

standing at the lectern, chant alternately with the organ choir. At 10 o'clock the closing exercises take place in the Basilica. Rvd Father Rector ascends into the pulpit, blesses the articles of devotion, preaches an appropriate sermon; then follow the benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and veneration of the relics of Good St Anne. At noon the worthy pilgrims left for their distant homes.

Whence will come the first organized pilgrimage of the 20th century?

Happily, O Good St Anne, thou hast access to an inexhaustible treasury! Thou continuest to distribute to thy children faith and all the Christian virtues, health of the body and temporal riches. If ever — which God forbid — we should cease to pray to thee, never cease to protect us. Bless us, keep us from sin, make us obedient to our mother, Holy Church; show us the path of true happiness; obtain for us the grace of graces: the gift of final perseverance and a holy death.

Good St Anne, Mother of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, Grand mother of Jesus-Christ, Patroness and Protectress of the Canadians, we bless thee, we glorify thee, we love thee, we thank thee for all the favors granted in our shrine of Beaupré during the century that is about to end. We hope that the 20th will witness a growth and multiplication of the marvels that have made thy name celebrated throughout the whole world and which have opened heaven to thousands of souls.

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A tribute to the Christian Brothers

The London Times pays the following tribute to the sons of St John Baptist de la Salle and their methods:

« The distinctive features of the teaching of the Christian Brothers are its practicability and adaptability to circumstances. While the character of the education is mainly such as we call elementary and middle class, at its best it is not surpassed by the most advanced Realschulen in Germany, and certainly not equaled all round by the most advanced middle class schools in the country (England) * * * The precision and intelligence shown by the Brothers in adapting their education to the special circumstances of the pupils are unsurpassed. * * * Although in some of its characteristics the system may not commend itself to robust English Protestantism, there can be no doubt that, so far as real education goes, the Brotherhood, as a whole, are not surpassed, and in a few cases equaled, as educationalists. »