

CHATS WITH YOUNG MEN

PRAISE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

More than the Angels round God's throne above, More than the holy ones filled with His love. More than the creatures on earth by God sent, Be the praises of Jesus in the sweet Sacrament.

which fall upon them, faithfully and to the best of their ability, all would be successful. One of the greatest assets in a young man's life is character, and it requires character to be a success.—The Pilot.

TRUTH AND SINCERITY

The highest compliment that can be bestowed on a man is to say of him that he is a man of his word; and the greatest reproach that can be bestowed on a man is to assert that he has no regard for the virtue of veracity. Truth is the golden coin with God's image stamped upon it, that circulates among men of all nations and tribes and peoples and tongues; its standard value never changes or depreciates.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

A HYMN TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Hear the Heart of Jesus pleading: "Come and sweetly rest in Me, With a peace and joy exceeding, Meek and humble ever be; In My Heart serene and holy, All your selfish cares resign, — Dearest Jesus! meek and lowly, Make, oh! make our hearts like Thine!

Love the Sacred Heart, and that love will pass into the Beatific Vision; for charity is eternal, and the love of the Sacred Heart is the union of our faint, weak charity with the fervent charity, divine and human, of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Do not think that the science of the Sacred Heart is too deep for you. It is the science of the poor and the science of the little child; they, by an infused light and by an implicit knowledge, know the Sacred Heart even more perfectly and more precisely than the cultivated intellect which, in its cultivation, is cold.

Make yourselves, then, disciples of His Sacred Heart. Learn to love and to be like it; and in the measure in which you are like it you will know it; and in the measure in which you know it, you will love it; and it will be in you as rest and sweetness and light and strength.

To a holy woman, Blessed Juliana of Falconeri, belongs the honor of first proposing this feast-day to the Church. In the year 1230 this holy nun in a vision was inspired to propose this feast, which later on was accepted and promulgated by the Church as a day of universal observance.

The Body of Christ,—this is the meaning of the words, Corpus Christi, "Panis vivus et vitalis," "the living and life giving Bread" is the graphic phrase coined by St. Thomas Aquinas, the poet of the Blessed Sacrament, in his immortal hymn composed in honor of the Mass and Office of Corpus Christi.

The Living Bread, that glows with the life of Our Divine Lord, under the sacramental species, and the Life Giving Bread that brings life to men's souls that they may live forever, is the object of our adoration on this high and holy day of devotion.

Coming in the month of June, when nature gives those rare days of blue sky and radiant sunshine, Corpus Christi is generally observed with a procession out of doors. This procession has been from earliest times the central feature of the Corpus Christi ceremonial. It typifies the victorious march of the multitudes of all nations and tribes, and peoples and tongues, who firm in their faith in the Blessed Eucharist have burned with the desire to testify that faith before all mankind by walking in solemn procession before the Sacred Host.

Thoughts of love and longing fill the mind, and tender memories glow within the heart at sight of these Corpus Christi processions. The triumphant banners borne aloft, the rising mists of incense, the flower strewn pathway, the little children gaily and gladly singing sweet hymns to Jesus, and the priest

in golden vestments bearing aloft the Monstrance that enfolds the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, appeal irresistibly to the heart of faith.

We think of the many thousands who have walked in such processions before, and who are now chanting honor and praise and thanksgiving and honor to the Lamb enthroned on high. Or we may transport ourselves in spirit to the shrine of Our Lady at Lourdes and ponder on the same scene of a grander scale that is being reproduced in that famous grotto, with the same concomitants and the same central idea, to give vivid outward expression to interior faith.

The old hymn of the Church "Panis vivus et vitalis," "the living and the life-giving bread," should be our inspiration through life. For life is one long procession after the Blessed Sacrament. The Good Shepherd Who leads us, His flock, has compassion on the multitude. He is ever ready to feed us with His Living Bread, in the weary wilderness of this sad world.

How sordid seems the world when we behold this passing glimpse of Heaven. Our own little lives, so filled with the little things that we think great, takes on a new and wonderful meaning, as we contemplate the infinite goodness of God and the tender pity of His Blessed Mother. It is a sad world, but there is comfort in the knowledge that the sorrow, suffering, and pain of this world will pass away into the glorious light of eternity.

Thus does the Corpus Christi lesson impress itself upon us, gliding our drab lives with a passing glint of glory, lifting us upward and onward with consolation unsurpassed and strength indomitable by virtue of the infallible promise it exhales from the fragrance of its beauty and its truth: "I am the Bread of Life. He that eateth of Me shall live by Me," and "If any man eat of this Bread, he shall live forever."—The Pilot.

Although the Union is only a few years old, it has the most powerful support in many countries. Cardinal Mercier, venerable and beloved Belgian prelate, has just accepted honorary membership on the Central Board. He is the tenth Cardinal to join the Board. The Holy See gave its approbation some time ago.

At the same time that Father Kreuter's appointment was announced, there also was given out the naming of Floyd Keeler, who is well known among American Catholics, as field secretary of the Union in the United States. Mr. Keeler has had wide experience as the first field secretary of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade, and as the promoter of several mission enterprises. His efforts will be directed toward enlisting the interest of the American Catholics of both the Latin and Eastern rites in this work, which is close to the heart of the Holy See.

Means which the Union is using to accomplish its purpose are the education of priests to labor among the separated Christians of Russia and the Near East; the circulation of literature, and the affording of temporal relief to stricken communities. This work, it is pointed out, will be an effective counter-offensive against "red" propaganda, in addition to its purely religious aspects. Already the Russians are looking longingly toward reunion with Rome, says the head of the Union.

Chicago, Ill.—Sixty Catholic students were included in the students commended for scholarship at the Honors Day Convocation just held at the University of Illinois.

Thirteen of the sixty were commended for superior scholarship and the remainder for high scholarship. The superior group is made up of the highest three per cent. of the four classes and the high group of the highest ten per cent.

One Catholic student, R. A. Jascovick, of La Salle, Ill., a senior in the College of Engineering, is one of the fourteen students whose names were placed on a bronze tablet in the university auditorium for sustained excellence in scholarship during the junior and senior years.

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