

## PRAYER.

O Jesus, through the most pure Heart of Mary, I offer Thee all the prayers, work and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of Thy Divine Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in reparation of all sins, and for all requests presented through the Apostleship of Prayer: in particular for the Church in Belgium and Holland, so that happily freed from the tyranny of occult societies, the Catholics of both those countries may secure full freedom for the practice of their holy religion. Amen.

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The angels, says St. Augustin, enter and go forth with us; they have their eyes ever fixed on us and on what we do. If we remain at home, they stay with us; if we walk out, they accompany us; let us go where we will, on land or on sea, they are always with us. They are no less present with the merchant in his counting-house, or the matron in the cares of her household, than with the recluse in the desert, or the religious in his cell. O excessive bounty! even while we sleep they watch over us, they are always at our side though we are sinners, and consequently their enemies. Though our interior deformity is so great, that if we saw it we could not support the sight; though we spend our lives in sin, or in such frivolous occupations as certainly excite the pity of these blessed spirits; though we corrupt our best actions by numberless defects, they are never weary of our company. Even after death, they visit us in Purgatory, and in the midst of its very flames they minister consolation to us.