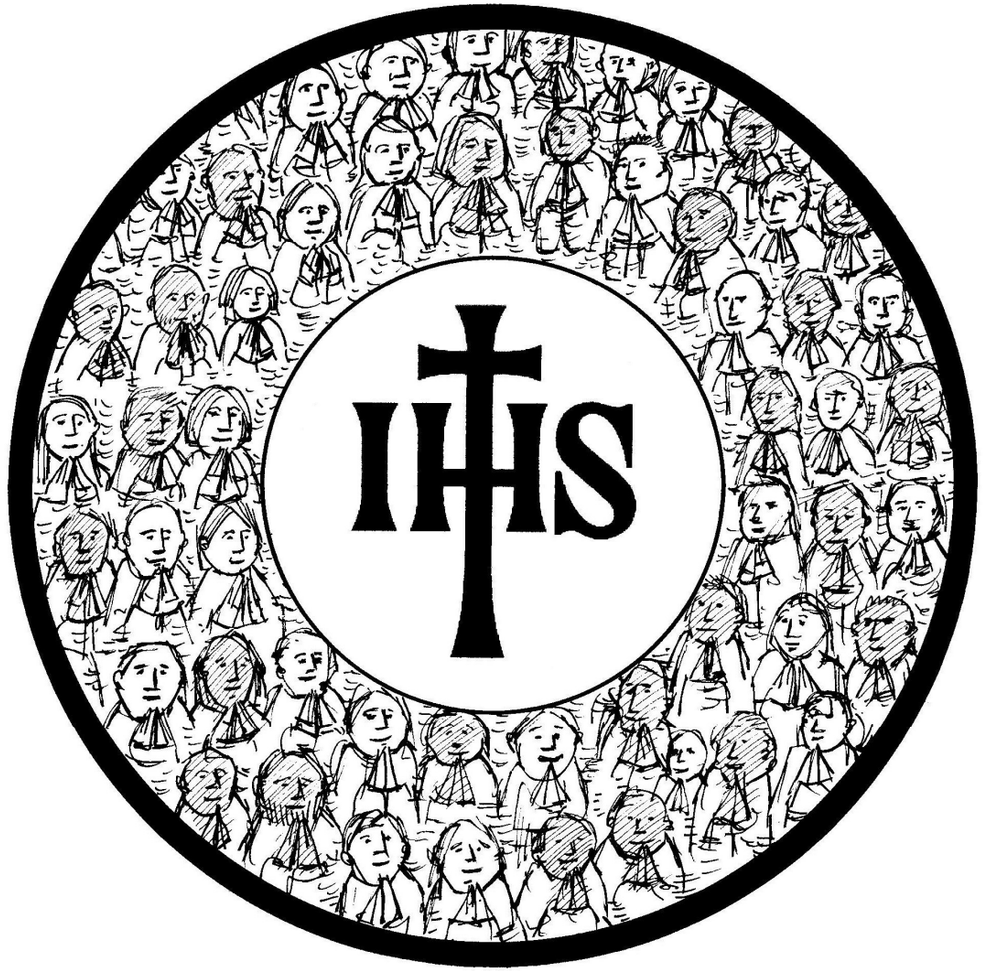
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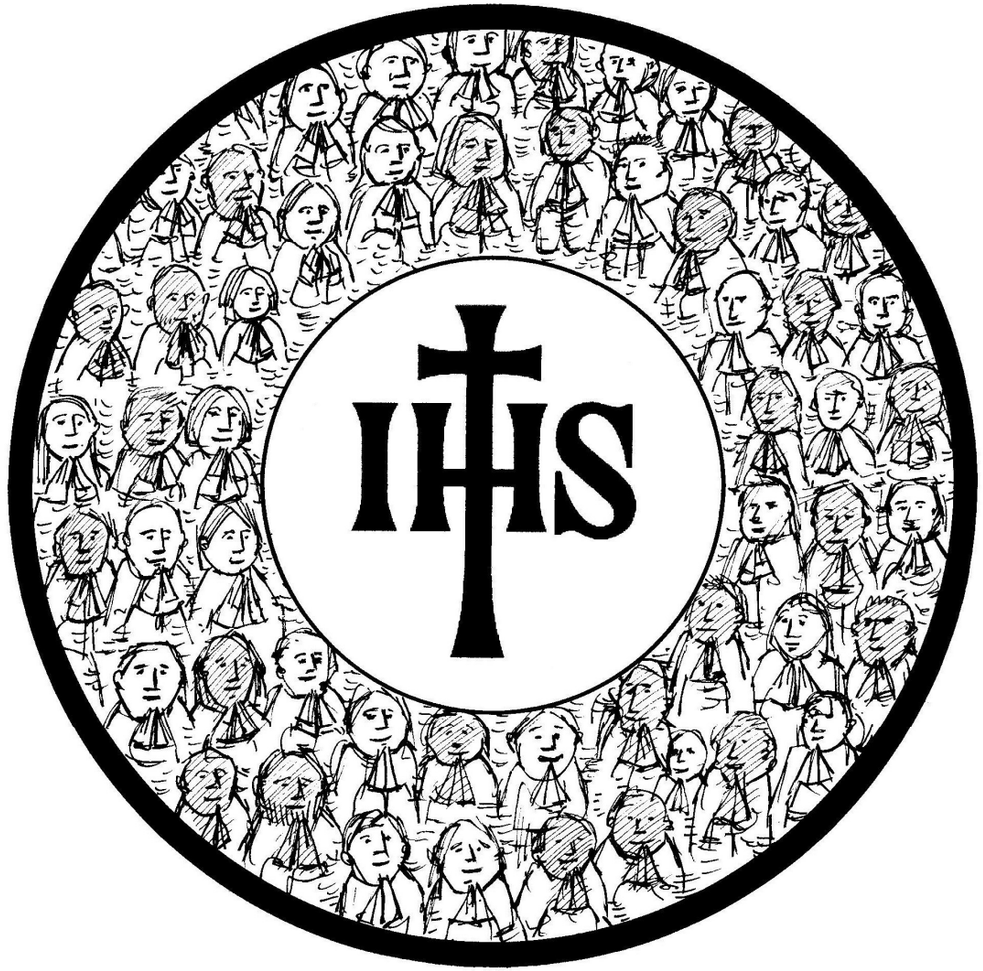
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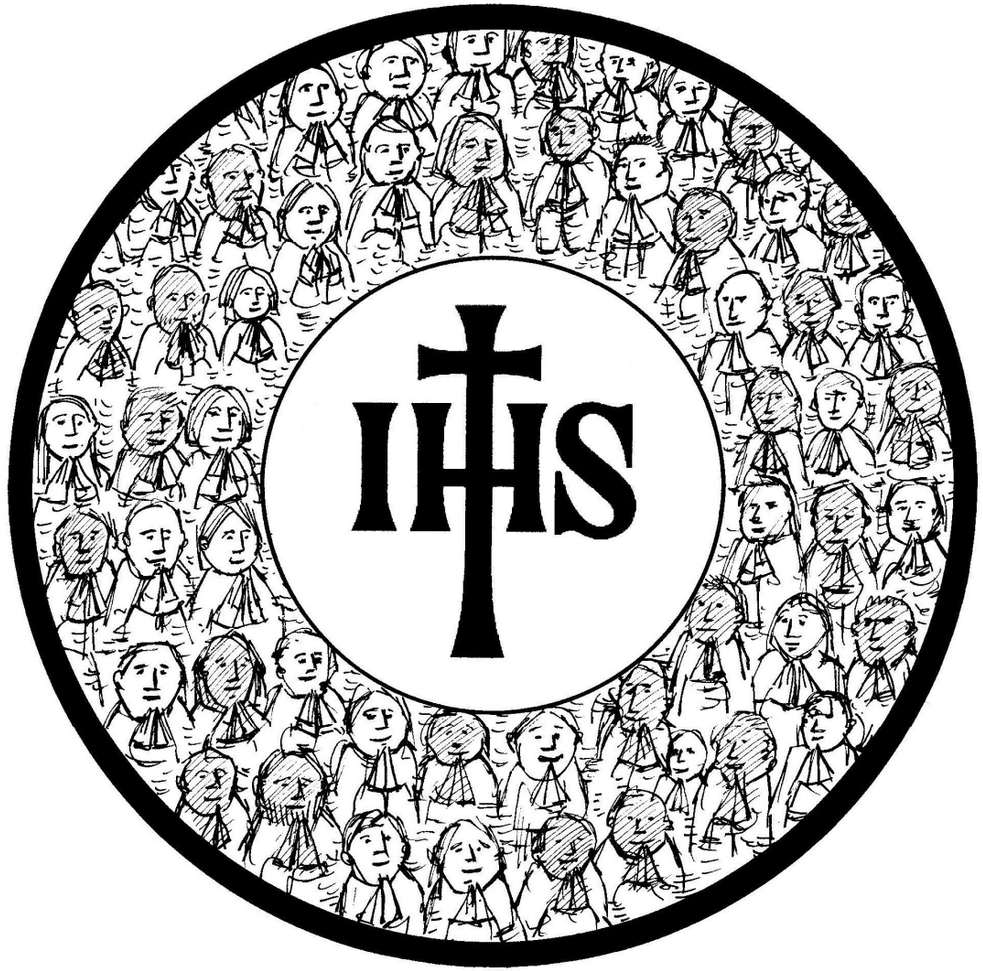
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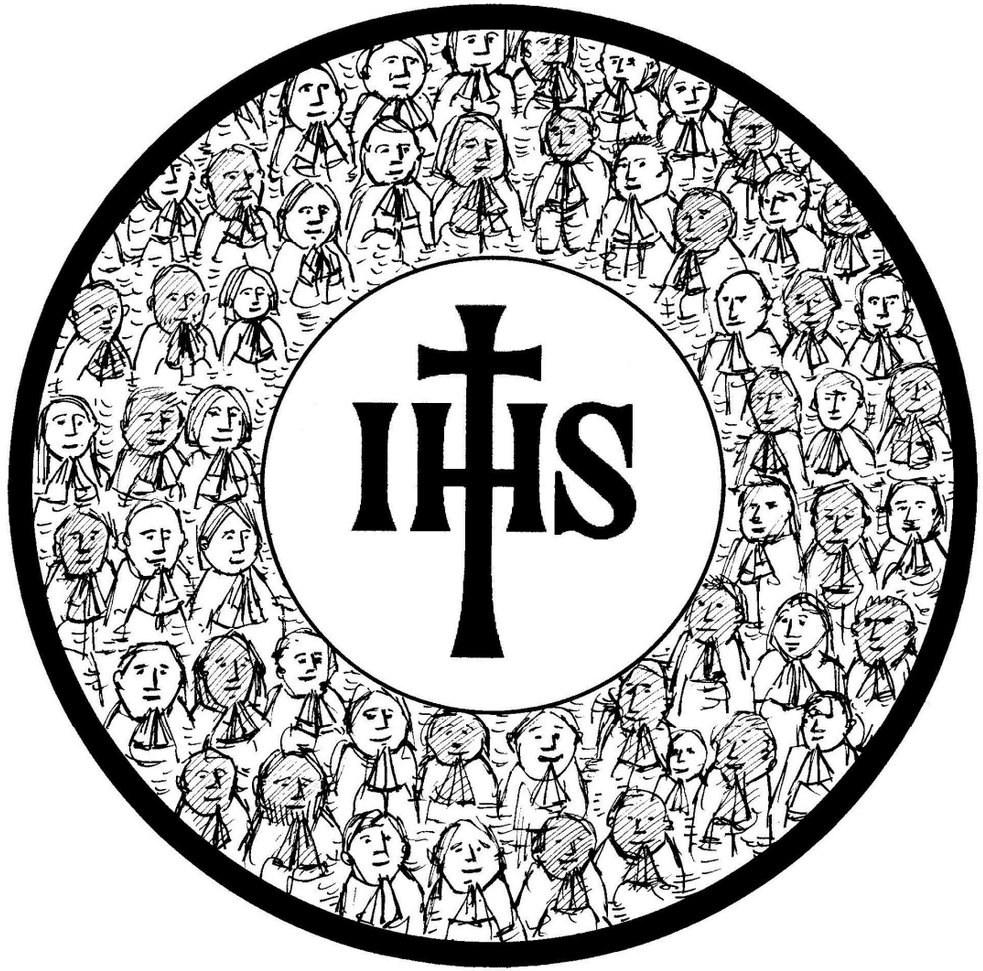
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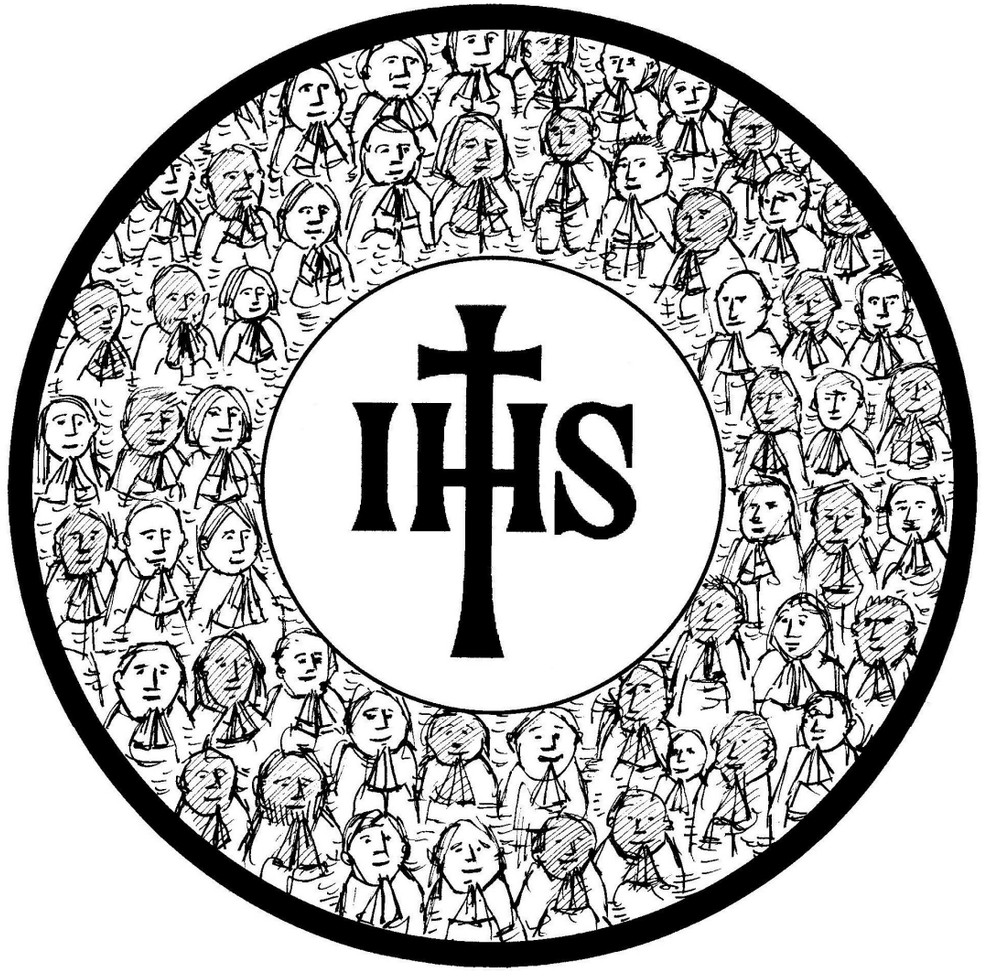
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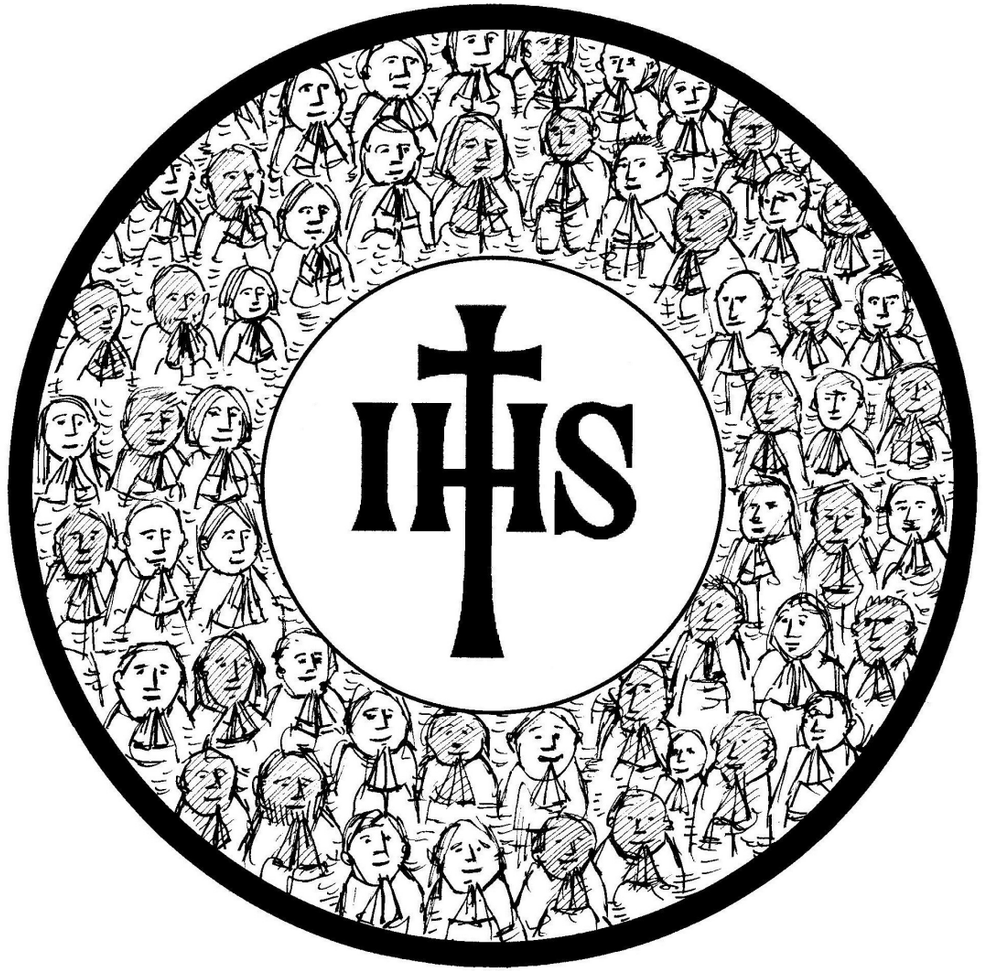
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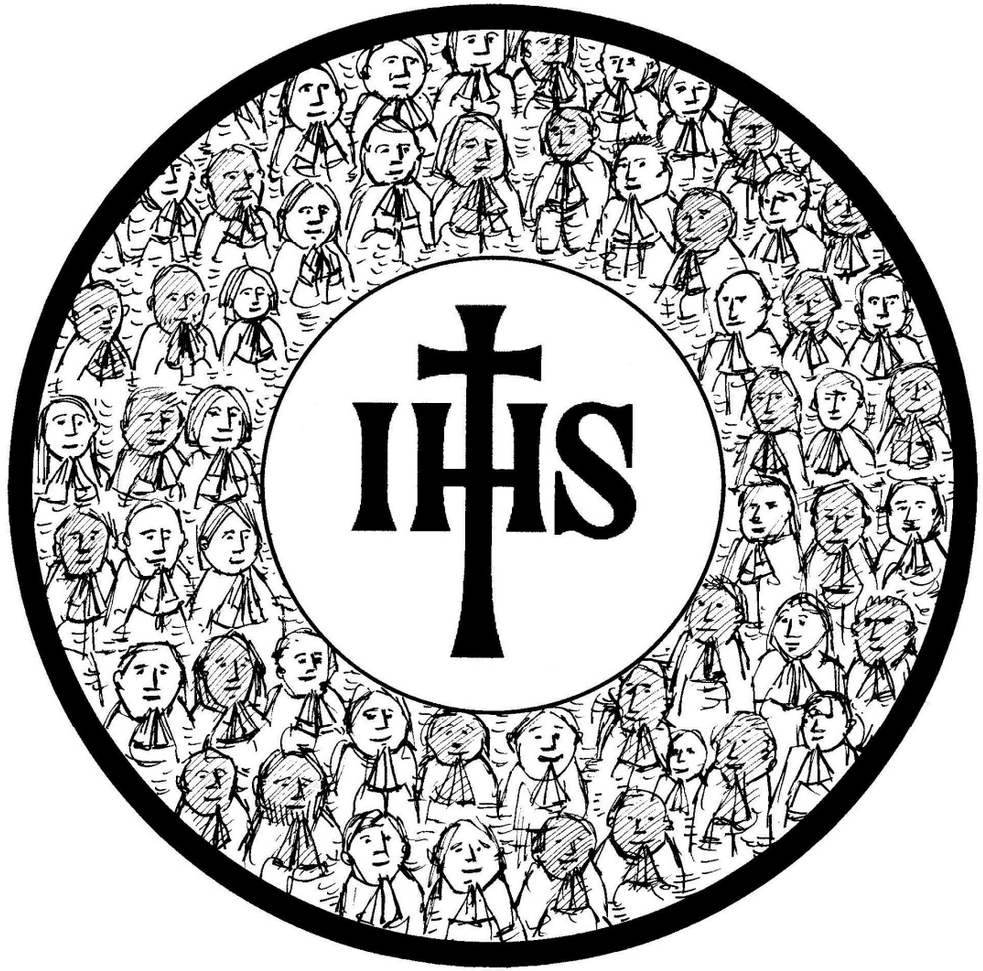
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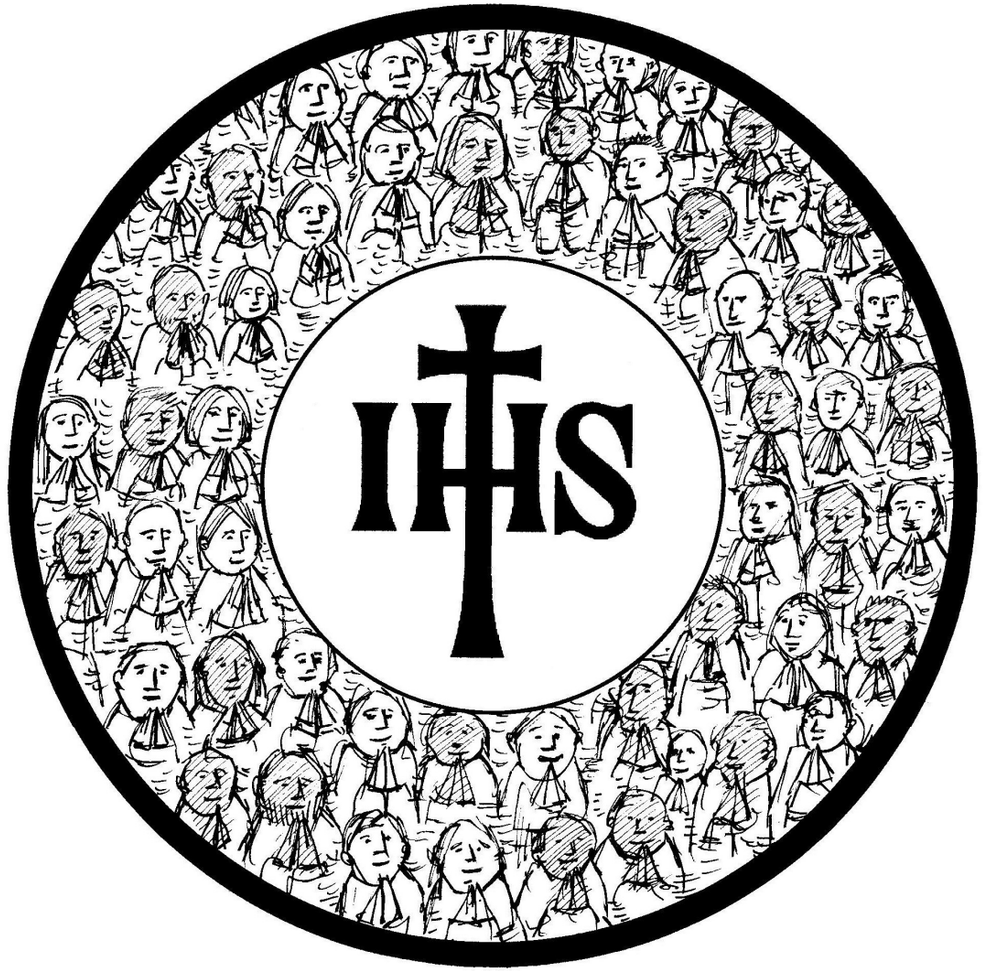
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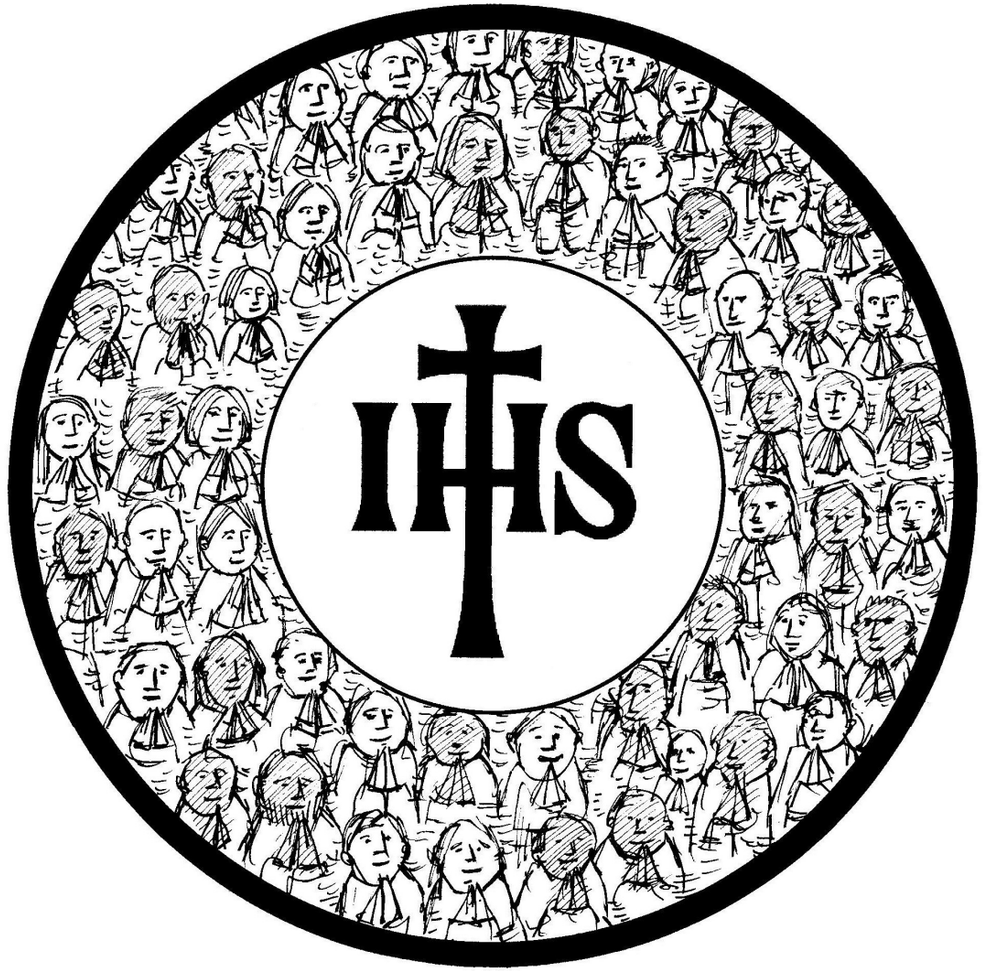
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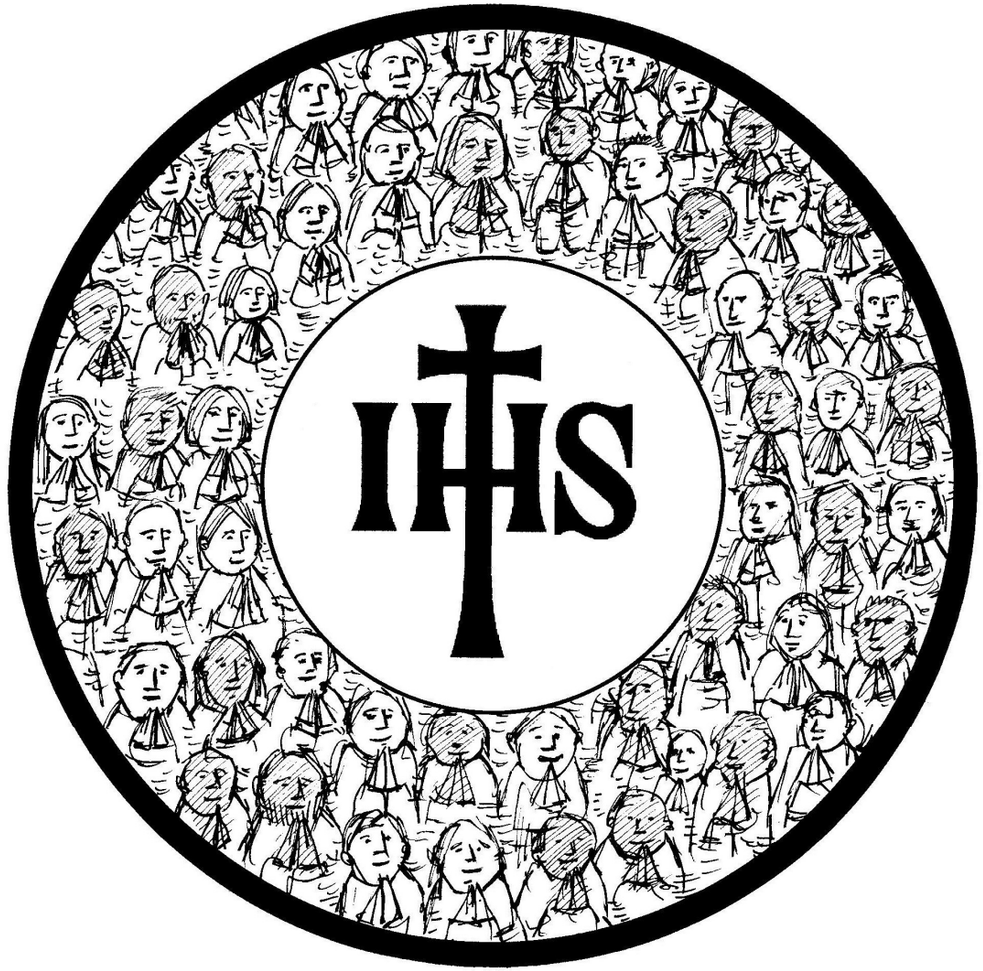
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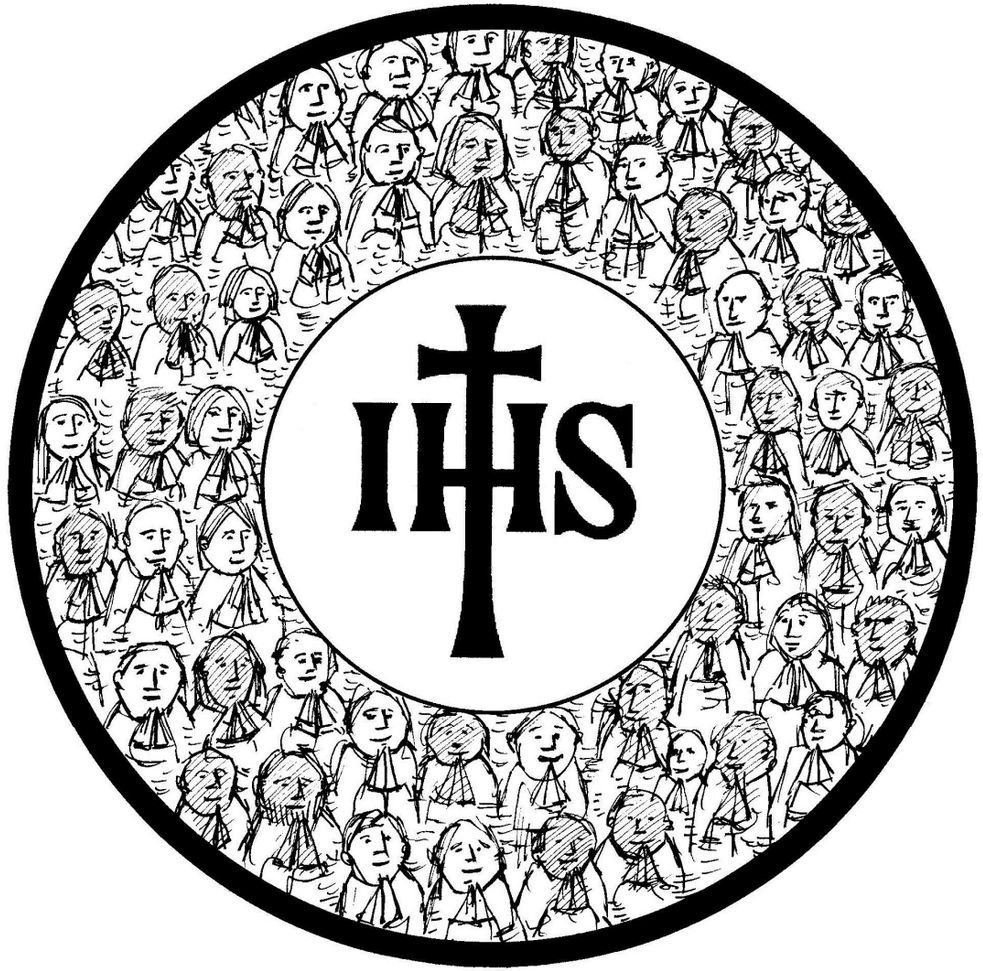
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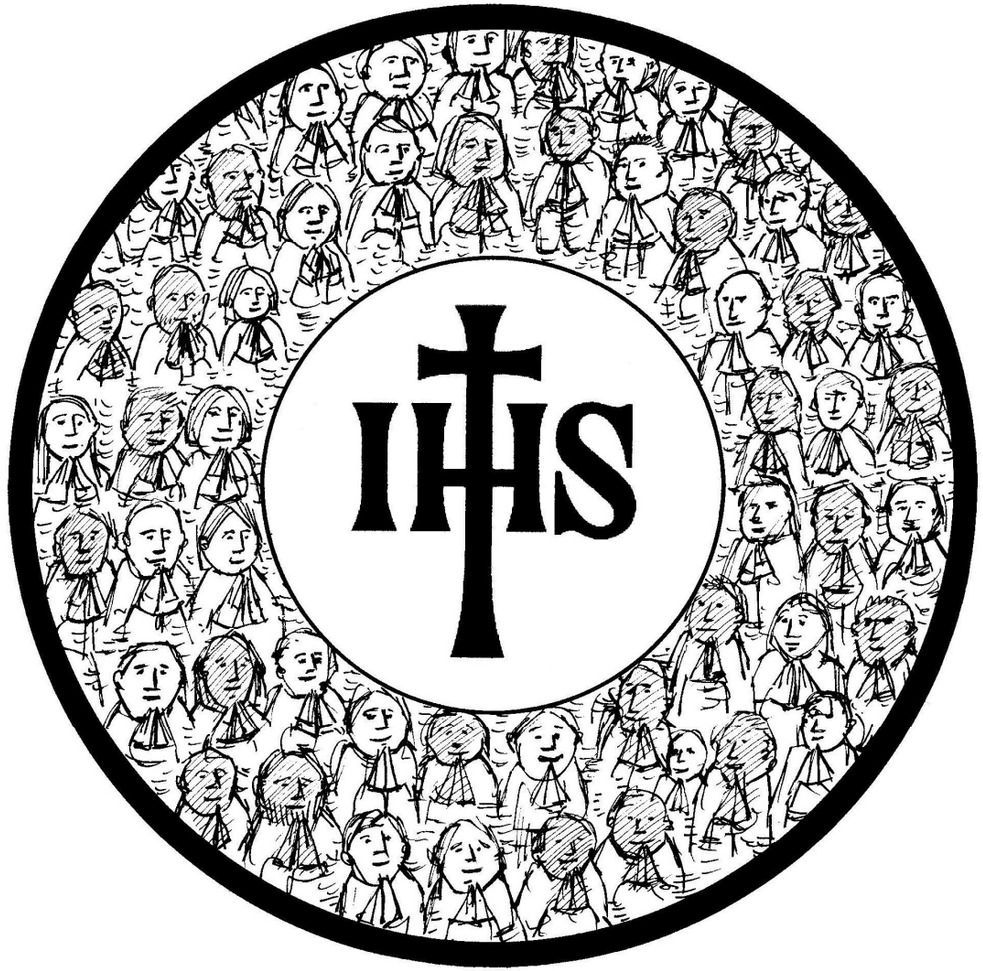
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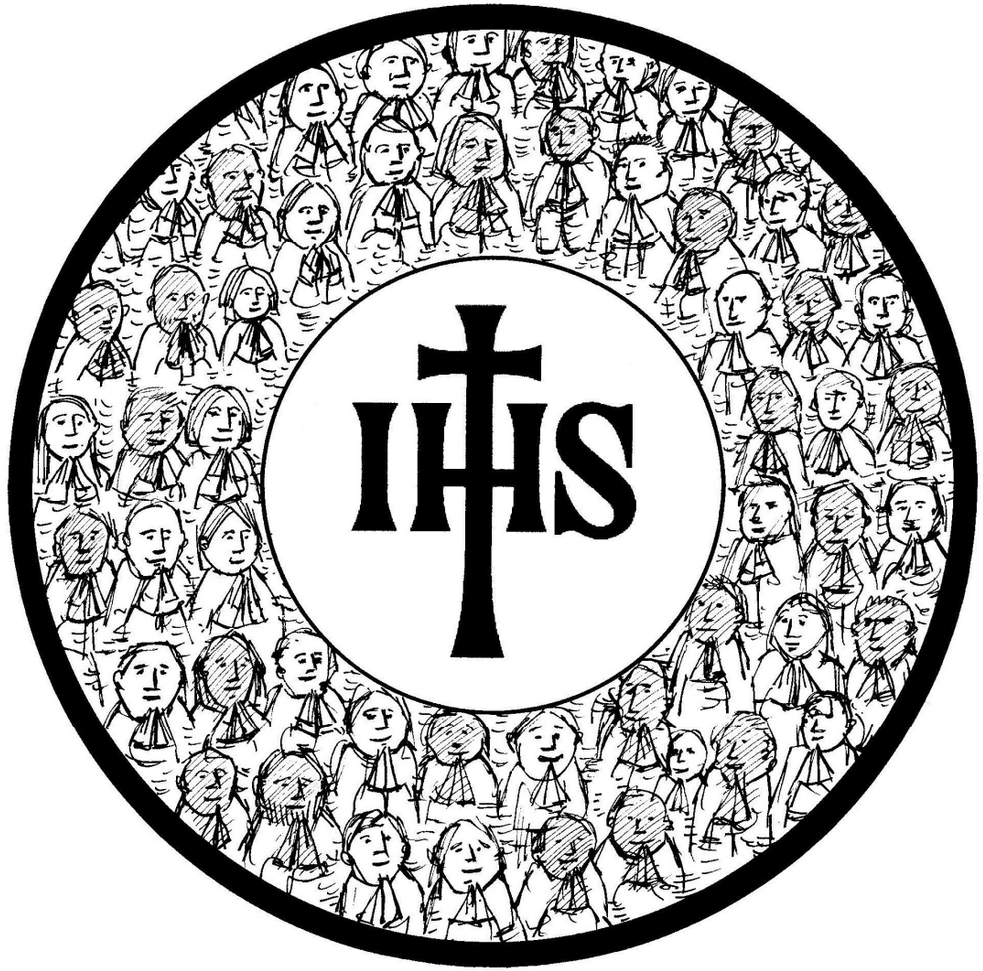
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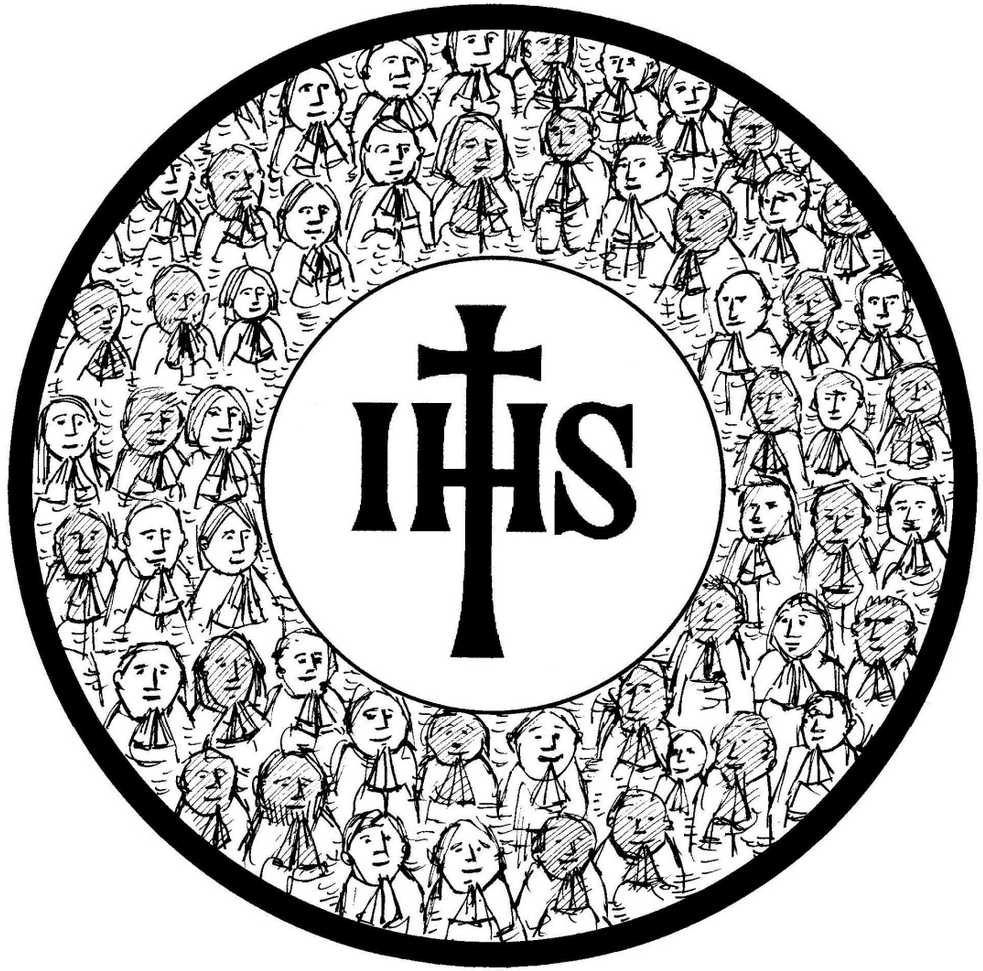
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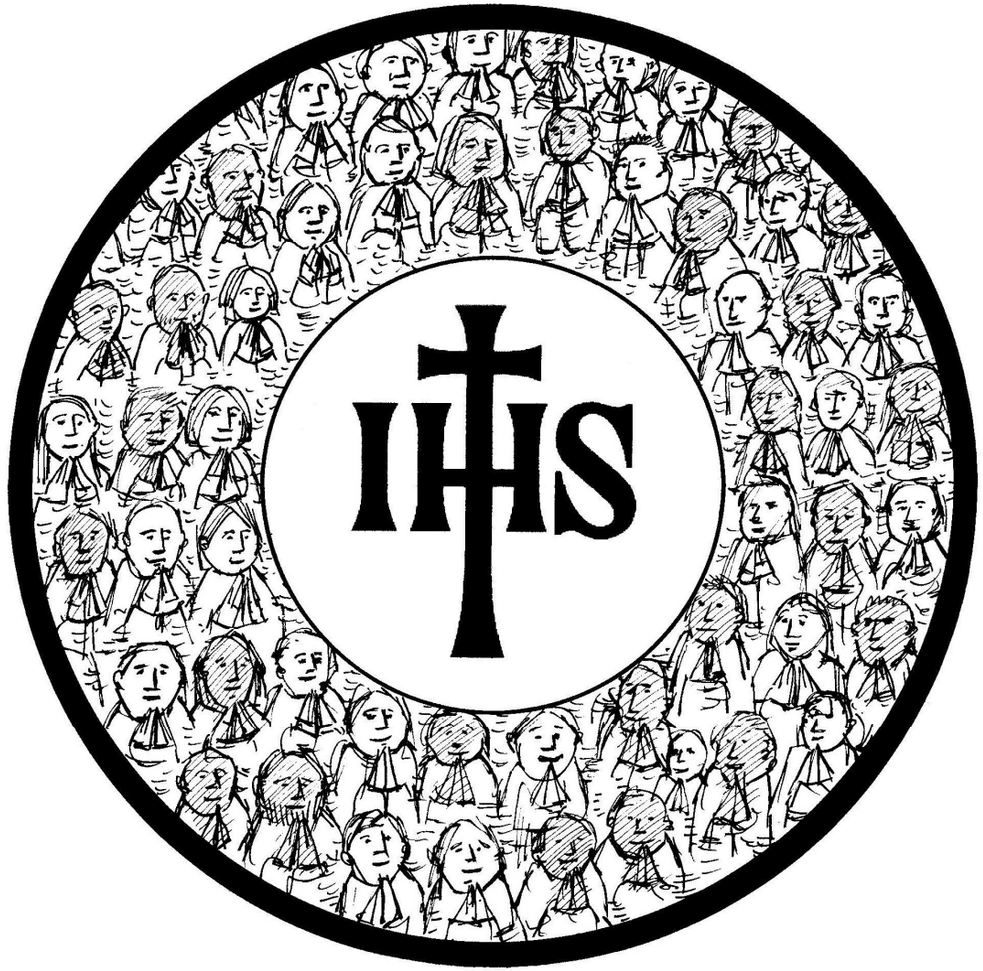
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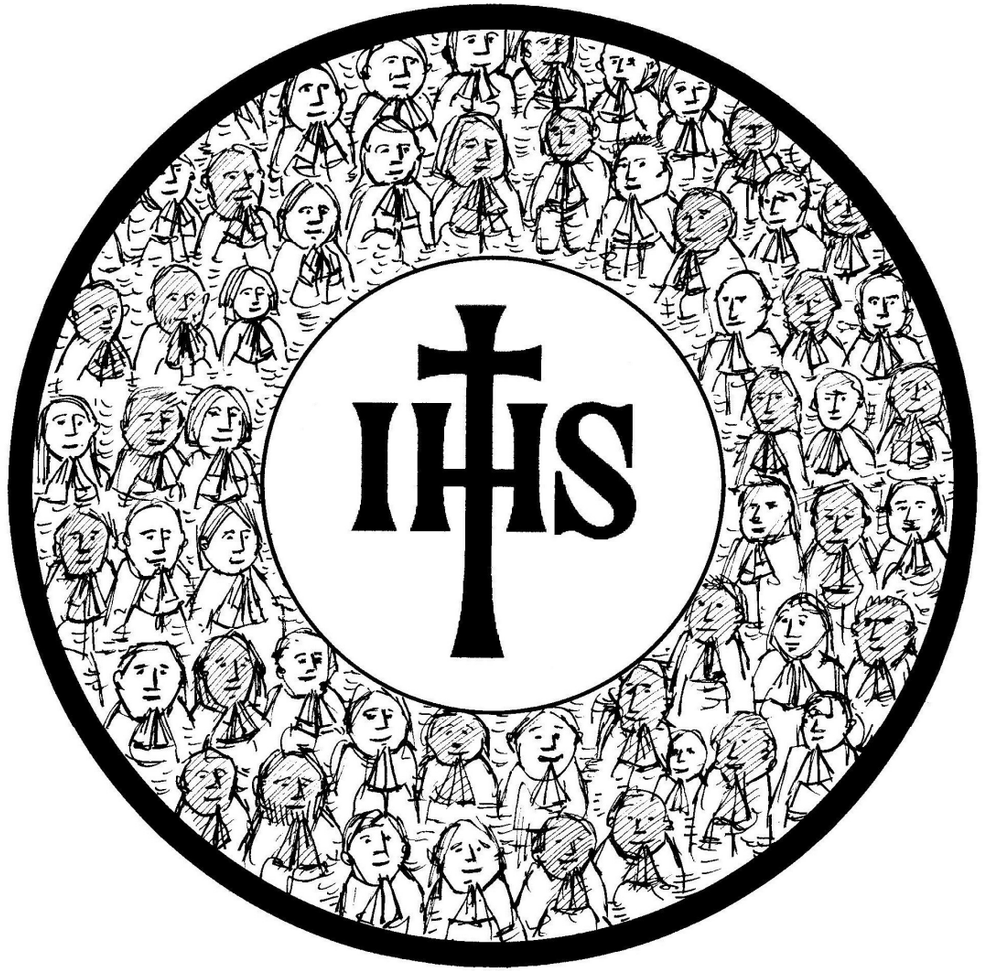
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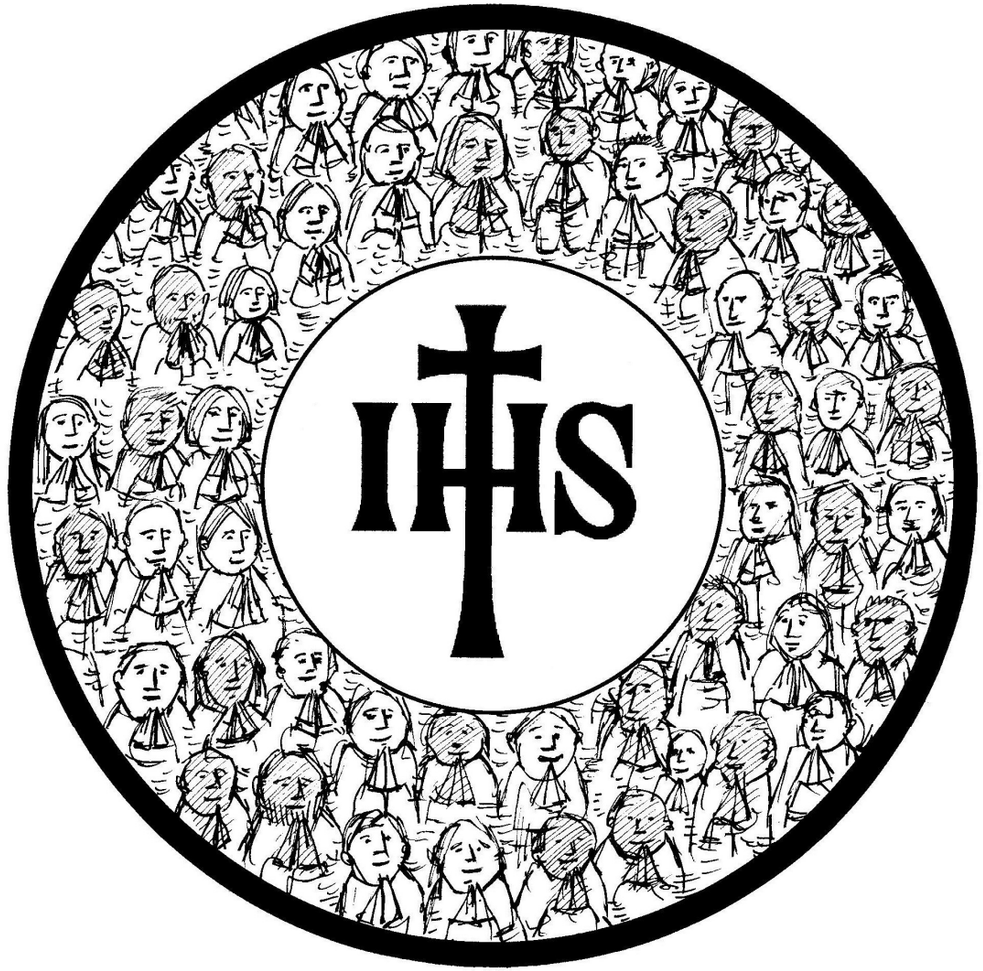
