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for all Associates.*

The Tercentenary of Blessed Peter Canisius



THREE hundred years ago there died at Fri-
burg, Switzerland, an eminent man and
great saint, the Blessed Peter Canisius, on
whom the Holy See has bestowed the glori-
ous title of Apostle of Germany.

Scarcely had he breathed his last when
with one voice bishops, priests and laymen,
who had been witnesses of his work, loudly proclaimed that
if their fatherland were then not totally perverted by heresy
it was owing to his tireless zeal.

During his long career, Canisius, the missionary, the
preacher, the controversialist, the writer, the counsellor of
kings, of bishops and of popes, the founder of colleges and
of universities, and above all the priest eminently holy, had
struggled perseveringly against the rising flood of Lu-
theranism and had forced it back.