

Current Events



Month of the Sacred Heart.— The month of June, consecrated to the adorable Heart of Jesus, is always celebrated in our Basilica with great devotion.

Every evening, at 6 o'clock, the bell summons the faithful. The rosary is recited, and then a few edifying words in honor of the Heart of Jesus are pronounced. Finally, the benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is given.



First Communion. — The 5th of June 1898 is a date that will long remain engraved in the hearts of our children. In fact 47 of them : 27 boys and 20 girls, on that day received in their hearts for the first time, the divine Host of our Tabernacles. They had been carefully prepared by a series of lessons on the Catechism, and by a retreat under the direction of Rev. Father Lamontagne.

In the afternoon, took place the touching ceremony of the Renewal of the baptismal vows, and the consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Napoleon I, the Emperor of the French, when he had attained the summit of his glory, did not hesitate to say that the day of his first Communion was the finest day of his life. Every good Christian, I believe, feels the same thing in his mind. That day leaves in the heart such deep and such sweet emotions that one ever remembers it.



Corpus Christi.— In Canada this great Festival is celebrated on the following Sunday. At Ste-Anne, as in all the other parishes, we made as rich a display as possible in honor of Jesus in the Sacrament. Is he not the King of kings? Is it not Jesus who passes like a King in his kingdom to take possession not only of our dwellings and of our persons, but above