

in honour of the Most Sacred Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the conversion of sinners, and will pray with that intention.

By the same Brief of the 24th April, our Holy Father, the Pope, grants for ever to the Curates of the Parish of Notre Dame des Victoires, directors of the Arch Confraternity of the Most Holy and Immaculate Heart of Mary, the power of enrolling, with the Arch Confraternity all the Associations and Confraternities which are, or will be hereafter established through the world in honour of the Most Holy and Immaculate Heart of Mary, to ask by its intercession the conversion of sinners, and communicate to them all the faculties, rights, privileges, and indulgences with which he has enriched the Arch Confraternity.

An Indulgence lately granted by the Pope at an audience on the 4th of February, 1841.

Our Most Holy Father Pope Gregory the XVI. has in his goodness been pleased to grant a plenary indulgence to the members of the Arch Confraternity applicable to the souls of the faithful departed, which may be gained twice a month on any two days, if they be well prepared by a true contrition, sincere confession, and a worthy communion, and visit some church or public oratory, and pray devoutly for some time, according to the intentions of His Holiness, who moreover grants this indulgence to any member so situated, either by sickness or other circumstance, as not to have it in his power to fulfil the condition of praying in a church or public oratory, if he be well disposed by the reception of the Sacraments, and perform faithfully the acts of piety by his confessor.

This concession will remain valid forever, though not expressed by a Brief.

Given at Rome, at the office of the Secretary of the Congregation of Indulgences, on the 4th of February, 1841.

(Signed) C. CASTRACANE, Prefect ;  
A. PRIMIVALLI.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who fly to thy protection.

Mary, refuge of sinners, pray for us.

Most Holy and Immaculate Heart of Mary, the most tender, the most compassionate of all hearts, be my consolation in all my tribulations, and my refuge at the hour of my death.

## ADMISSION.

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was received member of the Arch Confraternity established in the parochial church of Our Lady of Victories, at Paris, in honour of the Most Holy and Immaculate Heart of Mary, to implore the conversion of sinners, to participate in all the prayers and good works of the Arch Confraternity, and to enjoy all the graces, privileges, and indulgences, granted by Our Holy Father, the Pope, and expressed in his Apostolical Brief of the 24th April, 1838.

Remember, O most compassionate Virgin Mary, that from all ages, it is unheard of, that any one was forsaken, who, placing himself under thy maternal protection, implored thy assistance and besought thy prayers. Animated with the confidence which this inspires, I fly to thee, O Virgin of Virgins and Mother of my God ! and in the bitterness of my sorrow, I throw myself at thy feet. O Mother of the Eternal Word ! despise not my humble supplication, but listen, graciously, and mercifully grant the request, which I make from my heart I make thee. Amen.

## CLOTHING FUND.

Our readers are aware that for some years past, it has been the custom to distribute various articles of clothing at this inclement season of the year amongst our suffering poor. The Bishop was lately applied to in order that a day might be fixed for making an appeal to the parishioners on the subject. His Lordship has appointed to-morrow for that purpose, when the collections at all the Masses and at Vespers will be appropriated to the Clothing Fund, and when, it is earnestly hoped, our proverbially generous people will come forward with their usual spirit in the cause of humanity and religion. The times, no doubt, are not very prosperous ; provisions and fuel are unusually dear. But if this state of things press heavily even on those who have some means, what must not our poor be fated to suffer, if the hand of charity is not mercifully stretched forth for their relief ?

We are happy to state that preparations for this charitable work have already commenced, and are in active progress. During the last week several