

FIVE-MINUTE SERMONS FOR EARLY MASSES

By the Paullist Fathers. Preached in their Church of St. Paul the Apostle, Fifty-ninth Street and Ninth Avenue, New York.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."—Matthew, v. 2.

All Saints' Day is a solemn and glorious festival for all heaven as well as for all the world; for to-day God is praised, and the great salvation by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ magnified and lauded by a common, universal act of holy congratulation and worship between all the saints, that is, among all souls that are united to God in the Communion of Saints, whether in the Church Triumphant, in the Church Suffering, or in the Church Militant.

It seems to me that none but Catholics believe in heaven, the eternal home of the saints after death, because they alone appear to understand what a saint is, as the Church has proved herself to be the only power which has been able to educate and canonize one.

Yes, all we can know of heaven is, that it is the reward, the everlasting life, the new and divine state of being which the saints enter into and enjoy when they have left this world; that is, when they die in the Church Militant and rise in glory in the Church Triumphant. If any Christian, then, or so-called Christian, fancies he can meditate about heaven, and hopes to get there without knowing what a saint is, and without striving to be as near one as he can, he is simply deceiving himself. I fear that the kind of place some people think would be good enough heaven for them, if we are to judge by the way they live, is in fact not much above what the state of hell really is. Many are the souls who ought to have been saints, and are damned because they were unfaithful to the vocation God gave them, and too sensual to make the necessary sacrifices that such a vocation demanded. What kind of a heaven, for instance, do you think the many intelligent Protestants we meet with every day will likely get, who know they ought to become Catholics to save their souls, and are yet afraid to take the step? I stand by the Catholic faith, and cheer their consciences with the false doctrine that no real sacrifices are demanded of them, because God will be more glorified if they leave all to Him and do nothing themselves! And yet these people, and a good many Catholics, too, are living just such lives, and in their deaths they will not be divided.

And now do you say—Oh, Father, tell us, then, what a saint is, that we may be sure we are not all wrong, but may have some hope of imitating such, and to join the company of the glorified ones in heaven when we die! I answer, a saint is one who does everything he feels that God wants him to do, and carefully gives up and avoids everything that he feels is not pleasing to God. Apply that to yourself. God does not want the same thing of everybody, nor require all to make the same sacrifices. So that, as a fact, there are all kinds of saints, as we know. But in what He does require He demands that one should aim at doing it perfectly. "Be ye perfect, as your Heavenly Father is perfect," said our Lord. Be perfectly honest, be perfectly pure, be perfectly sober, be perfectly charitable, be perfectly obedient to the laws of God and man, be perfectly humble, be perfectly free from loving money or other riches.

Don't let me hear you say again that you are "a man of the world and must live in it" as an excuse for the wretched apology for a Christian life you lead. You know that is a lie. You are a man, and a Christian man of the kingdom of God and of His saints, and that is the kind of a place you live in; and must square your life accordingly, or you will never see the kingdom of God and of His saints in glory, which is Heaven, when you die. In the Gospel our Lord pronounces the eight Beatitudes. Think on them, and if you do not know them by heart, take out your Bible when you go home and read them at the beginning of the fifth chapter of St. Matthew's Gospel. So live that you will merit to be one of those our Lord declares to be "Blessed," and you will surely be a saint.

UNDER THE GALLOWES!

FRIGHTFUL CONDEMNATION OF A MOTHER BY HER SON—WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Not long ago a weeping mother called to bid good bye to her only son who was soon to be executed.

"Woman," he exclaimed in a momentary frenzy, "Woman, I would never have been here had you done your duty to me when I was young!"

This was a terrible parting! It horrified the spectators, it nearly crazed the conscience-stricken mother.

One can scarcely overestimate the mother's influence in the moulding of the character of her offspring. But how often, oh, how often, do mothers seem to ignore this responsibility!

During a recent trip on the rail the writer made the acquaintance of Dr. A. J. Benedict, of Sackett's Harbor, N. Y., a person who has made a study of human development. Referring to the murder-ous tendency of the times, we asked that eminent man if the outlook was not discouraging!

"It looks so," he said, "but I fancy we have a cause and the remedy for such evils. In my professional career I have found by hard study that we have emerged from savagery by development of the nervous system and the intellectual life, and we return to savagery as we ignore the fact that without the solid, trustworthy nervous system, we cannot hope to save the race. Boys stuff dime novels, and the pistol is to them the only respectably glorious instrument to secure fame. Women read trashy literature and straightway try to murder their husbands and friends by poison. Business men yield to the tempter, and forge and steal and default. On every side we see the weakness of personal integrity."

"Do you regard it as a disease?"

"More especially as the result of disease which, however, may be prevented."

"Please define how."

"I cannot now enter into details. Our people can see their bodies, their blood, their bones. They never see their nerves and consequently many do not suppose they have any. The farmer's wife rejoices in a big, physical frame, and yet she dies prematurely. The nerve cannot stand the strain of continual work. The minister falls dead in his pulpit, but he never did a day's physical work in his life. The lawyer faints in the presence of the court and is soon a wreck or a corpse, and yet the work is nerve work. The man of affairs is overcome with apoplexy; the politician and publicist, with Bright's disease. The mind of the untutored man is fired by the exploits of crime and he longs for such fame. These persons overwork or over-excite the nervous system, and this fact kills or demoralizes them."

"If all this be so how would you rectify it then?"

"Let me tell you. A few years ago I had a lady patient who was an utter wreck. She was the mother of several children. She lost her mind and imagined she was cursed of God. She was a farmer's wife, and worked early and late. I never saw a finer specimen of physical womanhood than she, but she was a nervous wreck! She became bloodless, had the very worst of female disorders and was in the last stages of albuminuria or Bright's disease. This latter disease works particular havoc with the nervous system and produces insanity and despair. She was insane and desperate and I fear tainted the blood of her offspring with these terrible tendencies. I treated her for several years. One by one the standard remedies of the schools failed, but I finally cured her with Warner's safe cure, and she is to-day strong and well. Yet thousands of women like her, every year bring ill-formed and criminally-inclined children into the world. Is it any wonder that nervous diseases prevail and that the whole moral sense is demoralized? If that remedy were generally used, we would have stronger mothers, stronger children, stronger men and women, and with perfect physical and mental health, crime would decrease and society be more secure."

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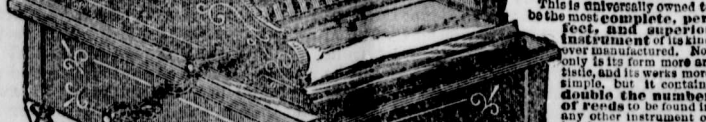
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