

Pontiff. Once they have entered, at the close of a retreat or triduum, and made the promises, an occasional meeting—five times a year will be absolutely sufficient—and the communions duly announced and prepared, will maintain their fervor. The meetings will serve as an occasion to exhort the members to the sacraments and to enlighten them on Catholic principles by a lecture, a debate, by a reading from a Catholic weekly or review on a question of actual interest, or by a familiar conversation.

For the communions the day and hour are duly announced, the confessional is reserved for the men the evening previous and the morning itself, the help of one of the neighboring clergymen is procured. What most of all helps on men's associations is the interest shown for them by the priest, and a prompt and punctual attention to carry out everything decided upon. Soon the officers and prominent members catch the spirit of zeal and enthusiasm from the Director, by them it is infused into the whole association, and, with such a power at his command, what cannot the pastor of souls accomplish?