

Book Notices.

COMMUNION DAY, by Rev. M. Russell, S. J. is a devotional book of practical reflections on Communion. It contains some very edifying and instructive chapters calculated to be used in devotion before and after Communion. Benziger Bros. New York, have published the work in a style at once becoming and convenient, \$ 0.60.

THE PRINCESS OF POVERTY, by Rev. Father Marianus, O. M. Cap. is a work which all lovers of the great Franciscan order will gladly welcome. It portrays in a very unique and attractive way the life of St. Clare. Our people should know more about this great servant of God, who sacrificed her high rank, great wealth, and turned aside from the most alluring temptations to enter the gayeties of the world, in order that she might take up her cross and follow Christ in the narrow way. One cannot read of the marvelous manner in which divine grace led her, along the thorny path of mortification and poverty to the heights of celestial beatitude, without realizing the power of the human soul, when once given to God, over all the passions and evil tendencies of nature.

Aside from the value of the book itself, there is a worthy charity connected with it which ought to appeal to all who desire to see the Christ-like spirit of St. Francis of Assisi, and his devoted daughter, St. Clare, fostered in this age when it is so much needed. The proceeds arising from the sale of the book will be devoted to paying off a debt on the Monastery of the Poor Clares, at Evansville, Indiana. Orders for the book may be sent to St. Mary's Rectory, 609 Cherry St., Evansville, Indiana.

THE LIFE OF CHRIST, by Rev. Walter Elliot, C. S. P. is a work of priceless value. Perhaps it may be truthfully said that no life of Our Savior has ever appeared that has given so much satisfaction as the one under consideration. Father Elliot undertook a good work and he has done it well. When the reader comes to the last page of the book, he feels conscious of having undergone an unusual influence. It brings the mind into the closest touch with Christ and His Apostles. One can easily see that it has been written with the truest feeling and sympathy. We consider it one of the most valuable productions of late of the Catholic press. The price of the book is \$ 1.00. Catholic Book Exchange, 120 West 60th Street, New-York.

A MOTHER'S prayer, silent and gentle, can never miss the road to the throne of God.

WHEN the secret of a blessed life is made plain to us, we see that each one must learn it for himself.

THE man who is fond of books is usually a man of lofty thought and of elevated opinions.