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FIVE-MINUTE'S SERMON. Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost.

confident reliance upon intercessory prayer ; priests and people each ask-

ing the other's prayers, each prom-

ising the other to remember them be

fore God, and both undoubtedly doing

If it is surprising to non-Catholics it ought not to be so, for the Christian re-

ligion is evidently a system of inter-cessory prayer. As it was the sublime divine office of our Lord to intercede

for all mankind, so it is also the duty

of every Christian to intercede for th

brethren, a loving duty which keeps

Catholics firmly and closely united in

That both doctrine and practice

were given up by that unlovely and unloving make believe Christianity called Protestantism, as that hereby

was obliged to do in denying the merit

of good works, is one of the chief rea sons for its disunion and division into

This intercessory prayer for others is

a spiritual, supersubstantial bread

given and taken by loving, charitable

one of the secrets of that strong, mu-

tual love between Catholic priests and

their devoted people, which outsiders see

but cannot explain. To pray earnestly for the spiritual needs of another, to

intercede with the divine justice for

the forgiveness of another ; this is the

"Pray for me" is as natural and or-

dinary a salutation as "Good morn-ing" or "Good night." The priests

like to be asked for their prayers, and

they, in turn, count upon the people's

prayers that they may have the grace

and strength to worthily fulfil their

people, exposed to all the strong temp

tations of the world, the flesh, and the

devil, if the priests were not all the

time lifting up their hands in supplica-

tion at the altar, lifting up the Divine

Victim, imploring forgiveness for

sinners, pity and mercy for the erring

and the lost, grace for the hardened

heart, comfort for those who suffer and mourn, help for the tempted and des-

pairing, restraints for those who are rushing blindly to their own destruc-

And be assured, dear brethren, that

What, indeed, would become of the

high and difficult vocation.

tion.

for us.

And this is what Catholics are love. And this is what Catholics are all the time doing for one another.

so with love and devotion.

the bonds of divine charity.

clashing and envious sects.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER.

"Brethren, we cease not to pray for you, that a may walk worthy of God." These are St Paul's words taken

from the Epistle of to day. It is just what every devoted priest might truly say to the people over whom he is apwinted the pastor. Among the many things, common enough among Catho lics, but which strike the unbeliever ott Street, with wonder and admiration, perhaps RONTO. that which impresses such persons the most deeply is our constant use of and Million and

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or. Don't work, don't study, don't think. None of these are easy. O, my

can earn an honest penny.

The Wonderful Blind Girl.

on, you have come into a hard world.

broke ; and then a whispering ripple OUR BOYS AND GIRLS. of faintest melody lingered a moment in the air, like the last murmur of a wind harp, and all was still. The boy A gentleman who employed a large number of men in his business, and who was Johann Wolfgang Mozart. had influence to secure positions else

#### CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN. where, received a letter from a boy ask T Lesson for Catholic Young Men. this letter the gentleman sent the fol

Many a Catholic young man begin ning life imagines that an open profes-sion of his religion will be an impediment to a successful career, remarks the Catholic Union and Times. Not only this, but he foolishly thinks that to insure worldly success he must become a Freemason or a member of privilege. He, the reputed Son of a

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I know of only one easy place in it, and that is the grave." The truth of the matter was that the Sprung from an uncompromising Catholic family, with brothers and sisters at the altar and in the cloister, Charles Russell began his public life with no apologies for his ancient faith and never a shame for the sign of the Cross. Nevertheless though Catholic and this myster as hame for the sign of the Cross. Nevertheless though Catholic and thus misself of the law in the British Isles; yea, even to the Lord Chief Justiceship of England. Here is a lesson for weakling Catholics to ponder. Let us hope it may impress them with the fact that manifiness and loyalty to conviction will always win; that if there be anything the American people despise it is cowardice; and that probily, ability and industry will assuredly, soon or late, reach the heights of the delectable mountains. **What Will You Make of Yourself ?** When some young men are asked? **Yourself ?** When some young men are asked? The wasser: I intend the splendidly endowed by the size and inducting the they answer: I intend that splendidly endowed by the size of the delectable mountains. boy was lazy. He was like a man we know of who is out of work. He has a family of little children, who need shoes, clothes and healthy food. Who pro-vides these articles? The father? No, indeed. He loafs around while the mother goes out to sew, or do housevork for the neighbors ; in fact, she is willing to do anything by which she The father says he is waiting for a certain man to