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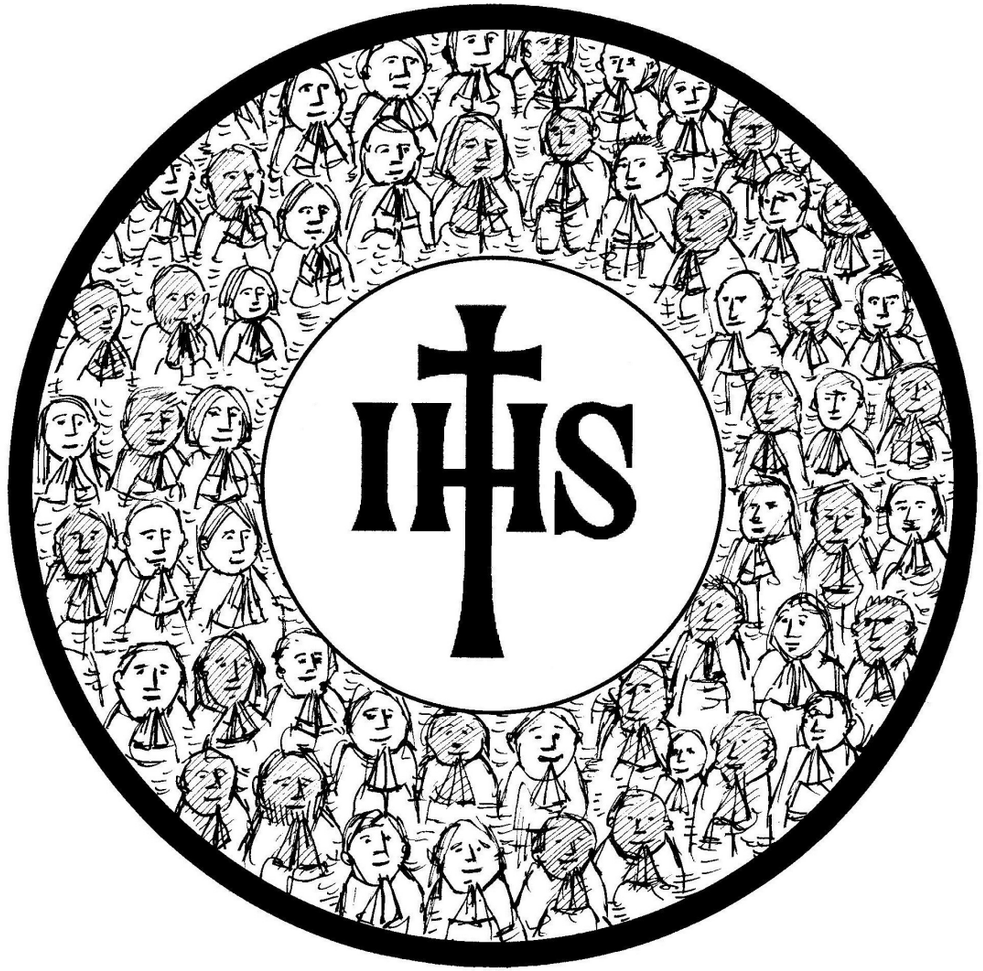
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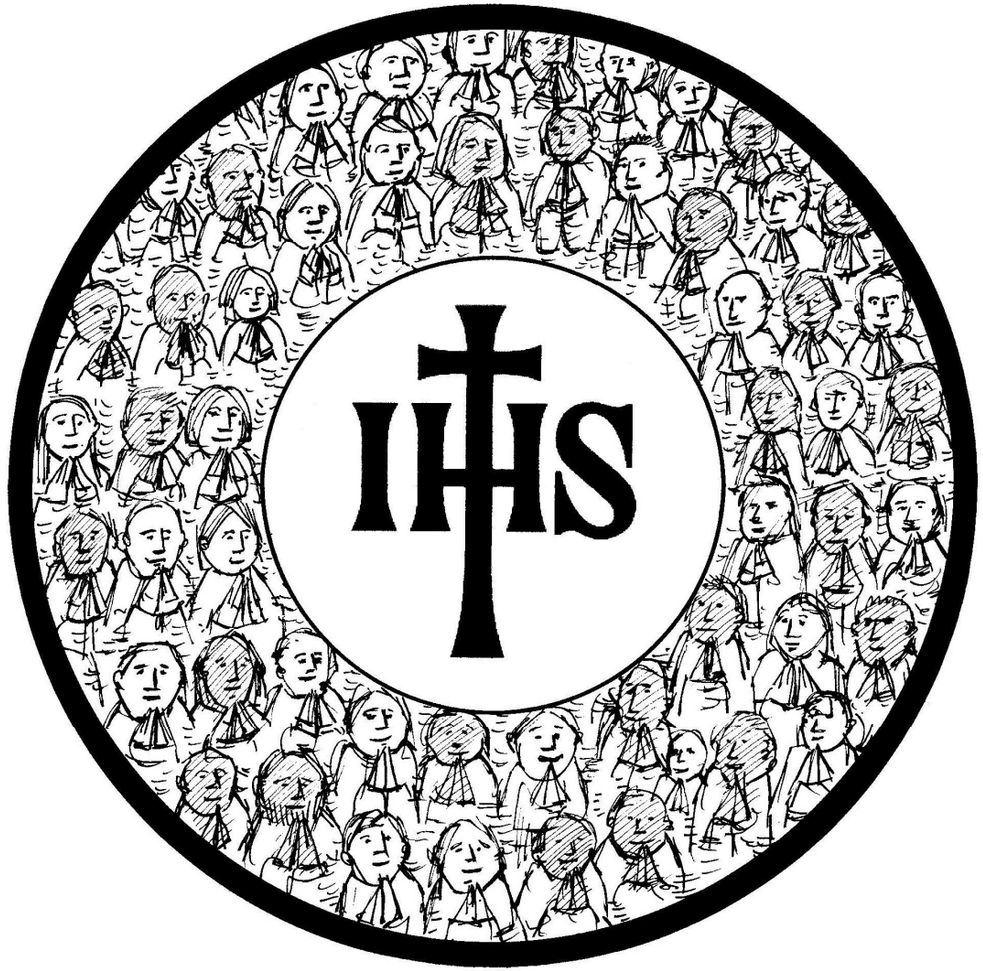
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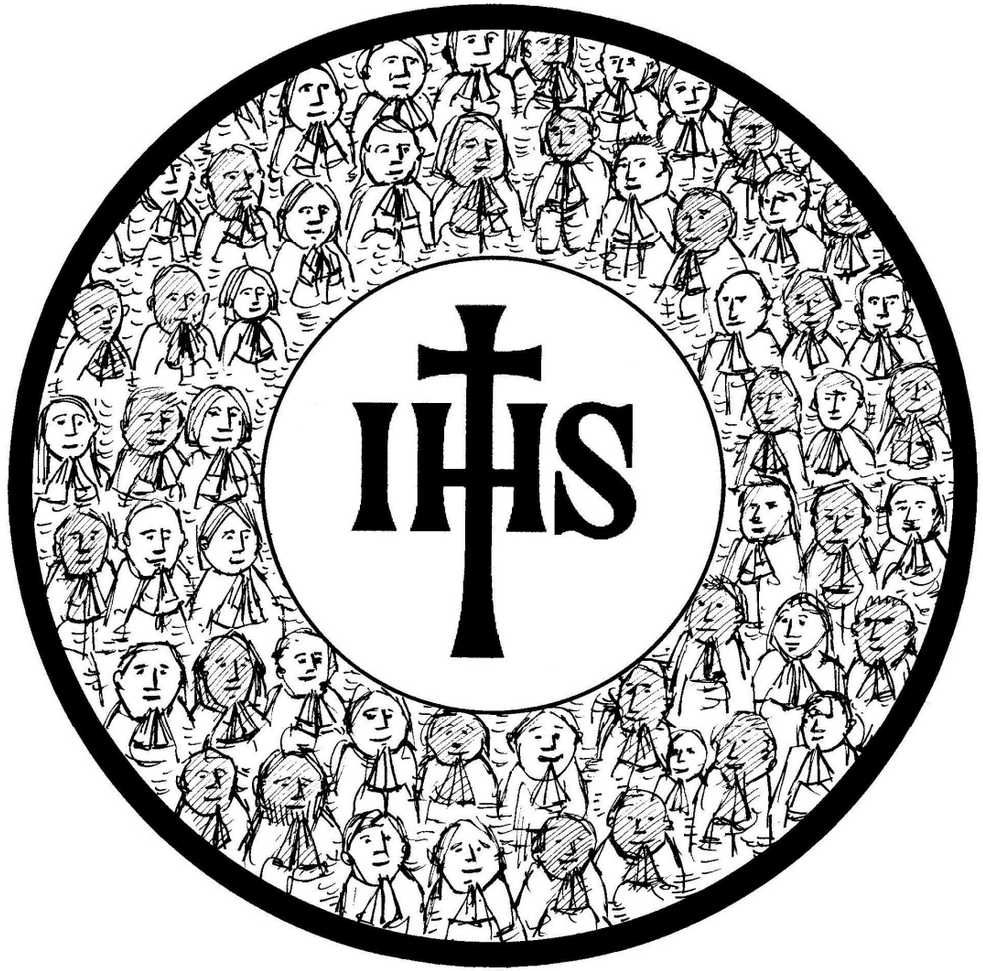
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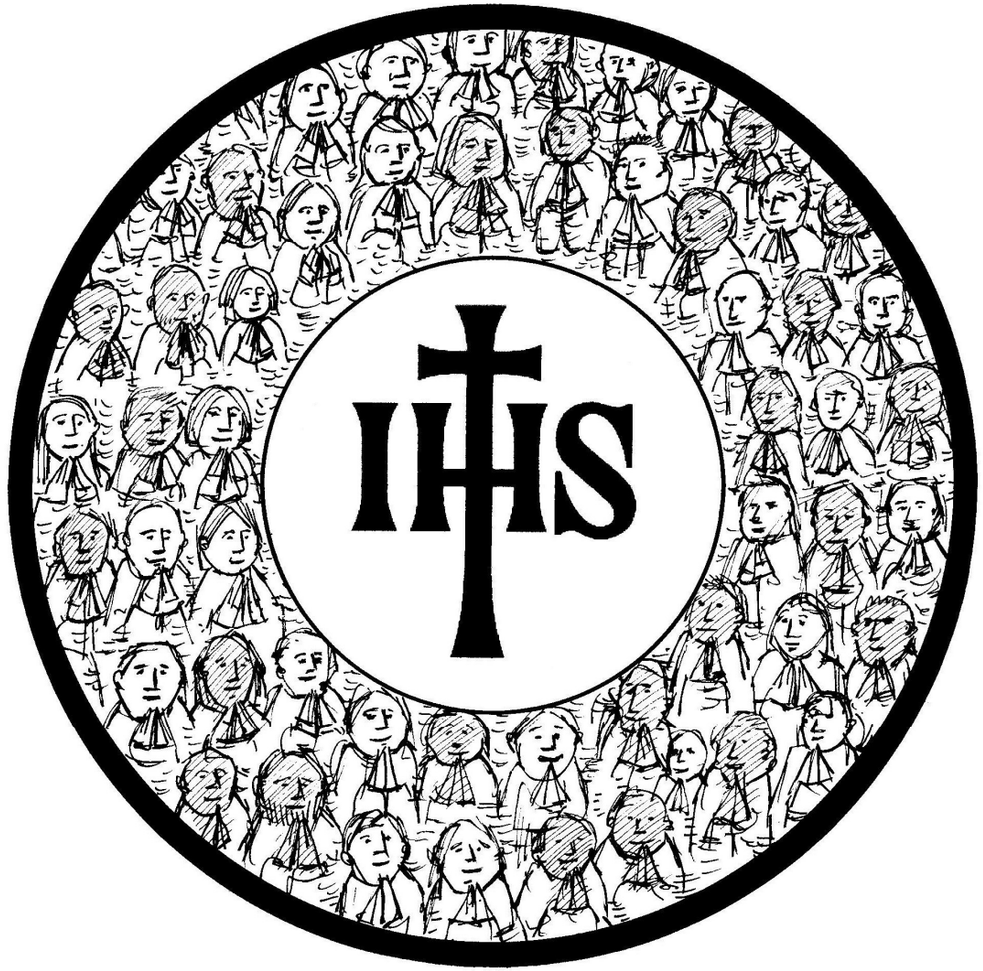
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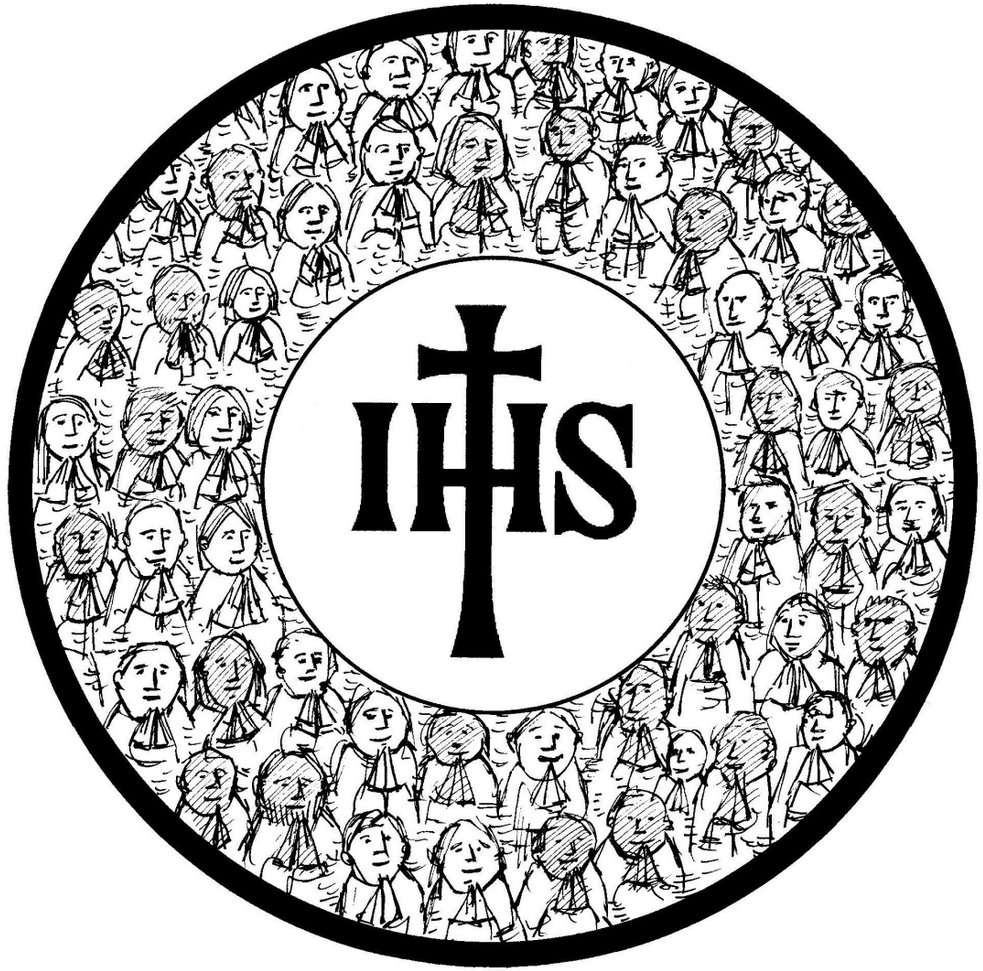
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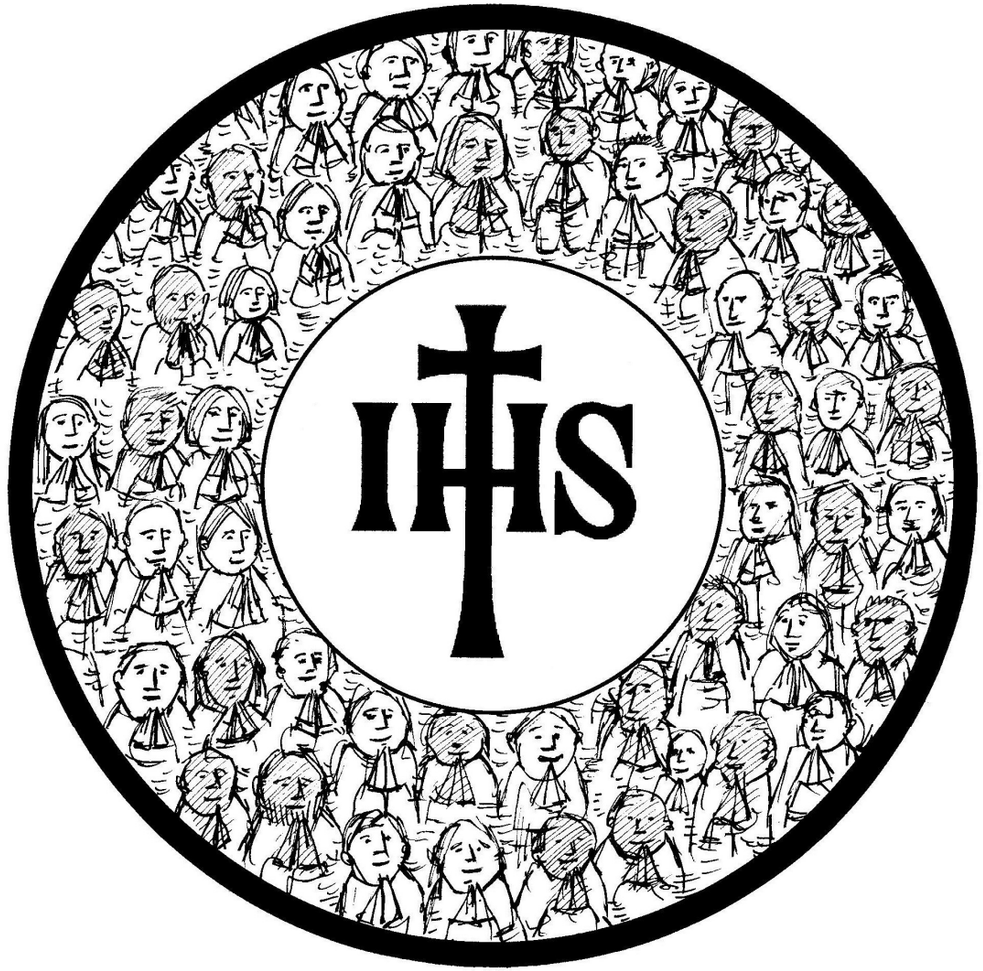
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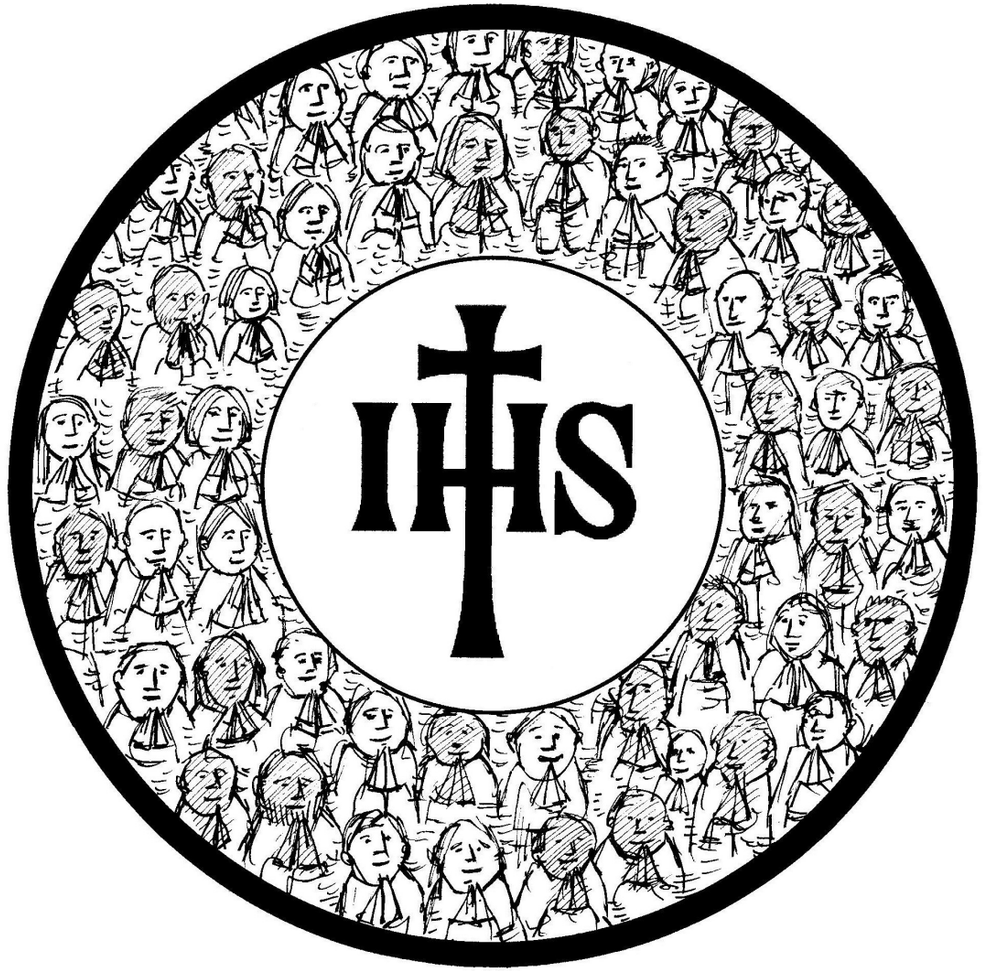
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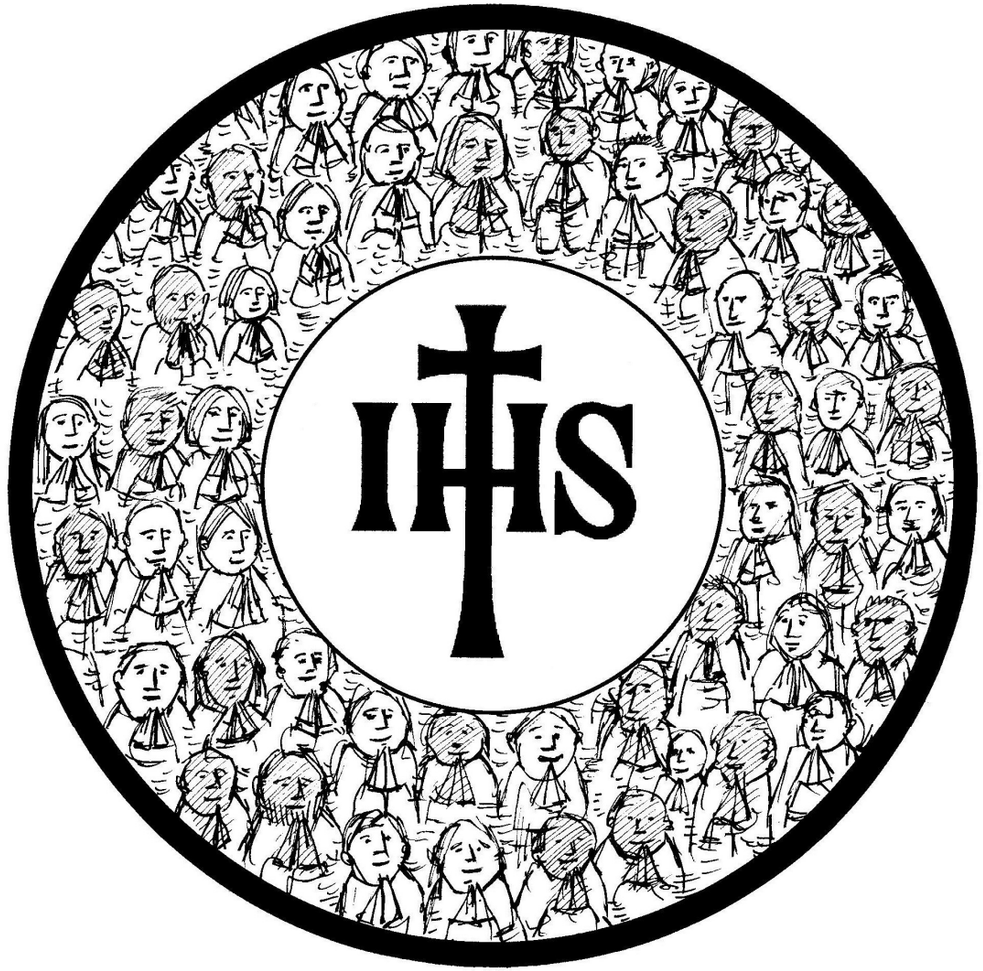
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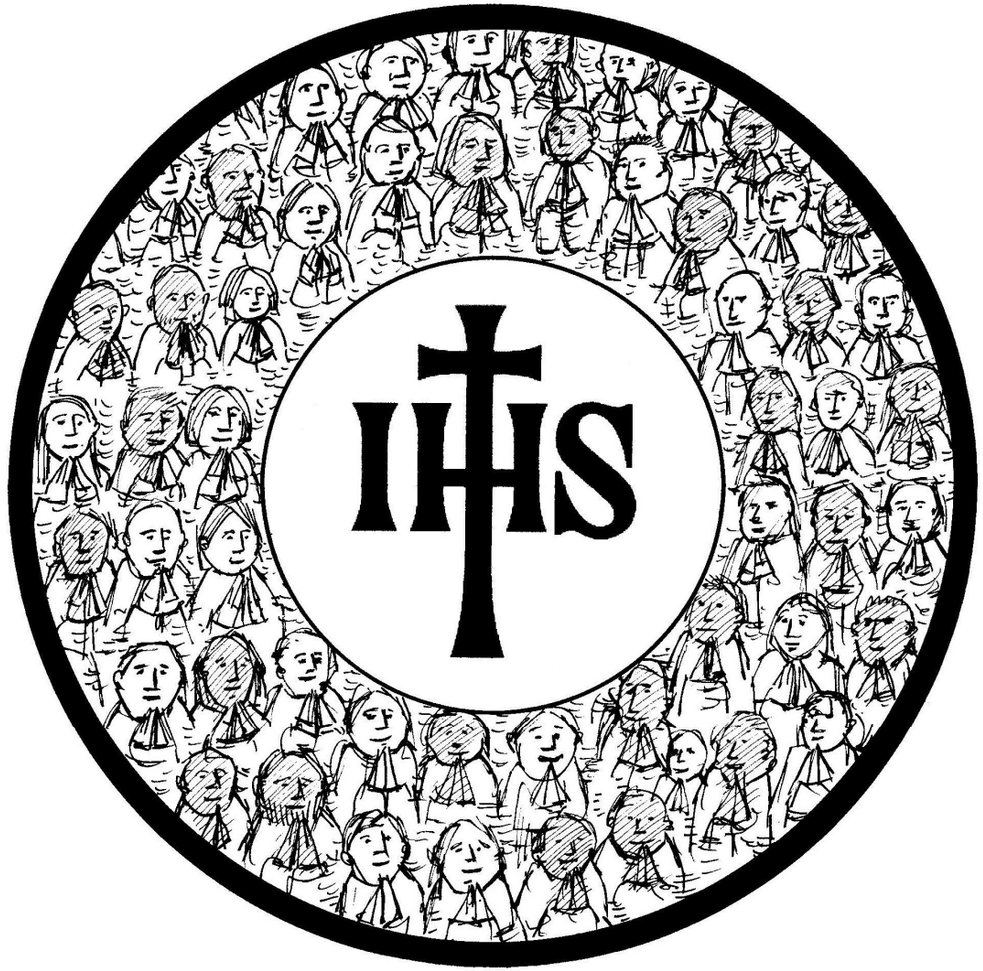
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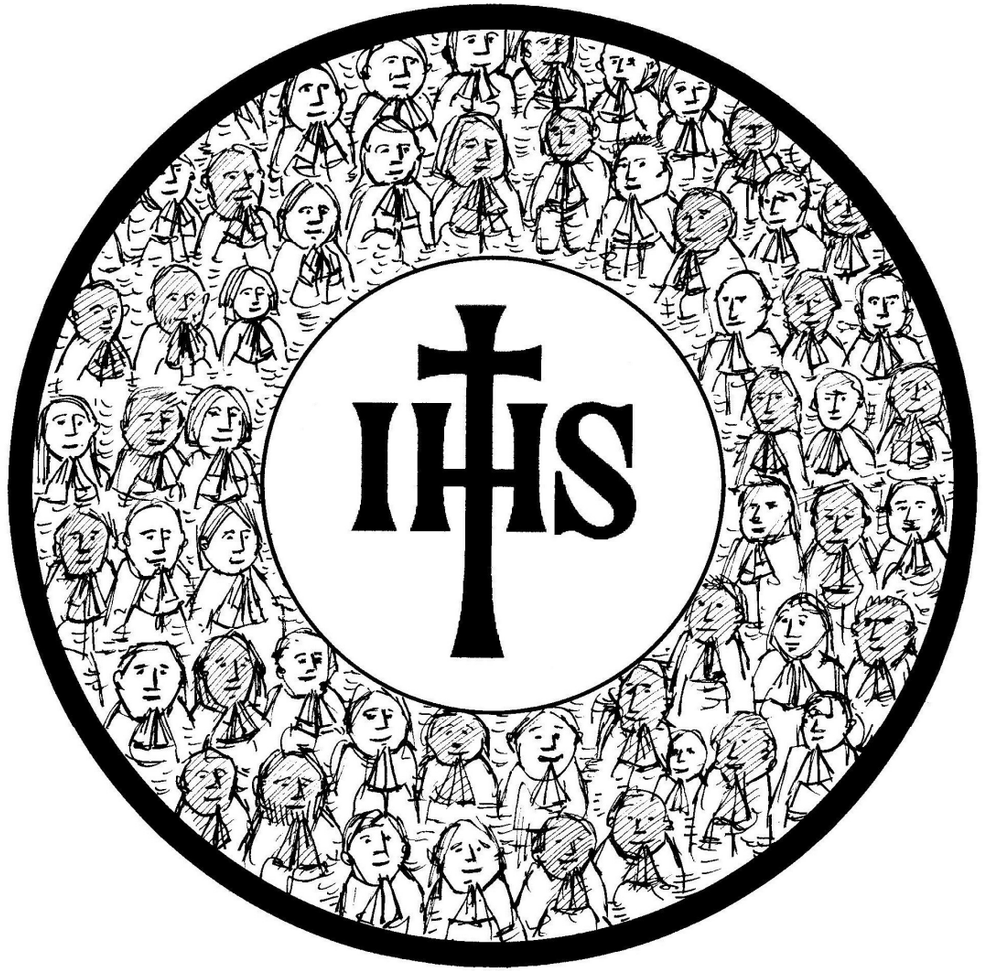
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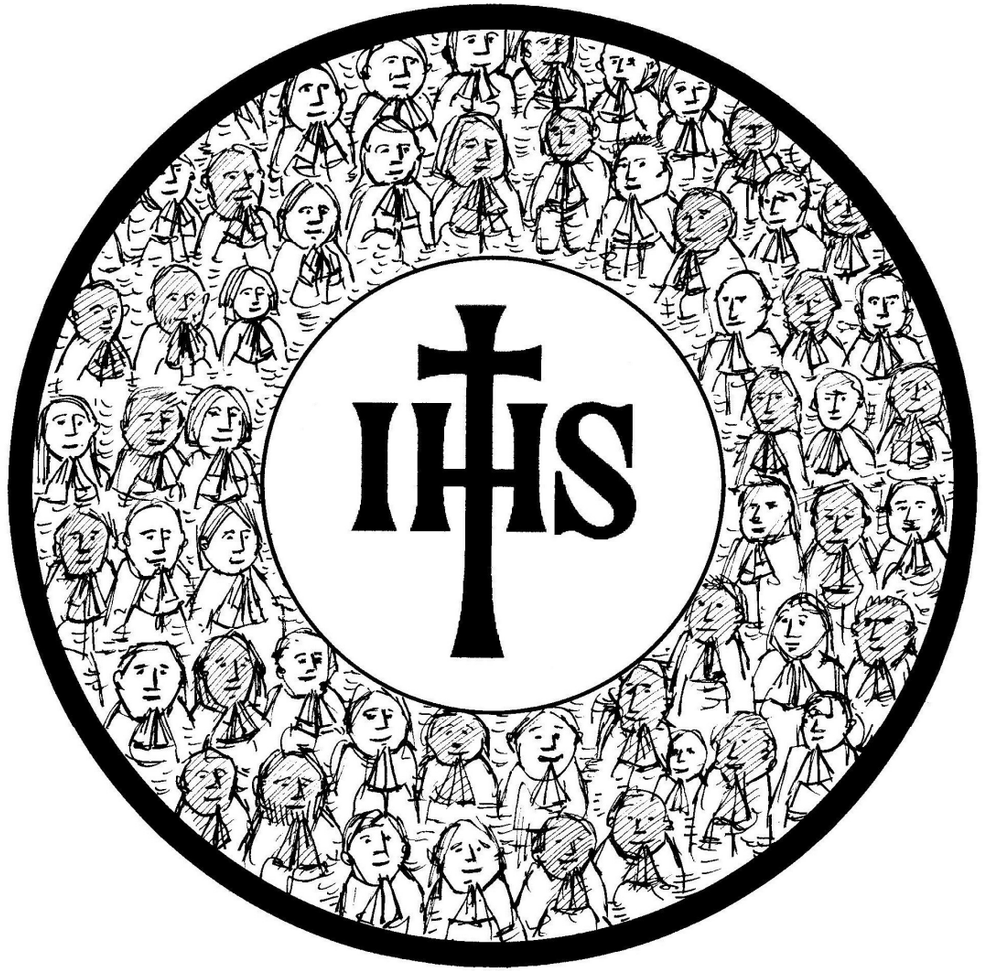
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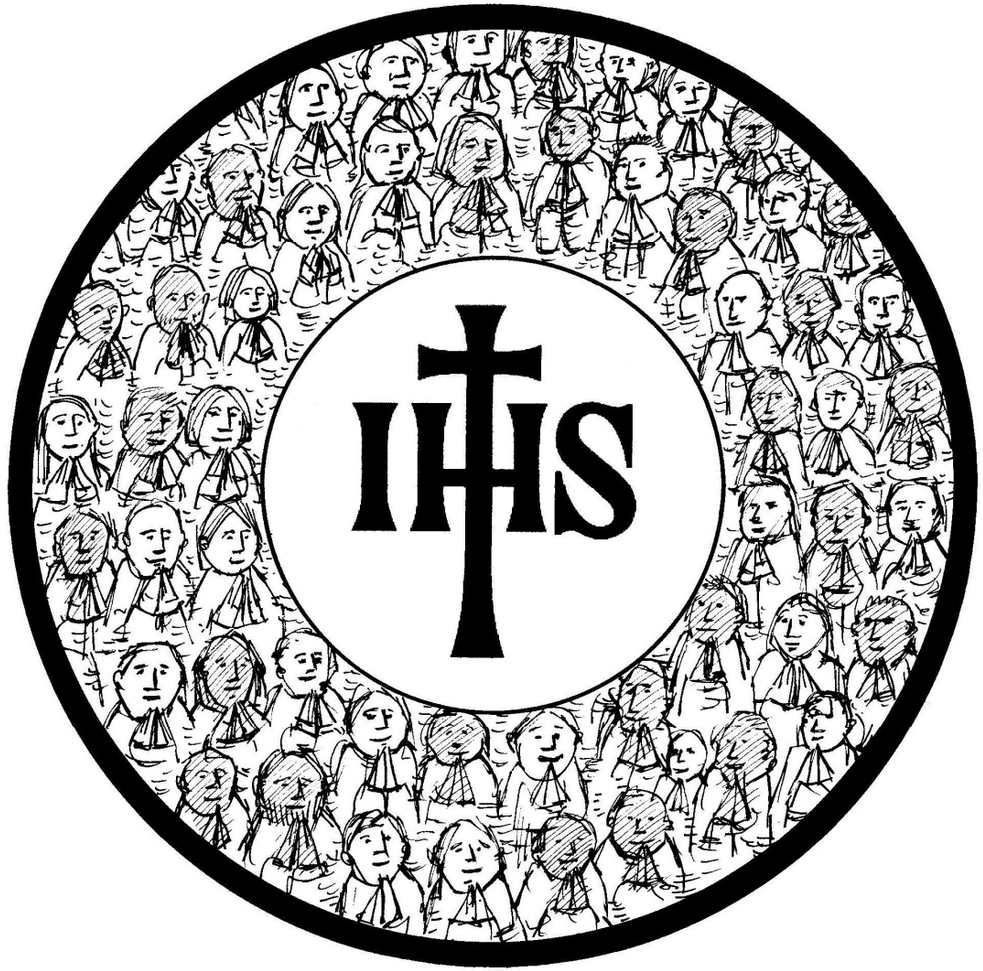
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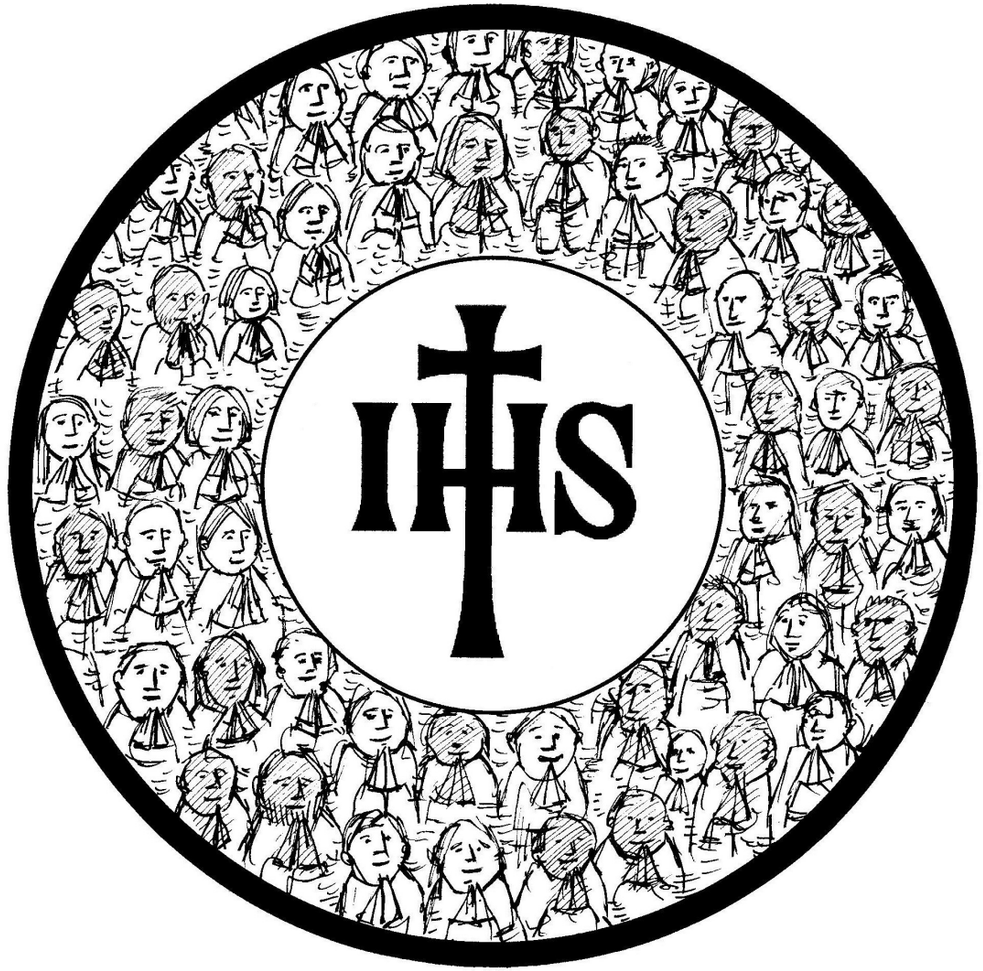
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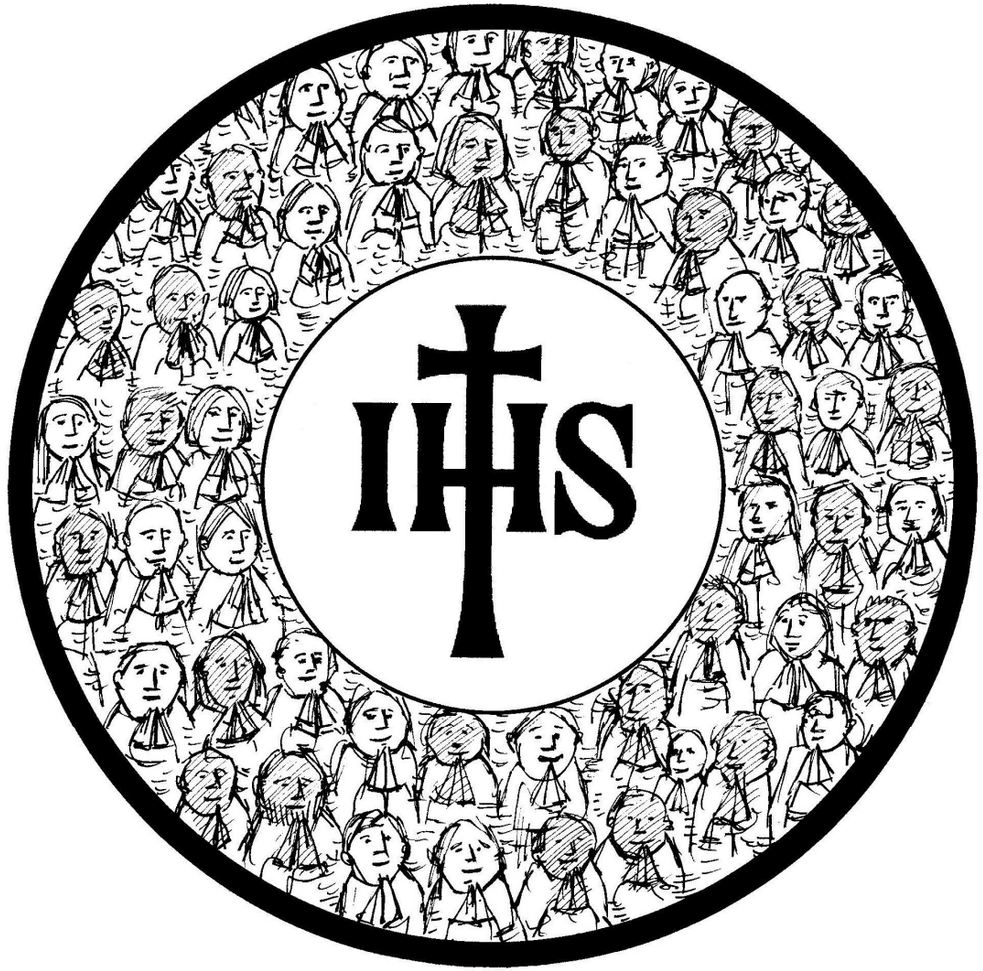
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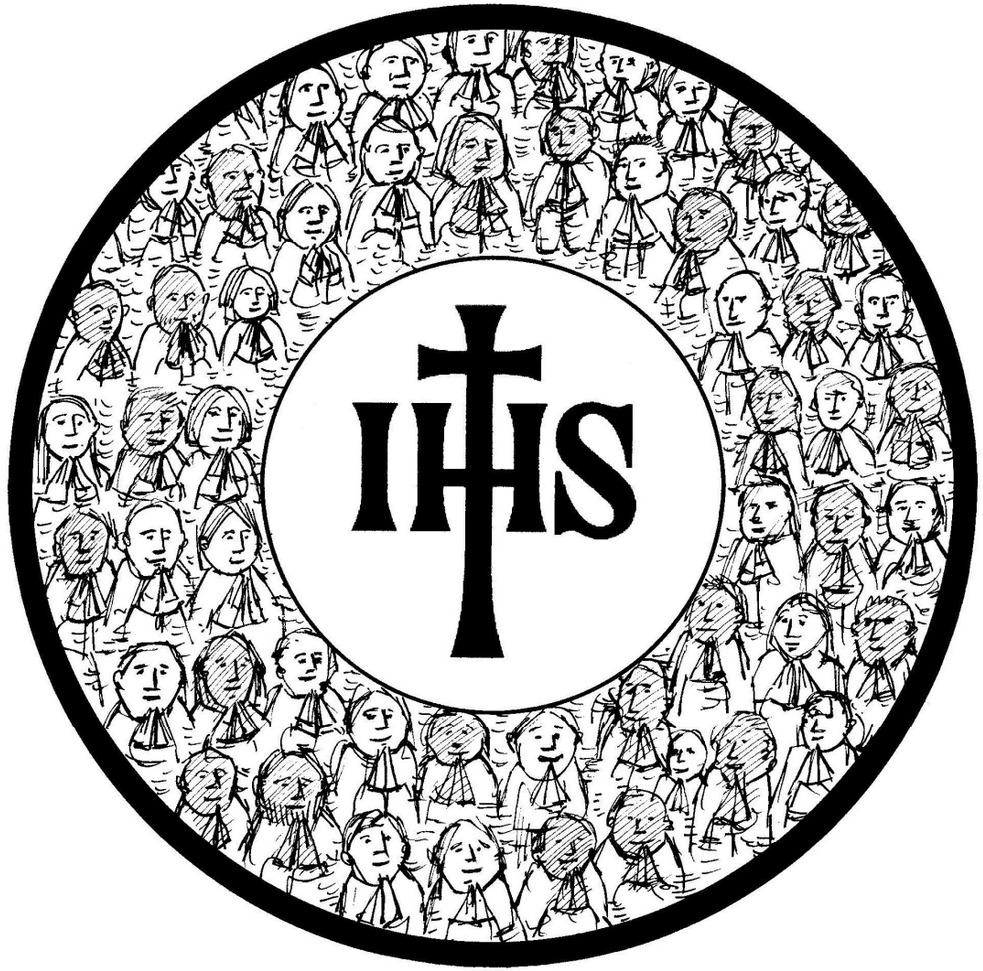
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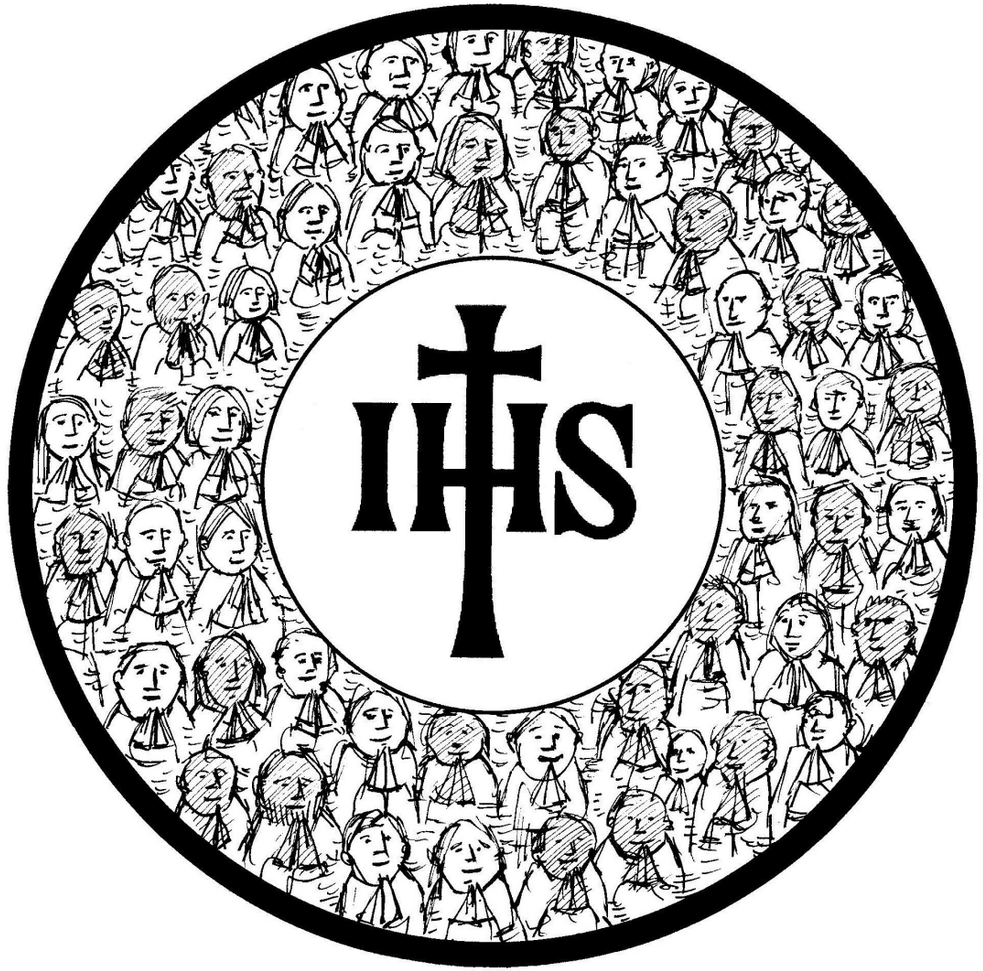
