

examines this question must come to that conclusion. To pronounce an opinion without at all examining the question (confessedly a difficult one) is not a sign of either modesty or candour.

Besides these acts of the congregation, there may be of course many personal acts about which every Christian must under the guidance of an enlightened conscience judge for himself; but about which he has no possible right to judge for his brother.

We have now spent some time during two evenings in considering this subject of ritual, it is not a matter of first importance, but it is connected with the worship of God, it occupies the minds of many at the present time. And we must remember that it is closely connected with many great truths of the Christian faith. These truths give life to these outward forms, and make them something more than mere forms. By a few words about them, or rather about the Catholic faith in its perfection, I would close the subject. Some of you, it may be many, have accepted in all its fullness the teaching of the Catholic Church, and know its power and its blessings. Hold fast by it, live by it, and by your lives of holiness, humility and Christian love, draw others to what you have found, to Him who is thereby so clearly revealed. Some of you want it, you feel your need of more than you have yet found. There has been too much of coldness and distance and unreality in your past faith and love; but you are beginning to hear a voice call you on to something better, obey that call, your heart tells you to do so, it will lead you where you would be, "My heart hath talked of Thee." "Seek ye my Face." "Thy Face, Lord will I seek."

To the ever-blessed Trinity be given all honour and praise, world without end. *Amen.*