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It is far better—in fact, it is necessary if one would attain success—to bring them to a clear and appreciative knowledge of the one great central truth, which is that the Blessed Sacrament is Christ Himself, really and personally present, with His Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity—in a word, with His glorified, living, conscious Body under the appearance of Bread. The Blessed Sacrament is Jesus Christ veiled from our view by the appearance of bread.

After the children have been brought to clear knowledge of this fact it will be found easy and pleasant to instruct them in the other doctrines of the Holy Eucharist which, as Catholics, they should know and believe and realize. Then almost instinctively they will know and feel as a certainty that the Catholic Church is in very deed the Temple and Home of Christ, Who dwells in its Tabernacle, offers Himself in sacrifice on its Altar, and comes into our souls whenever we receive the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Communion.

To the minds of these little ones, who are so intensely actuated by that faith which they have received from the Holy Ghost through the Sacrament of Baptism, God often reveals truths most sublime and beautiful which are hidden from the eyes of the great and learned and proud. This is particularly so of those truths which relate to the Blessed Sacrament. Christ loves to manifest Himself to the little children. Hence the Priest (also parents and all those who have charge of children) who is instructing the children of his parish to know the Blessed Sacrament need have no fear. Christ will surely be with him to direct his effort, to bless his work, and to grant him a success which is beyond all expectation.

REV. PATRICK J. SLOAN.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS

Deceased Members

Pembrooke : Miss Mary A. O'Brien. — Pullman, Ill : Rev. Sister M. Françoise. — Flowers Cove, N. F. : Mrs. Teresa B. Walsh.

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