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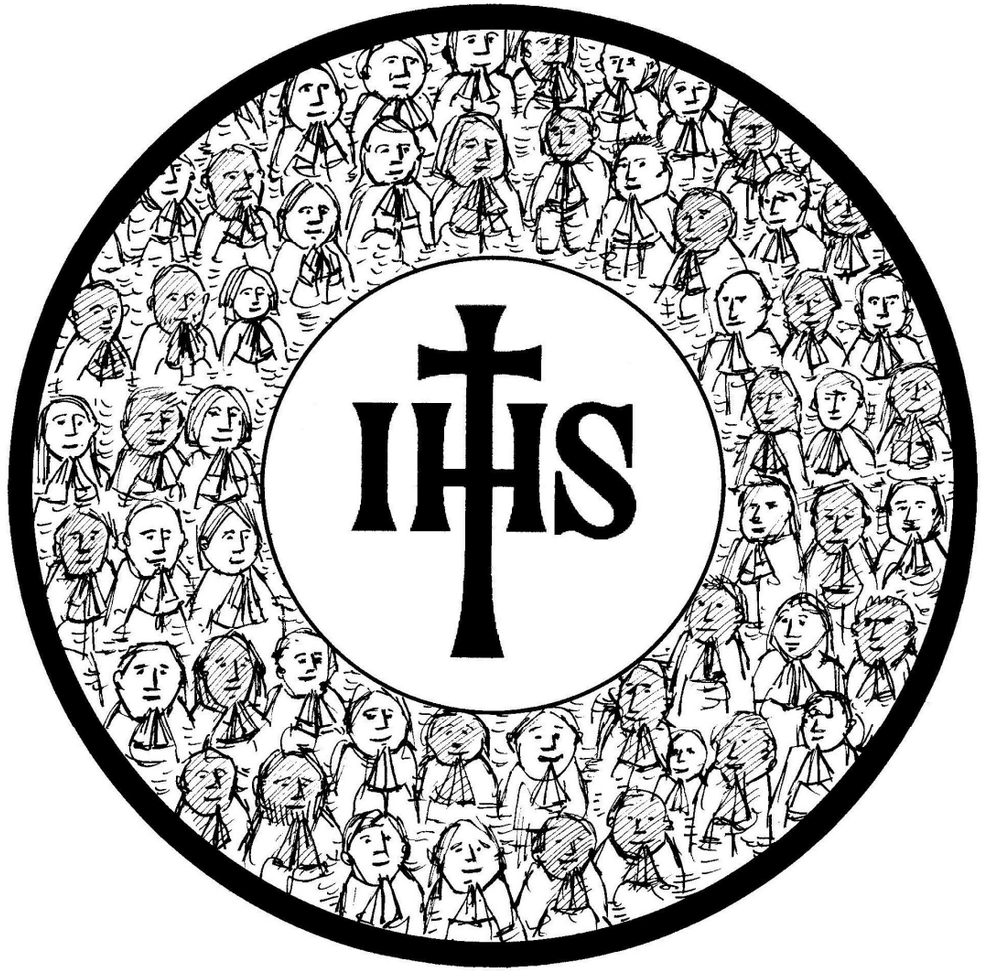
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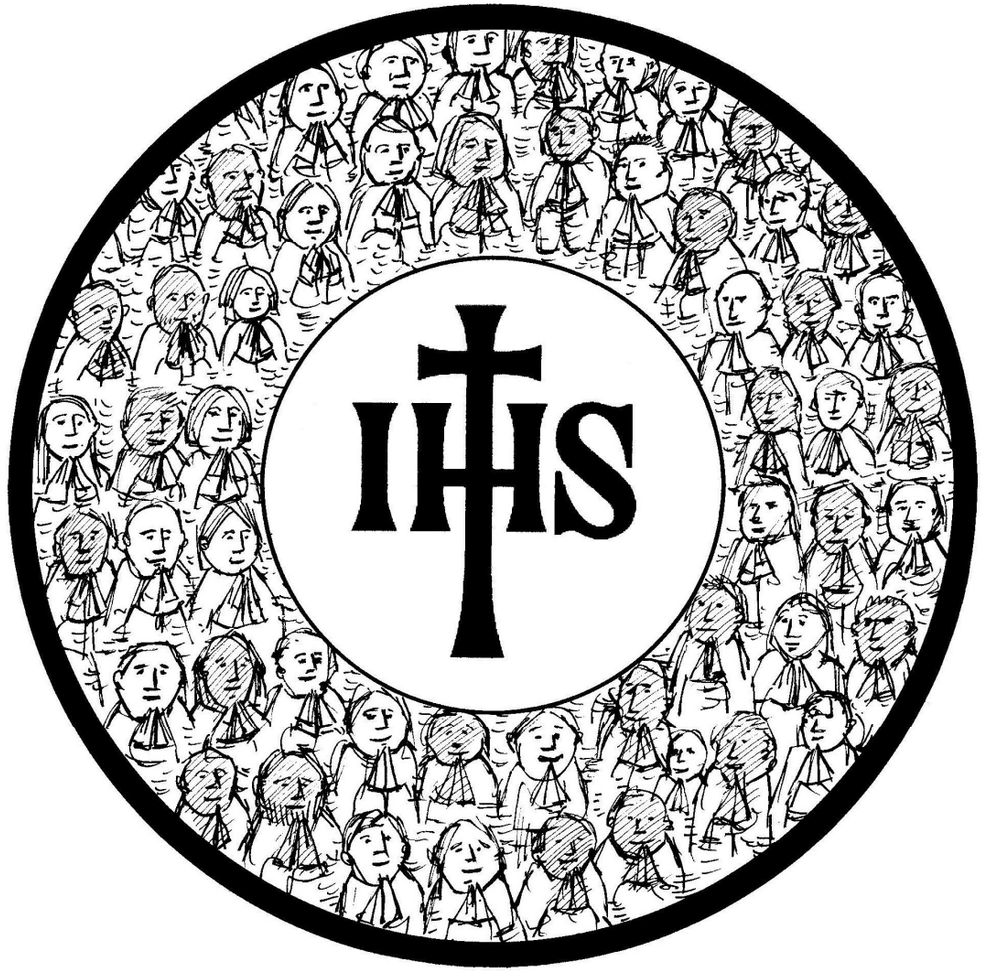
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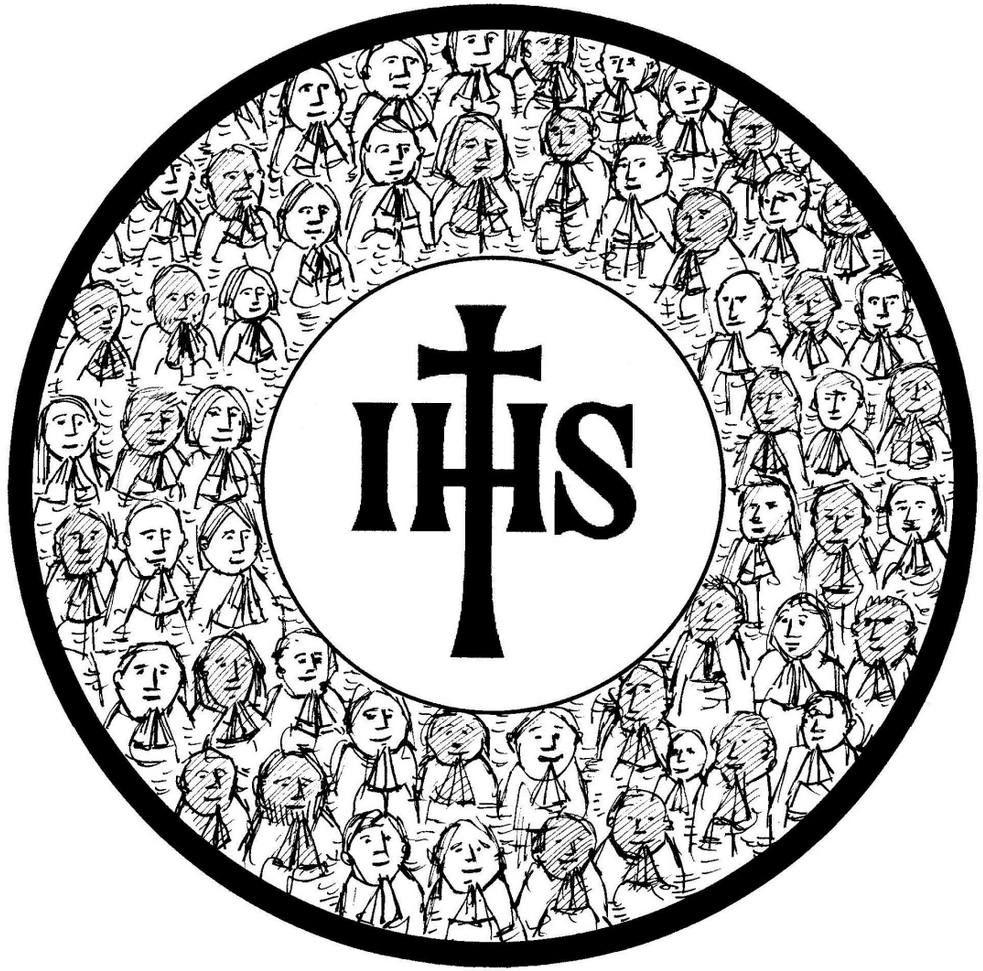
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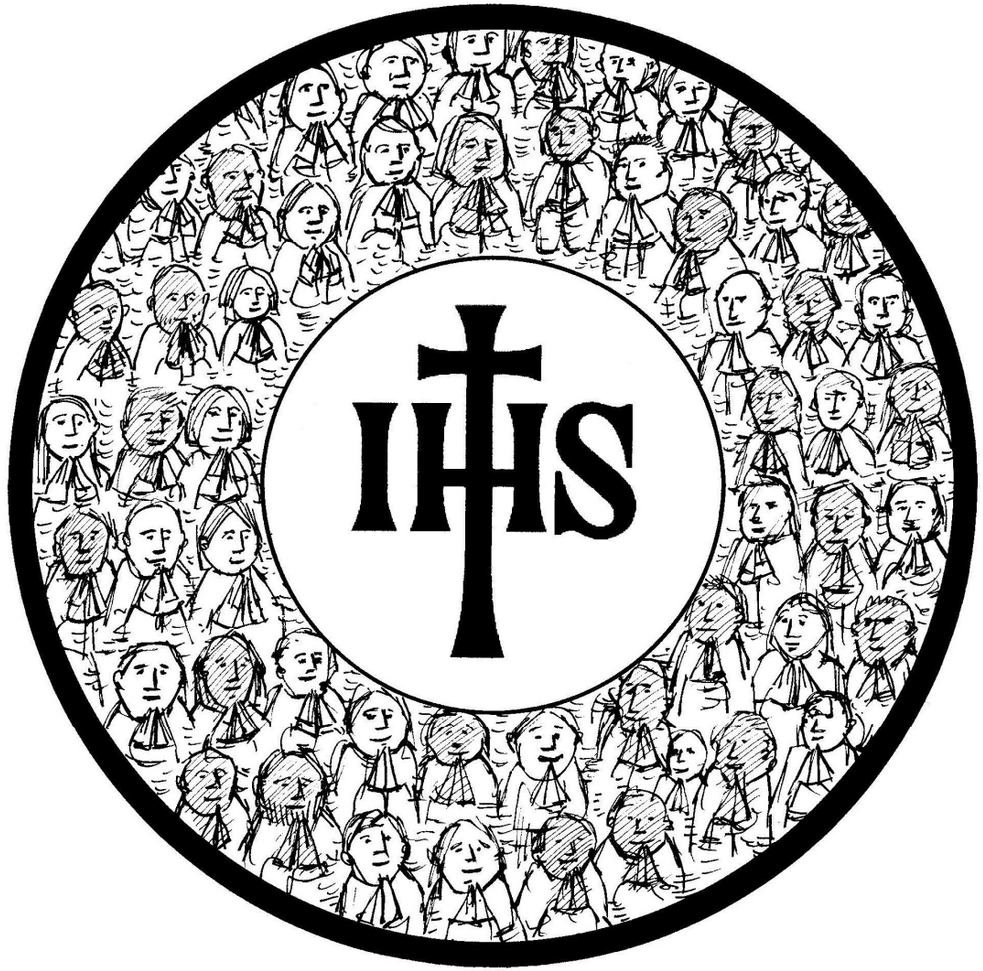
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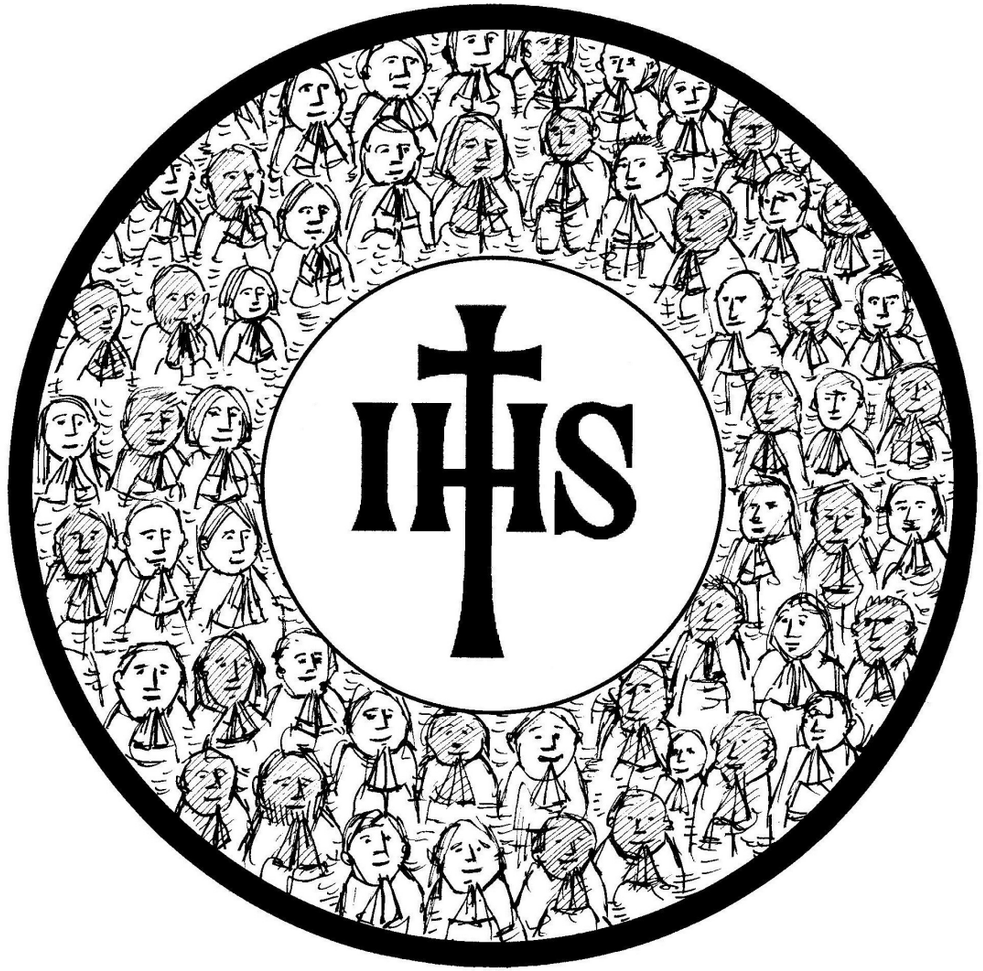
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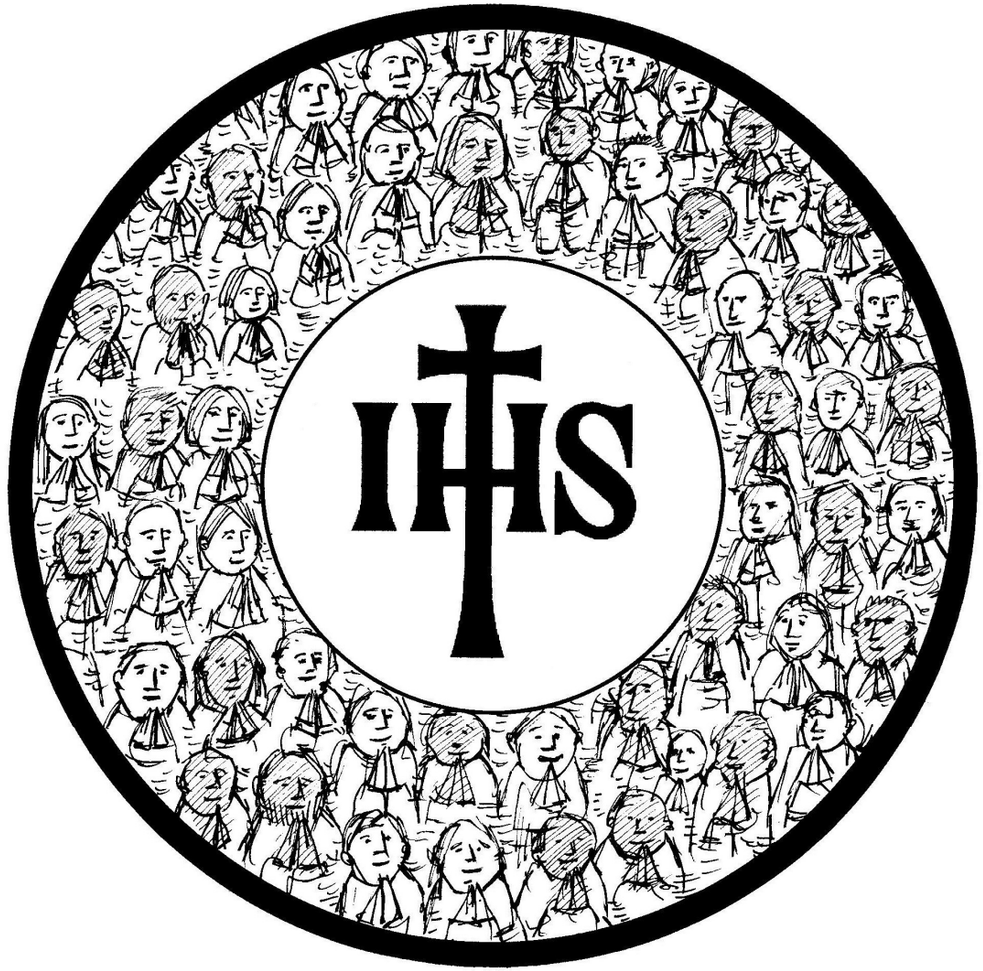
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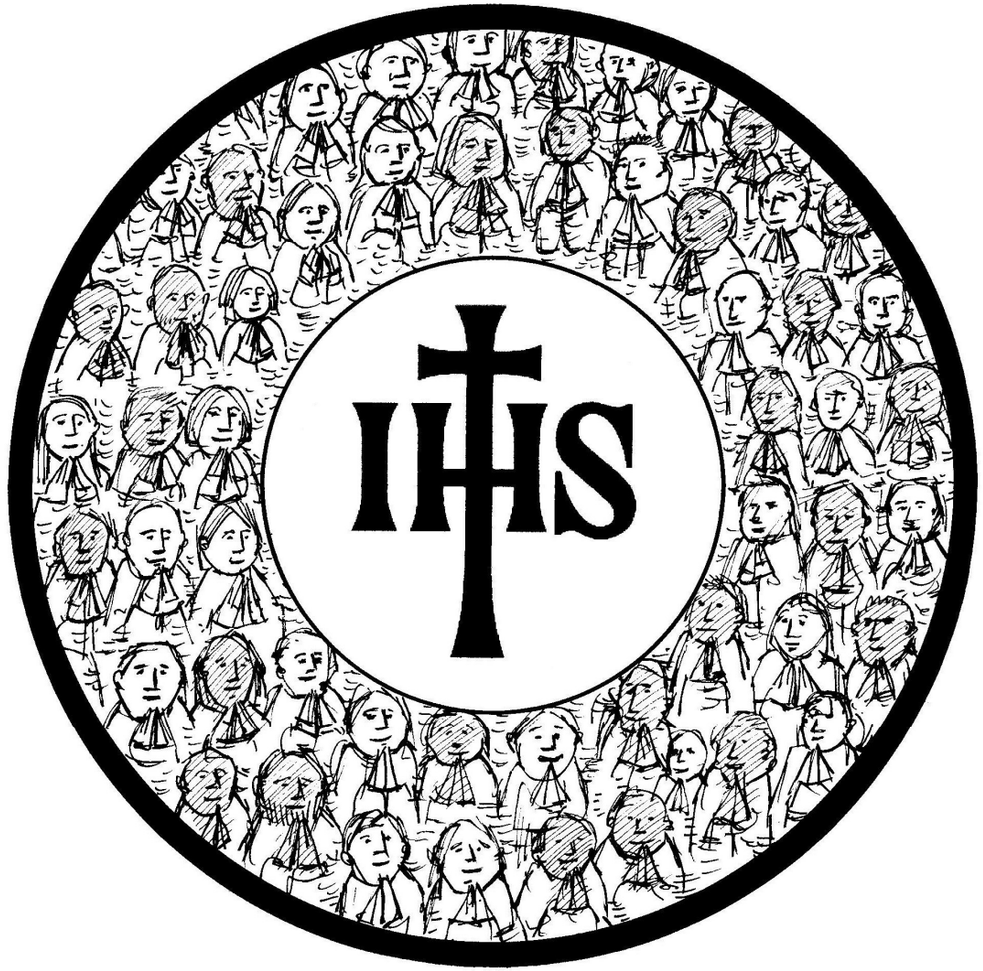
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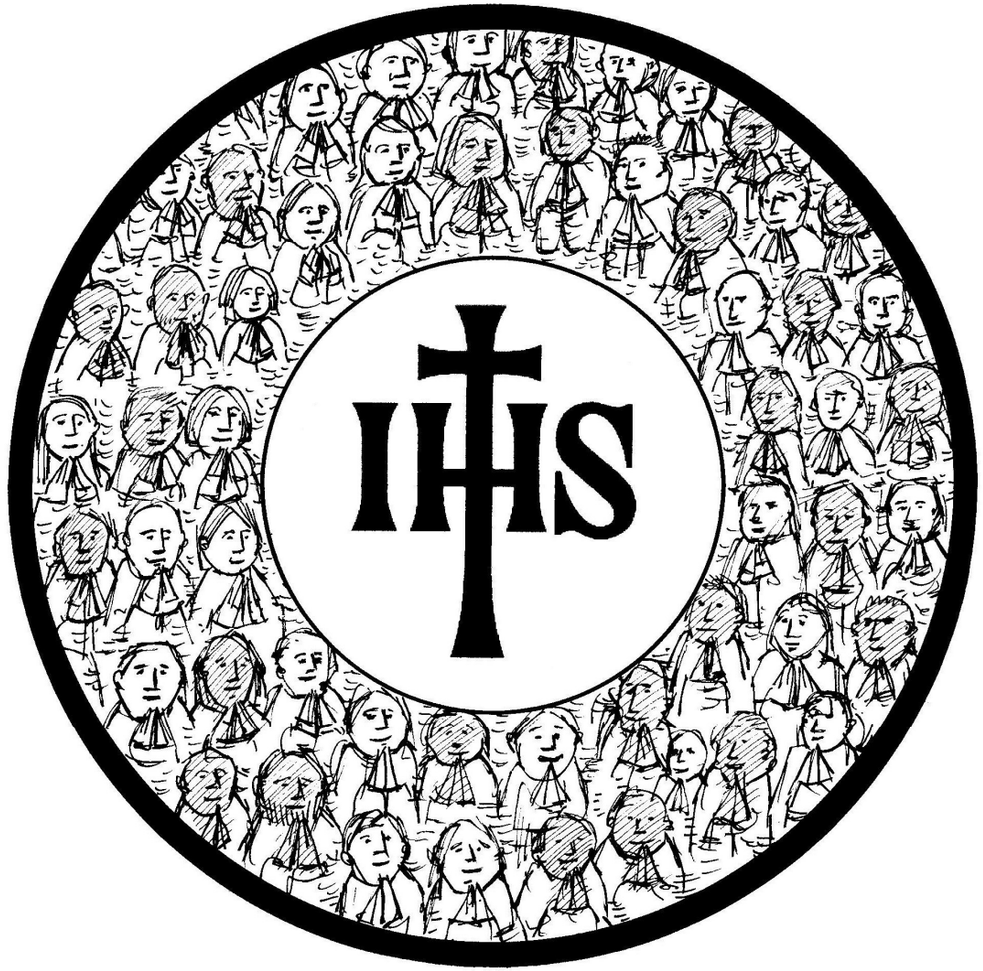
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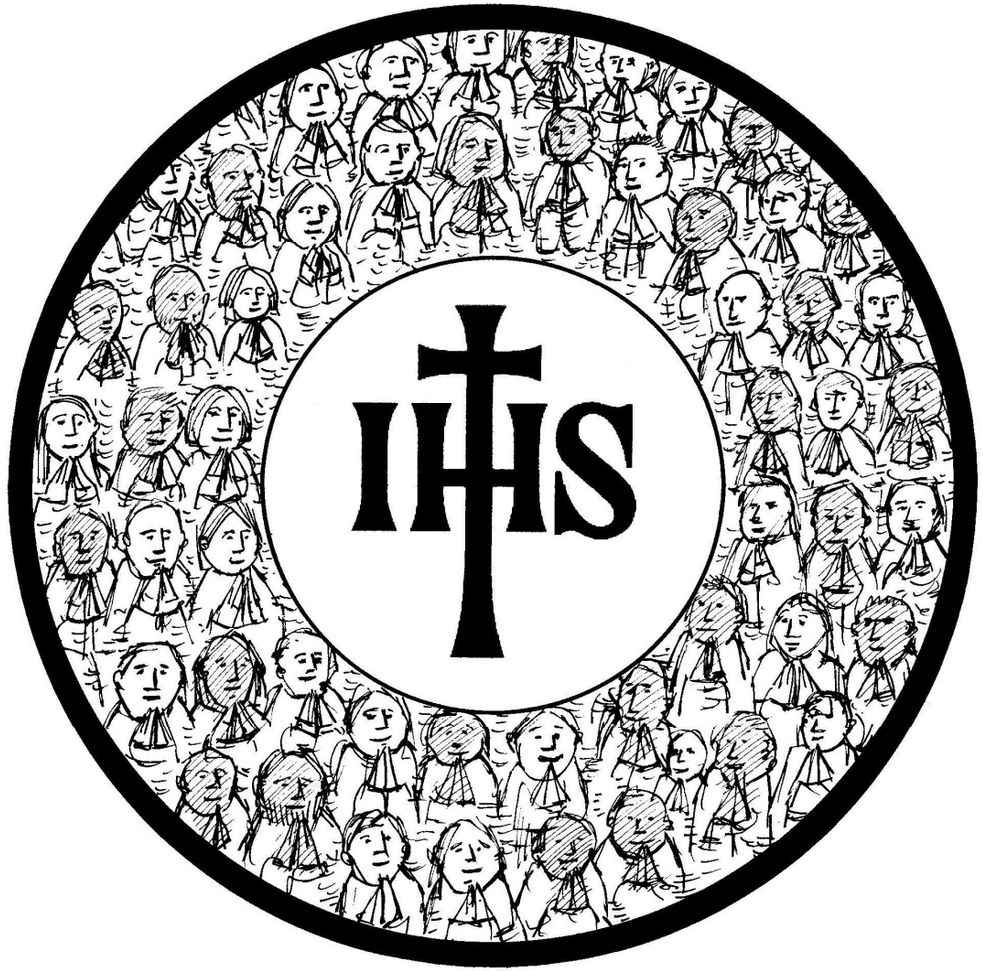
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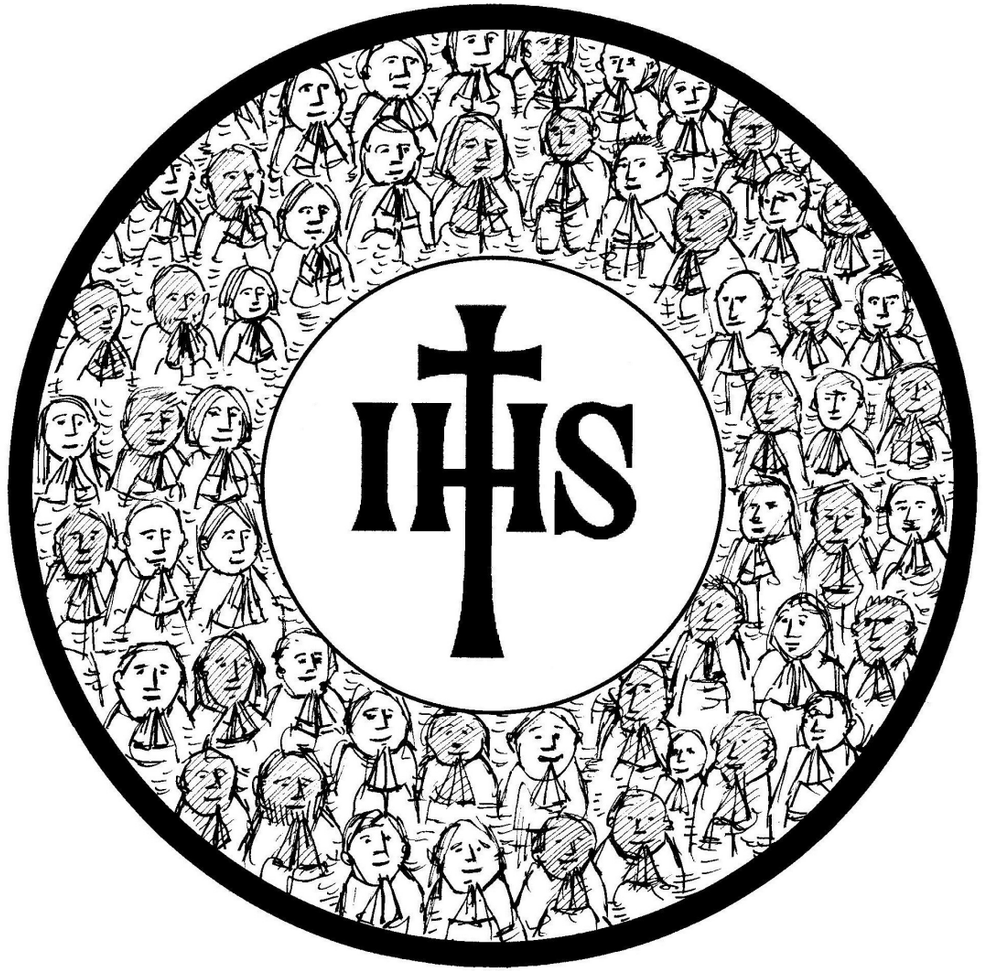
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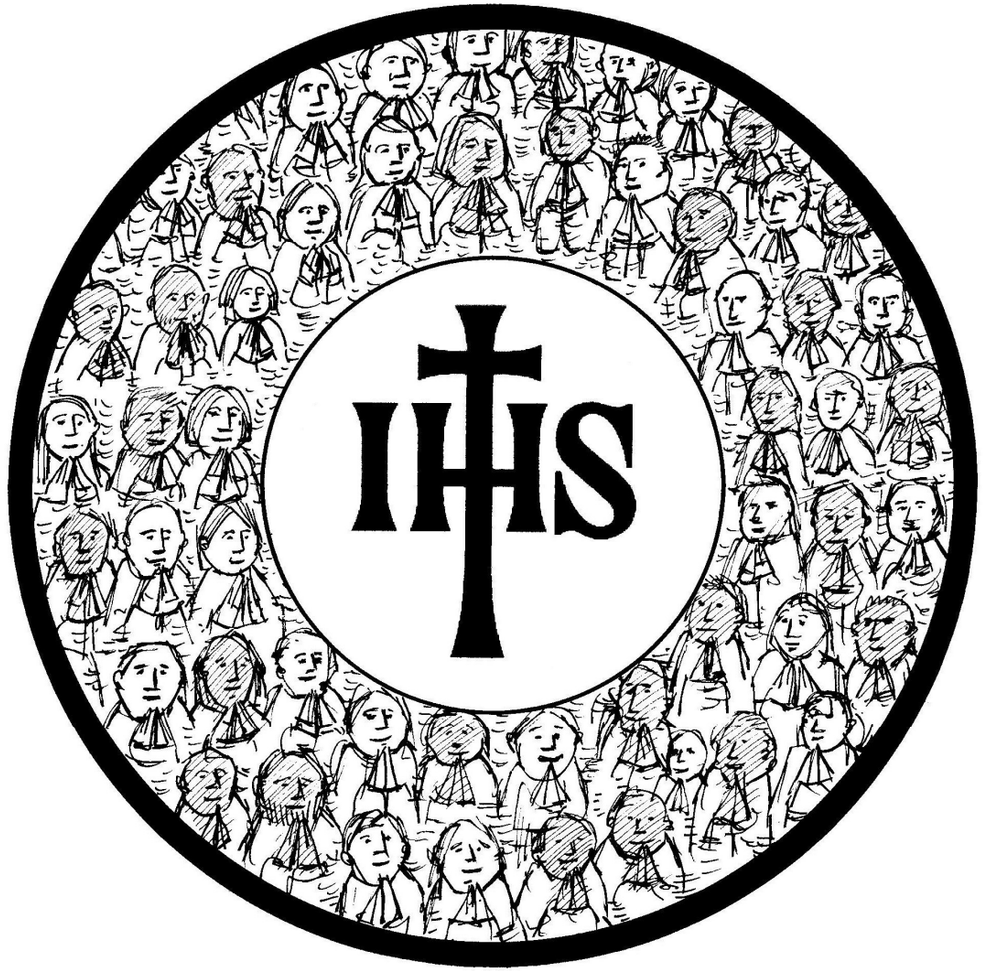
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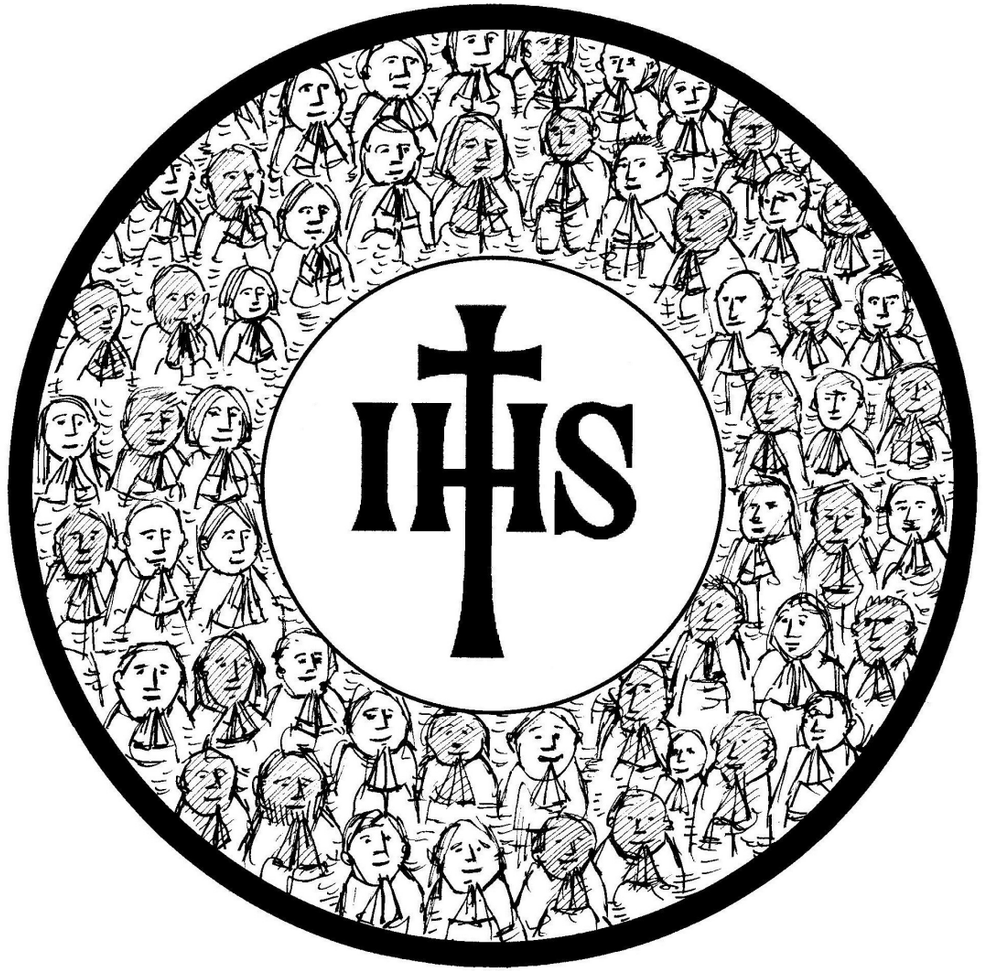
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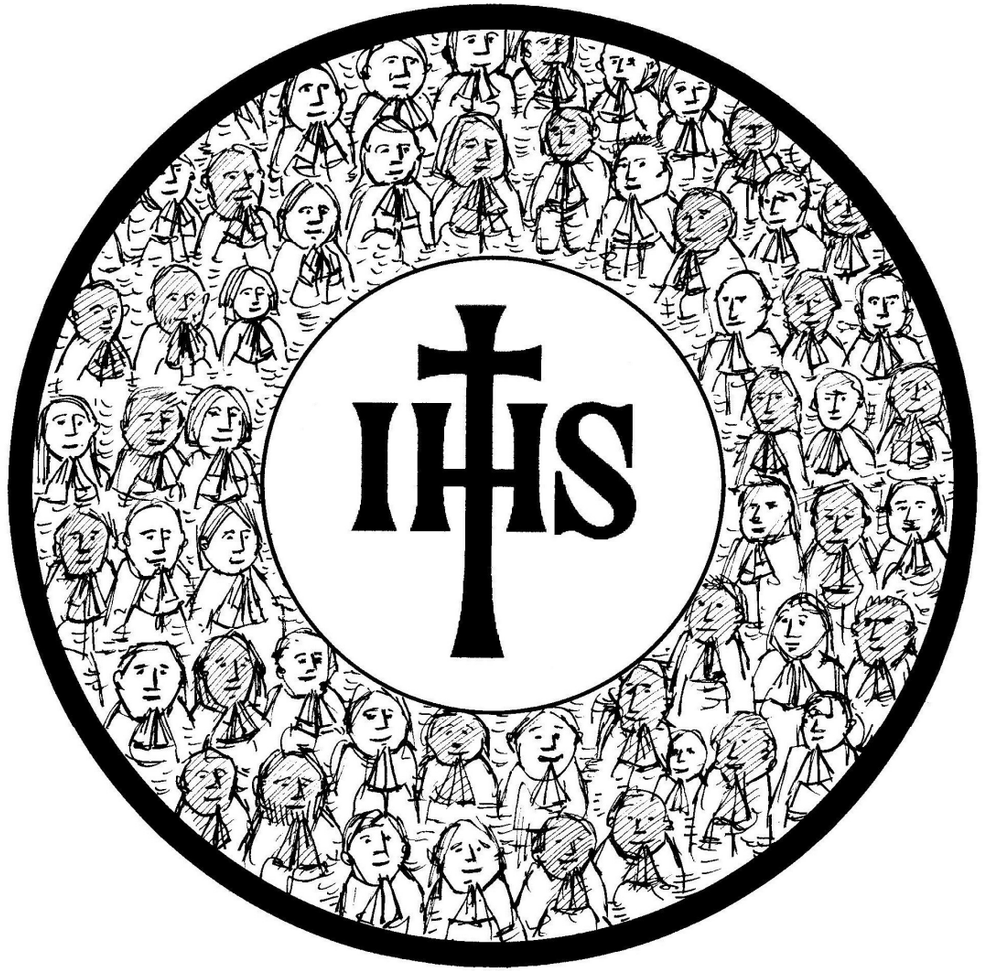
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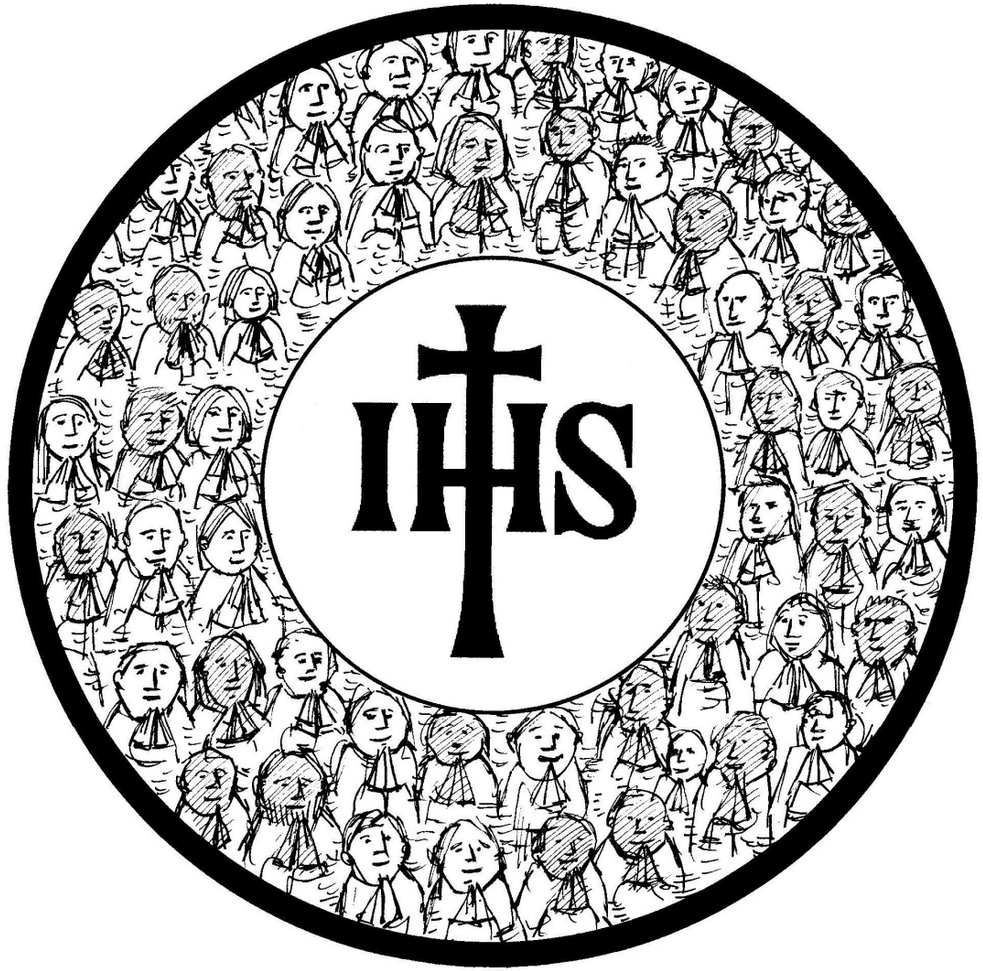
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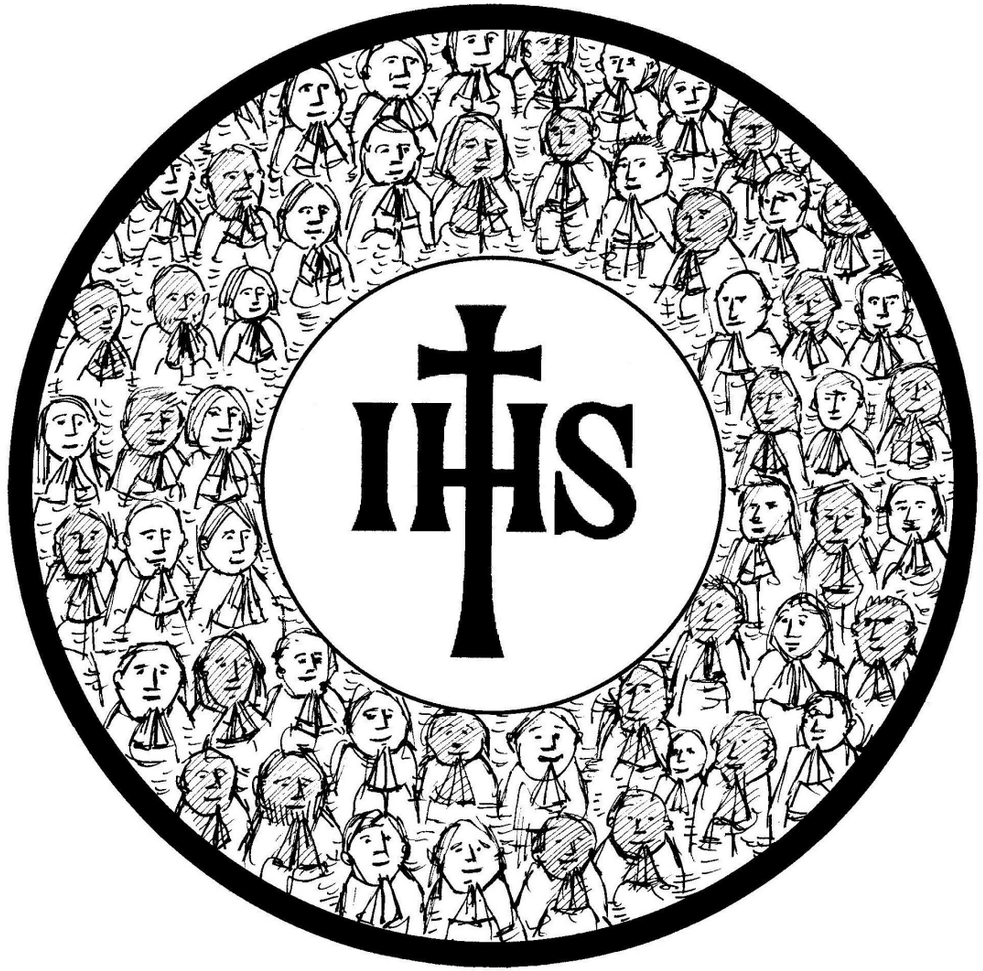
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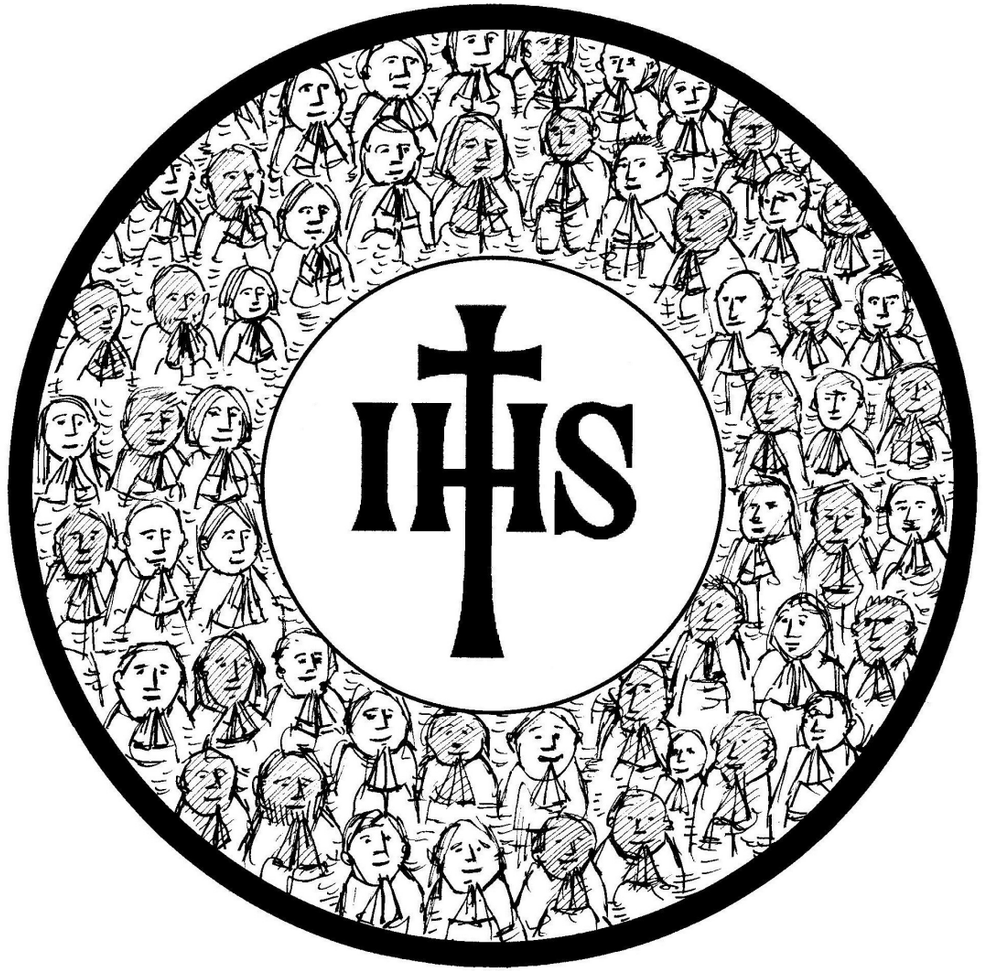
