

Editorial Notes.

Eastertide is drawing to a close. Real devotion to the Blessed Virgin will draw many men yet to make their peace with God.

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The Hospice is open to guests. Kindly induce all your friends to stay at the Hospice during their sojourn at the Falls.

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Decoration Day should remind all Catholics to remember the dead by having the Holy Sacrifice offered up for the departed and by prayers and good works.

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The feast of Corpus Christi is such a day of joy, for we rejoice that Jesus is really and truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration, love and thank-givings and glory for ever to Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Sacrament.

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The greed of the trust is forcing thousands to abstain from meat. We Catholics voluntarily keep the days of abstinence in memory of our Saviour's Passion. Not legislation, but the practice of virtues, as taught by Christ, can save the State, the family and the individual.

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Pentecost, the day on which the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles, awakens in our souls adoration and love to the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity, the spirit of love, the comforter. We should make novenas of prayers, works of penance and good works of mercy, so that the Holy Spirit may come into our hearts.

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The month of May is fruitful in the good works of all the true children of our Most Mother Mary. Loving hands adorn her altars; loving hearts in touch with the bloom of nature and the songs of nature, proclaim the beauties and glories of Our Blessed Queen. The flowers of the field, arrayed in beauty, speak of the beauties of our Lady, and should not we, who are clothed in her own garment from her own hands, should not we show that our love to Mary is sincere by imi-

tating her virtues. The more we think of Our Blessed Lady, the more we exercise acts of devotion in her honor, the more will we be drawn as good children to think, to speak, to act, to live and to die as our Mother did,—living and dying in the love of Jesus. In May we ought to increase our life-long love to Mary, the most beautiful and loving Virgin Mother.

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We shall pray for our Holy Father, Leo XIII, that God may preserve him to us.

Let us pray.—O, Almighty, eternal God, dignity of the priesthood and author of royalty, bestow on thy servant Leo, our Pontiff, grace to govern thy Church with fruit, in order that, constituted and crowned by Thy mercy, Father of Kings and Guide of all the faithful, all things, by the help of Thy providence may be duly governed; through Jesus Christ our Lord.—Amen.

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During the month, our hearts are elevated by the thought of the Ascension of our Divine Saviour into Heaven. He tells us that He is preparing a mansion, a throne, for each one of us in Heaven. How beautiful and magnificent must be the throne prepared for us, the joys for soul and body, and for ever and ever; and we, if we would follow Christ, let us take up our cross daily and follow Him. Avoid sin, deny natural cravings, practice virtues of our state; ask and it shall be given to us to persevere and reach never-ending beauties, joys and happiness.

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Indulgences for May.

Pius VII granted to all the faithful who, either in public or in private, shall honor the Blessed Virgin with some special homage and devout prayers, or the practice of other virtuous acts —

An indulgence of 300 days, every day; a plenary indulgence, once in this month, on the day being truly penitent, after Confession and Communion, they shall pray for the intenyon of His Holiness,

The New Raccolta.