"find him a nice, easy job." The trouble is, he is naturally lazy, and beer drinking has made him more so. A wonderful pupil and a wonderful teacher are Helen Kellar and Miss Sul-livan, the intellect of one and the patient cleverness of the other having pre-

pared for the world's admiration young woman who, though blind and deaf, has successfully passed the exam hearts. In this practice is to be found ination for the Harvard annex ; and that at an age-sixteen years-far below the average of matriculates. Everyone has heard of this bright er, or a salesman, or whatever other

girl who has overcome so many obstacles in her education. When she calling they may have selected. But it has a higher meaning. When was eighteen months old she lost, man, he was mowing grass during through illness, the faculties of sight vacation from his studies for the purhighest and purest act of Christian and hearing and her articulation, conpose of earning money to pay his school bills. His companion-mower, interested in his bright talk, said : sequently, was very imperfect. By patient effort she has mastered her afflictions so far as to be able now to

inunciate perfectly and she speaks English, French and German fluently. -a preacher ?" 'That," answered James, in a play-At the Humason School in New York the learned lip-reading, for which she ful way, "is an unsolved problem. I have undertaken to make a man of uses her sensitive fingers, placing her thumb on the larynx of the speaker, myself. If I succeed, I may make something else afterwards ; if I don't er forefinger upon the lips, and her succeed, I shall not be fit for much any-

ransfiguring beauty of a glorious mo-

They Will Not Think.

Many have no clear and strong

pinions on public and private ques

ions because they will never take the

necessary amount of work to train

their minds so that they will think cor

rectly. Convictions on moral and re-ligious questions are born in earnest

and serious thought, and a man with-

out convictions is a man without force.

Many people are intellectually value-

and prepare themselves to think by

careful examination of religious and moral problems. The young man of

the future as well as of the presen

must be able to think out for himself

tory.

her middle finger at the side of the speaker's nose. By the vibration she way." With clear vision he sees that life is an understand perfectly what is being nly worth living it he can make himaid, and her own enunciation in reply self a man-a real man, having correct s as clear as the best speaker's. principles and a sturdy purpose, fulfil-ing the one great object of his crea-She is well read in history, mythology, biography and fiction of the best

tive.

lass, and her general education is of tion. The true form, then, of life's great | of true manliness worthy of their imihe very best, as is evidenced by the question is, not "What place do you mean to get, or in what 'stuff' do you xamination she has just passed. She will not, however, apply for admission mean to work, but what sort of a man the Harvard annex for a couple o years, on account of her youth. Her examination papers, which were type-written by her own hands, were passed to you mean to be ?" Get that question securely answered early in life. It saves time, prevents pon by Harvard examiners, who did waste of power, utilizes all the forces and drawbacks of life, subdues impati ot know whose papers they were or ence, inspires steadfast courage, and clothes monotonous duty with the

your priests need and count upon your prayers. Their life, at best, is a hard hat the writer lacked any of her one, full of trial and hardship ; but the enses, and were pronounced entirely knowledge that those for whom they labor are interceding for them gives satisfactory. them courage and most sweet consola-

#### A Boy Who Became Famous.

tion. None know better than they how A boy, only six years old, was sailing with his father down the Danube. All day long they had been sailing past crumbling ruins, frowning castles.

precious your loving prayers are held to be in the sight of our all merciful and compassionate God. If they were deprived of the help of loisters hid away among the crags towering cliffs, quiet villages nestled your prayers they would have good in sunny valleys, and here and there a reason, indeed, to fear. It is so easy deep gorge that opened back from the to fall short of the high vocation to gliding river, its hollow distance blue which they are called. Their duties with fathomless shadow, and its loneliare so onerous, and their responsibili ness and stillness stirred the boy's heart like one dim and vast cathedral. hy you But it ties are so great ! prayers that their sins are forgiven, They stopped at night at a cloister, and the father took little Wolfgang their graces increased, their tempta tions overcome, their spiritual enemies into the chapel to see the organ. It driven off, their hours of sadness comwas the first organ he had ever seen, forted, and their bed of death and his face let up with delight and smoothed. every motion and attitude of his figure See, too, what heavenly comfort we expressed a wonderful reverence. "Father," said the boy, "let me play!" Well pleased, the father com have in the constant intercession we make for our beloved departed ones. Death separates us in body, but not in spirit. We reach them by the power plied. Then Wolfgang pushed aside the stool, and when his father had filled the great bellows, the elfin of intercessory prayer, their souls are still near to us, they are still numbered organist stood upon the pedals. How among the great assembly who worship the Lamb of God who taketh away the the deep tones woke the sombre still-ness of the old church ! The organ The organ sins of the world, for ever interceding seemed some great uncouth creature, roaring for very joy at the caresses of the marvelous child. Learn, dear brethren, to esteem this truly divine privilege, by virtue of which we become powerful advocates in union with our Lord for the salva. The monks eating their supper in the refectory, heard it and dropped knife and fork in astonishment. The tion of our brethren. Intercede for the living ; intercede for the dead. organist of the brotherhood was not among them, but he had never played Pray for yourselves, but pray much for with such power. They listened ; some others, for so will you show that you crossed themselves, till the prior rose are filled with that charity of Christ, up and hastened into the chapel. who prayed and died not for His own The others followed ; but, when they sake, but for the sake of those who, looked up into the organ loft, lo whether friends or enemies, would there was no organist to be seen, never otherwise have been saved. though the deep tones still massed themselves in new harmonies, and A Benedictine's Legacy. made the stone arches thrill with their