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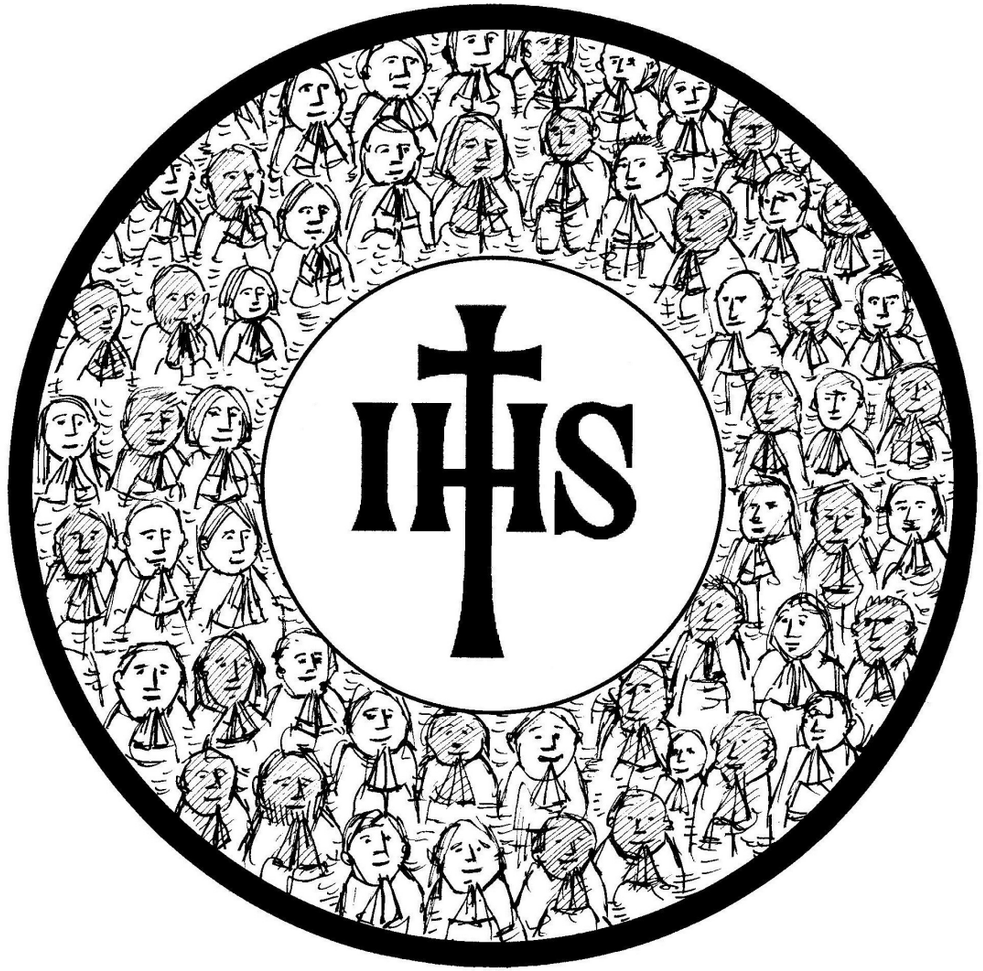
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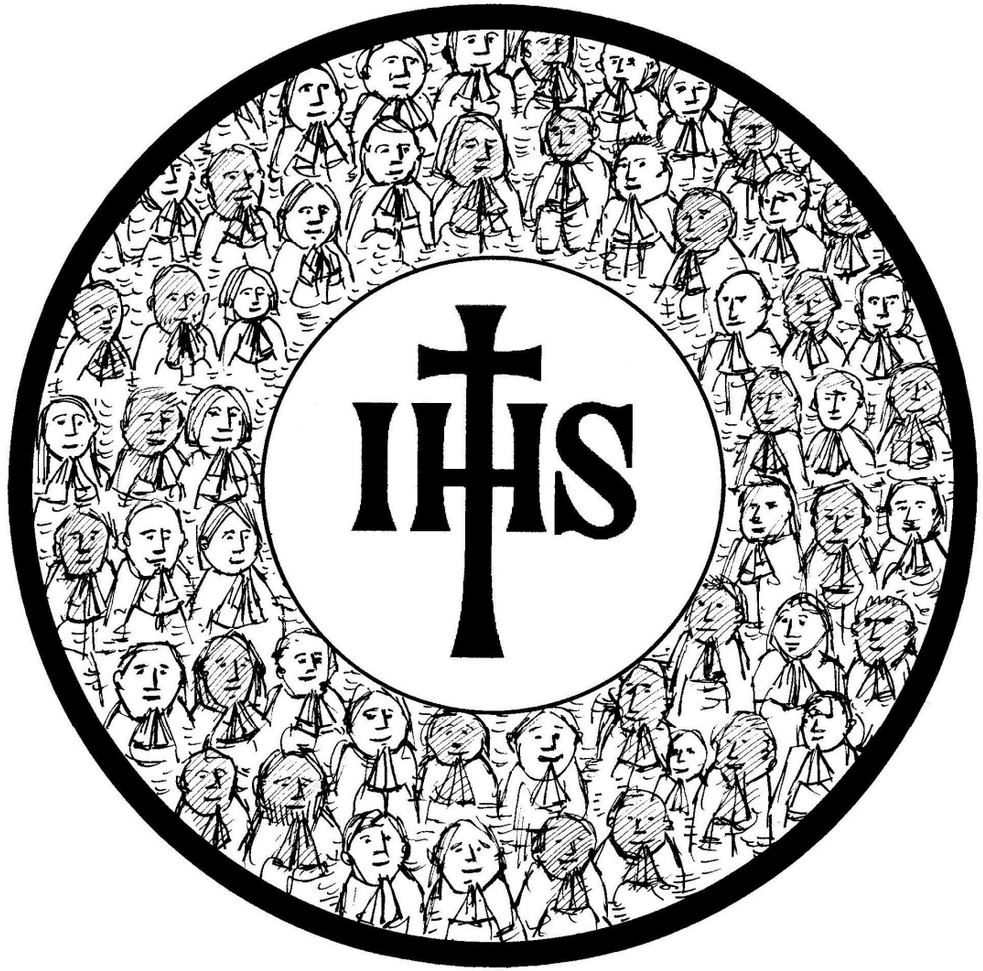
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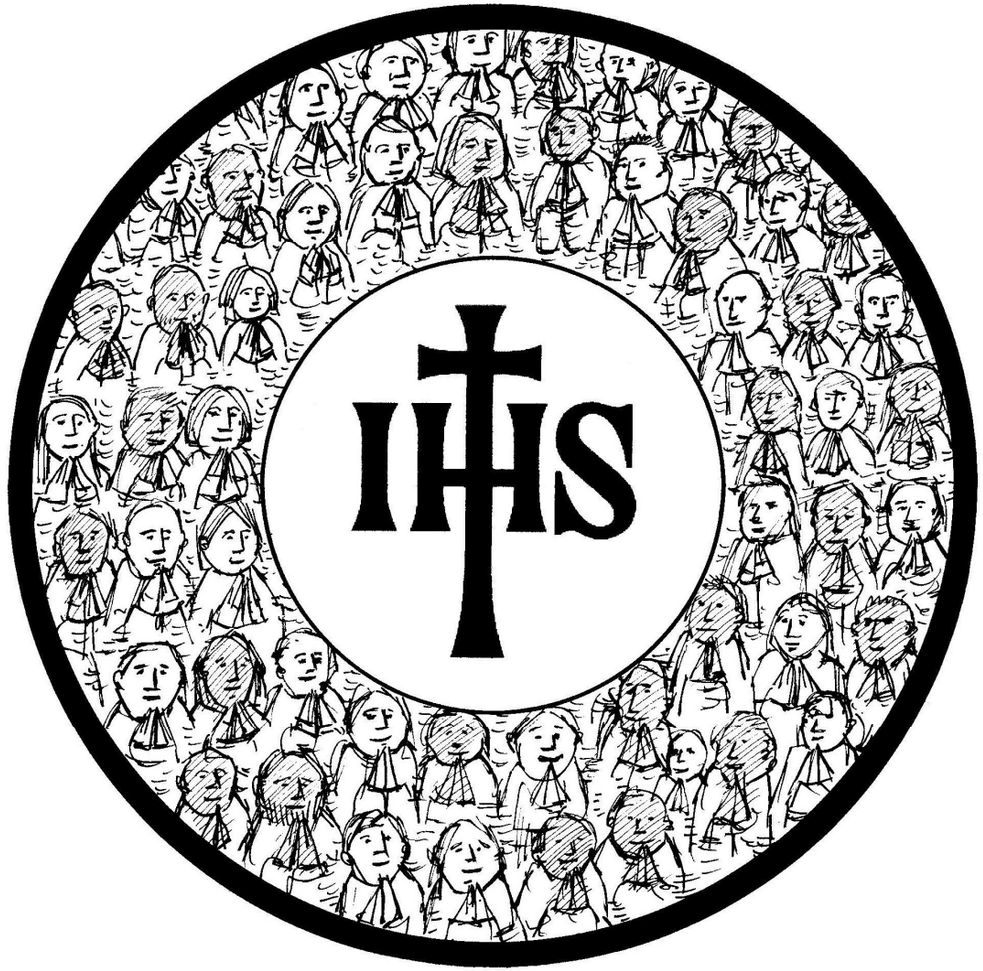
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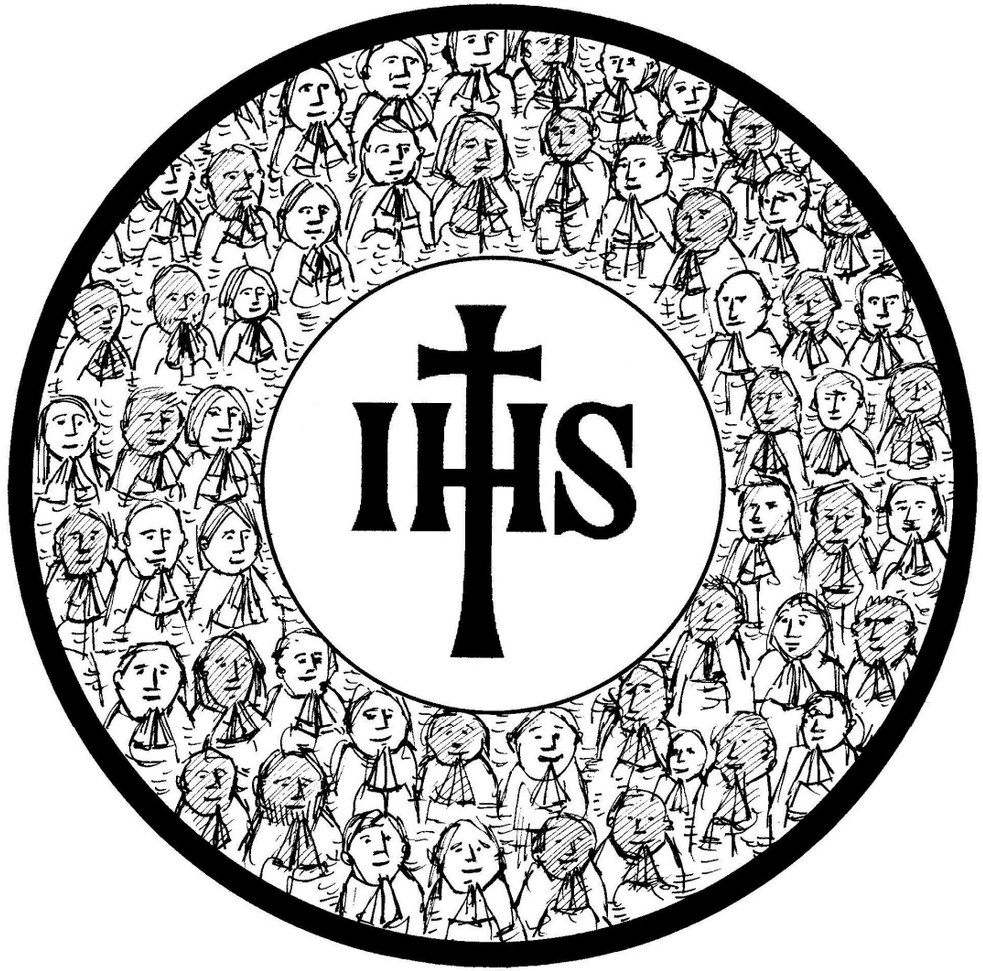
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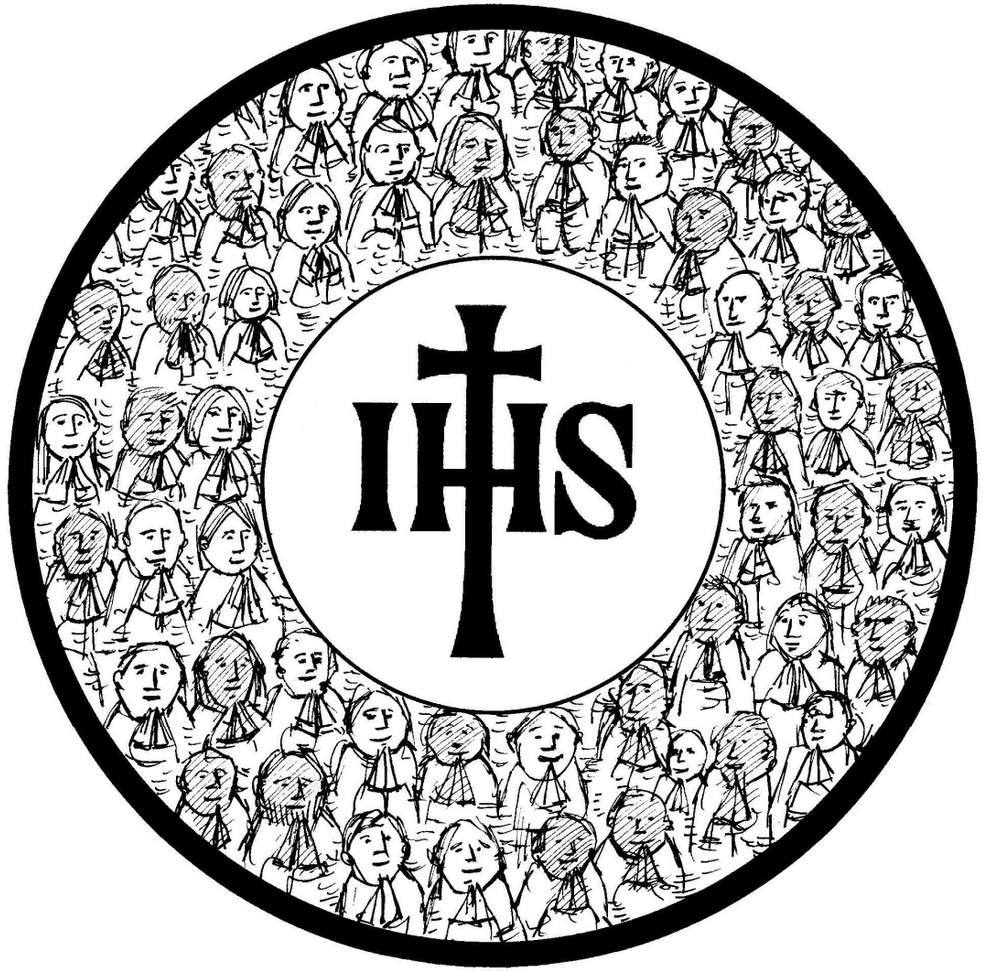
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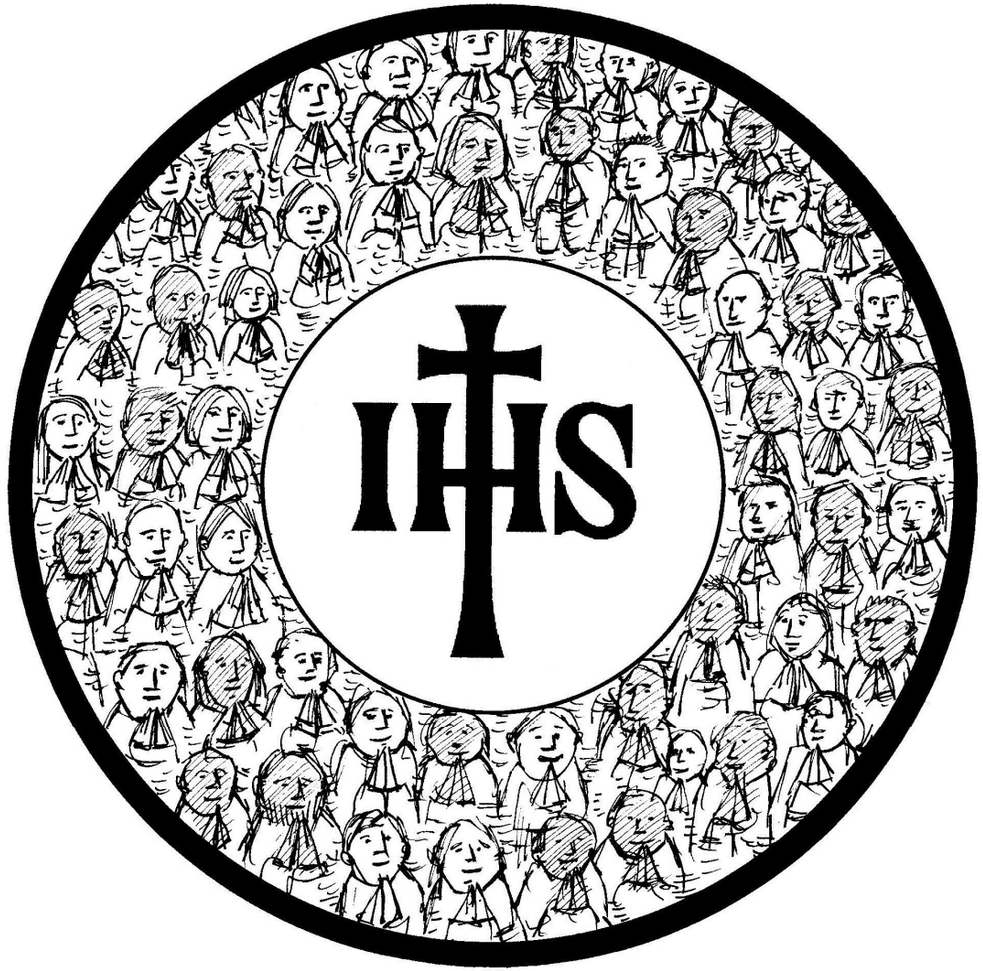
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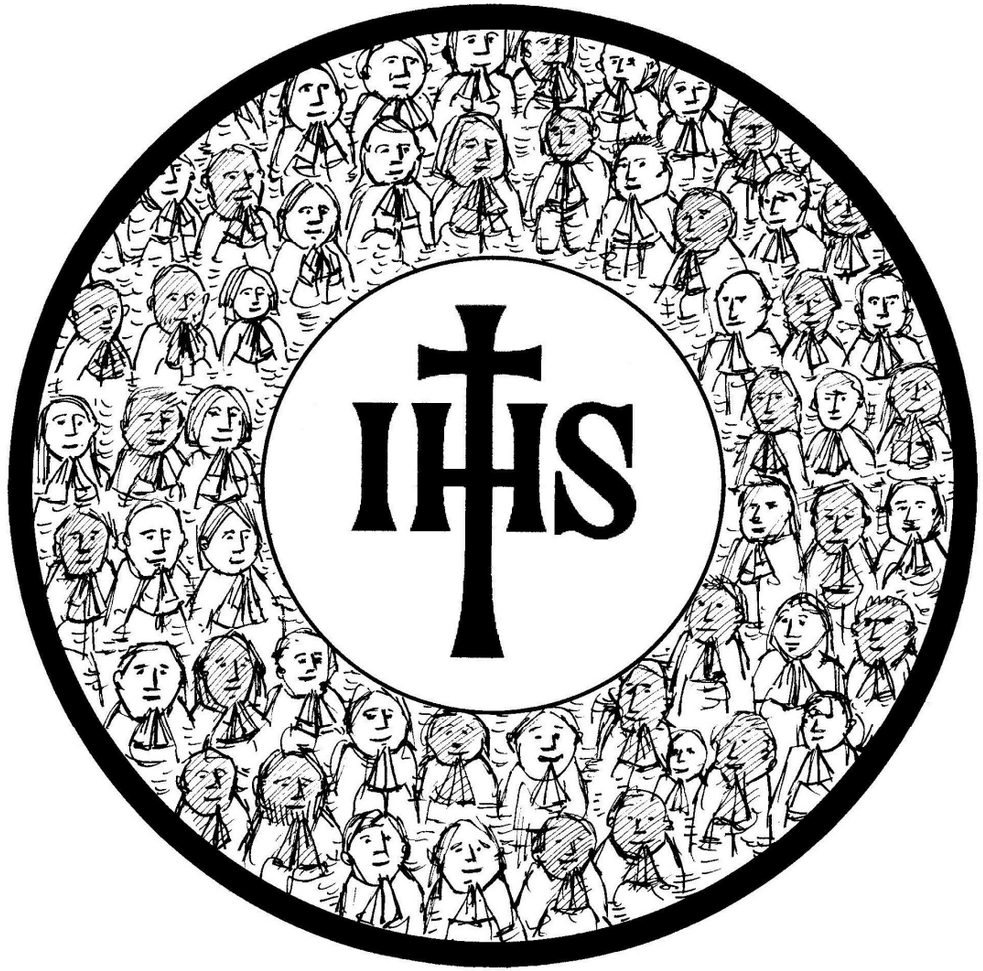
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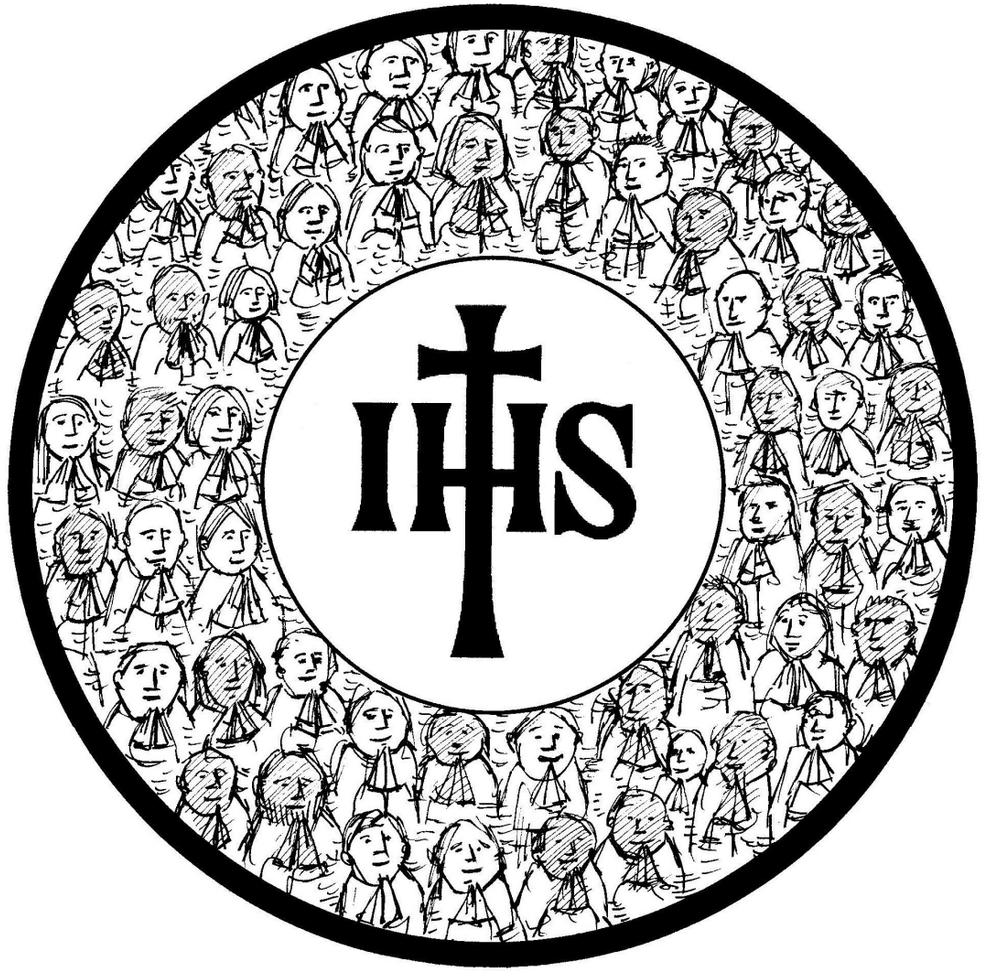
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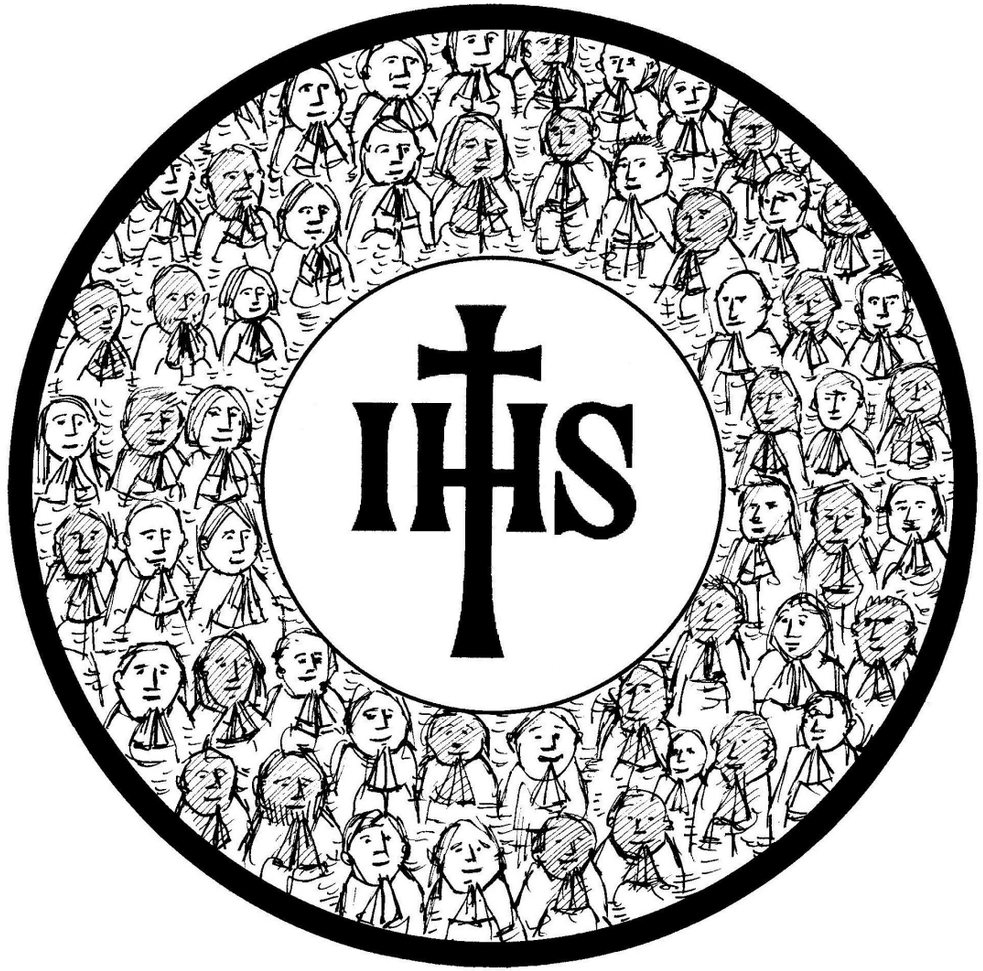
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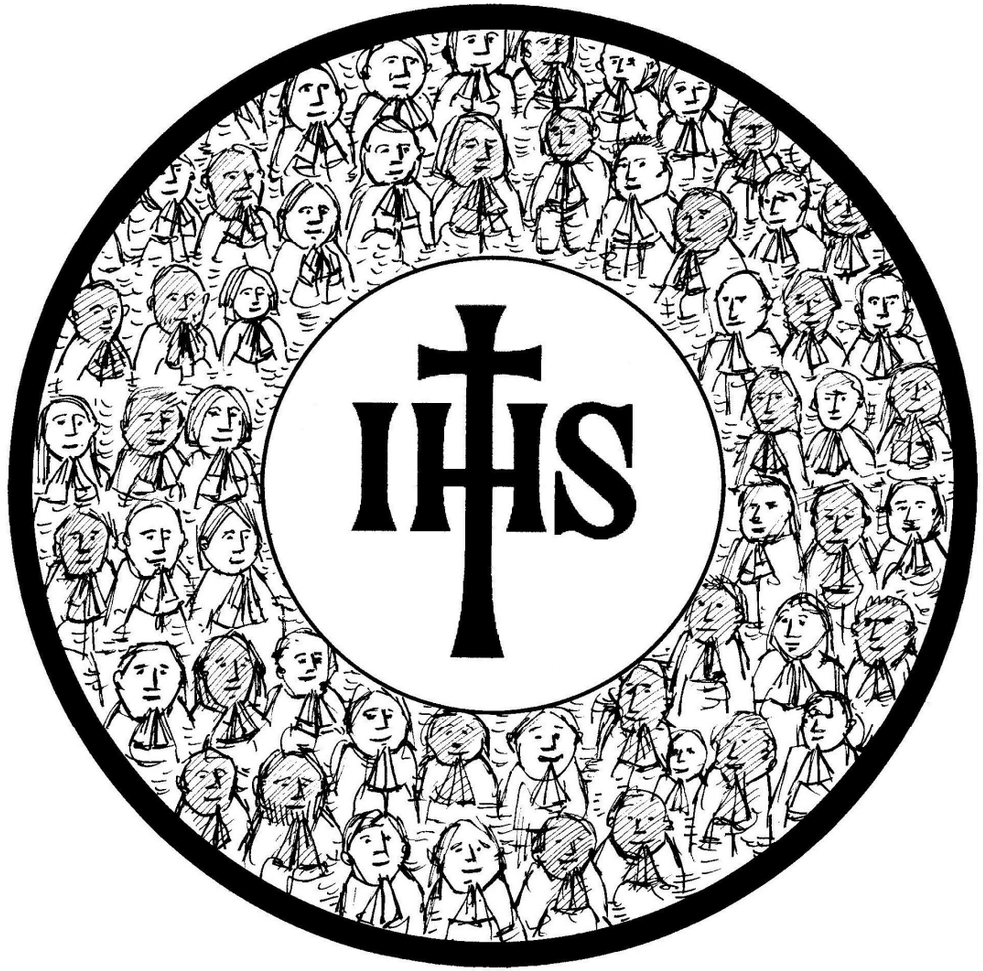
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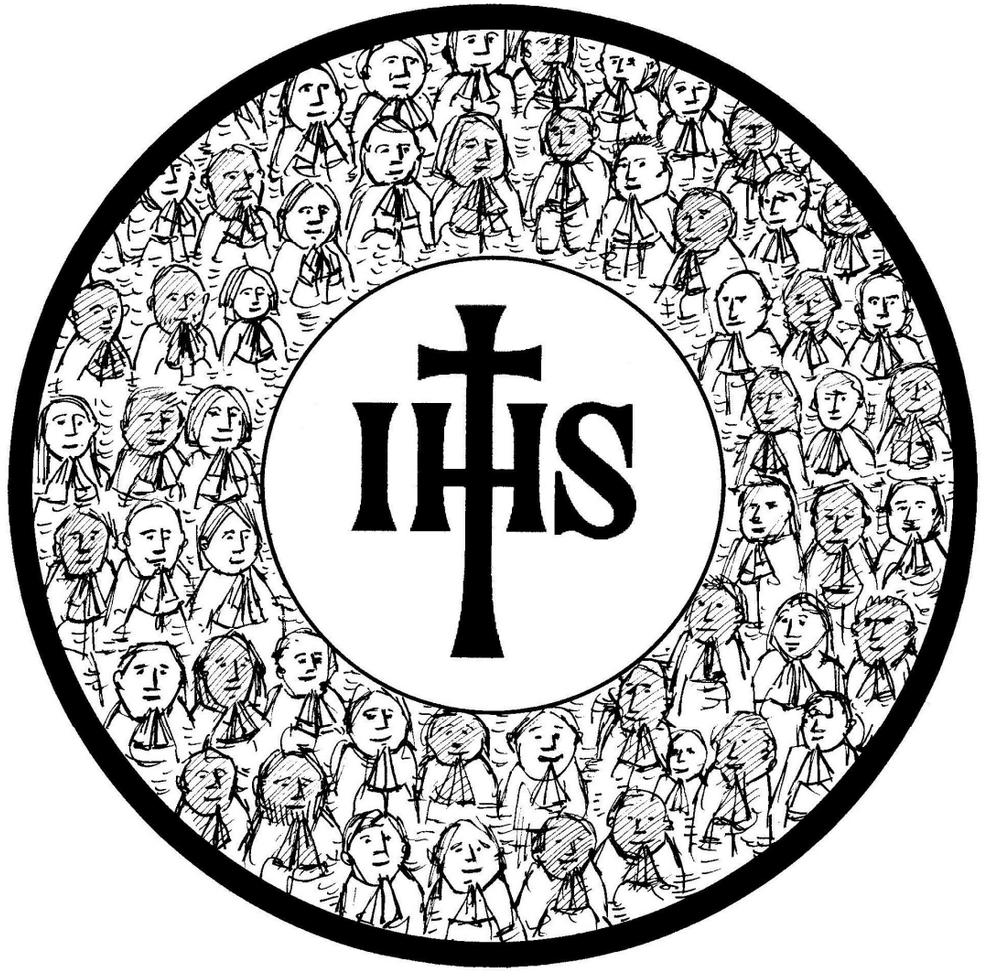
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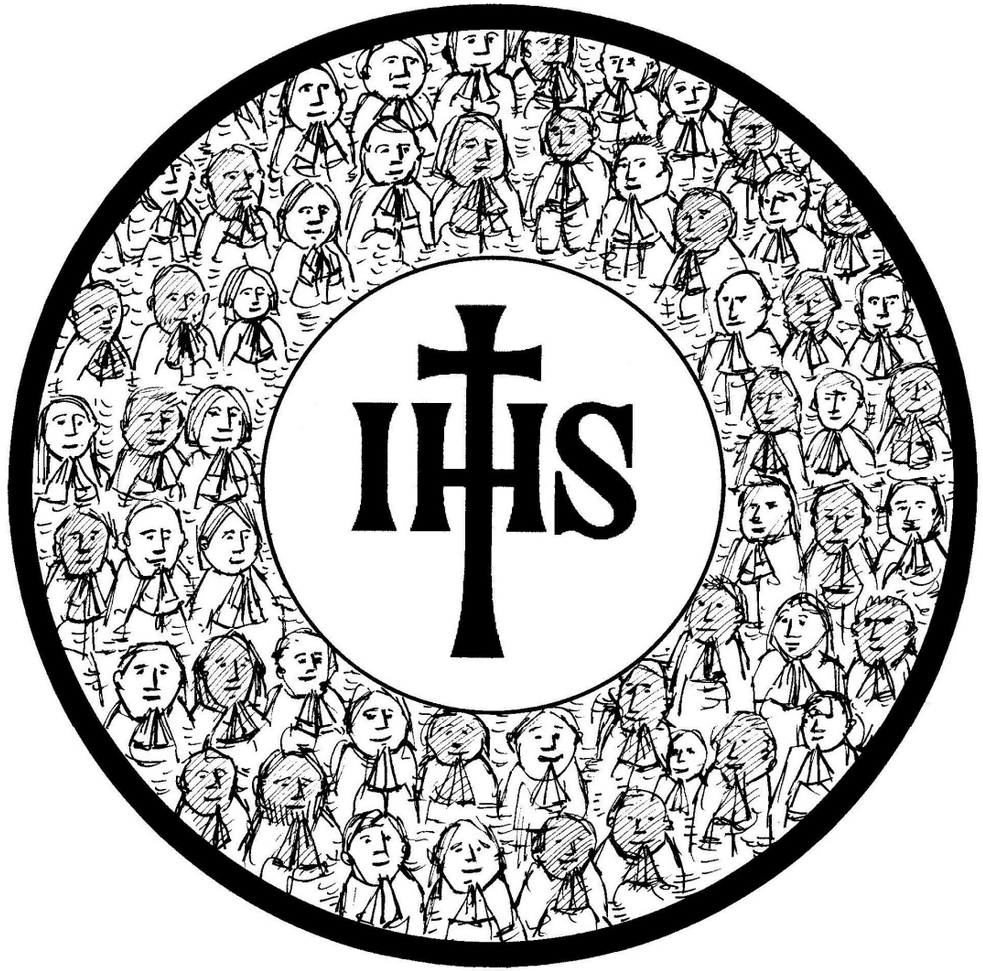
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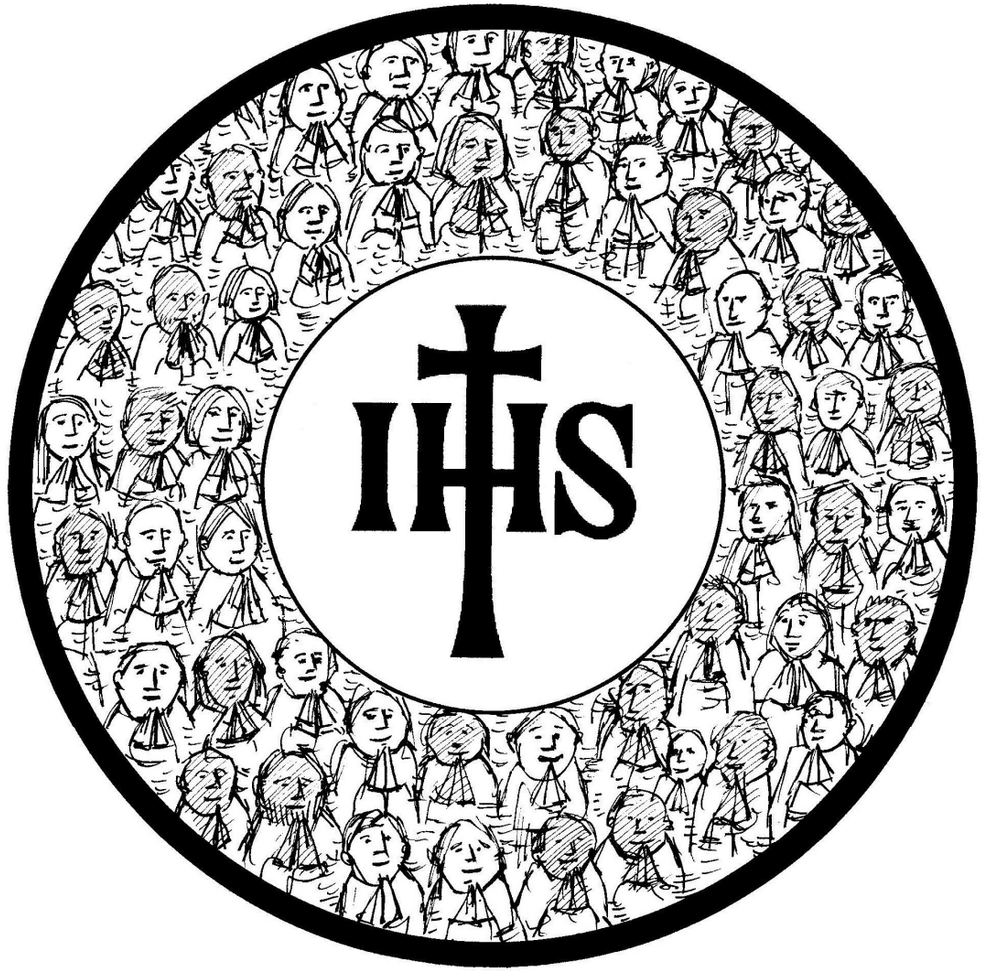
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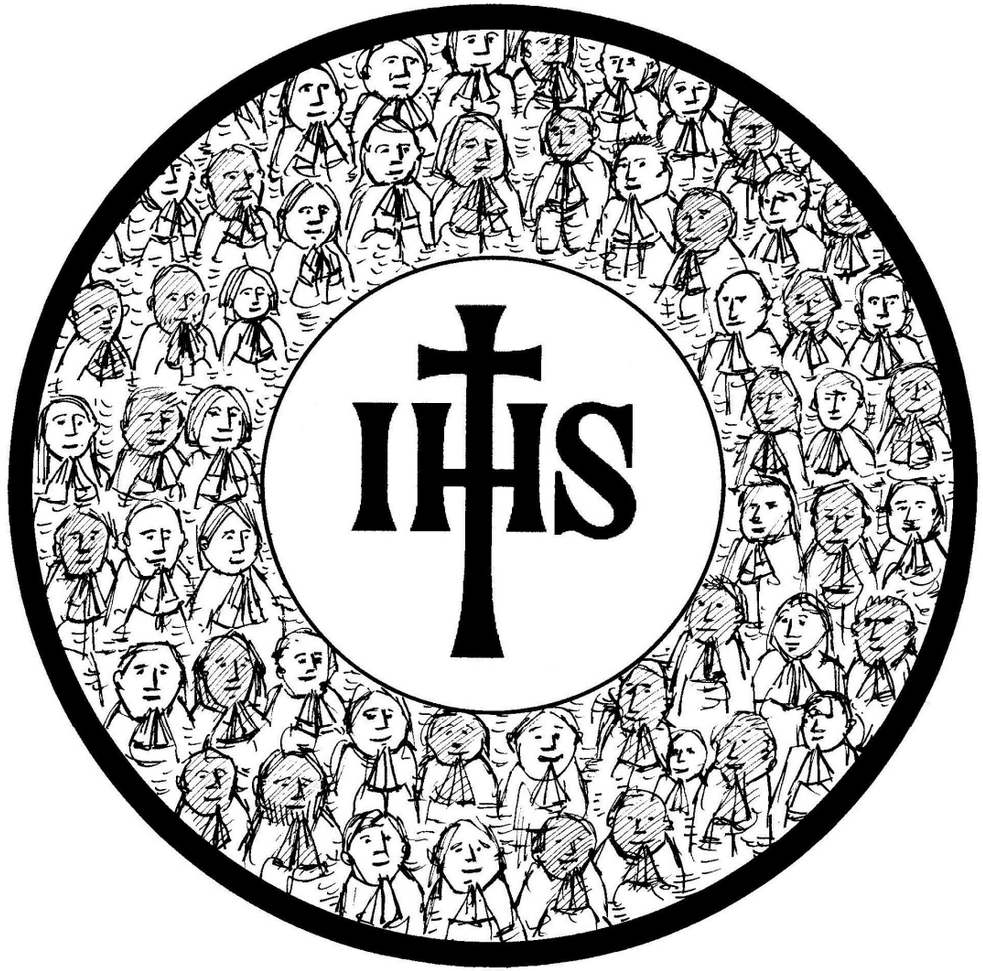
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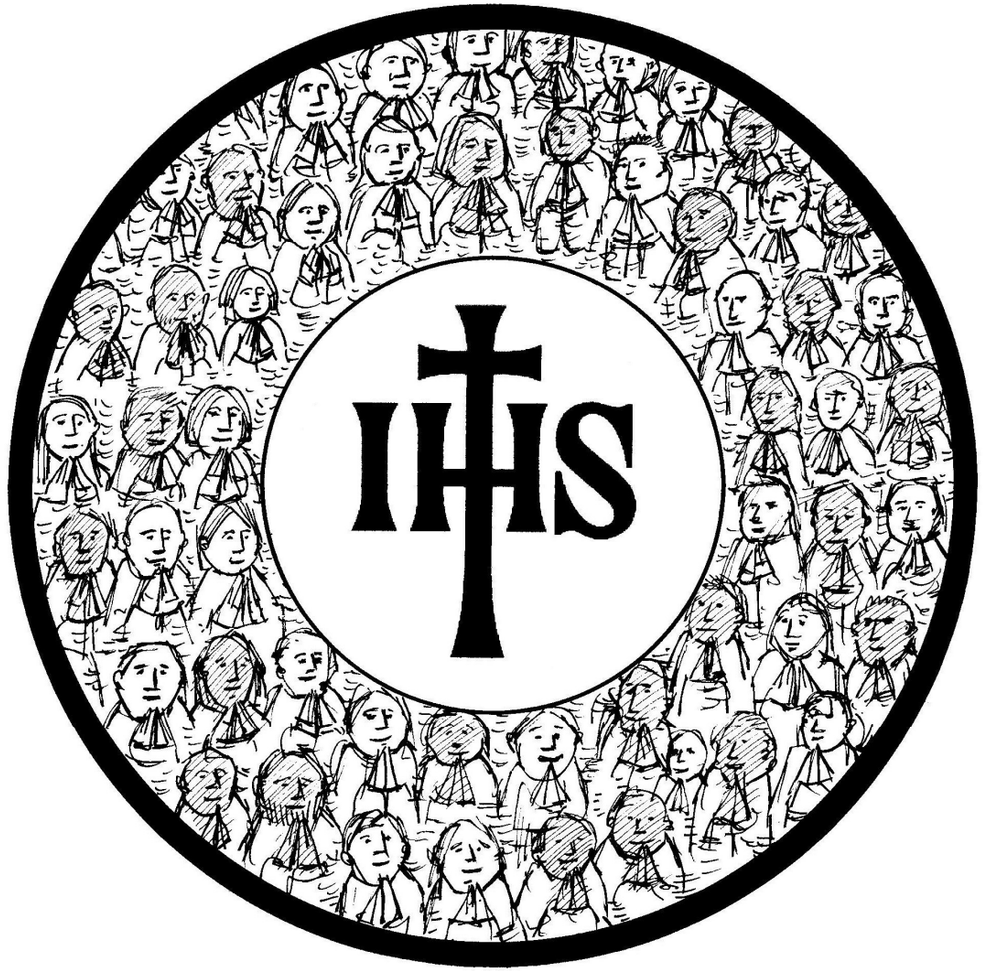
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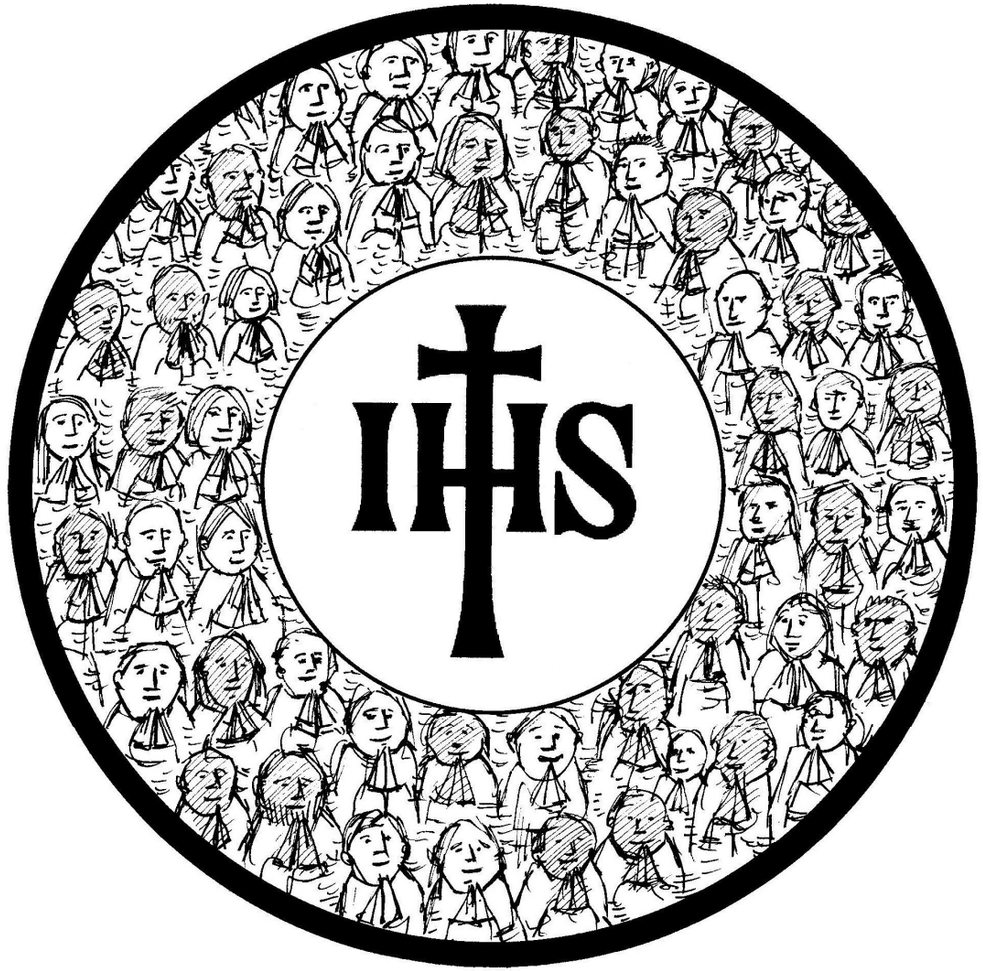
