Contents

Acknowledgments ix
Note on Terminology xiii

Introduction: Thinking with Catholicism, Empire, and History 1

PART I. Jacques Marquette in the Upper Midwest
1. Making a Founding Father out of a French Jesuit 23
2. Imagining Peaceful Conquest 54

PART II. Franciscans in Southern California
3. Making Parallel Histories out of Spanish Missions 81
4. Embodying Hospitality and Paternalism 107

PART III. Friars in the Philippines
5. Revising and Rejecting Antifriarism 139
6. Envisioning Catholic Colonial Order 171
Conclusion: Imperial Church Stories 202

Notes 215
Bibliography 269
Index 305