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THE CATHOLIC RECORD.

FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS FOR EARLY MASSES

Preached in their Church of St. Paul the Apostle, Fifty-ninth Street and Ninth Avenue, New York.

OCTAVE OF ST. JOHN. "One thing I have asked of the Lord, this will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life."

The practical Christian, dear brethren, is not the man who goes to Mass on Christmas Day or at Easter, who receives the Sacraments at the time of a mission or on his death-bed, and passes the remainder of his life in forgetfulness of his Creator.

How can you, day after day, add sin to sin? How can you wallow deeper and deeper in the mire? Have you a spark of honor left in your breast? Where is your manliness? Are you men at all?

How can you think upon yourselves, who are beset with the pitch of iniquity? You unclean of heart, you grovelers, behold yourselves! Look upon the fearful ruin you have brought upon your immortal souls!

Do you call yourselves Christians? Christians! You Christians! In what are you like Christ? What part have you in Him? Do you keep His law? Do you imitate His example?

Do you live by His divine life—have you His sanctifying grace? You are not worthy of the name. You are renegades—traitors to the King you promised at your baptism to serve, and have gone over to the camp of His enemy.

Praying and Begging. Catholic Columbian. Most persons, when they kneel down to pray, ask for something. They are always begging. They want this grace bestowed on them, that affliction removed from them, the other temporal good granted them.

APPROVED RECIPES.

CHOCOLATE PIE, CREAM AND FROSTING. One cup sugar, butter the size of an egg, one egg, one cup milk, one teaspoonful cream tartar, one-half teaspoonful soda.

CREAM TO PUT BETWEEN THE LAYERS. Not on the top—One-fourth cake of Baker's Chocolate grated fine, one-half cup milk, one cup sugar, one egg. Beat the chocolate, sugar and egg together, and pour into the boiling milk; boil till thick enough.

SOFT GINGER BREAD—One cup best New Orleans molasses, 1/2 cup hot water or coffee, 3 tablespoonfuls shortening, 1 1/2 cups flour, 1 teaspoonful each of ginger, cinnamon and soda.

CREAM PANCAKES—Take the yolks of two eggs, mix them with half a pint of good cream and two ounces of sugar; fry as thin as possible in lard, grate sugar over them and serve hot.

ESCALLOPED OYSTERS—Butter some scallop shells and line them with bread crumbs soaked in milk, drain the oysters and lay them in (four are enough for one shell), season with pepper and salt, cover with a thick layer of crumbs also soaked in milk, put tiny bits of butter on top, and bake on a quick oven fifteen minutes.

CHICKEN PIE—Take two full-grown chickens, joint them, and cut the backbone, &c., as small as convenient. Boil them with few slices of salt pork in water enough to cover them; let them boil quiet, then take out the breastbone.

CHOCOLATE CARAMELS—One cup each of white and brown sugar, two squares of Baker's chocolate, a piece of butter the size of an egg, and one scant half-cup of milk.

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