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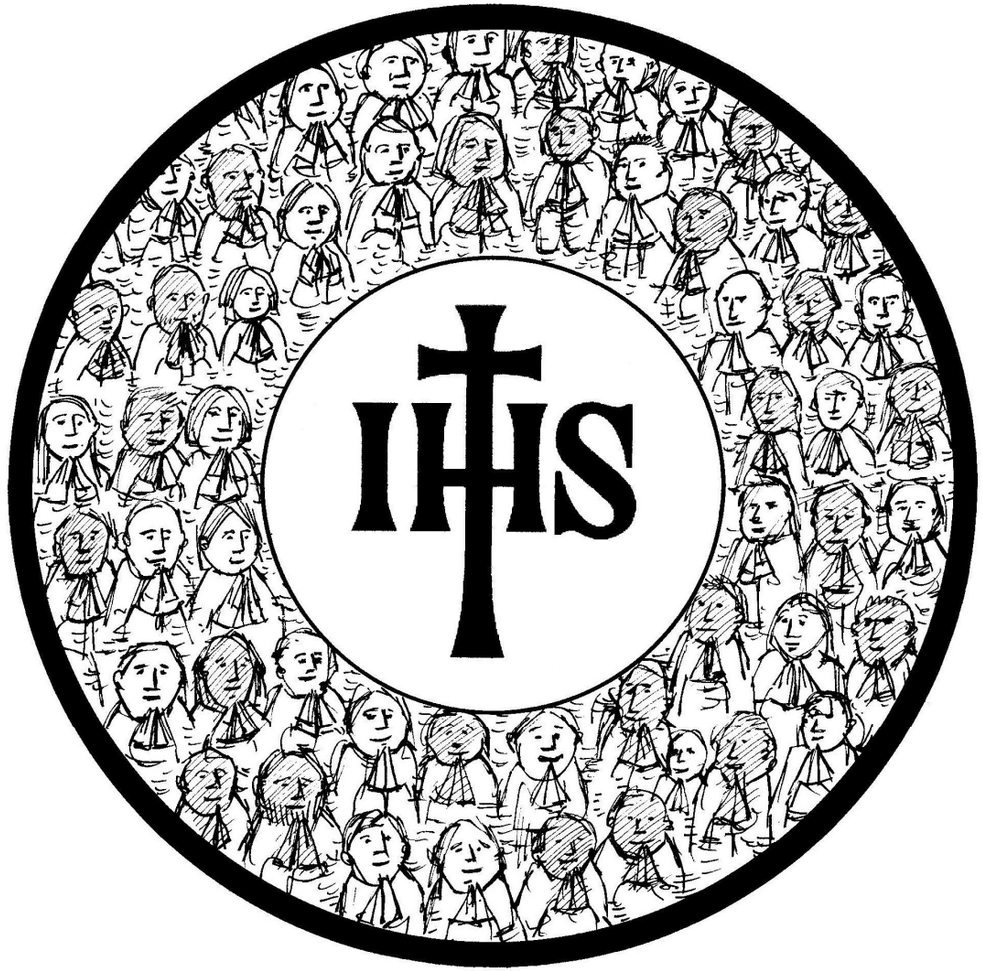
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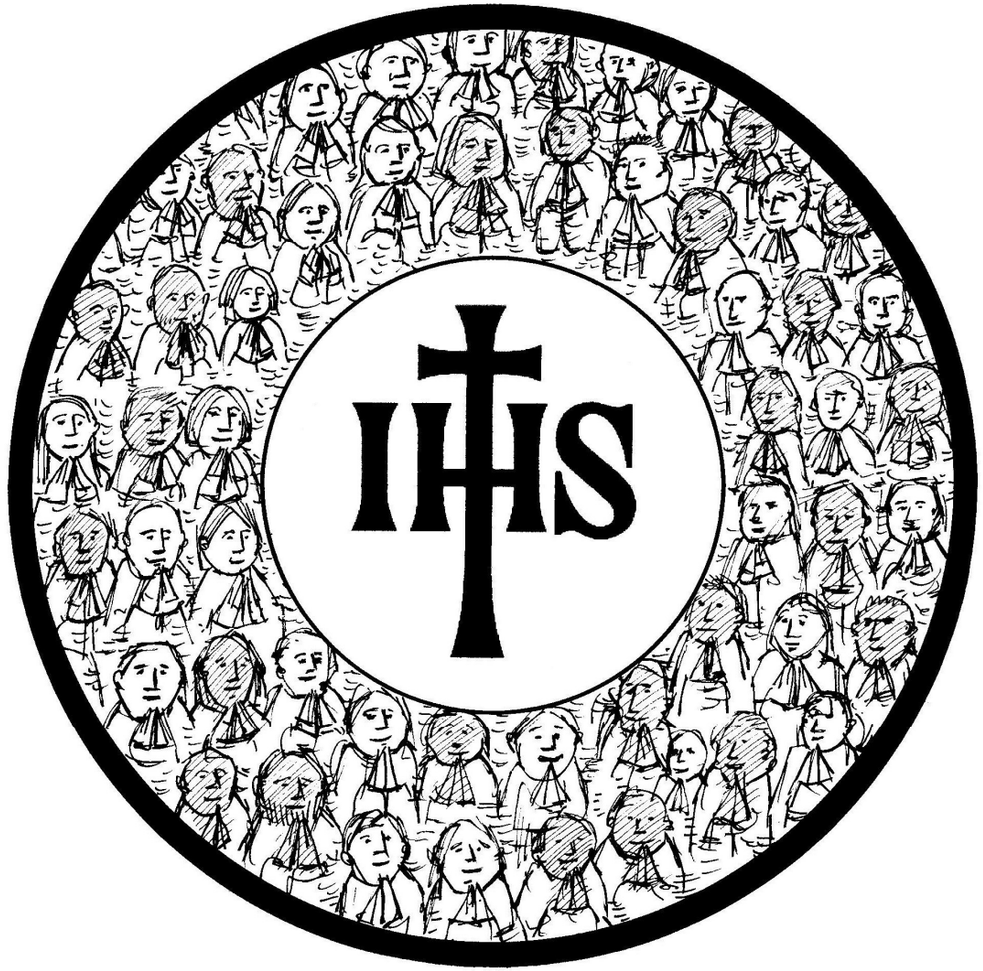
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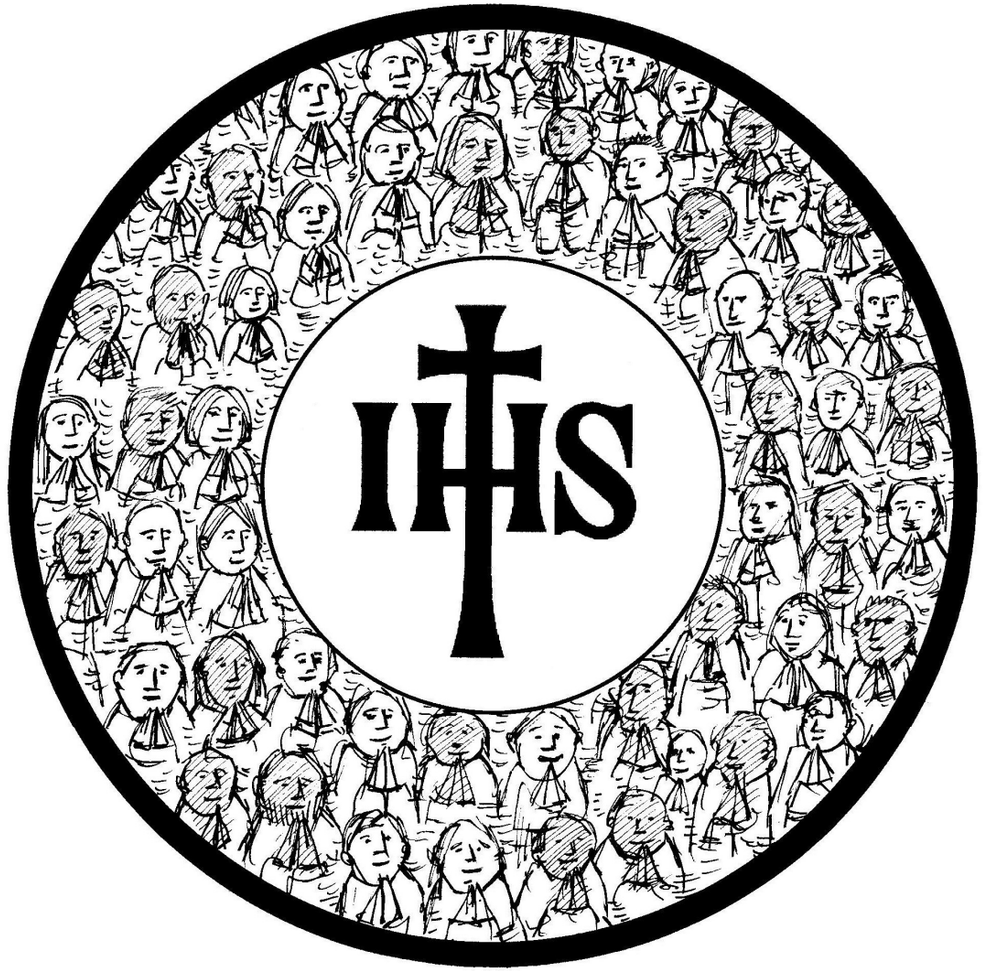
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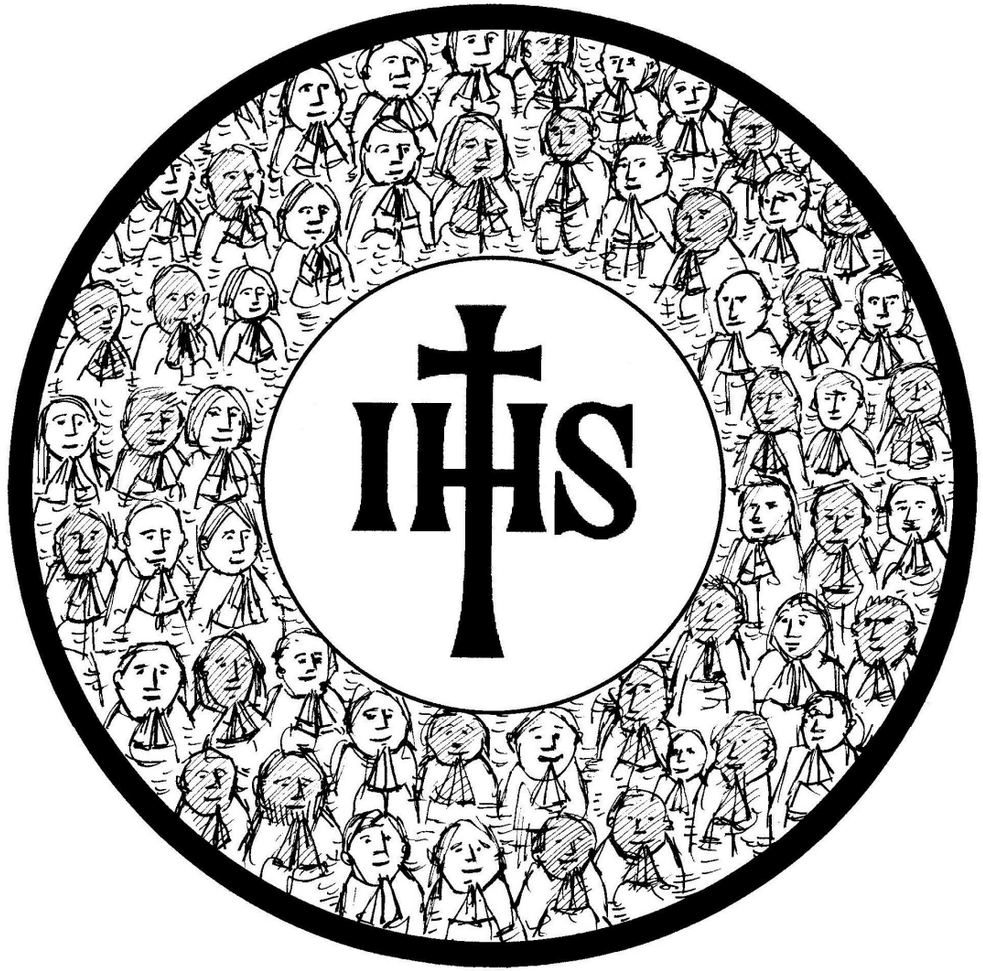
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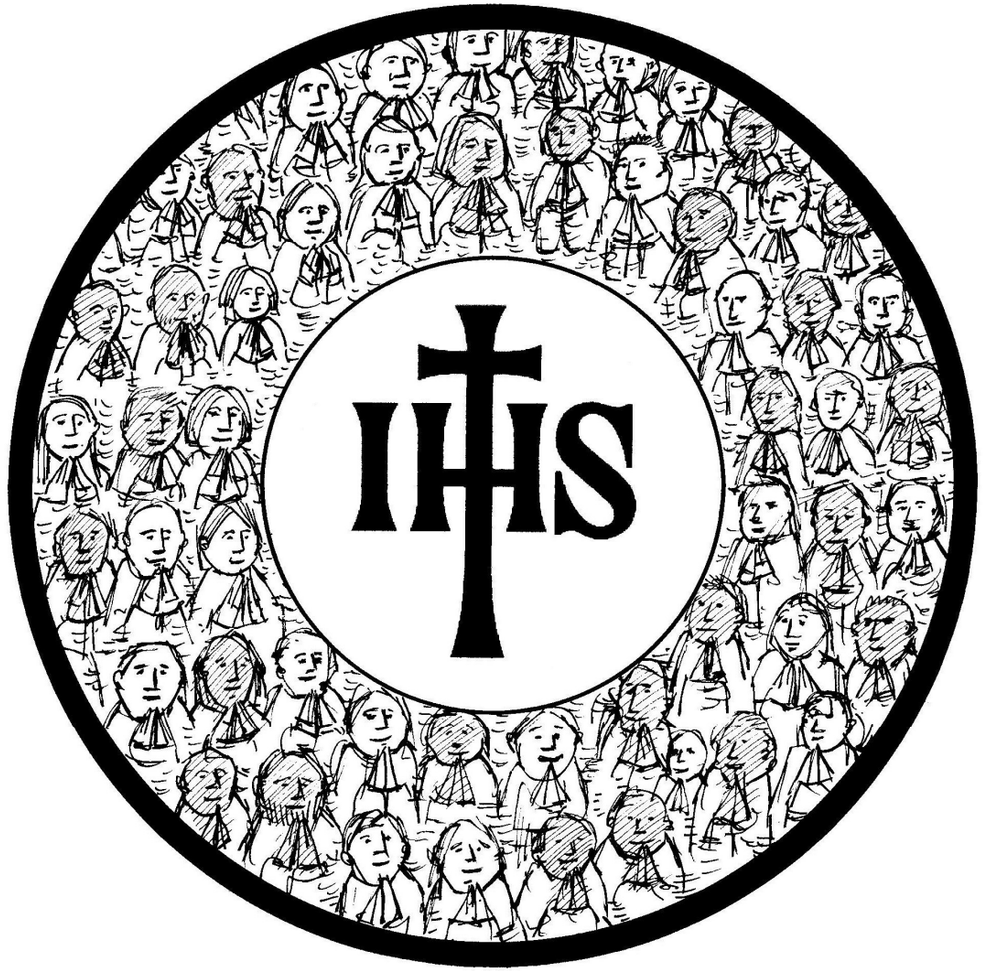
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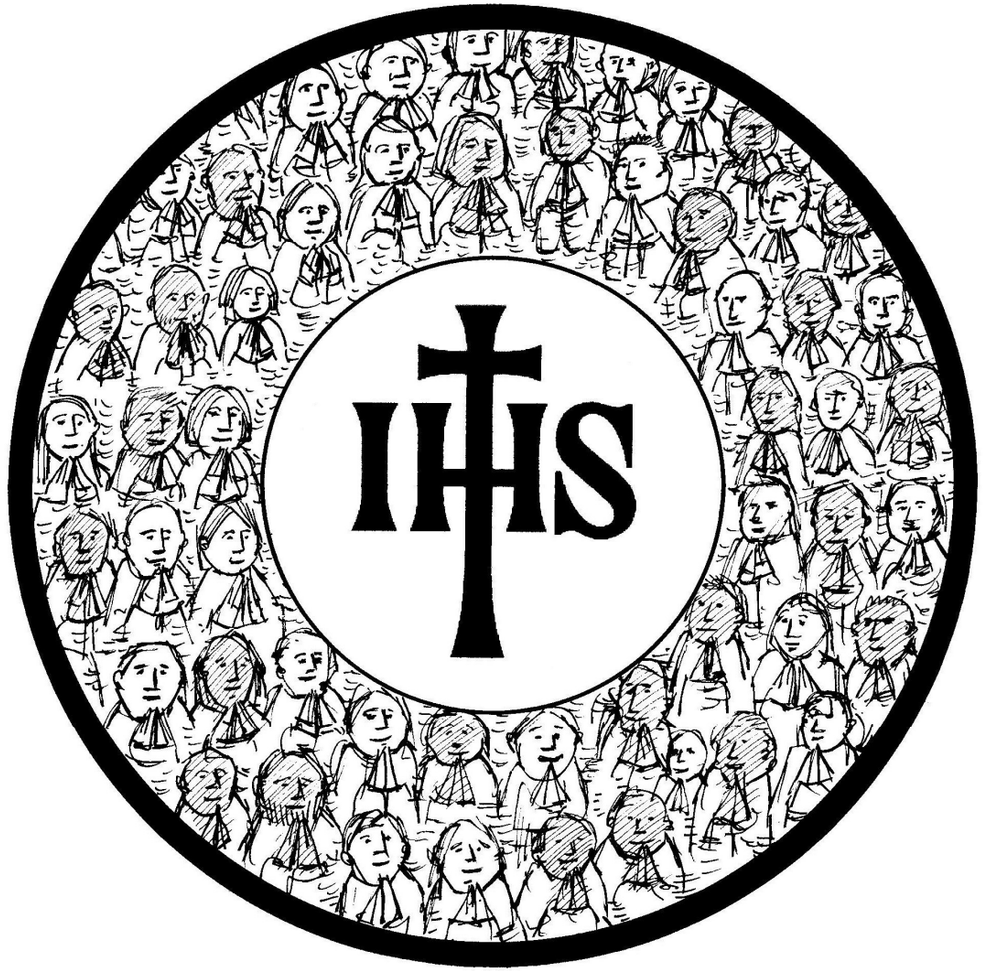
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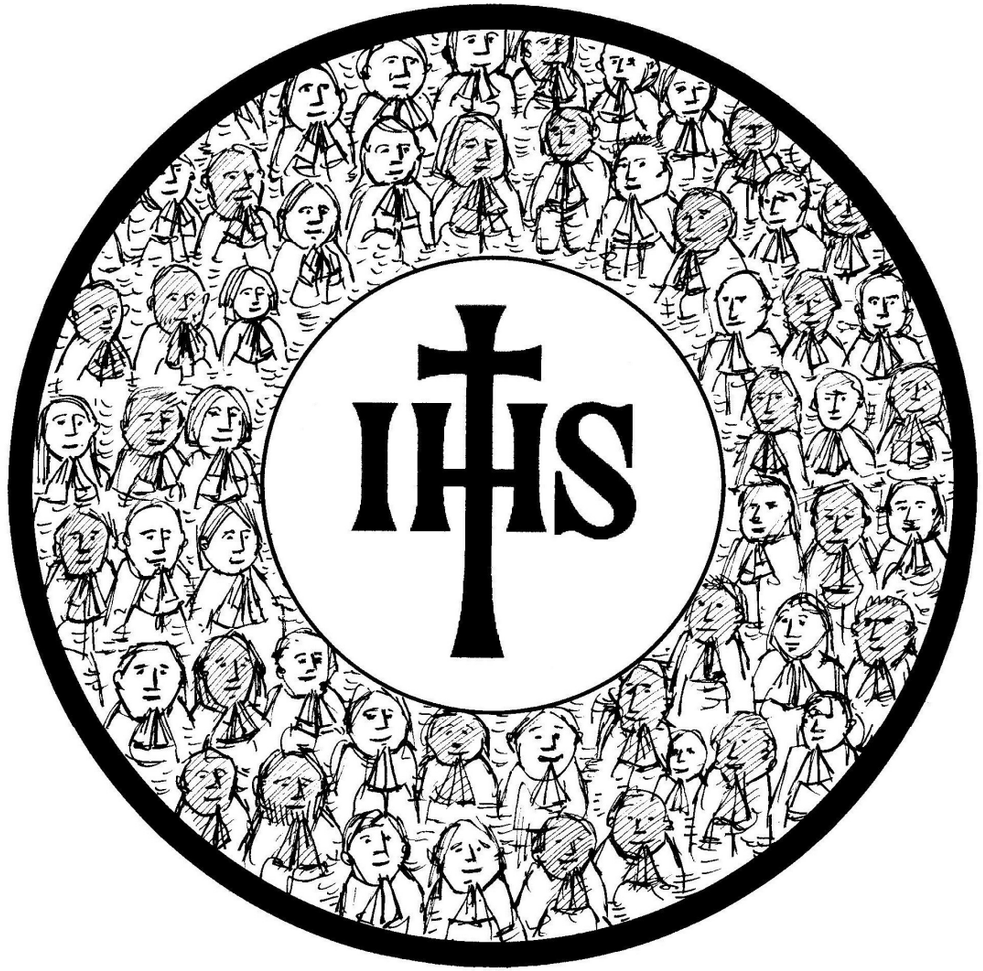
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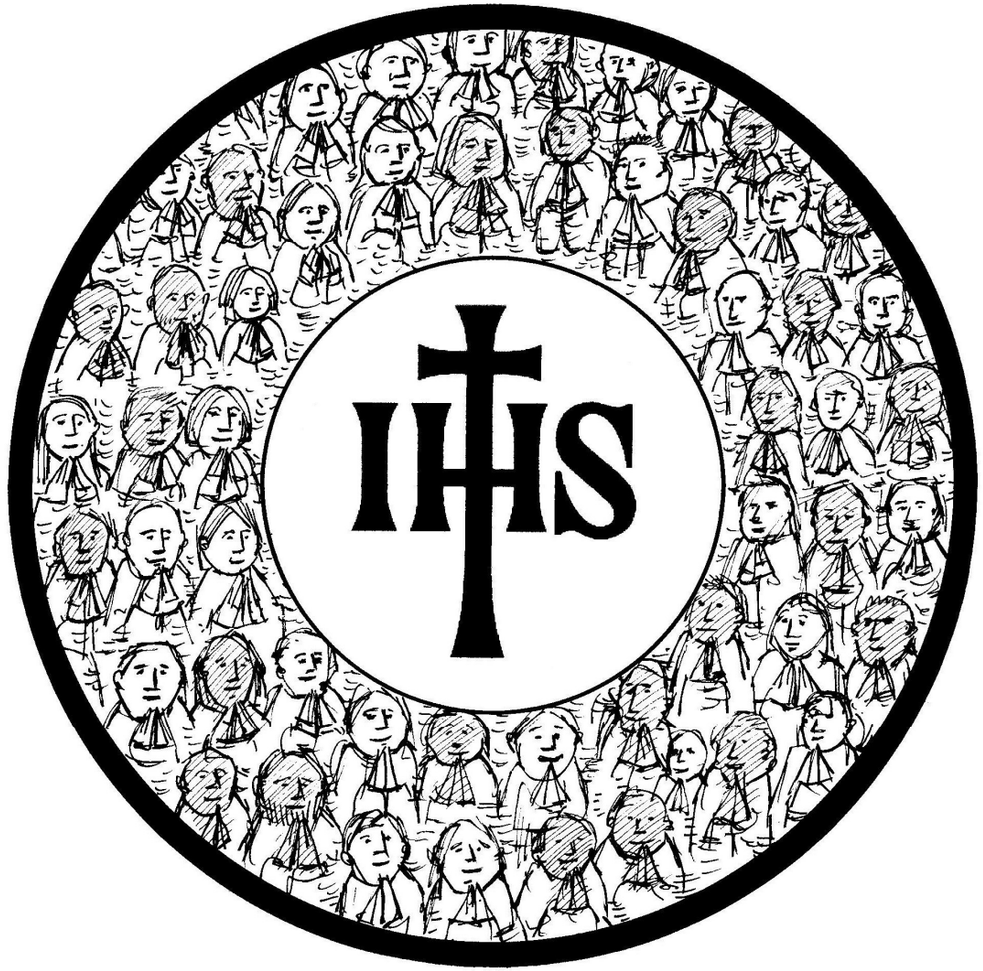
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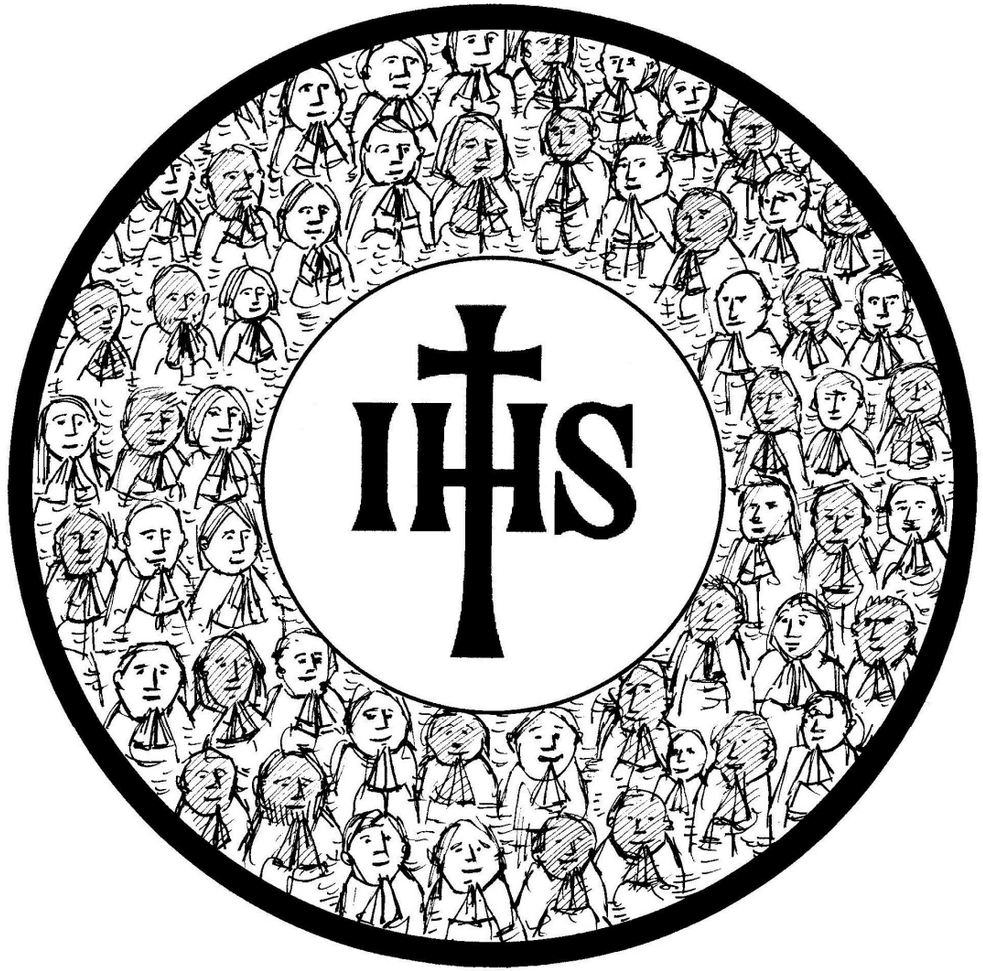
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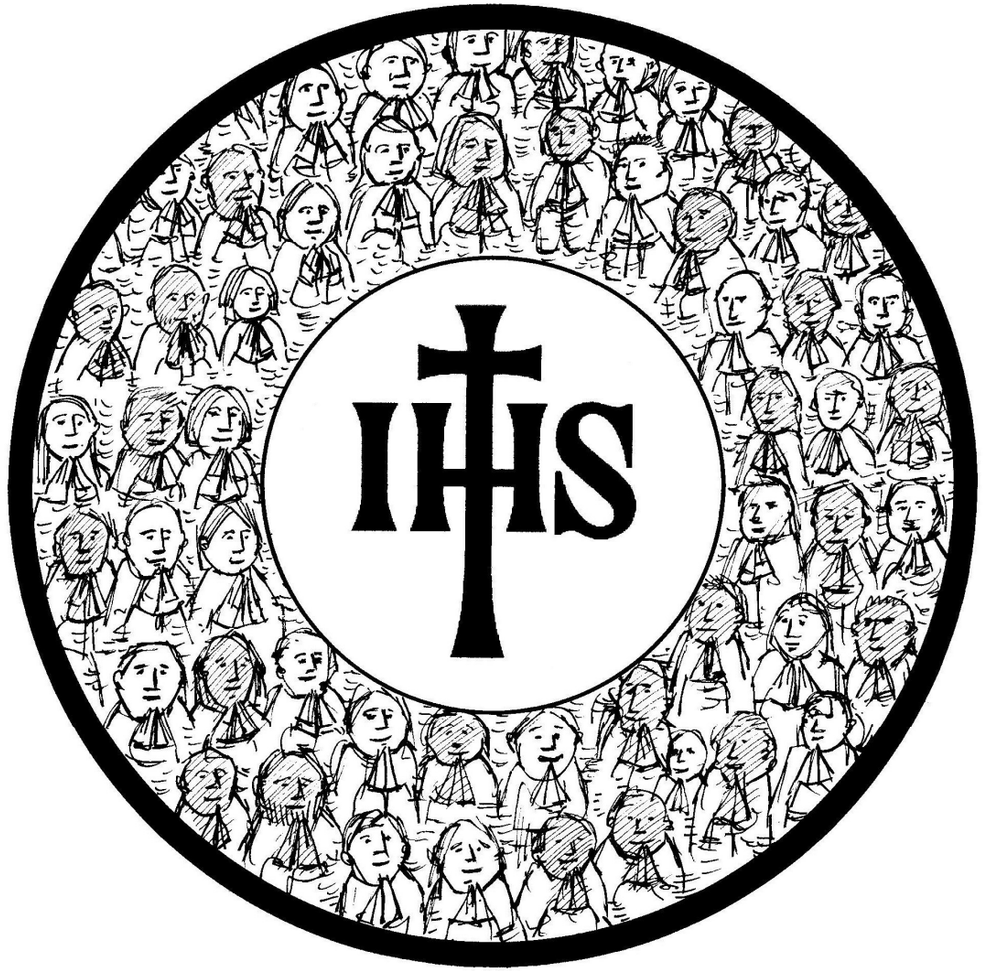
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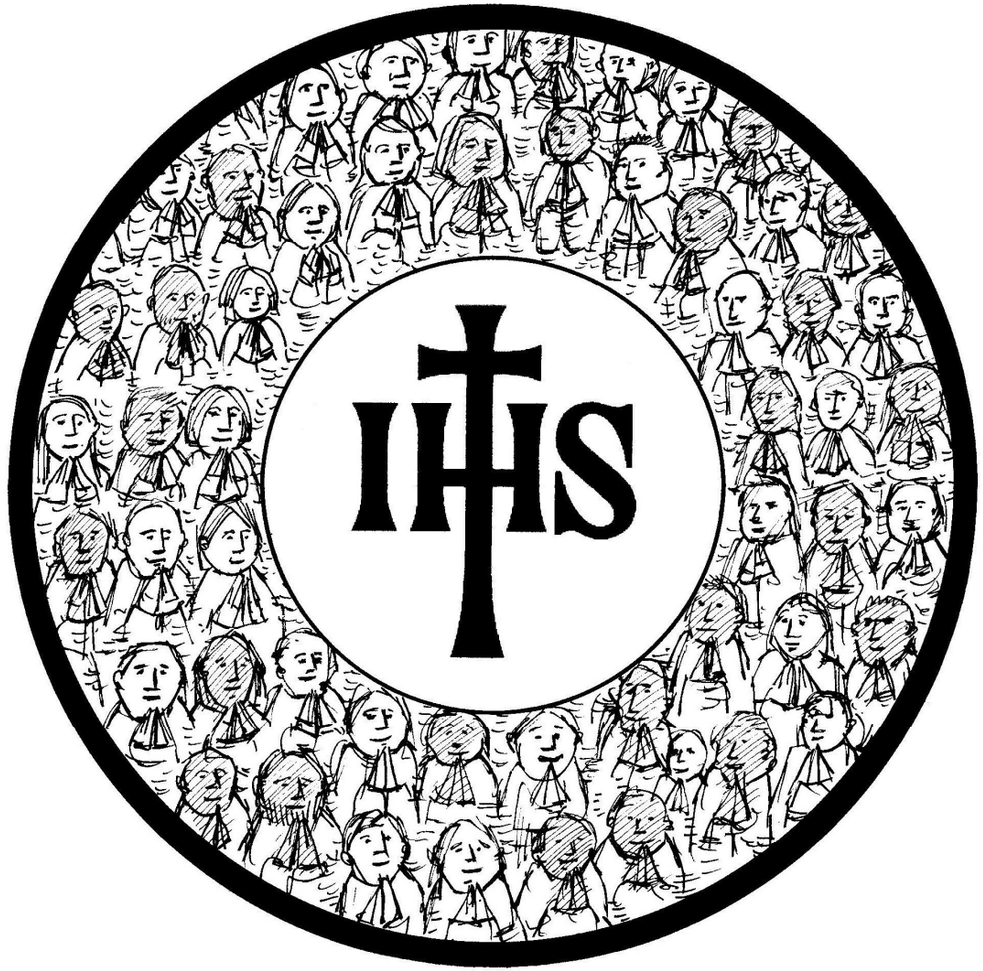
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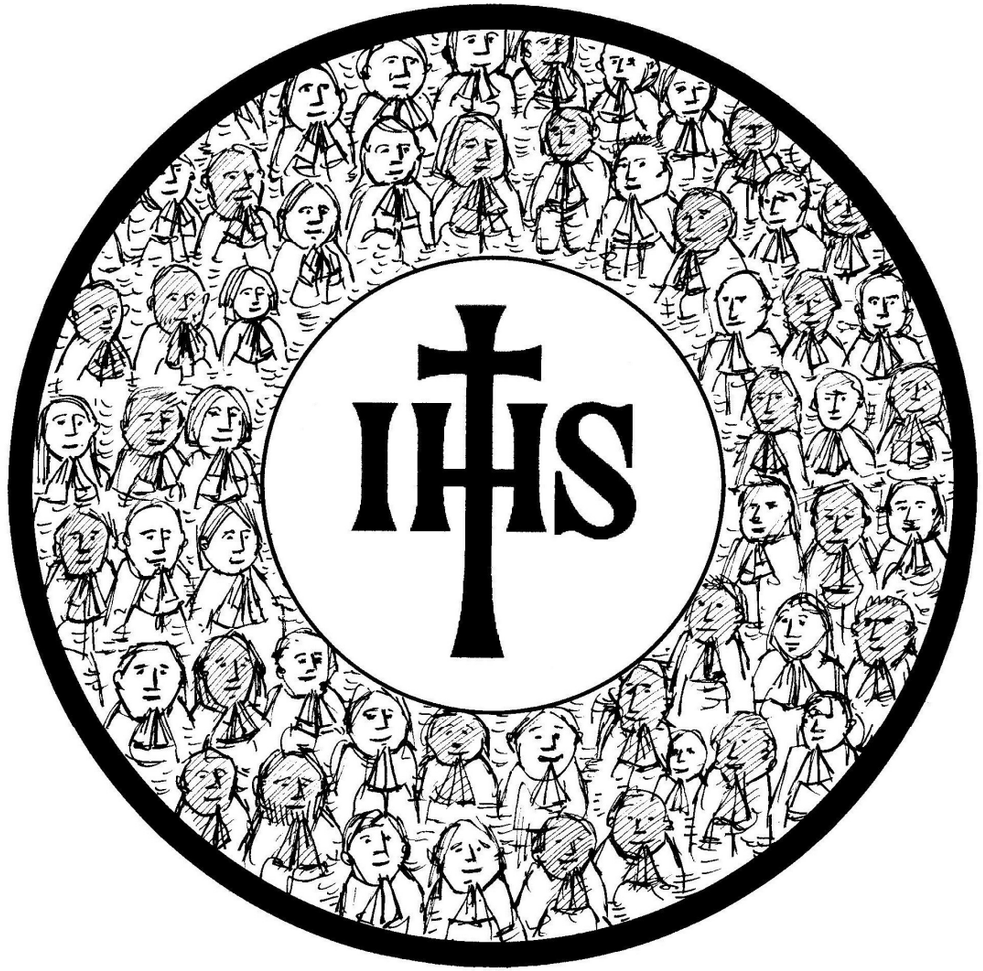
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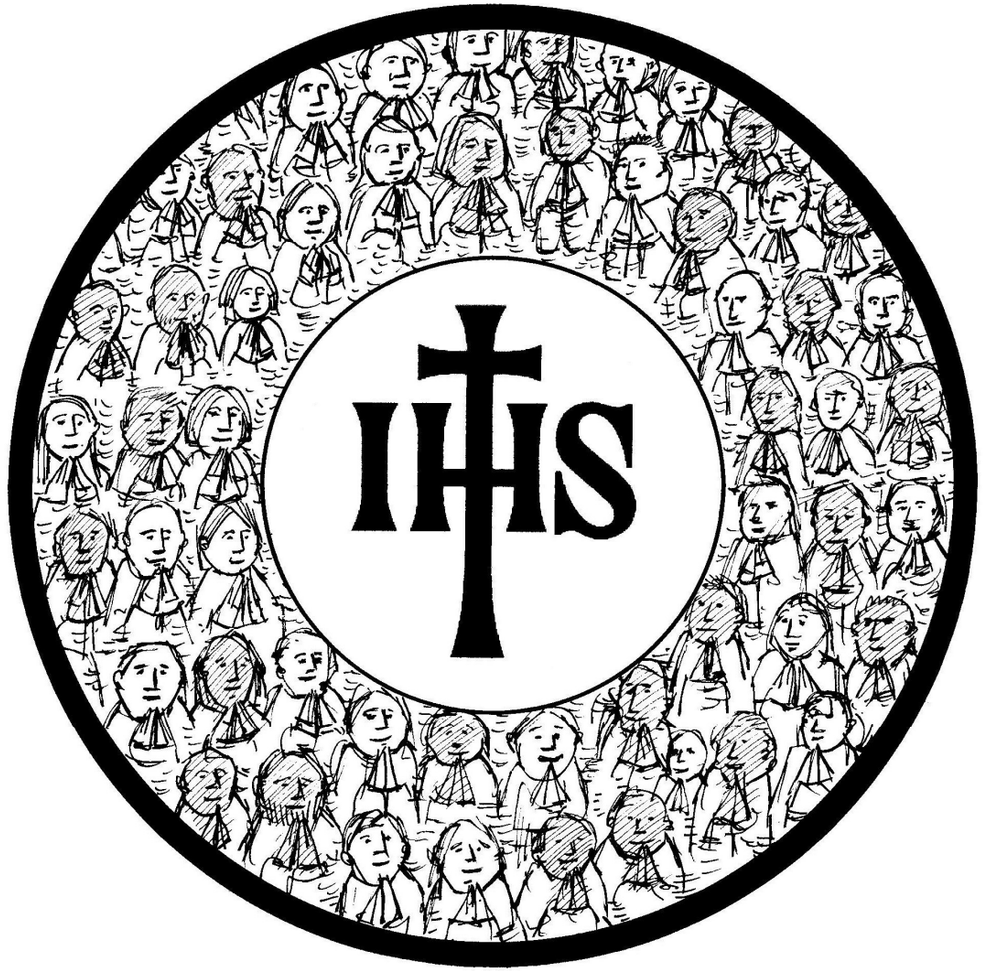
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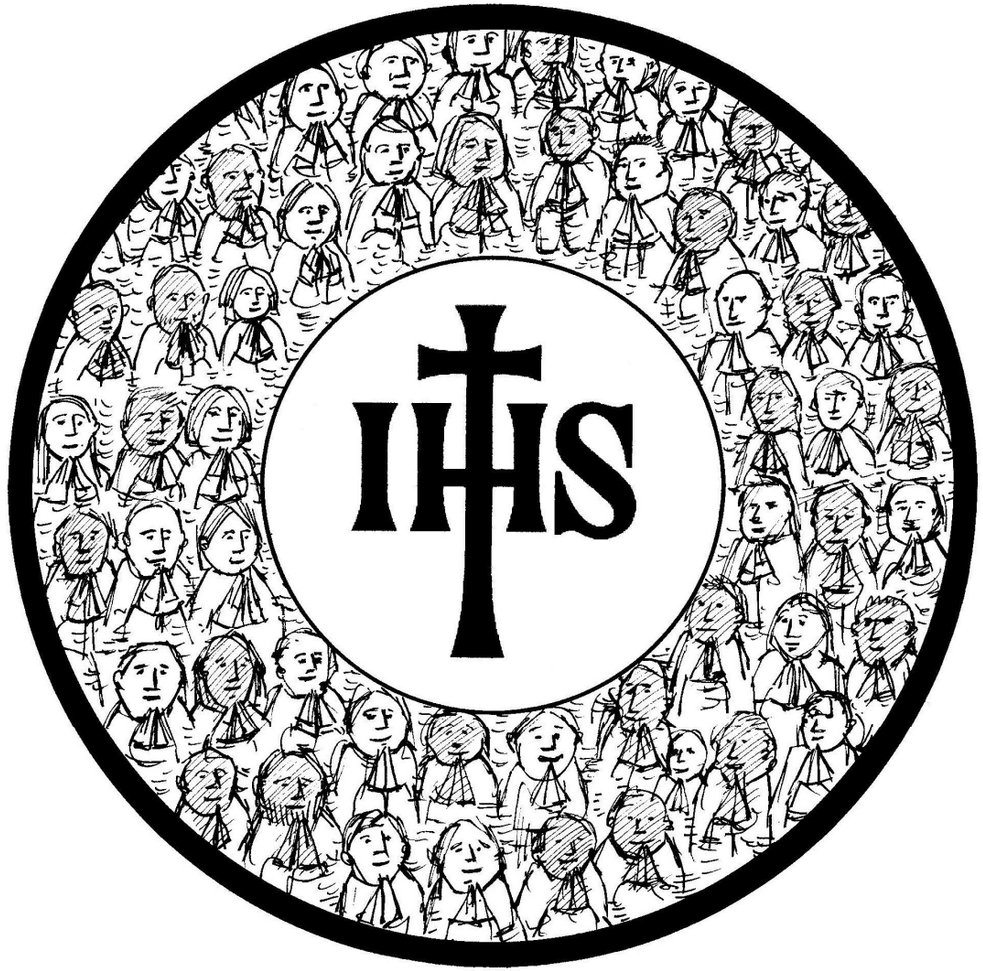
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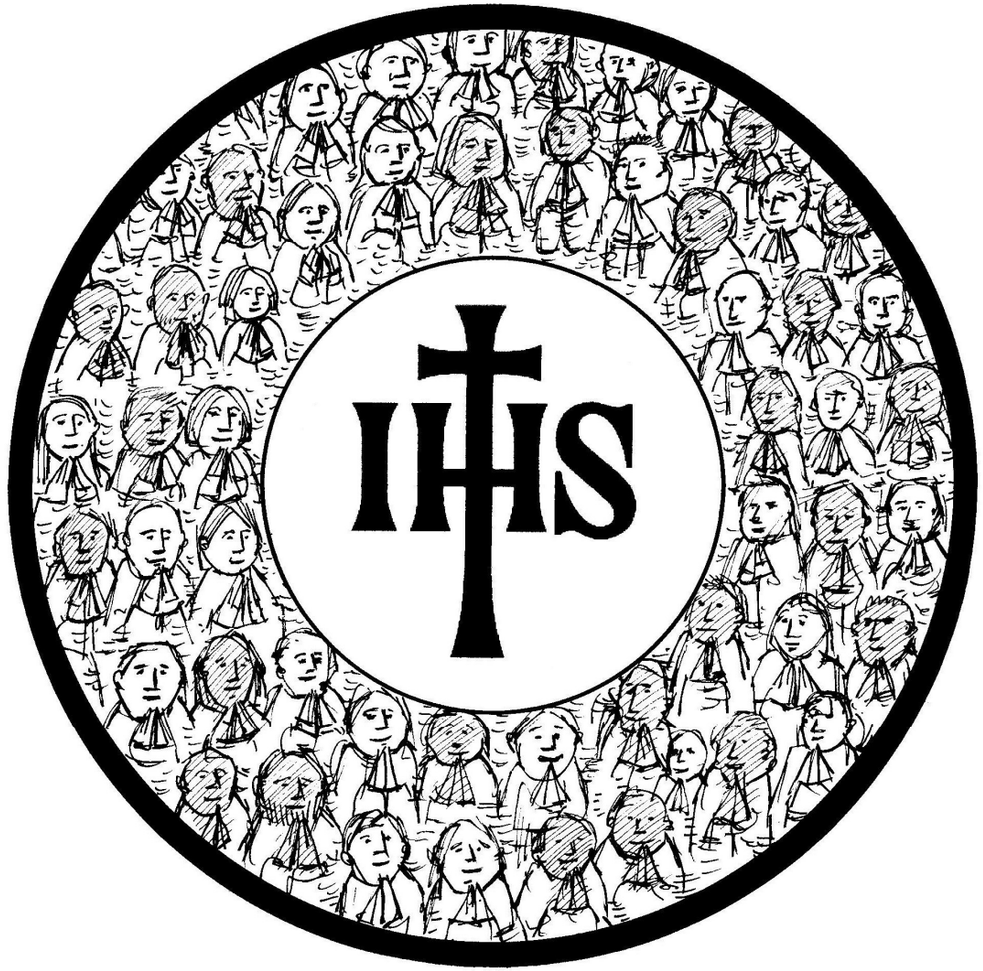
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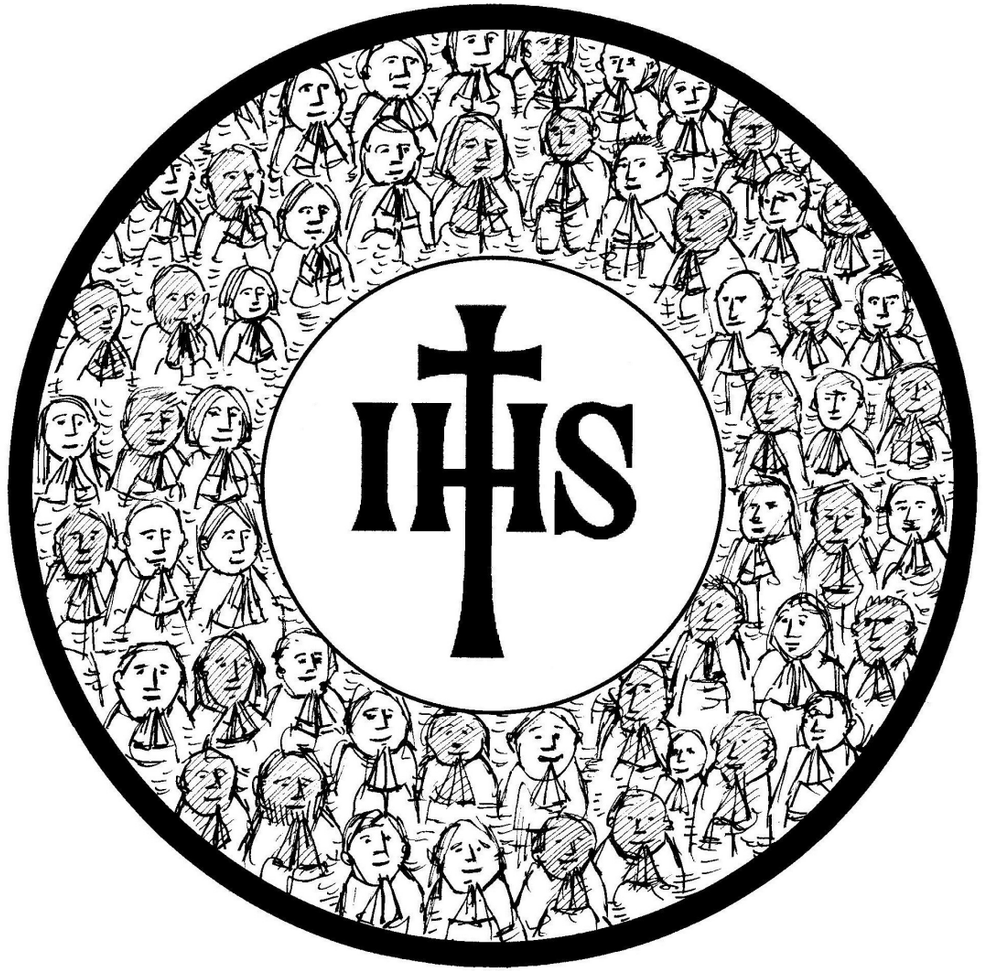
