

That the persons for whom it was ordained, are all those who know and feel that they want the grace of God \* \* ." In a sermon on Schism, he guards from the ignorant abuse which is still at the root of so much neglect of the Holy Communion. In 1788, he puts forward the following, and adds that he has not altered his sentiments in any point : "The first reason why it is the duty of every Christian so to do is, because it is a plain command of Christ." "A second reason why every Christian should do this as often as he can, is, because the benefits of doing it are so great \* \* viz., the forgiveness of our past sins, the present strengthening and refreshing of our souls." "The grace of God given herein confirms to us the pardon of our sins, and enables us to leave them." "We must *never* turn our backs on the feast which our Lord prepared for us." "This is the true rule. \* \* Whoever therefore does not receive, but goes from the Holy Table, when all things are prepared, either does not understand his duty, or does not care for the dying command of his Saviour." Let every one, therefore, who has either any desire to please God, or any love of his own soul, obey God, and consult the good of his own soul, by communicating every time he can ; like the first Christians with whom the Christian Sacrifice was a constant part of the Lord's Day Service." "And for several centuries they received it almost every day ; four times a week always, and every Saint's day beside. Accordingly those that joined in the prayers of the faithful never failed to partake of the Blessed Sacrament. What opinion they had of any who turned his back upon it we may learn from the ancient Canon : 'If any believer join in the prayers of the faithful and go away without receiving the Lord's Supper, let him be ex-communicated as bringing confusion into the Church of God.'" W. H. P. A.

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A handsome new altar has been erected in St. Saviour's Church.

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A Confirmation will be held in St. Barnabas' Church, on St. Luke's Day, October 18th, at 8 o'clock p.m.

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The Victoria Clerical Guild has had no meeting for three months. We hope that their pleasant gatherings will soon be resumed.

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The Harvest Festival at the Cathedral has been fixed for Sept. 20th. That at St. John's, is to be on October 6th. The St. Barnabas' Festival will be on Sept. 28th.