

High mass generally lasts until 11 o'clock. At noon the meeting of the *Holy Family* which comprises the majority of the parish, is held. For the greater good of the work, the meetings are not all held at the same time, but in succession for each of the four sections: namely, on one Sunday for the married men, on the following Sunday for the young men; then, for the married women and finally for the young girls. By this means, all receive instructions suited to their age and condition.

The meeting of the members of the Holy Family which lasts about half an hour is at once followed by *Vespers*. When these are over, Catechism begins for the children who have made their first communion during the current or previous year. Grown up persons are admitted, and thus, have an excellent opportunity of remembering the truths of Religion. Benediction is chanted only after Catechism. A new Exercise also takes place before it, and it varies according to the Sundays. At this moment on the first and third Sunday of each month, the Exercise of the *Arch-confraternity* of St. Anne takes place. This is the order that is followed in the first place we proclaim from the pulpit the recommendations that have come to us during the previous fortnight, adding 3 *Aves* with the invocation. « St. Anne, pray for us. » The Father then reads the act of consecration in the manual. The whole concludes with a procession in which the Relics of the great *Thaumaturga* are borne, to the singing of the canticle, « Towards her Shrine . . . » For the second Sunday is reserved a special Exercise in honor of *Our Lady of Perpetual Help* and, of *St. Alphonsus*. Finally, on the fourth, another known under the name of *Protestation for a happy death*.

When the Exercise for the respective Sunday is over, the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is chanted after which all go home. Also, on each Sunday of the month of November, the Way of the Cross is said at 4 o'clock for the souls in Purgatory.

This short description will convince everybody, that if during the pilgrimage season the parishioners are somewhat restricted in attending to their spiritual interests, they have ample opportunities of making up for it during winter. We are happy to say that they are fully alive to it.



A pilgrimage on the 24<sup>th</sup> October. — The autumn has not passed without our having one more pilgrimage. The honor is due to a body of 500 pilgrims who came on Monday, the 24<sup>th</sup> October, from