

say with his glorious Father: « Happy are the actions included between two *Aves*. » Every quarter of an hour he stopped to recite an *Ave*. On awakening his first thought was of Jesus and Mary. It may be said that Mary's beautiful name was ever in his heart and on his lips. When he entered or left his room he was careful not to forget to ask his good Mother's blessing, while making the sign of the cross with holy water. On Saturdays he recited St. Bonaventure's five psalms in honor of the holy name of Mary. All Mary's festivals, and there are forty in the Institute of St. Alphonsus, were so many opportunities for him to redouble his fervor by a novena or a triduum of preparation and by an octave of thanksgiving. Thus he was nearly always engaged in a novena. On those blessed days, he loved to compose a prayer or some verses in honor of Mary and he spent hours at the foot of her altar, expressing all the sentiments of a most devoted son for his mother. For him the month of Mary was the king of months, most salutary and the most fruitful in blessings. He then seemed to redouble his ardor and love for the Blessed Virgin. He could not with reason have deemed himself a true son of St. Alphonsus had he had but an ordinary devotion for her. He wrote one day: « I, like all the other Redemptorists, must preserve this precious deposit, I must never allow myself to be surpassed in love for Mary and for her divine Son. To that end, I must be faithful with all my brethren, in serving the Blessed Virgin, after the example of my beloved Father St. Alphonsus: » He even proposed to write two works on the Blessed Virgin: one on the *month of Mary* and the other on the *greatness, the goodness of the Blessed Virgin and on devotion to her*. He had already drawn up the outline of the latter which was approved. And all this with the view of making his sweet Queen known, loved and served after his death. Let us hope that this short notice, while causing this servant of Mary to be known, will cause Jesus and Mary to be loved as much as the book would have done and that thereby his pious wish will be fulfilled. His death was that of the predestined. He died after singing the *Magnificat* on the 10th September 1896 in the 29th year of his age and in the 30th of his reli-