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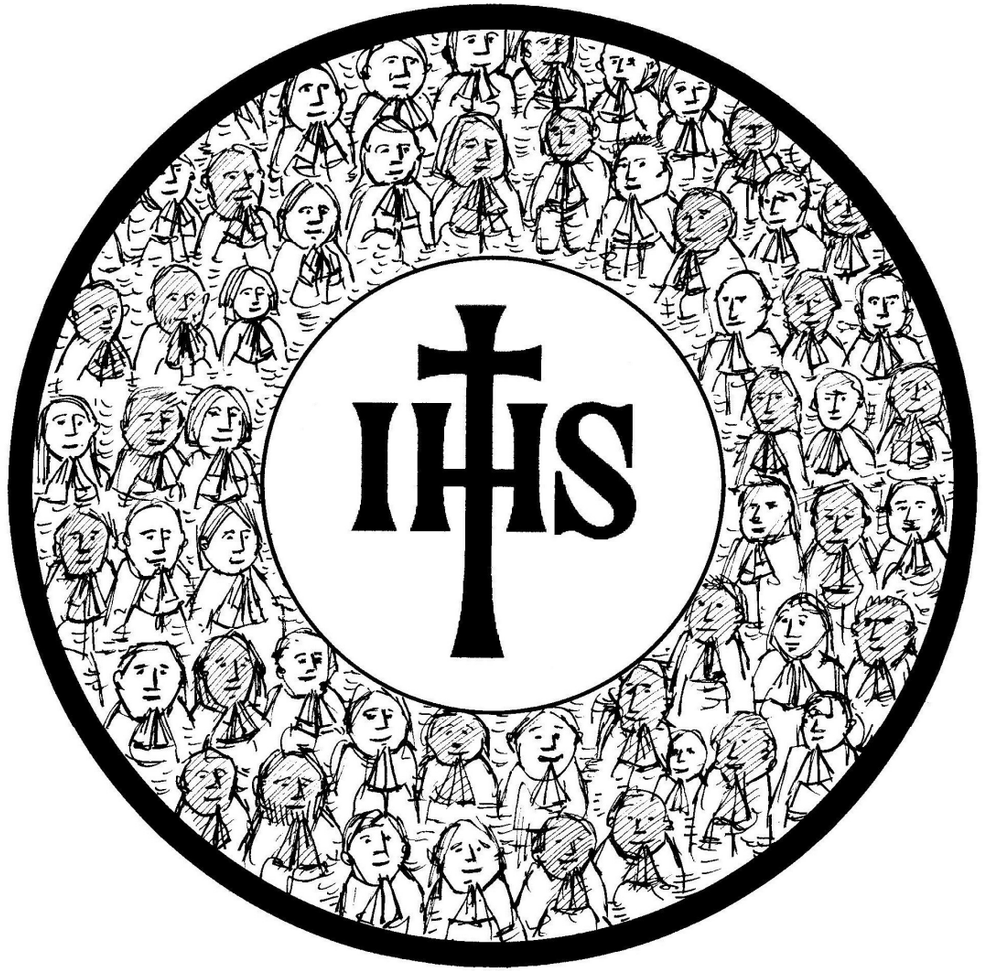
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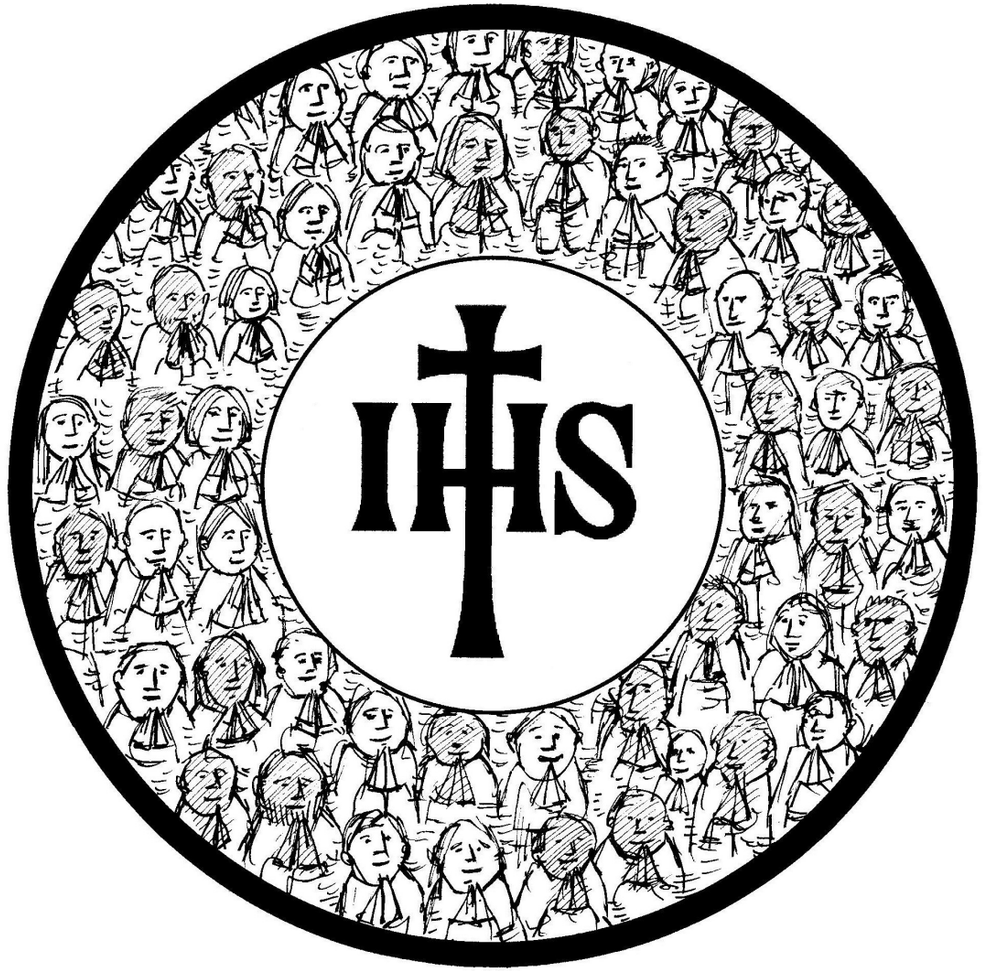
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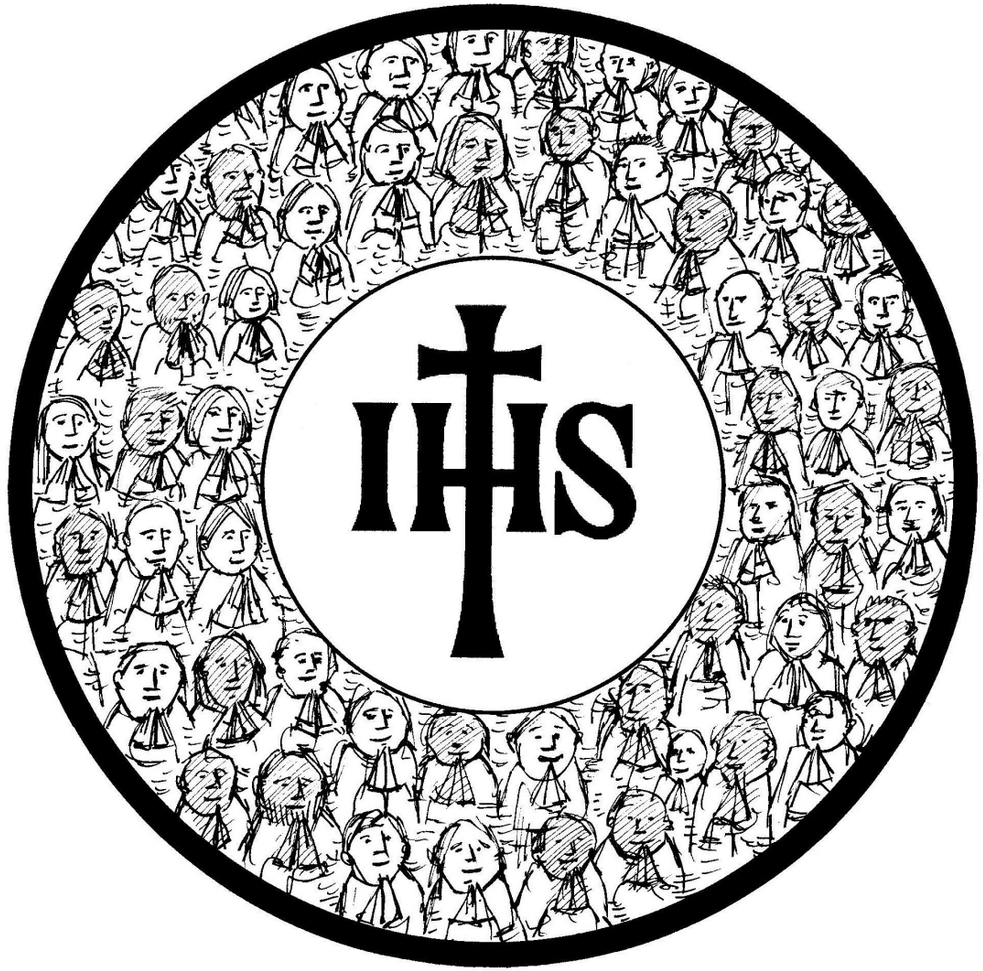
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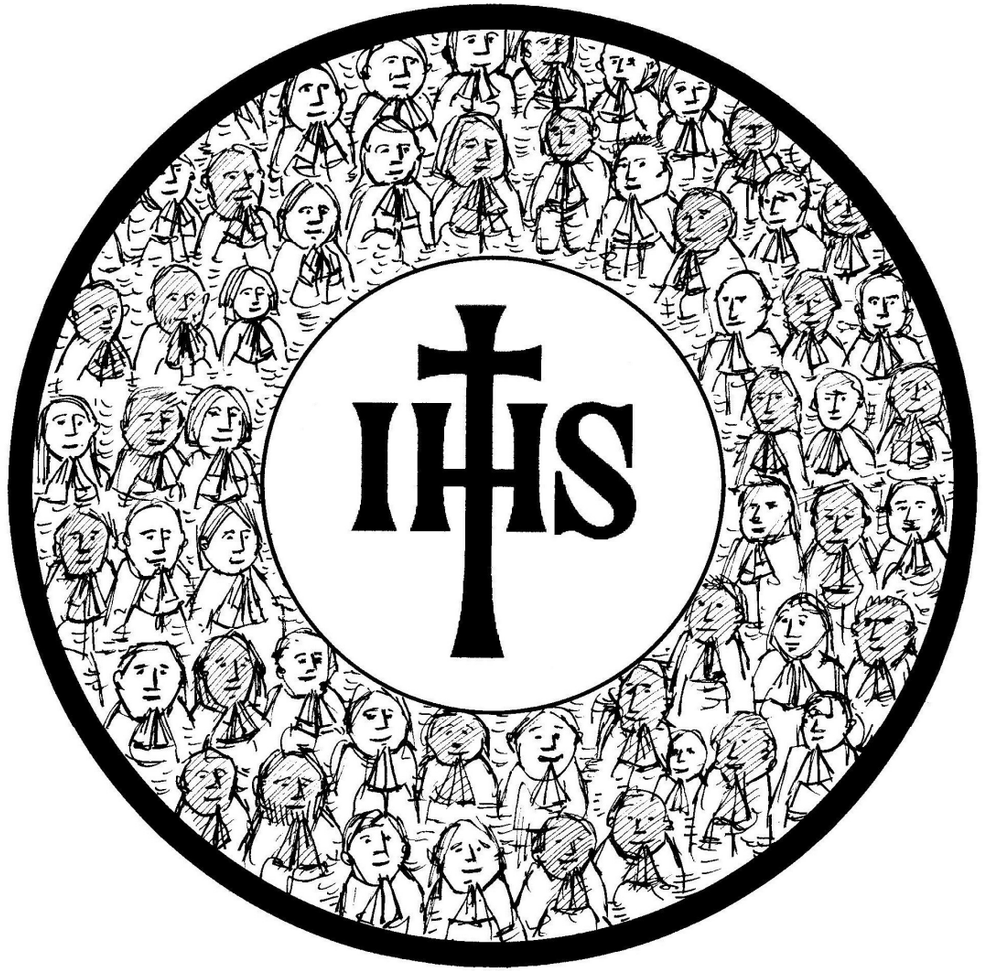
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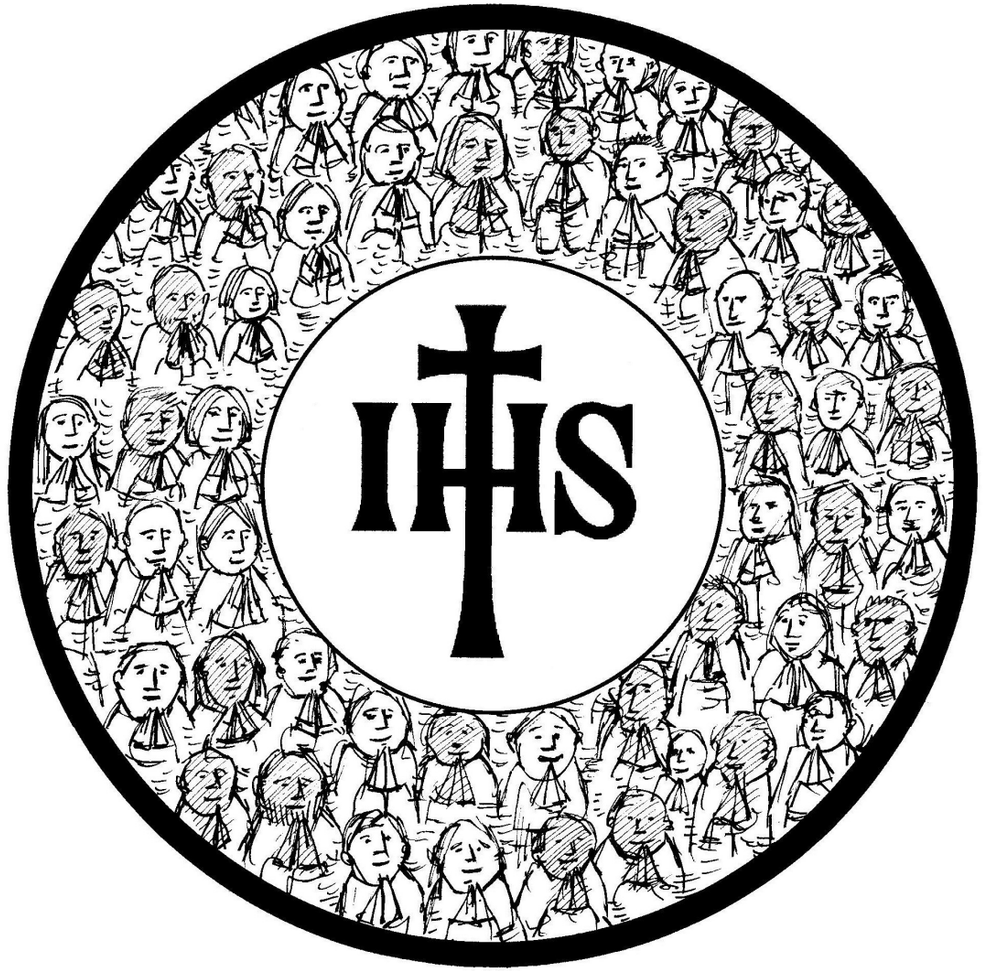
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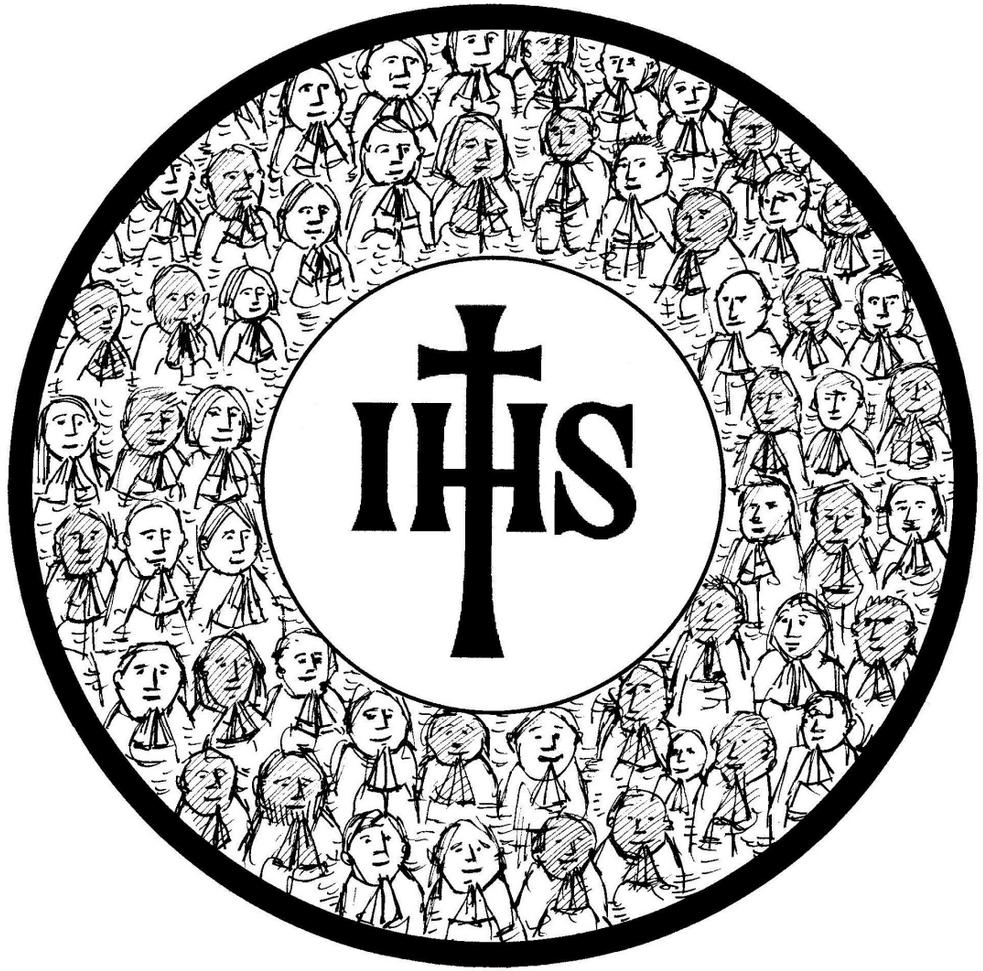
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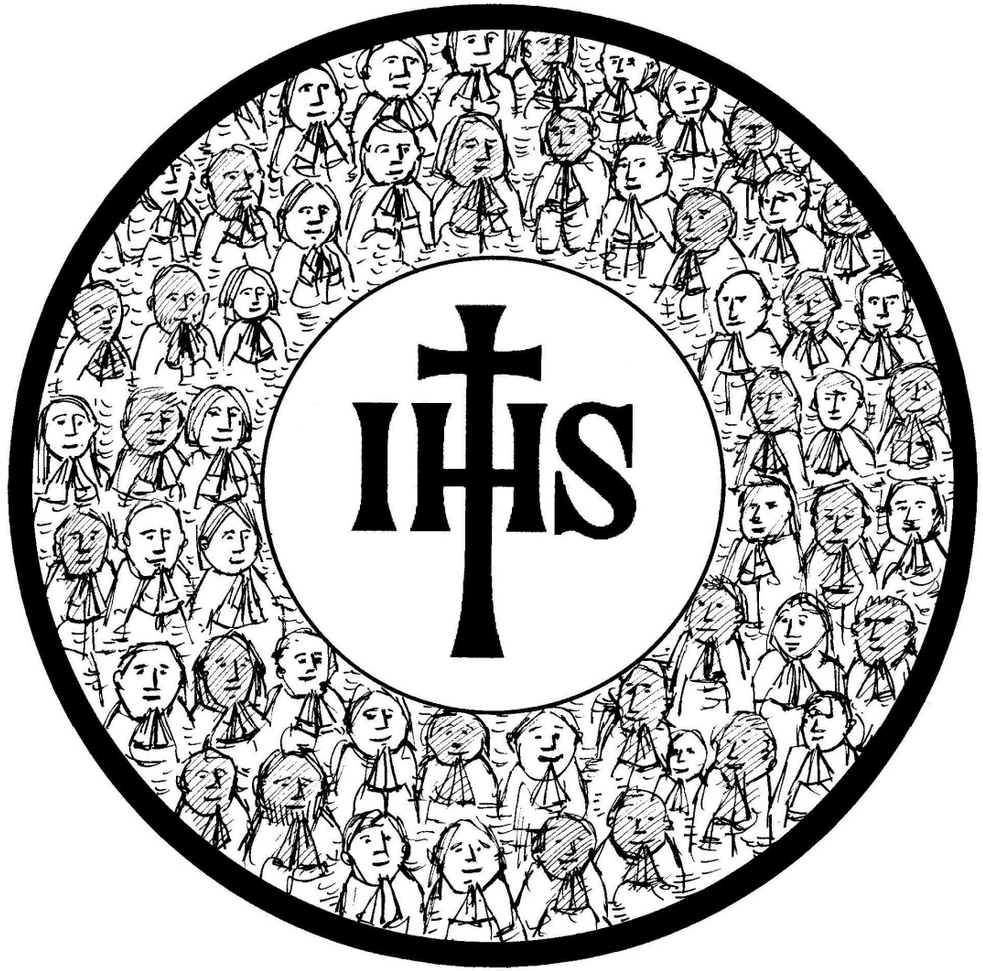
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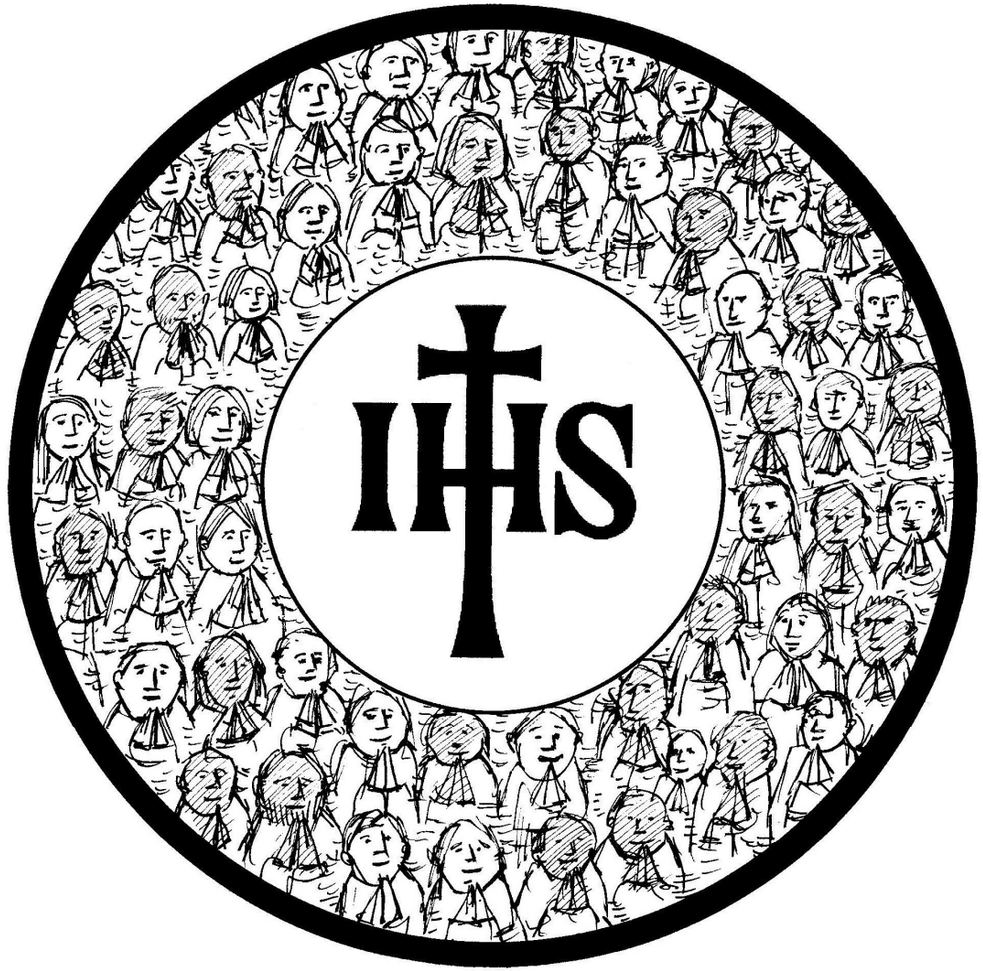
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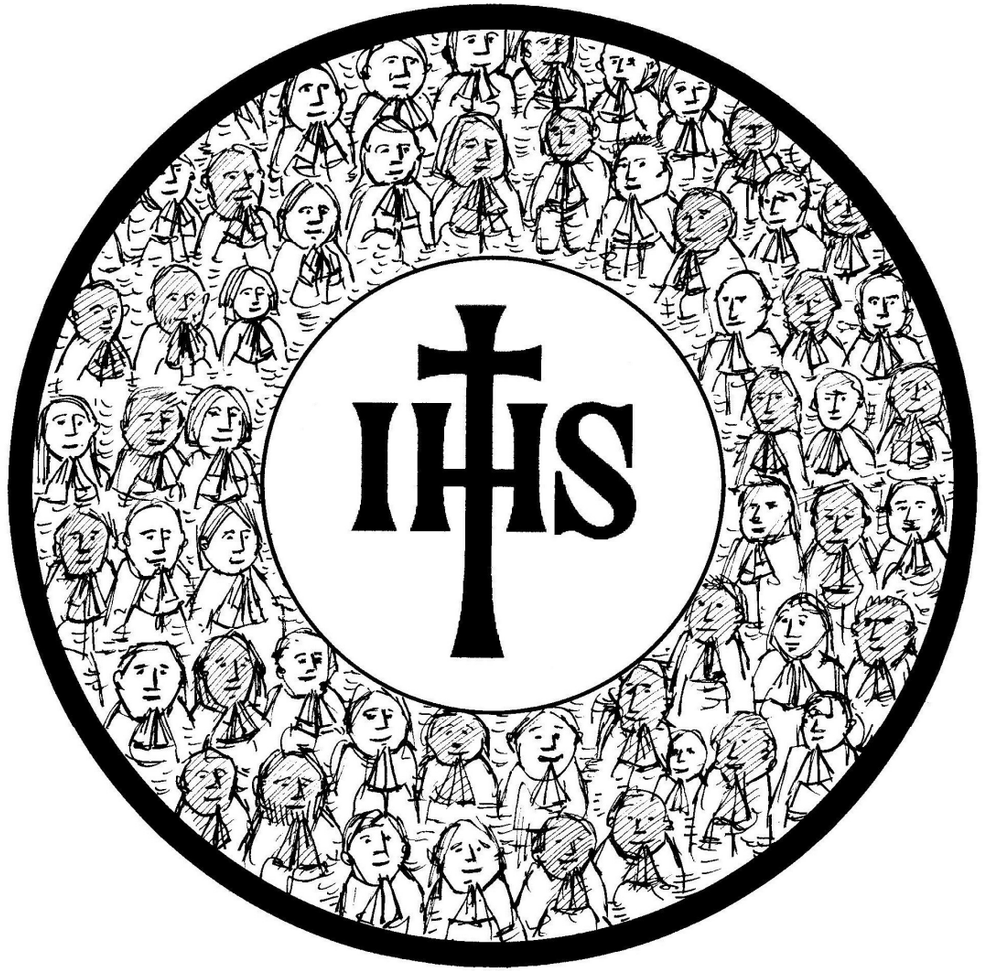
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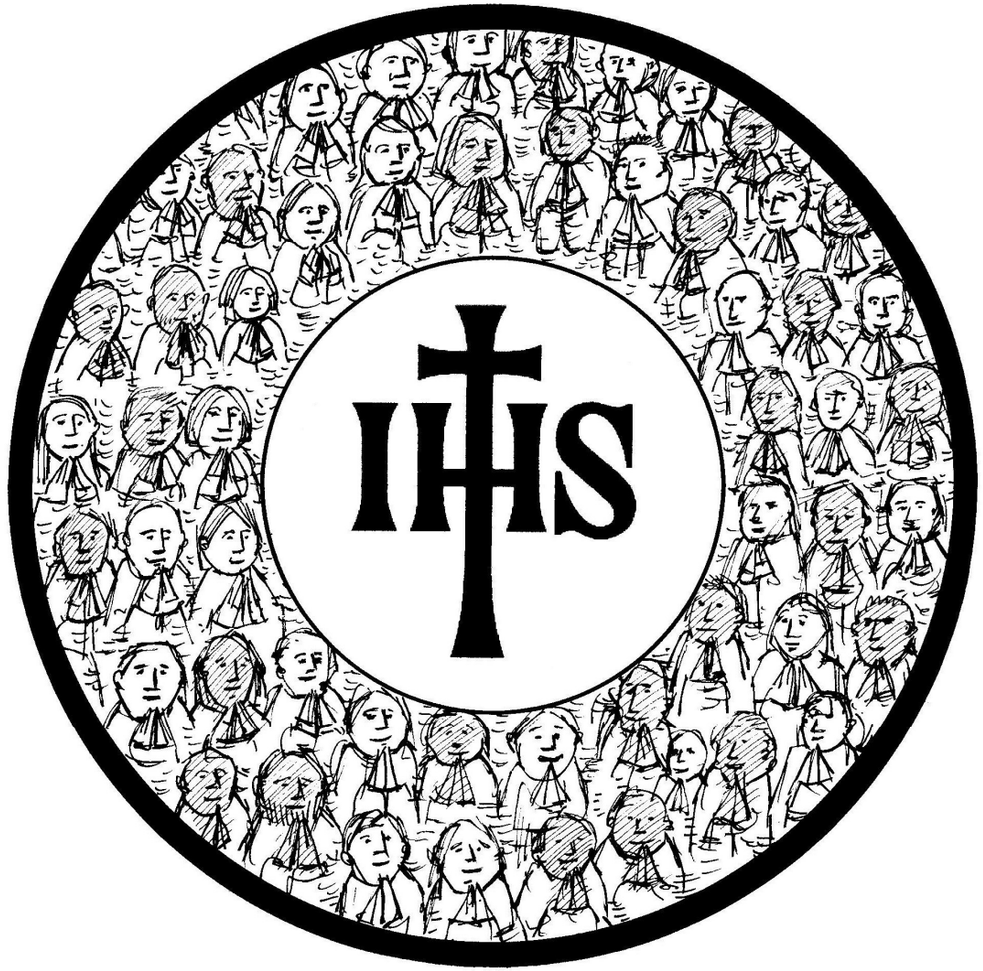
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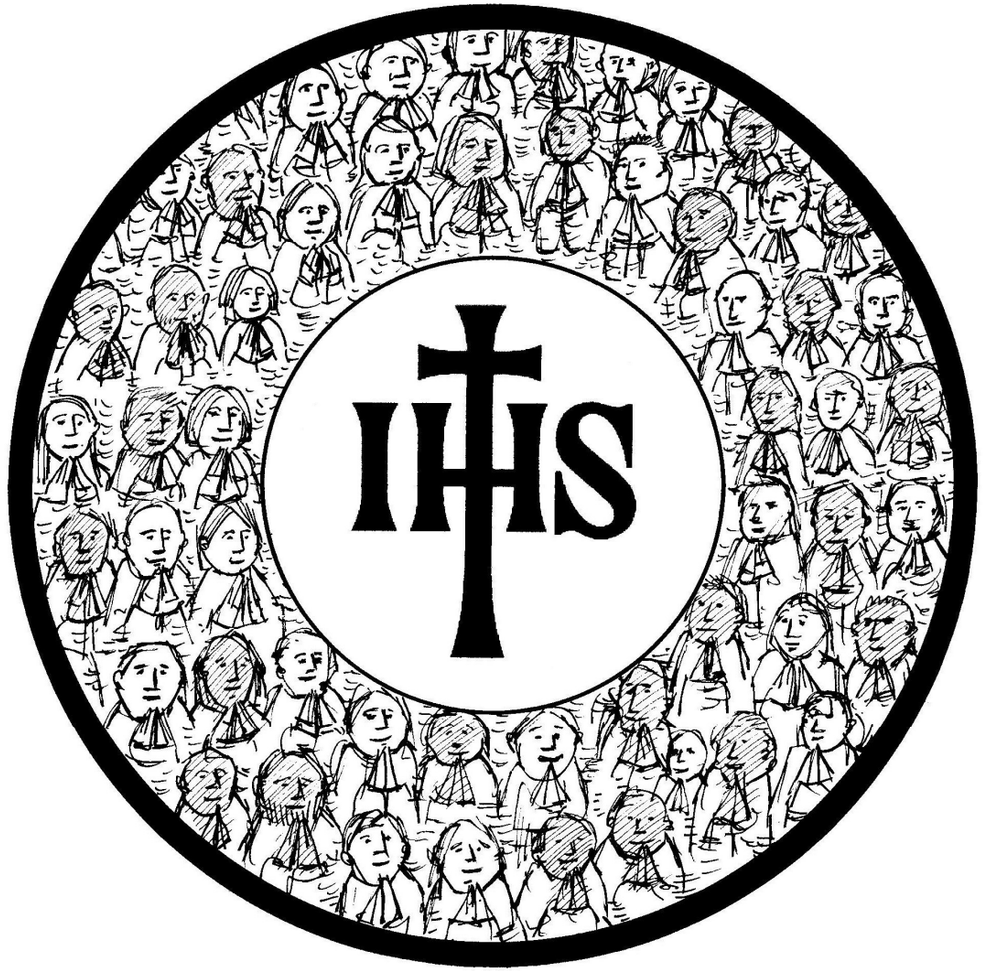
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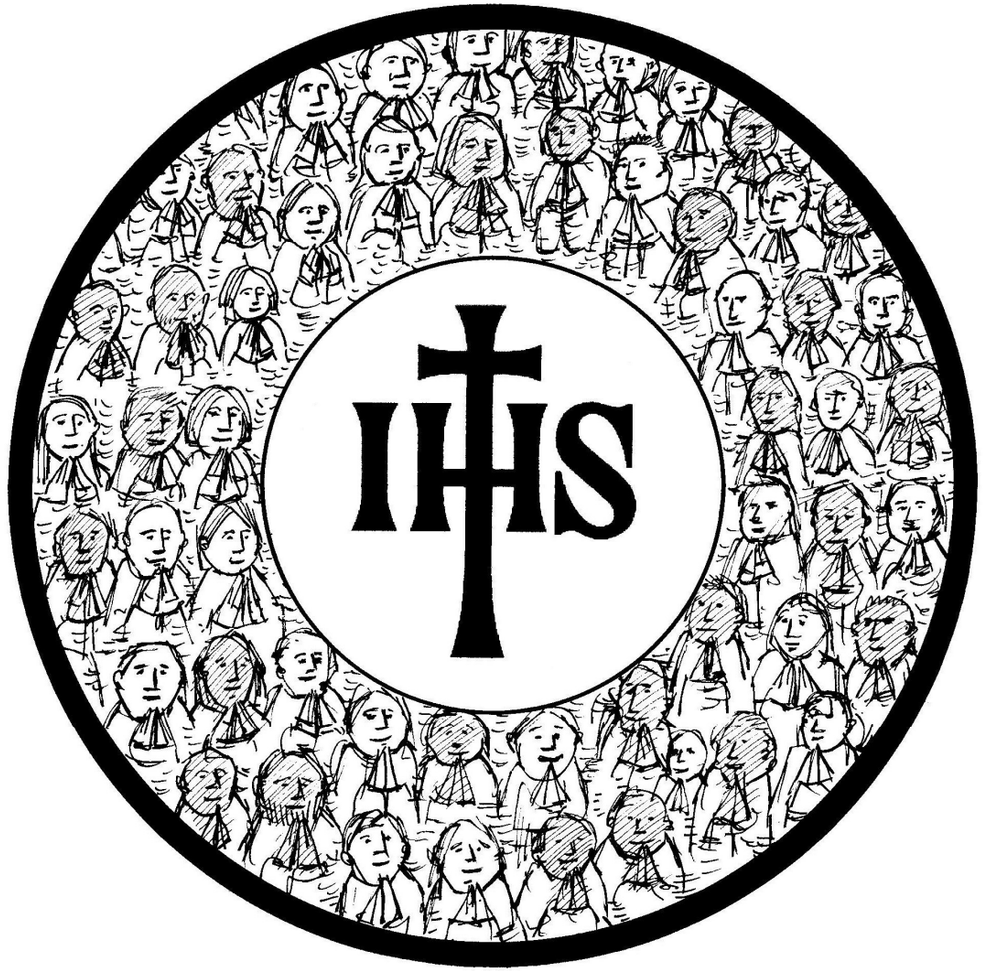
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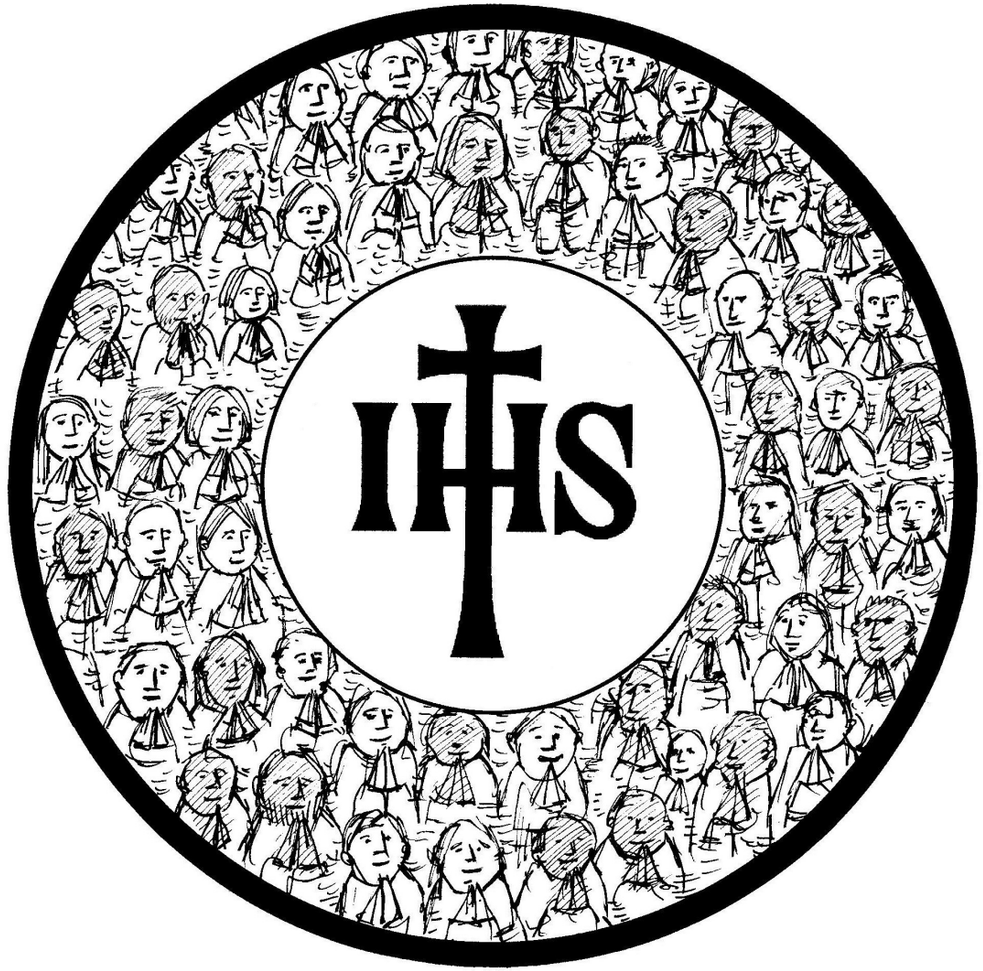
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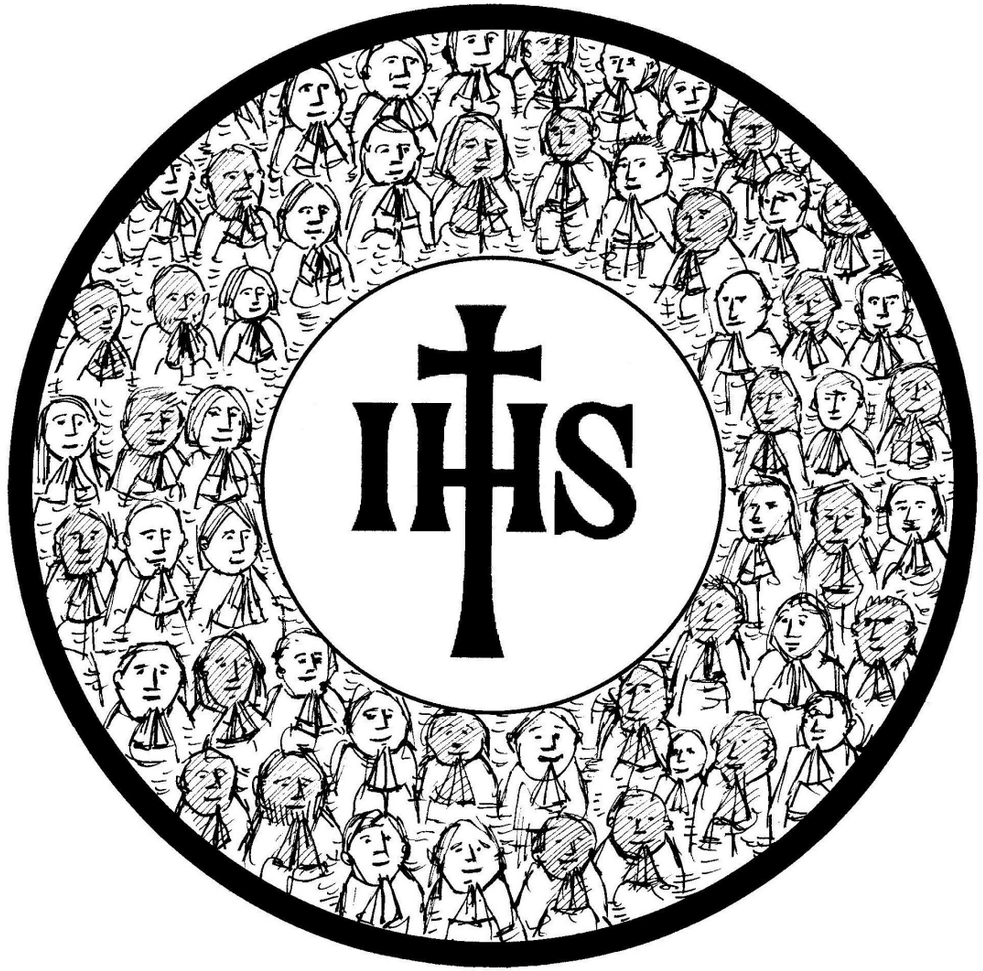
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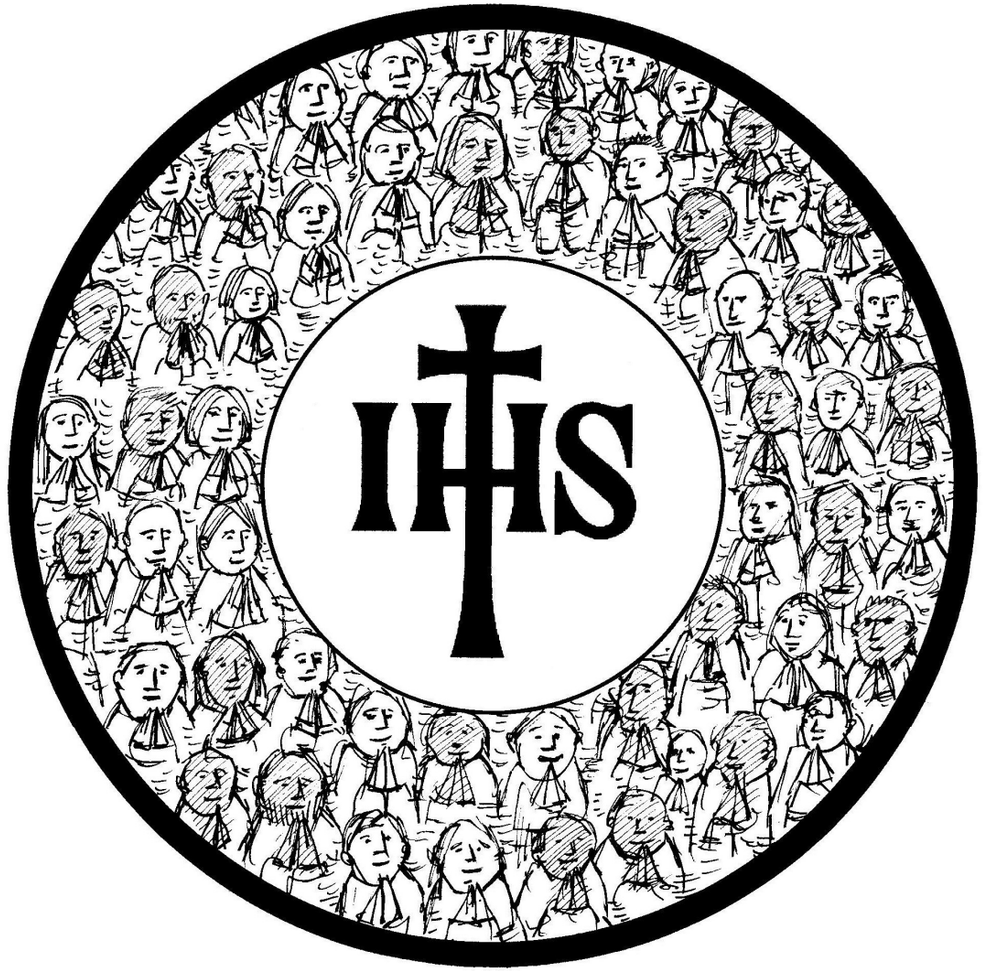
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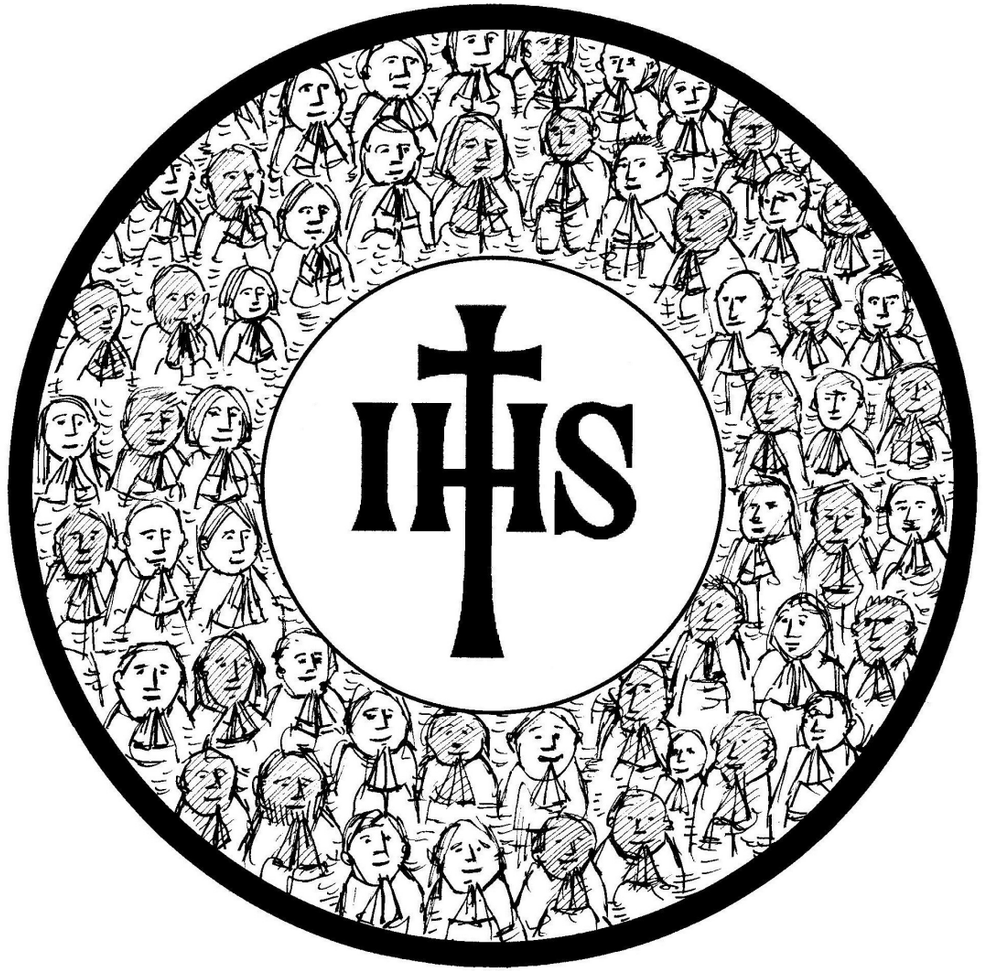
