

have care of souls, that they may truly please Him, whose meat it was to do the will of the Father that sent him and finish his work, for the congregations committed to their charge, that the Lord would daily add saved ones to His Church.

For this let us pray as individuals, and as parishes, whenever we meet together in the Church, in the family and in the closet. Let us have for this one day in every week, so that every member of the Diocese, though separate in body, in heart and in spirit may meet together, and so claim the promise,—“Whatsoever two, &c.,” XVIII Mat., 19, 20. O for a more abiding, more convincing sense of obligation to our Lord and Master and only Saviour—coming from a deeper and more thorough knowledge of Him, to whom we owe all we have, and are and ever shall be. He loved us, and gave Himself for us, that we might give ourselves to Him. For us He lived and died, and revived that all should live to him.

We need to prove ourselves his—more prayer, more faith, more patience, more self-denying, self-forgetting, self-devotion, watching, waiting—looking for the coming of the day of the Son of God, and then though ours be not the chariot of fire, to convey us home, yet, “Absent from the body, we shall be present with the Lord.”