

The Innocents' Day *The Gospel.* Matt. ii.

THE Angel of the lorde appeared to Joseph in a slepe, saying: aryse, and take the childe, and his mother, and flye into Egypt, and be thou there til I bring thee worde. For it wil come to passe, that Herode shall seke the childe to destroy him. So when he awoke, he tooke the chylde and his mother by night, and departed into Egípte, and was there unto the death of Herode: that it myghte be fulfilled whiche was spoken of the lorde by the prophete, saying: out of Egypt haue I called my sonne. Then Herode, when he sawe that he was mocked of the wise men, he was exceding wroth, and sent furthe men of warre and slewe all the chyl dren that were in Bethleem, and in all the coastes, (as many as were ii yere olde and under,) according to the time whiche he had diligently knowen out of the wise men. Then was fulfilled that whiche was spoken by the prophete Jeremie, where as he sayde: In Rama was there a voyce hearde, lamentacyon, weepyng, and great mourning, Rachel weepyng for her chyl dren, and woulde not be comforted, because they were not.