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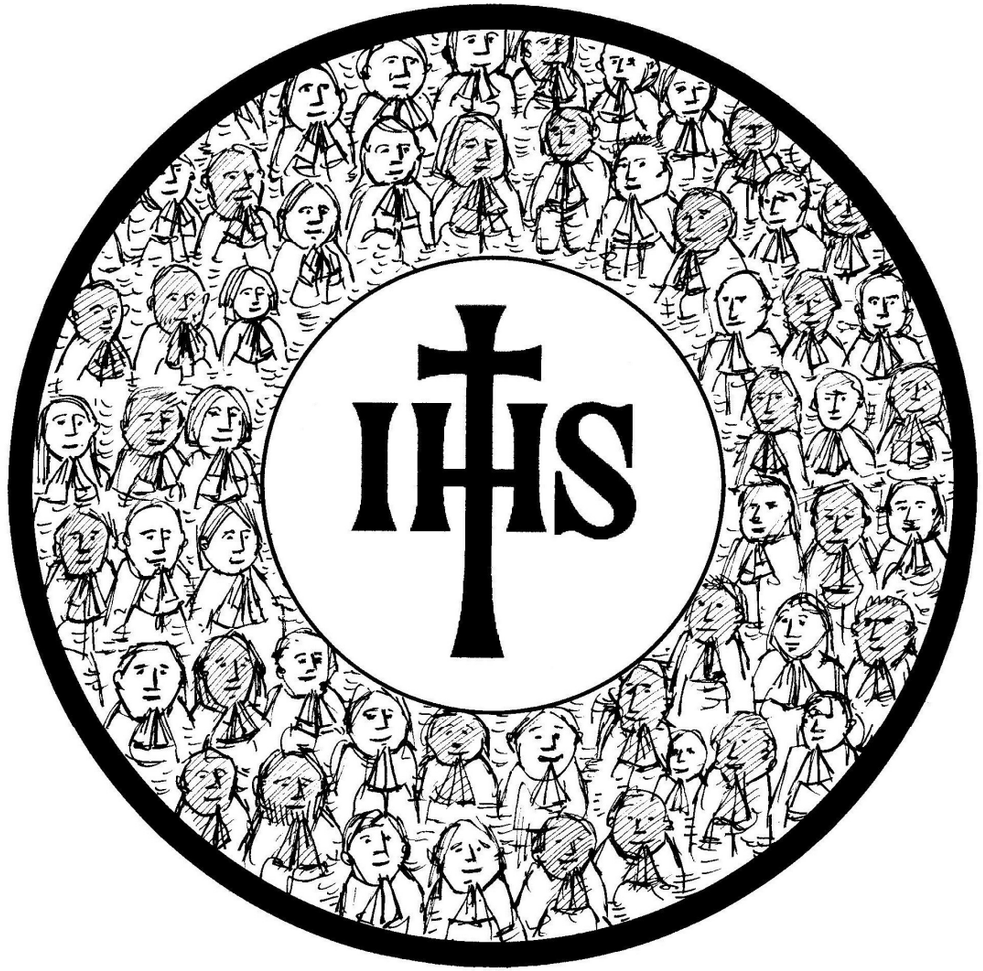
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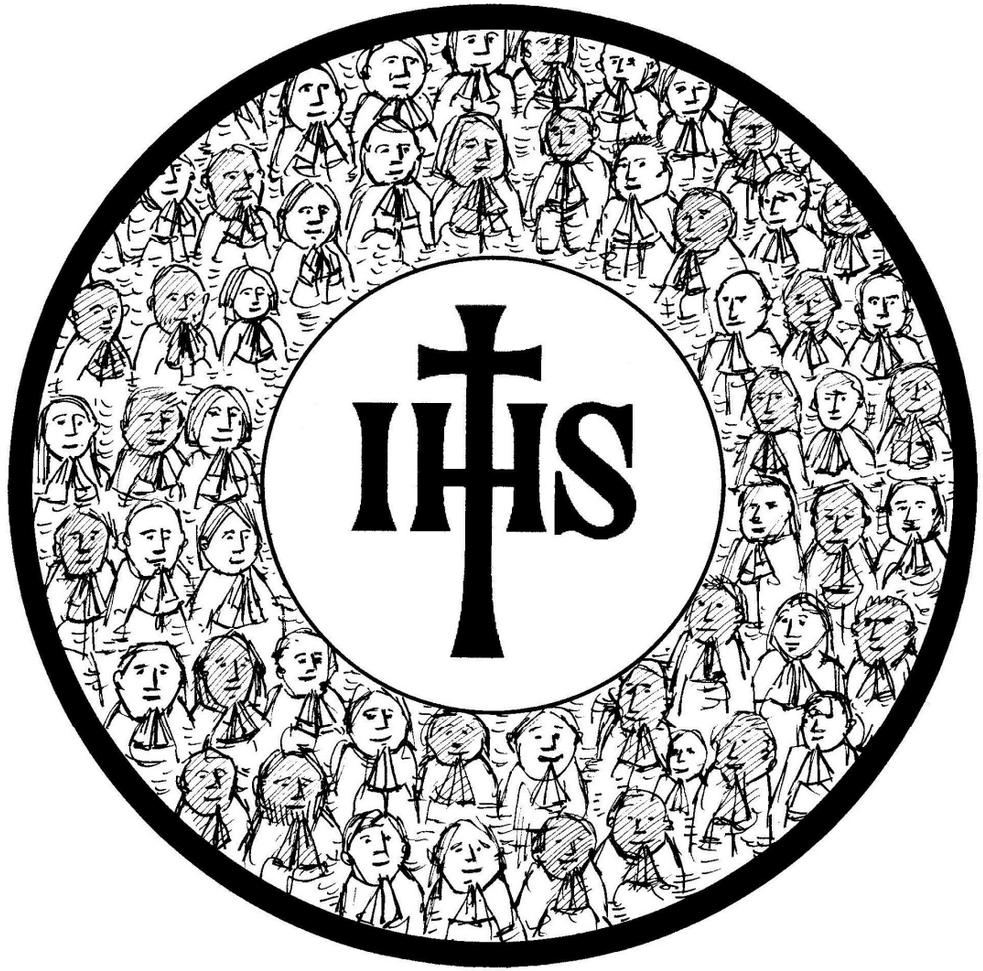
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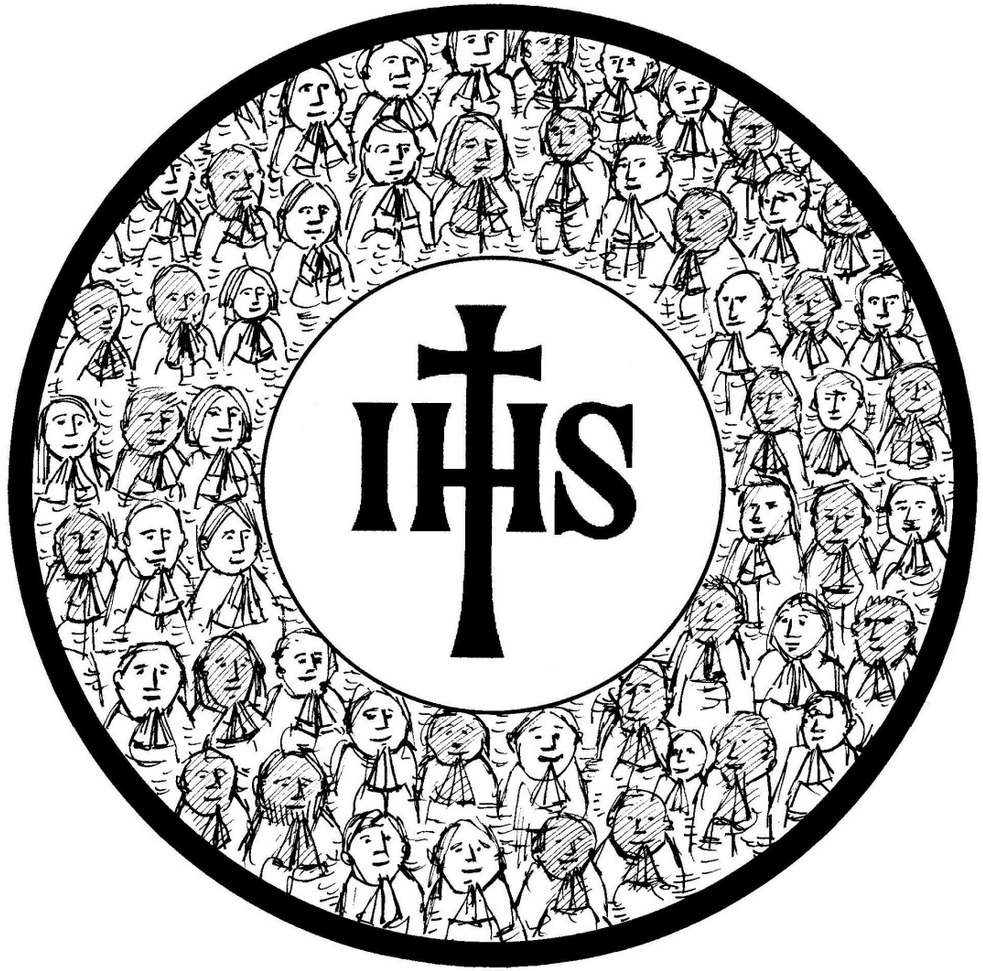
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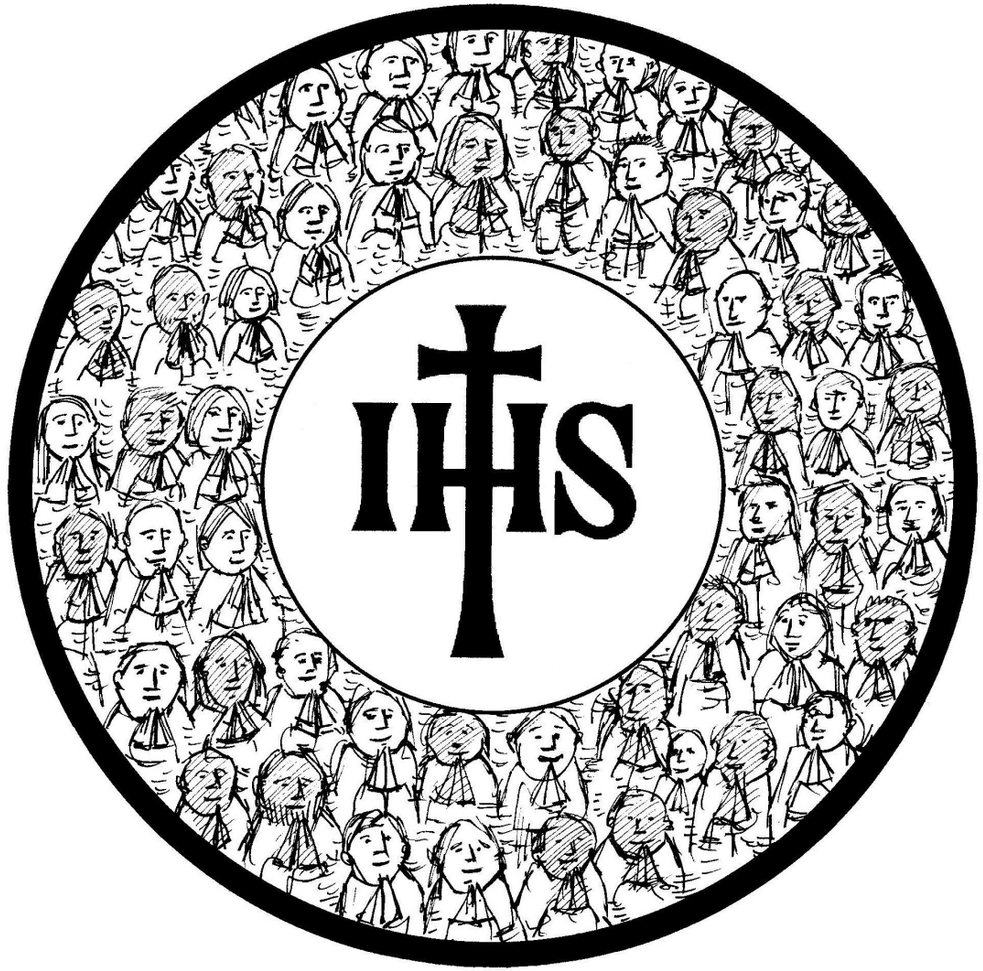
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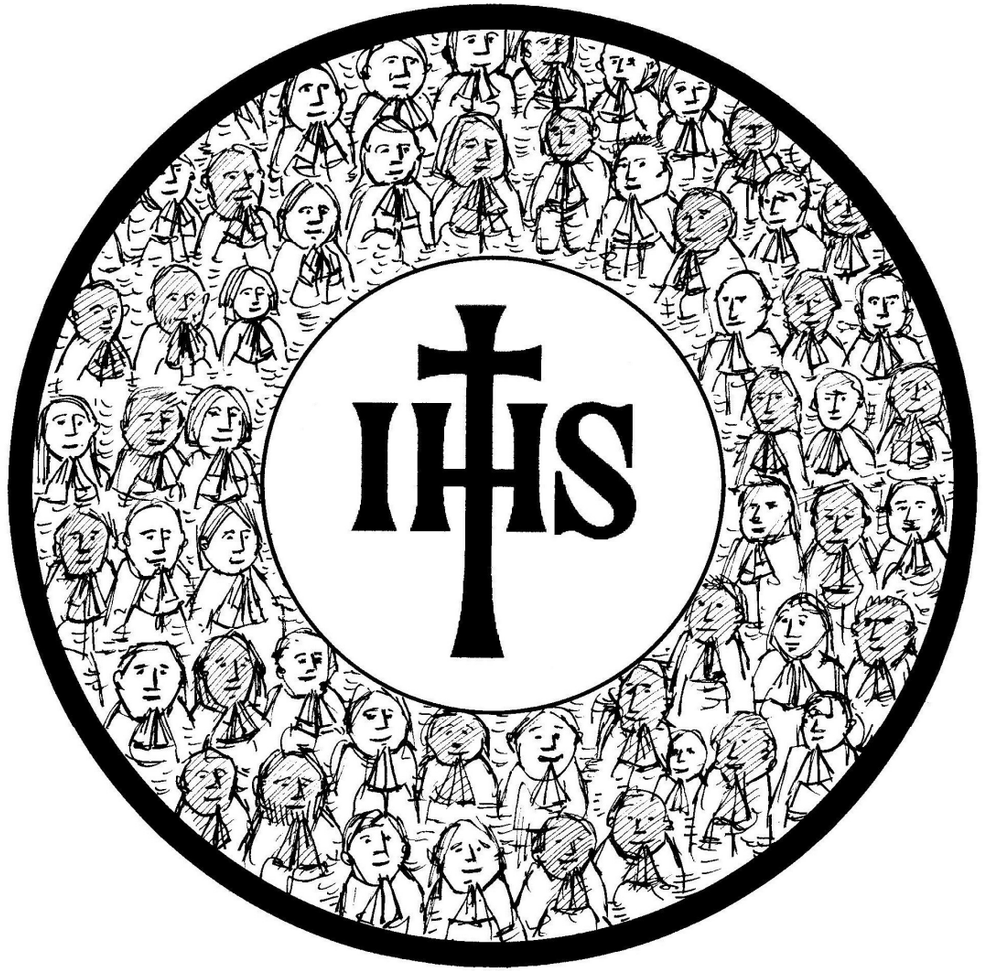
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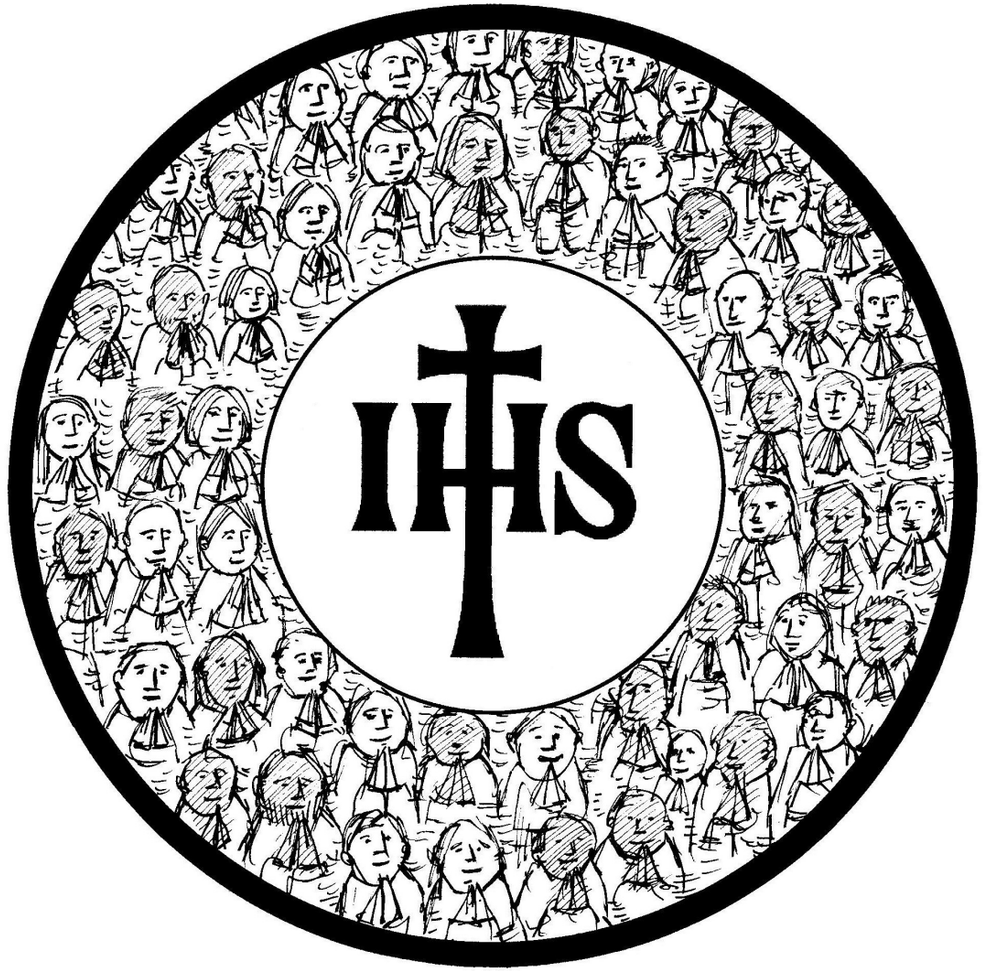
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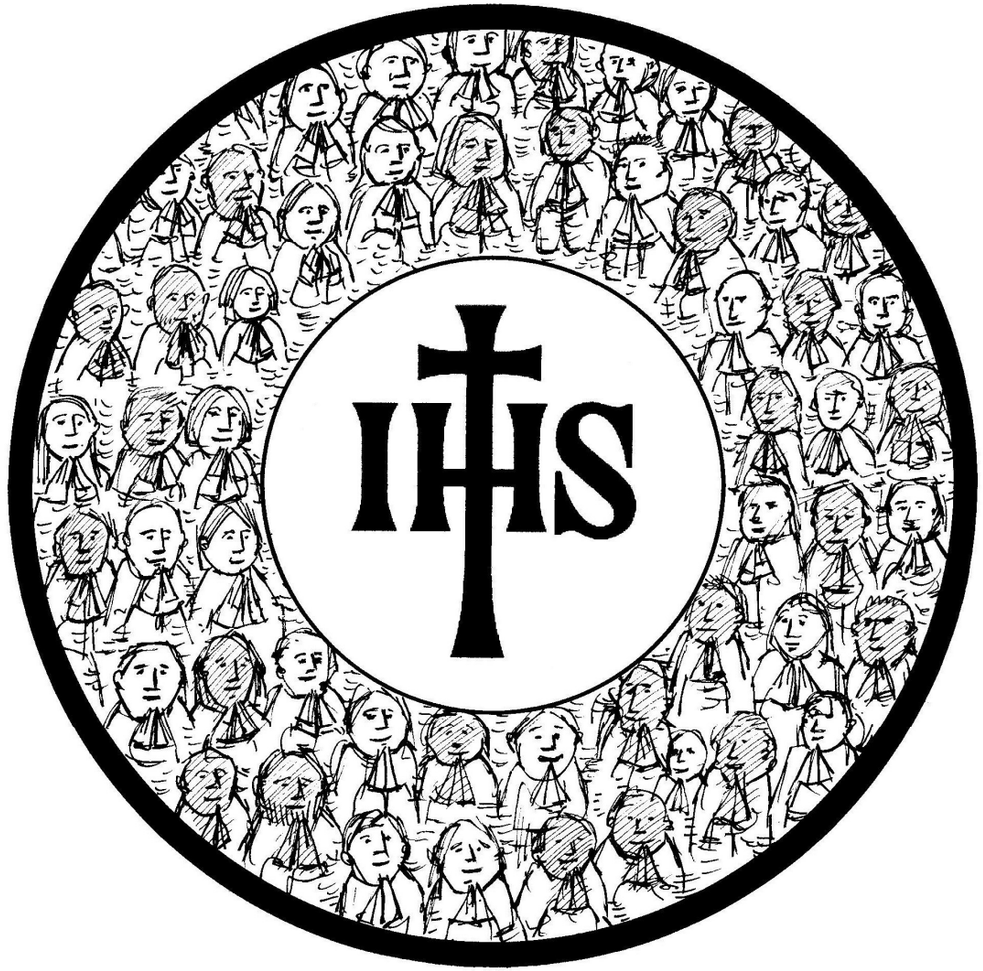
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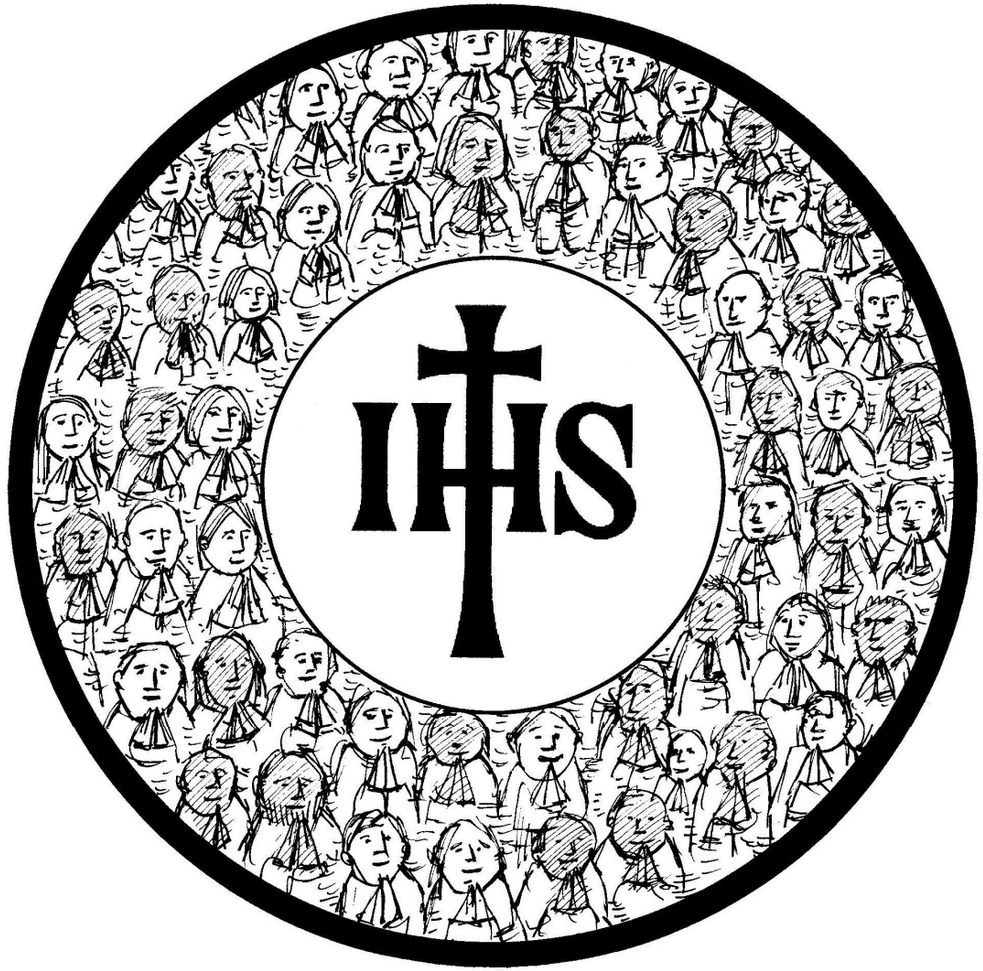
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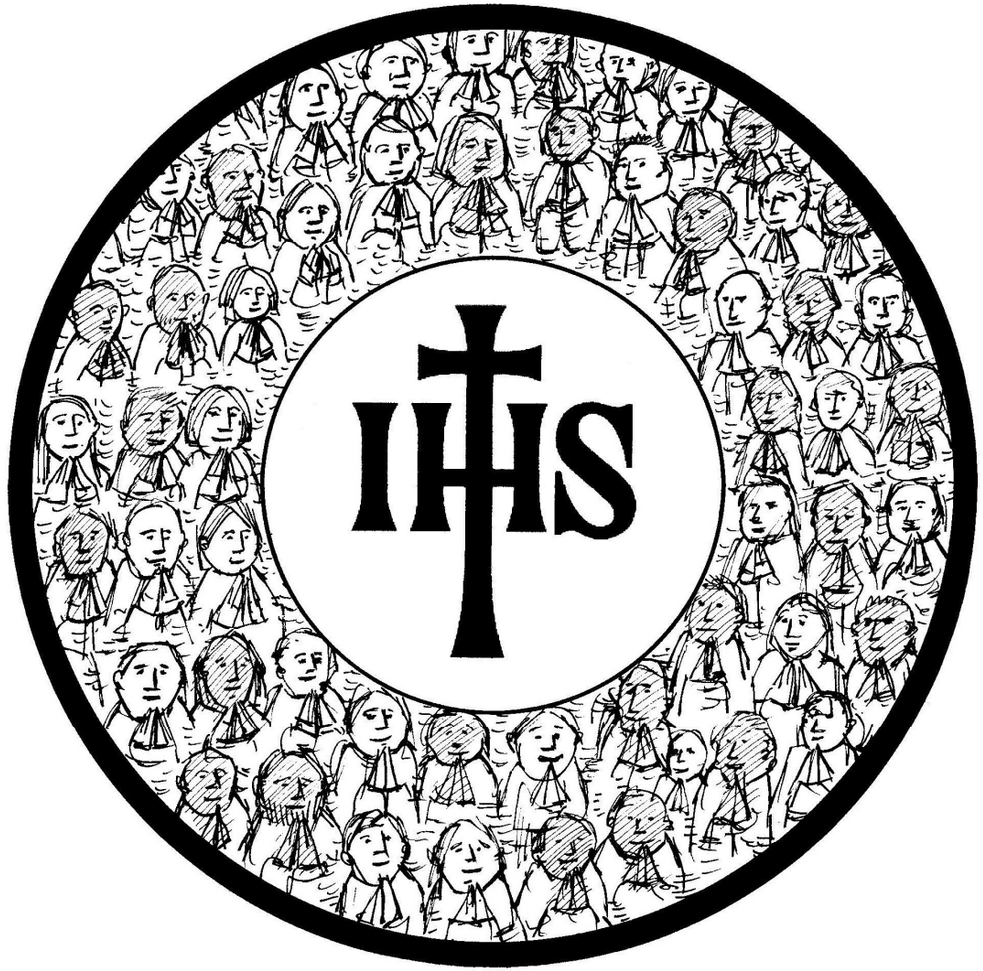
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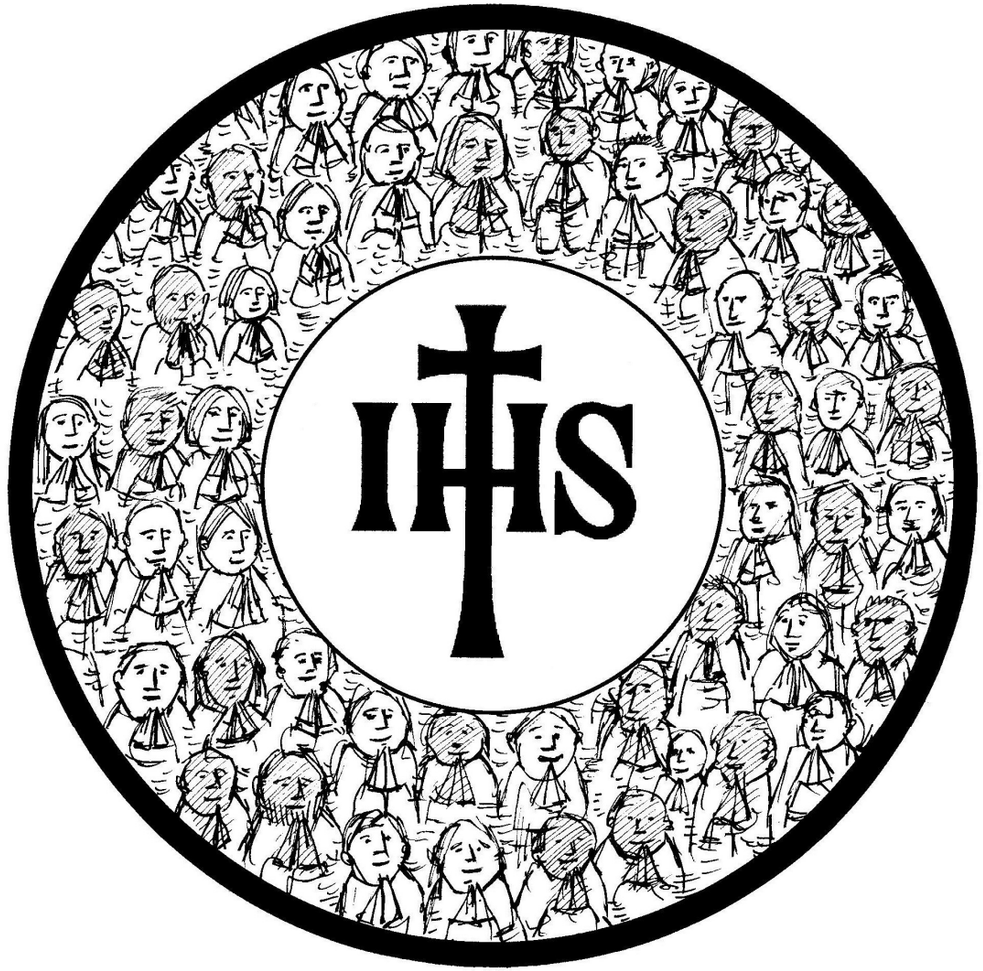
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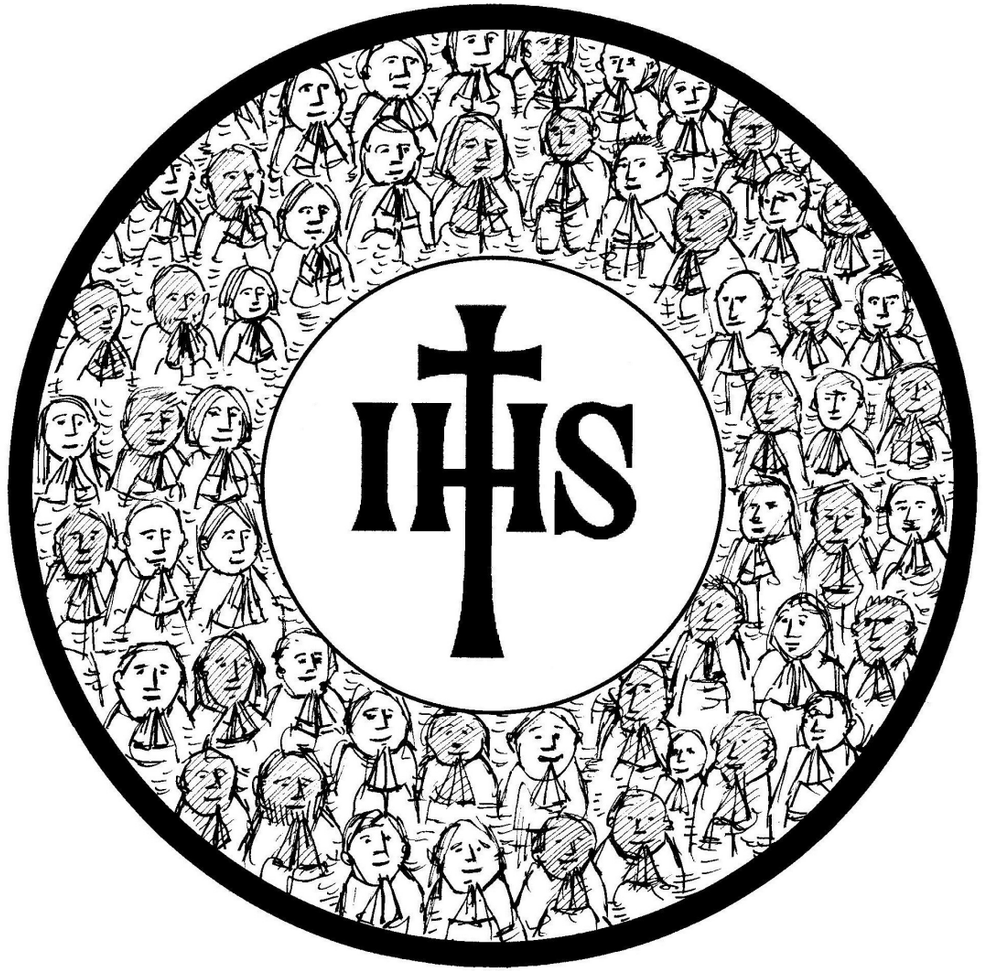
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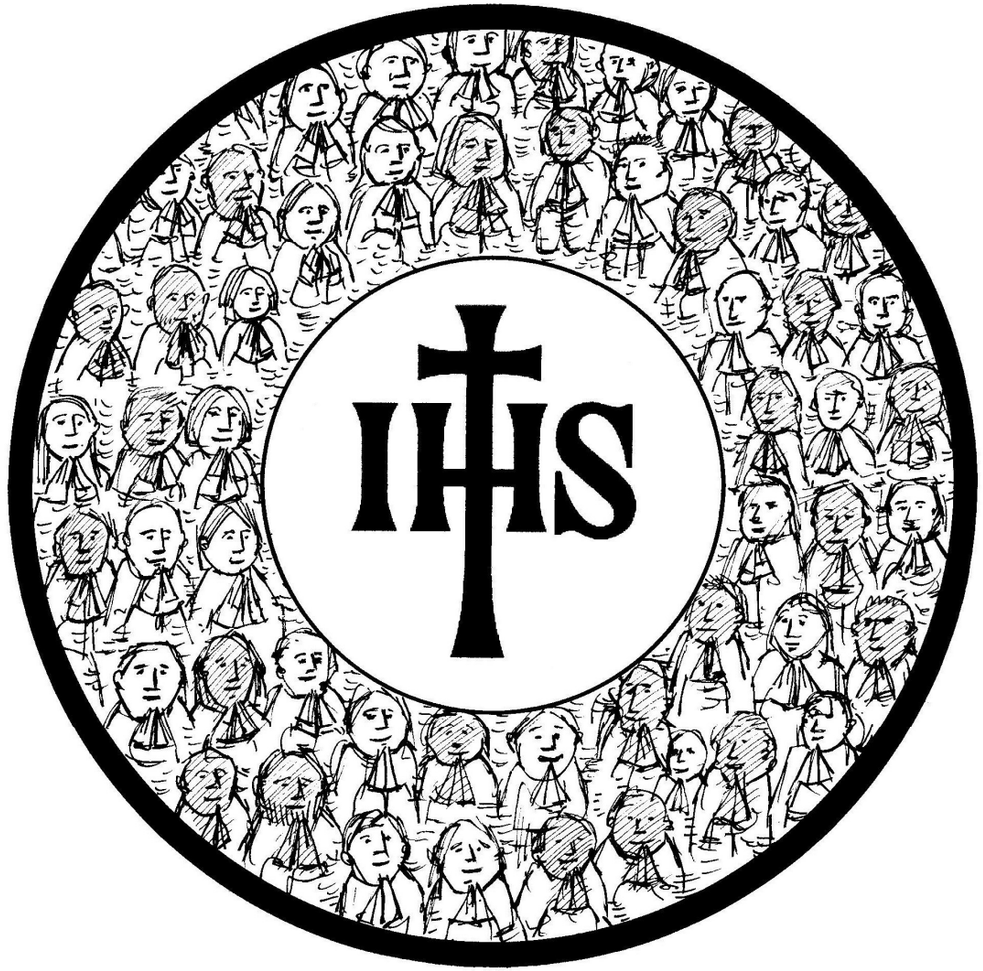
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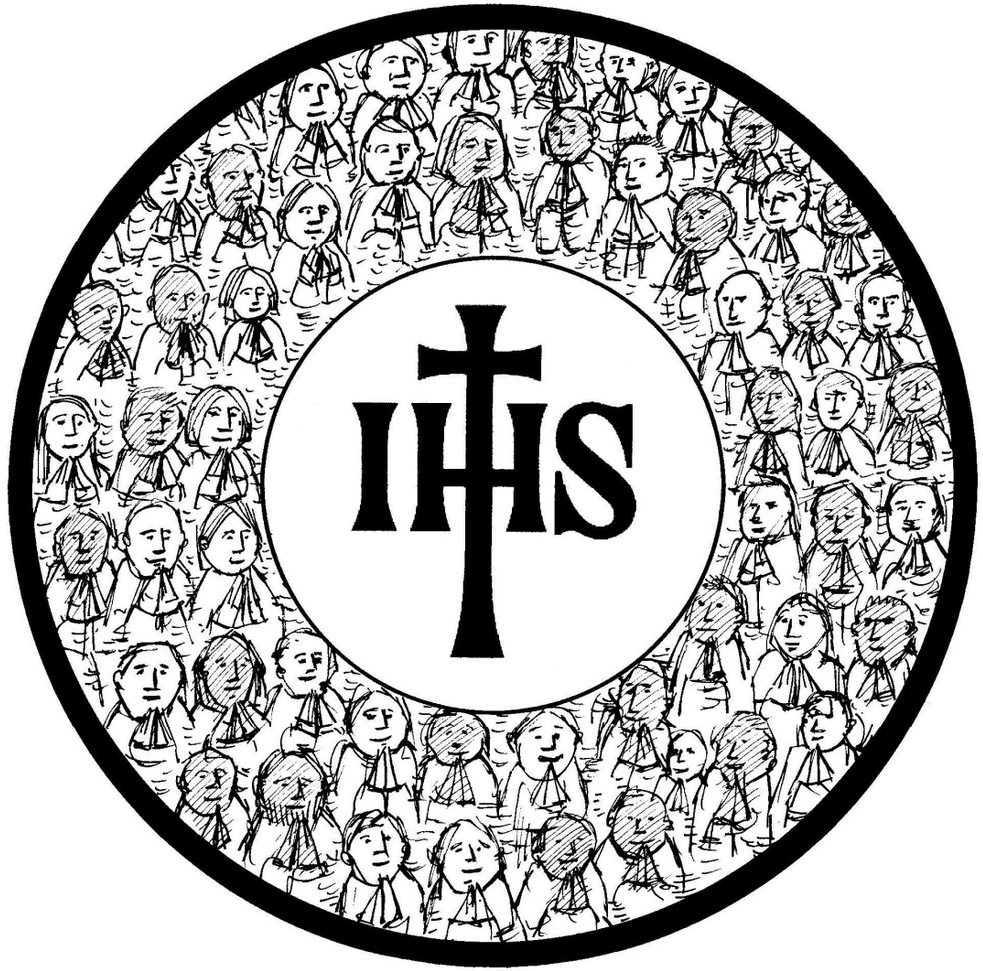
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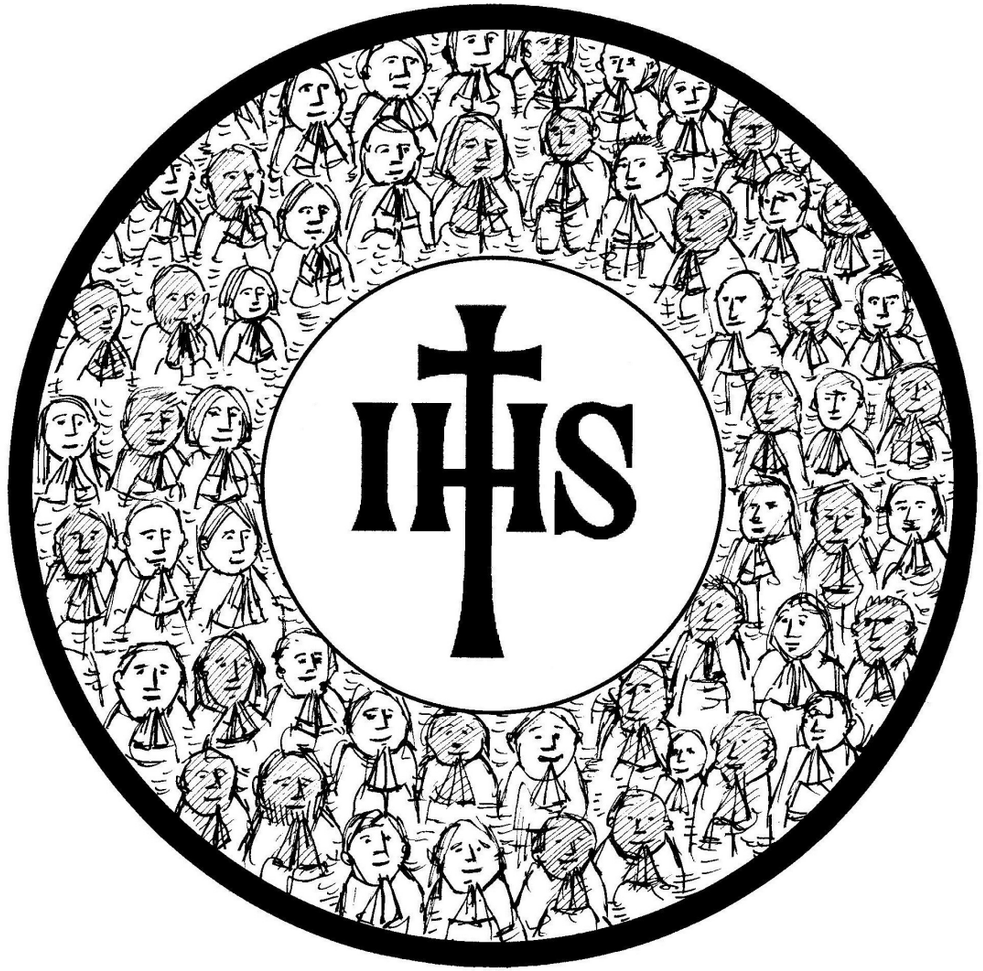
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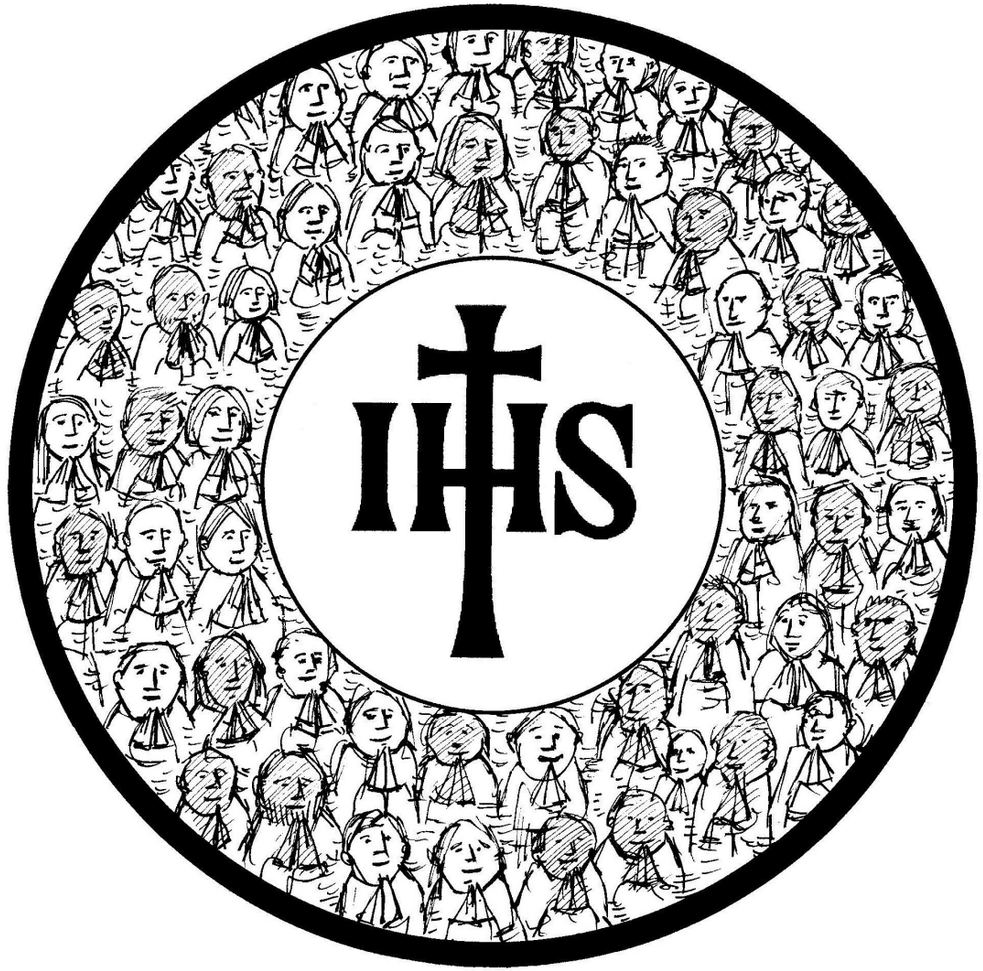
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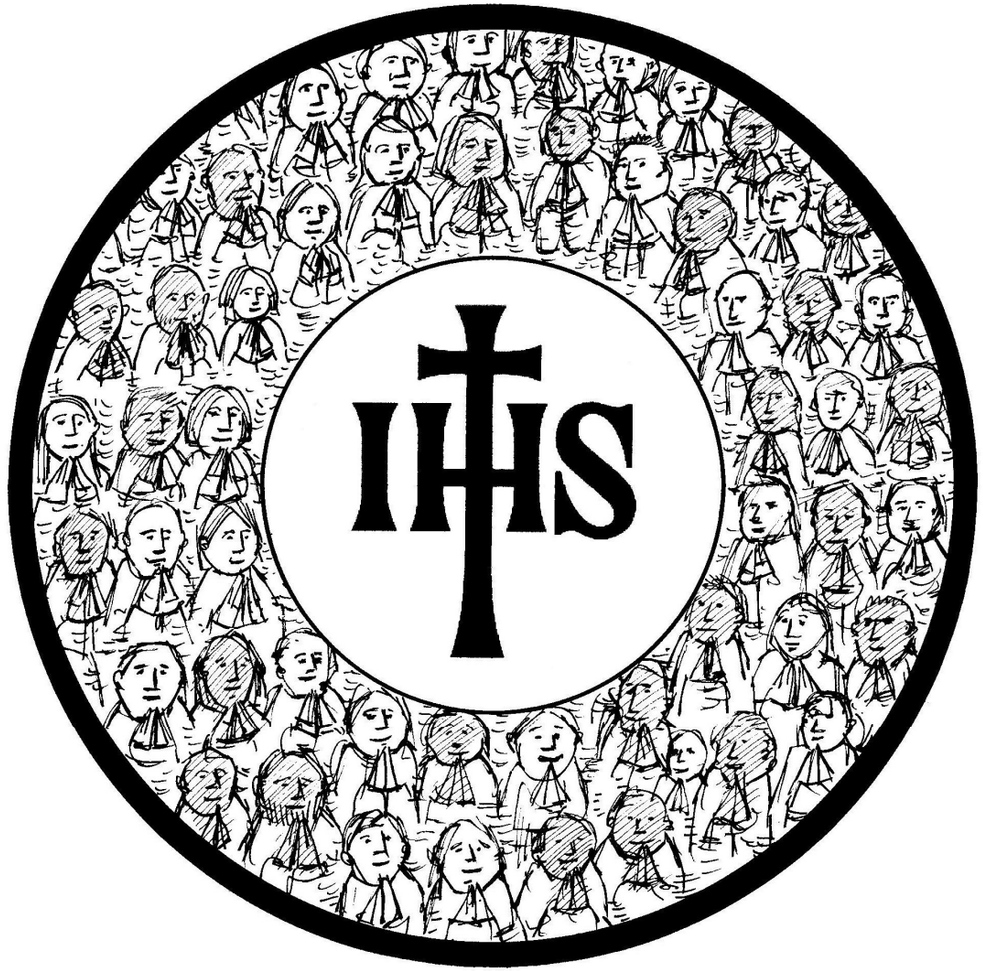