How forcibly the brilliant career of Contract of His brow at the carpenter's bench in Contract of His brow at the carpenter's bench in Grant the altar and in the cloister, Charles whether peer or peasant, who shirked has his balance. Since the altar and the altar and in the cloister, Charles whether peer or peasant, who shirked has his balance. The reason is obvious. He who halts to croak loses his place in the procession of program of the public at large, says a writer in the altar and in the cloister, Charles whether peer or peasant, who shirked has his balance. Since the altar and the altar and in the cloister, Charles whether peer or peasant, who shirked has his balance. Since the altar and the since the cloister of the public at large, says a writer in the since the since the force the cloister of the cloister of

What Will you same of varies of easily disposed, more easily tempted to bane of fraternal and social organiza-this question, they answer: I intend indolence and idleness than some other tions. In the business world he be-comes the terror of men with clever easily disposed, more easily tempted to bane of fraternal and social organiza-

to be a merchant, or a book-keeper, or a mechanic, or a farmer, or a teach-er, or a salesman, or whatever other robe of idleness, which, like a canker, robe of idleness, which like a canker, robe of idleness, whi might blight their fairest hopes. But source of distrust and carping critic-But it has a higher meaning. When recreation, let them remember, was ism. Wherever he goes he is a bore not idleness, but another form of work ; and a nuisance. Nowhere is his apand in their games they would find the pearance more dreaded, and justly, than among those who propose or are promoting a movement for charity or very best recreation. On the football ground and in the cricket field not hool bills. His companion-mower, hool bills. His companion-mower, eye, swiftness of foot and agility of "Well, what are you going to make" imb, but, what was even more valu-timb, but, what was even more valufor the common cause of happiness and on any cheerful enterprise projected. able for them, they would learn within these narrow limits, lessons full of moral worth for the wider spheres for which they were preparing. For ex-to bar the doors resolutely against which they were preparing. For ex-to bar the doors resolutely against ample, there they would be taught the strength of union, the love of fair play, considerateness for others, and what considerateness for others, and what ash, is peaking, such complacency was indeed of even more value than these, there they would learn to turn defeat into fresh stimulus towards vic-tory. had just merged he (Father Vaughap) had set before them the one true type inflict his presence. All our readers

this portrait to the original, but how says : tation ; that type was furnished by the human character of our Divine Lord, about the croakers themselves? It is so easy to fall into the way of Jesus Christ. Do not say it is too of alted for our imitation, for as John Paul Richter had reminded them, Paul Richter be, that you are ;" croaking, if one is not constantly on guard against this enemy of whole-some mentality? To listen to the Jesus Christ. Do not say it is too ex or such is the force of will, joined to for such is the force of will, joined to the Supreme Will, that whatever we false assurance that our failures are long drill will be instituted and a band wish to be, seriously, and with true in-tention, that we become. "You, my boys," the preacher went on to say, boys, the preacher went on to say, perfectly well that want of application "wish to become men, Christian, Cath-olic men. Keep, then, steadily before your gaze, like an artist before his methods of enlisting in the ranks of methods of enlisting in the ranks of Provident Fund Such series barbar masterpiece which he wishes to trans-wretched pessimists. To become a provident Fand. Such savings banks fer to his canvas, the picture of Christ full fledged recruit we must begin by those who frequent the various your Model, and according to the meas- being utterly dishonest with ourselves.

that of a single croaker. The reason HOLD FAST BY THE BOYS.

Spiritual and Actual Building up on

the Churenes. One of the most difficult problems to solve in parochial work is how to save our boys—I say boys, and not young mon. Our boys leaving school at the age of fourteen or fifteen and seeking employment are exposed to many temptations, and many of them very soon cease to practice their religion. This is a stubborn fact that experience teaches to every observant mind. These boys do not exactly lose their faith, but they grow lukewarm and are in constant danger of losing it sooner or later. The only feasible means of prolonging and extending the good school influence seems to be in organizations of some kind. We have clubs and societies for our young men, but we ought to have the same for our boys ; and it may not be amiss just here to suggest that our young men could engage in no better work than interesting themselves in the boys, who, if properly looked after, will soon be available candidates for young men's societies. This matter has been taken hold of in New York, and Archbishop Corrigan, in approv-

ing the movement, says : " "I think your project of establish-ing 'Catholic Boys' Clubs' will do great good to our young boys at the very period of their life in which assistance is most needed. Hitherto our Catholic boys, after leaving school and before attaining manhood, have been left to shift for themselves, and experience proves that a very large number of them drift into organiza. tions in which their faith has been imperilled, and in consequence of which they themselves have become lukewarm, if not entirely neglectful, in the

will readily recognize the fidelity of says:

