

faith to believe in His love for you, to embrace it, to answer to it, to be ruled by it.

6. Pray for others, for those who are near and dear to you, for those who are careless and worldly, for the hard-hearted sinners, for those who do not think of God. Ask God to draw them back to Himself.

7. Pray for the Parish of St. James. What a change would come over us if we would but cry to God more to rouse us, to change us, to make us prize our blessings and love His service. Your prayers will do far more than all the sermons that were ever preached.

8. Add to your prayers for others words of persuasion. Try to bring others to church, to instruction, speak to them about the Easter Communion. What a blessed Easter will be yours if you can bring one with you to the Holy Feast.

9. Practise some self-denial. Our Lord both fasted Himself and teaches us to fast. True and deep sorrow for sin is sure to make us ready to say with the Psalmist, "I wept and chastened myself with fasting."

10. Increase your alms. The poor, the afflicted, the sick, the orphans, the mission work of the Church, call for our alms. Our Lord has joined fasting, prayer, and alms together. We must not separate them.

11. Read the Bible daily. Bring home to yourself that God speaks to you through His Word. Lift up your hearts with the old words "make me to know myself: make me to know Thee."

May God give you grace to turn these blessed days to the best account. Face to face with Him in these quiet days of Lent, learn to see what He is worth to your soul: learn to say "O God, Thou art my God. Whom have I in Heaven but Thee and what shall I desire on earth in comparison of Thee."

I have added two intercessory prayers for daily use.

I remain, your affectionate Pastor and Friend,

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PRAYER FOR THE PARISH:

Almighty and Everlasting God, who dost govern all things in Heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of us Thy servants and grant unto this parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and increase the faithful: visit and relieve the sick: turn and soften the wicked: rouse the careless: recover the fallen: restore the penitent: bless and keep the children: remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy truth: and bring all to be of one heart and mind within the fold of Thy holy Church: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS:

Almighty God we beseech Thee to hear our prayers for such as sin against Thee and neglect to serve Thee [especially——] that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to bestow upon them true repentance and an earnest longing for Thy service: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.