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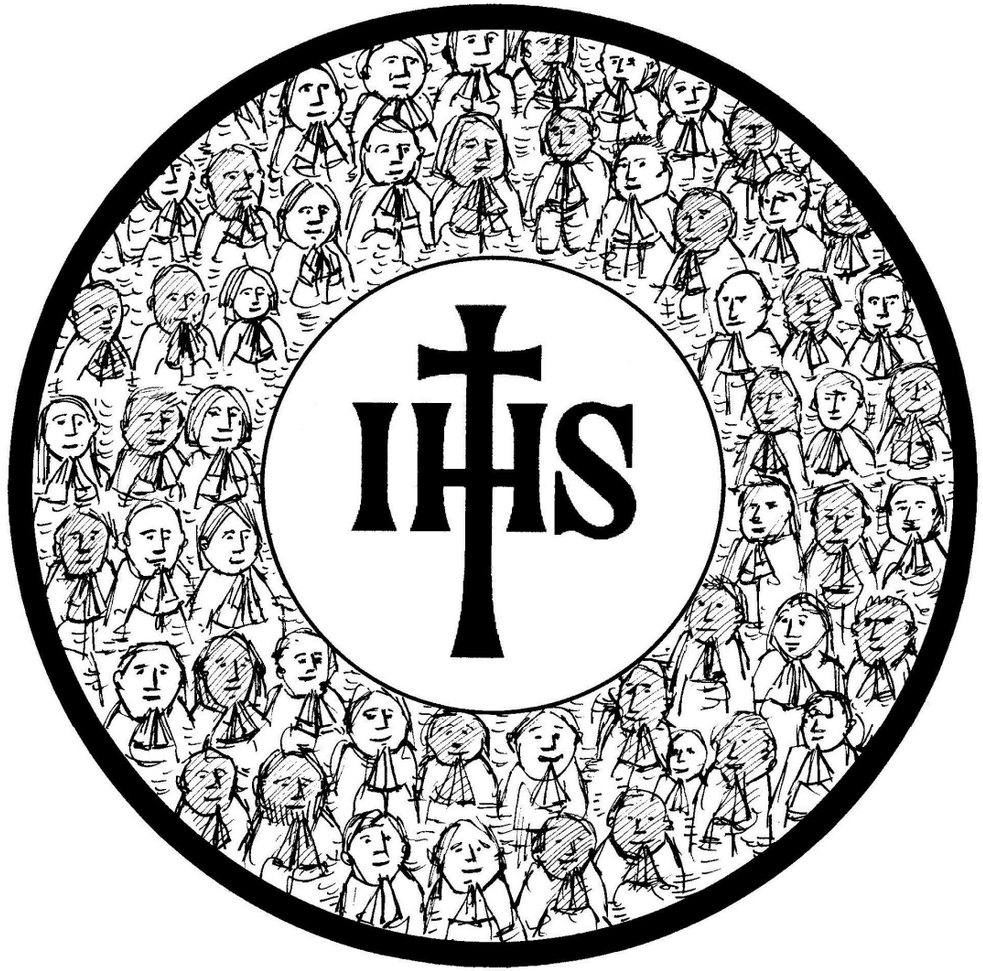
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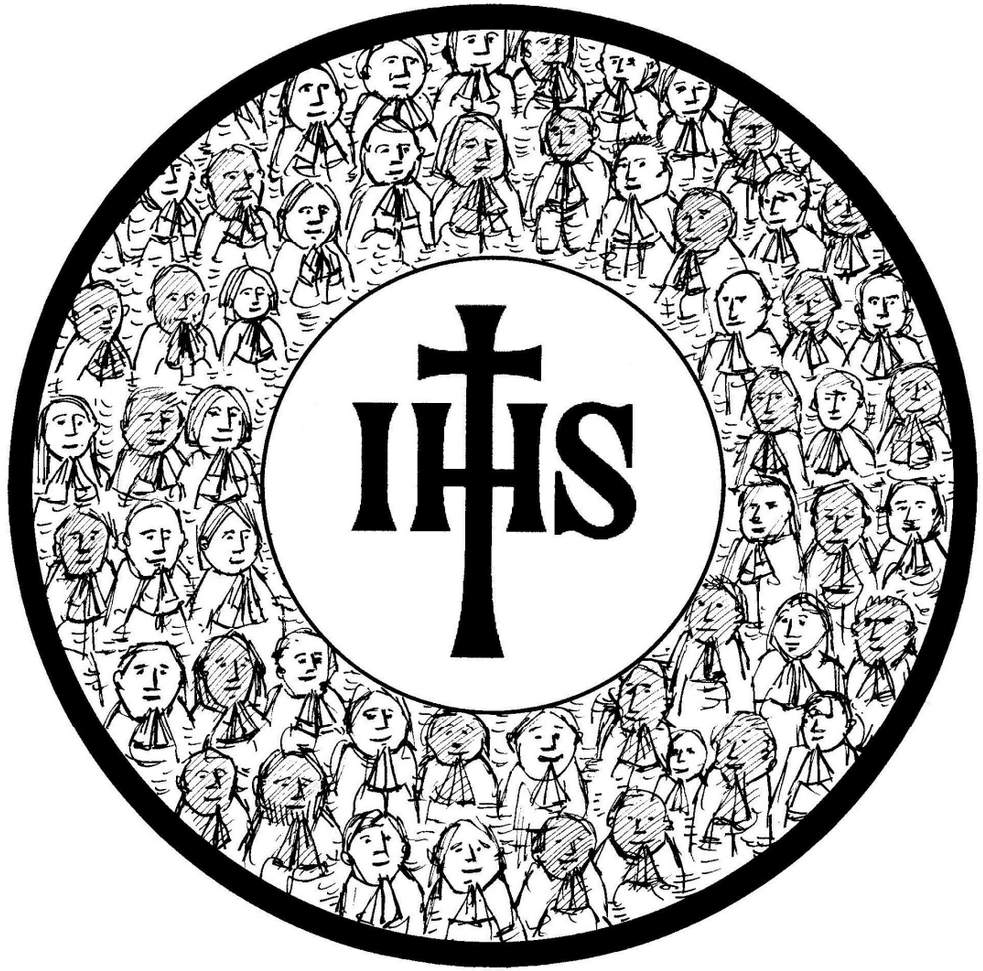
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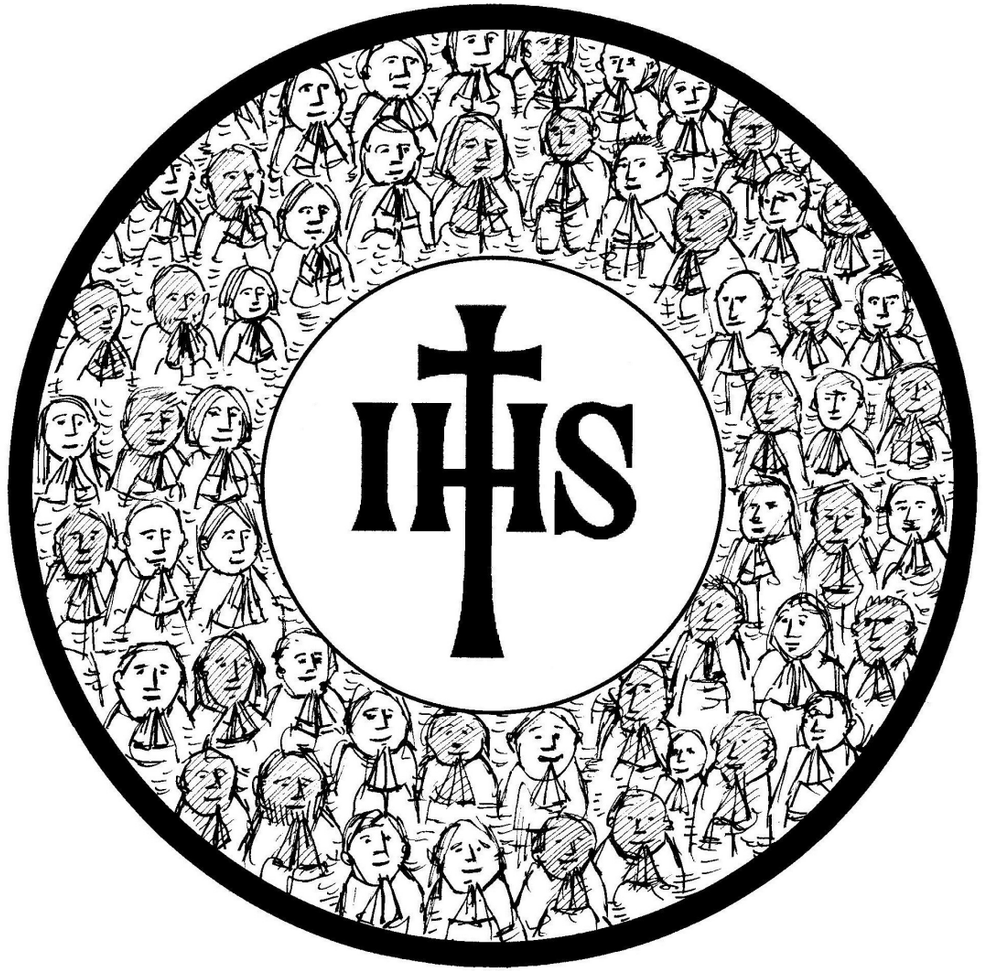
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The Feast of All Saints

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All Saints Day

Matthew 5:7 – "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy." This is one of many Bible passages that remind us that we reap what we sow. Likewise, what God puts into us (His own love, mercy, kindness and generosity) — flows back out of us. It all starts with His self-giving.

A Note for guests on the Lord's Supper

In the Divine Service, we eat and drink the body and blood of Jesus, given and shed for the forgiveness of sins, salvation from hell, and life everlasting. This meal is much more than a symbol or expression of faith. It's the substantial Son of God giving Himself—His own body and blood—to His people. With deep thankfulness for Jesus Christ's gifts to us here at Salem, we desire to celebrate the Holy Communion according to our heavenly Father's Will. **Because this includes oneness in the faith we confess (doctrine), guests who desire to commune and confess Christ's Truth with us should speak with Pastor before the service.**

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From the Apology – Article XXI – The Invocation of the Saints

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