### CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

THE MAN WITH A SMILE The man who fares forth with a

smile on his face Is sure of a welcome in everythrong, His smile is his passport. It gives

The man who fares forth with a word on his lips

Of kindness, of comfort, of helpful intent—
That man will bring sunshine no

cloud may eclipse; man will give gladness with sadness unblent

And people will watch for his coming, and reach
The right hand of friendship. For,

sick of the strife, We hail the high hope of the comrade

whose speech Gives strength to our souls in the trenches of life.

with the light
Of Christ and His Word in his spirit

a dark night. His presence be longed for in many

a road Which, burdened with care, they

must walk mile by mile, Thank God for the man who can lighten their load!
Thank God for the fine friendly man

with a smile! DENNIS A. WCCARTHY PRAYER AND TROUBLE

Have you felt that curious unrest to another and often strange thoughts, words and bits of disjointed sentences. You try to force yourself to calmly consider your great need so Almighty God to lift the sorrow from life for his sheep.
your soul and to give you peace.

Though you desire that favor more than anything in the world, you cannot concentrate your thoughts upon it and again your heartaching desire is buffeted about like wisps of grass in a storm. You begin to feel that God has hid His face from you and that He has found you unworthy of His care. You feel that God has been very hard to you in denying

you health and means. But if you have the will to struggle you will reach a plane of thought that is to be compared to a beautiful upland where fragrant flowers and cooling waters seem to bloom for you and those you hope to lift out of want.

and familiar bit of optimism that assist the abbess in her administrance refails to cheer. A less quoted saying but none the less comforting one is this: "God never shuts the Chelles, which she governed for way have been but the control of the said of the sa one is this: "God never shuts the door on your hopes but He opens the forty-six years with equal vigor and door to something better." All these discretion, until she closed her penisayings, and they are truths, show tential life in 692. us that God loves those who persevere, even though brought low in vere, even though brought low in everything necessary to life. We knew an Irish mother who used to say in the darkest hours that fell whom this monarch had stood as mother's knee, and the paternal lessons. Together with the pious and sponsoring hearing was some word by birds of the air," and those who heard the discourse and example of St. sweet souvenirs of the fireside, her were often struck with the force of her faith for the expression that he relirquished the never entirely effaced from the content of the fireside, of her faith, for the expression itself undoubtedly carried a prayer with it that was heard on high.—St. Paul having trained Leonard in virtue,

# THE KEYNOTE OF LIFE

pleaded, as an excuse for a rude act that she had forgotten. The keynote of life was touched by the answering admonishing voice. Forgettulness is forting prisoners, making them selfishness, and is shown nowhere understand that the captivity of sin nore plainly than in the many littles" which "make a mickle" "littles" which "make a mickle" constraint. He won over a great in the trifling, hourly happenings many of these unfortunate persons,

which cause gladness or pain.

Courtesy, real courtesy, is so holy an attribute that one wonders why all true Christians are not polite. When we picture the tender gentleness with which our fancy always invests our Blessed Lord, how can we go about causing inconvenience by the breaking of an engagement; failing to withhold the word that will give comfort: neglecting with care-less disdain the promised visit which would have carried sunshine into

perforce remember. perforce remember.

The courteous deeds which live in history, like the humble ones of every day, have been performed because self was forgotten. Sir Philip Sidney cared, and so remembered, when he gave the cup of water to the soldier whose necessity was greater than his own. And our own Gen.

Wachington litted his hat to a pool the churches and appointed priests all Washington lifted his hat to a poor churches and appointed priests all from the most brutal and gross up to

would-be gentle folk go to work in the most clumsy way; adorning the outward man with expensive trappings, cultivating the prevailing gait

NOVEMBER 8.—THE FEAST OF THE or driving a particular equipage, con-sulting the latest manuals of eti-quette, and ending in complete and

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

SHORT SKETCH OF LIVES OF SAINTS OF THE WEEK

NOVEMBER 4 .- ST. CHARLES BORROMEO About fifty years after the Protestant heresy had broken out, our Lord raised up a mere youth to renew the face of his Church. In 1560 Charles trenches of life.

