

is the aim of the Holy League to draw hearts to the Heart of Jesus through prayer and the frequentation of the Sacraments. If it will succeed this year, consecrated to the Patron of Youth, in drawing the youth of all lands to the more frequent use of the Sacraments, how powerfully will it not contribute to the future sanctity of Christian morals !

O Jesus, through the most pure Heart of Mary I offer Thee the prayers, work and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of Thy Divine Heart.

I offer them in particular to save Thy children from the corruption of the world, ever growing more covetous, wilful and impure. Heart of Jesus, may we fly from all that is against Thy love. Amen.

TO THE SACRED HEART.

Oh Sacred Heart !

Witness compassionate of ev'ry woe
Which mortal e'er hath known, or e'er shall know !
Heart which hath borne all care,
Carried all sorrow that on man can press !
Oh ! writhing frame and tortur'd spirit bleeding !
Against inhuman outrage vainly pleading !
Each secret dark, each innermost recess,
All to thy sight laid bare.
Who shall Thy pangs express ?

Oh Sacred Heart !

Thy love for man hath to the altar bound Thee,
To expiate the very sins that wound Thee—
For thine own wrongs to die !
That thou of suffering's chain might'st miss no link,
From the dread vision of Thy Mortal Pain
Outspread before Thee, Thou did'st not disdain.
With fear's intensest agony to shrink !
In trembling shall not I
Of Thy dread chalice drink ?