"The projectors have acted prudently in keeping down expenses, and It is so easy to fall into the way of croaking, if one is not constantly on A reading-room with books, magazines and papers, is one of the feattempfer who beguiles our vanity with ures. Another is the gymnasium those who frequent the various working boys' and girls' clubs which your Model, and according to the meas-ure of Grace accorded to you, weave into the very fibre of your being the fine traits of character which you will find in Him, the tenderness of His purity, the with the spotlessness of His purity, the sweetness of His mercy; the sternness of His principles with the loveliness of His tact, and last, not least, His love of work. Who was in labor from His



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the aisle. "It is a miracle," said another. tered the Catholic priesthood, has jus the personality being valued at £33, 648. Mr. New, who resided privately at Kensington, became a priest very late in life, and on account of his wide legal experience and sound judgment the personality being valued at £88, legal experience and sound judgment became one of the most trusted advis-

been proved by his son (also a pri-

his position on all moral questions His actions will be regulated by hi convictions, and his convictions will come by clear and vigorous thinking. The battle of the future is one of Ideas and its victories will be won by those who are able to put ideas into action by means of noble lives.

because they will not think

A Spur to Higher Endeavor.

Emerson said : " The chief want in ife is somebody who shall make us do he best we can.

The Very Rev. Bernard Vaughan, S. J., a brother of the Cardinal-Arch-bishop of Westminster, lately delivered a series of addresses to the students of Clongowes Wood College, the last of which is so appropriate for this depart-ment, that it is here inserted. Read it. Read it to the very end :

The Victory of Life.

In the course of his instruction Father Vaughan reminded his hearers that the earth was created for the serv ice of man's body, the body for the service of man's soul, and the soul for

the service of man's God. It was only by bringing his soul into subjection t God's will that man could subdue hi ody into subjection to his own wil It was the obedient man who "spoke But when the boldest of them mounted the stairs to the organ loft, he stood as if petrified with amazement. There that there was a universal law pressing little hands, gathering handfuls of of life: it was the law of labor. From

His tact, and last, not least, his love of a linear active of a linear youth. Made in the image and like-ness of God, if only you will make use of the meaus furnished you by God in His Church, you will as surely, as casily, be able to become the saviors of your souls and the saviors of your country. Remember that the Church of God, with its doctrines, the sacra-ments, its devotions, has been set up for this very special purpose to enable us, as I have said, easily and surely to become other Christs, to bring us nearer and to make us dearer to Him. Lifelong — never forget this — that as

Lifelong — never forget this — that as followers and imitators of the Crucified, you are not to measure success or fail-ure in life by the position which you

nay or may not earn here, but by the place which you will win hereafter achieved first rank among the great ones in their chosen field of endeavor. It were useless to enumerate them. The roster of our foremost statesmen, wightheria, faver and epidemics is given by Hood's Sarsaparilla. It makes Pure Blood and it may console you not a little when you have deserved success and have not met it, to bear in mind that it was when Christ was hanging on the cursed tree that He shot back with His scientists and men of affairs consists almost exclusively of men of self cul-ture and self-elevation. There is not on the whole list of cherished names uplifted hand the golden bars of the olden gate ever open to welcome His

true followers ; and forget not it was while the devils of hell yelled out "Failure" that the angels of heaven should "Victory" and the Lord of Life cried out with a loud voice, "I have done the work Thou gavest me to do. It is finished."

Others have found health, vigor and vital-ity in Hool's Sarsaparilla, and it surely has power to help yoù also. Why not try it? No person should go from home without a botle of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cor-botle of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery cor-

became one of the most trusted advis ers of the late and present Cardinal Archbishops of Westminster. His property is left absolutely to his son, who is a member of the Benediction order. A Prominent Lawyer Says: <sup>(1)</sup> Thave eight children, every one in good health, not one of whom but has taken Scott's Emulsion, in which my wife has boundless

amples of what the brightest minds that cultivation. The brightest minds that adorn the pages of our glorious history were possessed by men whose career began under apparently insuperable disadvantages. Born in poverty, reared in obscurity and toil, they rose above their surroundings by dint of above their surroundings by dint of indomitable will-force, until they indomitable sure the great

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