Borromeo, then twenty-two years of age, was created cardinal, and by the side of his uncle, Pius IV., administered the affairs of the Holy See. His first care was the direction of That man will be looked for in many | the Council of Trent. He urged for ward its sessions, guided its deliberations by continual correspondence a sad place.

Alas, there be those to whom life is ried it to its conclusion. Then he entered upon a still more arduous work—the execution of its decrees. As Archbishop of Milan he enforced their observance, and thoroughly restored the discipline of his see. He founded schools for the poor, seminaries for the clerics, and by his community of Oblates trained his priests to perfection. Inflexible in main taining discipline, to his flock he was a most tender father. He would sit that envelops you when in time of by the roadside to teach a poor man distress you have tried to carry your the Pater and Ave, and would enter burdens to One Who has promised hovels the stench of which drove his us that if we ask we shall receive? attendants from the door. During Your mind whirls from one thought the great plague he refused to leave Milan, and was ever by the sick and dying, and sold even his bed for their support. So he lived and so he died, a faithful image of the Good Shepthat you may the better petition the | berd, up to his last hour giving his

NOVEMBER 5 .- ST. BERTILLE, ABBESS St. Bertille was born of one of the home life. The author most illustrious families in the territory of Soissons, in the reign of Dagobert I. As she grew up she learned perfectly to despise the world, and earnestly desired to renounce it. Not daring to tell this to her parents, she first consuited St.

Ouen, by whom she was encouraged say about her by which one could Ouen, by whom she was encouraged in her resolution. The Saint's parents were then made acquainted with her desire, which God inclined them not to oppose. They con-ducted her to Jouarre, a great Mon-astery in Brie, four leagues from Some seeker of peace out of trouble strictest practice of monastic perfecsome seeker of peace out of trouble has written. "The darkest hour is just before the dawn." This old, old saying has comforted many a sad heart. "The severer the storm, the sooner the sunshine," bears an old that she was chosen prioress to apply the of entiting that the ableast in her admirately and edification that she was chosen prioress to that she was chosen prioress to the applied the ableast in her admirately and edification that she was chosen prioress to that she was chosen prioress to the ableast peace of the world's condemnation to back on his child, brothers and sisters may become inveterate enemies, husbands may desert their wives, wives their husbands. But a mother's love endures through all; in good repute, in bad repute, in the face

NOVEMBER 6,-ST. LEONARD Remigius that he relirquished the world in order to lead a more per. —True Voice. he became the apostle of such of the Franks as still remained pagans; but fearing that he might be summoned "Do not say that you 'did not to the court by his reputation for think.' If you forget, it is because you do not care. If people care, they will remember." So spoke a mother will remember." So spoke a mother long ago to a thoughtless child, who not allowing him to remain inactive while there was so much good to be done, he undertook the work of comwas more terrible than mere bodily which gained for him many disciples in whose behalf he founded a new monastery. St. Leonard died about

> the year 550. NOVEMBER 7.-ST. WILLIBRORD

Willibrord was born in Northum-berland A. D. 657, and when twenty years old went to Ireland, to study under St. Egbert; twelve years later, he felt drawn to convert the great pagan tribes who were hanging as a cloud over the north of Europe. He would have carried sunshine into a darkened life; trampling upon people's most sacred feelings, like elephants upon a harp-forgetting, forgetting; forgetting! Our Lord did not forget, He cared so much that He could not forget, and if He cared aver so little, we, too, would remain the religion of their enemies, the Franks; and St. Willibrord could only labor in the track of cared aver so little, we, too, would cared ever so little, we, too, would perforce remember.

Pepin Heristal, converting the tribes whom Pepin subjugated. At Pepin's

negro through simple kindness of heart.

