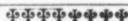




→ FATHER CARSON EXPLAINS ←

A dialogue on early and daily Communion for all.



RS. MARY went up the steps of the parochial residence with an air of excited determination, and rang the door bell with energy. She had a very positive way with her when anything was on her mind.

"Father Carson, please," said she to the smiling housekeeper.

"Tell him I wish to talk with him on something urgent—and important."

Father Carson smiled too, when he received the message.

"I think I can guess what that 'something' is," said he; "you'd better have the pile of books on my study-table convenient, to bring me, when I ring. I'm afraid Mrs. Mary is going to examine me in theology, ethics, and canon law this afternoon." And he went downstairs to the parlor.

"Well, Father Carson!" cried Mrs. Mary, "what is this that Bobby says you told him! That poor little mite to make his First Communion in May?"

"And why not, to be sure?" answered Father Carson, with provoking good-humor. "Isn't he turned seven