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MESSENGER ITEMS.

Monday, December 3, feast of St. Francis Navier, the Apostle of the Indies, is, as all our Associates are aware, the fiftieth anniversary of the foundation of the League. No doubt all are auxious to celebrate that day in a manner that would be most agreeable to the Adorable Heart of Our Lord.

"Through the combined efforts of its two founders, Reverend Fathers Gautrelet and Ramière," writes Father Regnault, "the Apostleship of Prayer has been made to answer admirably a twofold Apostleship most dear to the heart of St. Francis Xavier—the conversion of souls throughout the world and the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary. Towards the middle of the sixteenth century, St. Francis Xavier directed the celebrated Father Calvi to apply himself heart and soul to this devotion and to become its indefatigable promoter."

"Already," our Director-General goes on to say, "the powerful Apostle of the Indies has obtained for us, in the pursuit of this end, extraordinary assistance; for this we must thank him; we must therefore pray to him and