It is painful to se see how many would-be gentle folk go to work in bishop for more than fifty years, be
over the land. He wrought many the most aesthetic form of lust, from the most cultivated mentus which cannot be shared with the tall sympathy that ever existed between a man and a woman, is it not the inner senctuary of our being.

HOLY RELICS

Protestantism pretends to regard him a place
In hearts that have suffered, in souls
that are strong,

with

surprised discomntate extractions on the relics of the Sainte and Sainte S His smile is his countersign. With it he shows

No feeling unfriendly inhabits his breast;
His smile is the white flag of peace which he knows

Will win him at last what is truest and best.

His open to that he cannot be gentle and polite; for courtesy is but another name for love. Love is The Council of Trent, on the congentleness "writ" large. A man may wear a shabby coat; he may, through stress of circumstances, be rough of hand and forbidding of vicage; but he will be a gentleman if he is gentle. if he is gentle, and he will always decision was based upon the estabremember if he takes the trouble lished usage of the earliest days of to care. — The Casket, Antigonish. of the Fathers and of the Councils. The Council orders, however, that all abuse of the devotion is to be avoided carefully, and forbids any relics to be exposed which have not been approved by the bishops, and these prelates are recommended to instruct the people faithfully in the teaching of the Church on this sub-ject. While we regret, then, the errors of the impious and the heretics, let us profit by the advantages which we gain by hearkening to the voice of the Church.

### HOME IS WHAT WE MAKE IT

A man may own a handsome and well furnished residence and yet may not possess a home—that is, a home in its best and purest sense, where domestic felicity reigns supreme for only amid such surroundings can

we find the happy home.
So understood, there is no sweeter word in the language than "home," and one has well said, "Few words lie nearer the heart than the word 'home.' To those of us who were trained in good homes, how deep. how heartfelt is the pity we feel for those who were deprived of that moral and social stimulus that is the concomitant of the happy home

Where is your home?" a little boy was asked by an acquaintance. "Where mother is," the little fel-low replied, as he looked lovingly

across at her.

The little boy's philosophy would be endorsed by many of maturer age. Undoubtedly the mother of a family, the mistress of the house, has much to do with the "tone" or quality of Chronicles of the Schonberg Cotta Family," says: "Of our mother I cannot think of anything to say. She make anyone understand what she is." In other words, the "dear, patient, loving little mothers" are

sweetly indescribable.

Washington Irving must have known the full and abiding faith Meaux, where she was received with of the true mother heart when he A father may turn great joy and trained up in the wrote: "A father may turn his strictest practice of monastic partee, back on his child, brothers and sisters repute, in bad repute, in the face of the world's condemnation, 'a mother still loves on, and still hopes that a child may turn from his evil ways and repent; still she remembers the infant smiles that once filled her bosom with rapture, the merry laugh, the joyful shout of his childhood, the opening promise of his youth; and she can never be

## EUCHARISTIC

Here on His Altar dwelling He waiteth day and night, His Heart with love up-welling, His Face with welcome bright With strong and mystic yearning,

He claims our hearts, discerning Our bitter needs, and turning Our gloom to gladsome light

This is the God resplendent, This is the lowly Christ; This is the King transcendent,

The Man they mocked and priced A Flame from Heaven descended, With our weak nature blended; Monarch potent, splendid, Down from His Throne enticed!

Kneel ye before His portal, Confess your sins and weep, Till from pollutions mortal Your souls transfigured leap To meet Him midst the thunder Of Death's veils rent asunder,

And, in adoring, wonder

To find His love so deep! God of the Host indwelling Hold Thou our trembling hands, Until we hear up welling
The hymns of angel bands;
Be thou our souls' Defender,

Meek Nazarene and tender Sword of the Father's splendor, Son of the Heavenly lands ! -REV, JAMES B. DOLLARD, Litt, DI

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