#### FIVE-MINUTE SERMON

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOW TO HELP OTHERS

At first sight, my brethen, this may appear to us a rather difficult way of fulfilling the law of Christ. We think, and very often express the thought, that our own burdens are already heavy enough; but to bear, over and above these, the burdens of others would seemingly make life unendurable, and that it would apply rather to the Apostle's heroic age than to ours. Such, I say, might be our first thought in regard to these words; but it does not need much reflection to see that such is not the meaning of the Apostle, and that his command is a much applicaand that his command is as much applic-

and that his command is as much applicable in our time as it was in his.

We who are Catholics profess, in words at least, to be fulfilling the law of Christ; but, unfortunately, our works are too often tainted by the spirit of the world, and that spirit is selfish. It bids each one consider simply himself, Never mind your neighbor, it says; he must fight his own battle, and if he is weak and unable to do it, let him go under. Such is the way the world acts, under. Such is the way the world acts, and we but too often follow it, and the fruits of it can be seen in the countless burdens that men have to bear to day, and that their neighbors allow them to and that their neighbors allow them to bear, because they do not have the Christian spirit, and do not undertake Christian spirit, and do not undertake in the right way, the way pointed out by the Apostle, to help them. Who does not see that the Christian spirit bids us help, with both sympathy and money and other goods of this world, those multitudes of unfortunates whom the world despises, but who are the true friends of Jesus Christ?

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friends of Jesus Christ?

But it was not so much of the burdens of this life that the Apostle was speaking. He had in mind, as is evident from the context, a far worse burden, one that causes much more suffering than any temporal loss, and that is the burden of sin. "Bear ye one another's burden's." How can we help others to bear their burdens of sin? How can we lighten it or free them from it altogether? bear their burdens of sin? How can we lighten it or free them from it altogether? My brethren, it is easy enough. Have you never, in a time of great sorrow, felt the consolation that came to you from the loving words of some friend? He did not say much, perhaps, but you knew his words came from the heart; that he sympathized with you, and, even as he spoke, the weight seemed lifted from you. He had helped you bear your burden, and his words of consolation had lightened, and, perhaps, entering the service of the your burden, and his words of the tion had lightened, and, perhaps, ention had lightened, and, perhaps, en-

tirely taken away your sorrow.

Thus might we help others bear their burden of sin by kind, cheering words, by words of encouragement and hope. Who can tell how much good we hope. Who can tell how much good we might thus do? Who can tell how many lives that are now full of misery misstep of a young man became known at home, the father had only spoken to him words of sympathy and hopefulness instead of words of bitter reproach, had instead of words of bitter reproach, had only helped him bear his burden of horror and remorse and have led him to repentance! Instead of this, parents and others drive sinners to worne things by violent language and by coldness aud uncharitableness. There would be much less sin in the world if the sinful and miserable were dealt with in a spirit of charity rather than in that of severity.

So, I say, each one of us can help others, more or less, to bear their burdens. It may be some one who has been burdened with sin for years. He longs to be freed from it, but he is afraid; he has become a coward; and the word that would help him on, that would give him courage and hope, is the word of kindness that any one of his friends may aspeak. So, I say, each one of us can help

speak. But you may say, "I never have a chance to do that; no one ever comes to me; they go to the priest." My brethren, that may be so; but why is it? Are we not to blame ourselves? Do we cultivate the qualities that would inspire others to come to us. when we hear that our neighbor has fallen, do we not make it a matter of gossip, and perhaps puff ourselves up, as did the Pharisee of old, and thank God that we are see of old, and thank God that we are not like the rest of men? We can help others. There are many persons living in the world who have thus done untold good, who have comforted the sorrowful and cheered the despairing, who have won by their words of kindness and hope souls that otherwise would have been lost for ever.

#### TEMPERANCE

TEMPERANCE TEACHING IN THE

PARISH SCHOOL

By The Very Rev. M. A. Lambing The Church rightly insists on the establishment of parish schools wherever possible, to secure for Catholic children possible, to secure for Catalog that religious instruction which those that religious instruction will not provide in control of the State will not provide nor permit in our Public schools, and also insists that the parish school shall be, grade for grade, up to the standard of the Public school in the secular branches, though it may not place the same importance on some of them.

There is one subject to which the par-ish school might well give more atten-tion than it does: that of the physical and mental effects of alcohol, both in beverages and in medicine, and also of beverages and in medicine, and also of its social and economic effects. The moral aspect of the subject is not neglected, it could not be, in the parish school; for self-denial is of the very essence of Christianity. There can be no Christianity without it. "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself," says Christ. Not only is drunkenness a sin excluding from heaven, but the intemperate use of drink is single. drunkenness a sin excluding from heaven, but the intemperate use of drink is sinful. As a form of self-indulgence contrary to that self-denial so rigorously required by Christ in His followers, and as self-indulgence which opens the way to more and greater temptations than does any other, pupils of the parish school are warned of the danger attending the use of drink. But it is a danger, a vice, to which boys, and even girls, but not to the same extent, are so exposed that too much care cannot be

given to safeguarding them against it. The reformation of anyone addicted to drink is so very rare that no chances should be taken in the education of children in the parish school. Not only is the reformation of the intemperate next to impossible, but the fall of those who begin to deith it is the fall of those who to impossible, but the fall of those who begin to driuk is almost certain: Wine is a mocker, going in pleasantly, but in the end spreading abroad poison like a basilisk. He that contemneth small things shall fall by little and little, and he that loveth danger shall perish in it. If, then, the Ethiopian can change his skin or the leopard his spots, he who has learned to drink may reform.

As nothing is a greater bar than drink to the action of the Holy Ghost on the hearts of men, to use the words of the

hearts of men, to use the words of the great Cardinal Manning — so nothing offers a greater bar to a young man's success in this world. The authorities controlling each of these schools recognize the controlling to the second nize these grave truths and act accordingly. But the affirmation of Christ, that the children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of light, may be appropriately quoted. For they neglect no means to attain their purpose. The parish school strives to prepare its pupils for success in this life as well as in the life to come; but it does not use all the means the six at the life to come; but it is the means the six at the second that the seco does not use all the means at its dispos does not use all the means acts disposal.
The Public school, to prepare its pupils
for stocess in life, teaches them the
baneful effects of alcohol. The parish school should also use the same means of safeguarding its pupils.

The two states having the largest population and also the largest number of Catholics, New York and Pennsylvania, Catholics, New York and Pennsylvania, have laws requiring their schools to teach the physical, mental, economic and social effects of alcohol. What these laws require of the state schools might be added with profit to what is already taught on the subject of temperance in the parish school.—Pittsburg Observer.

REGULATING THE LIQUOR BUSI-

The Catholic Universe rec The Catholic Universe recommends to its readers the amendment to the Ohio State Constitution, affecting the liquor business for while it is by no means so drastic as the Universe would wish, yet it is considerably more than half a loaf of proper and stringent regulation as compared with the present liquor law. First of all the proposed amendment does away with the brewery-owned saloon which, in the words of our esteemed contemporary, "is the vilest and the most rapacious, the last word in

and the most rapacious, the last word in saloons." Secondly, the proposal pro-vides for the automatic revocation of a license whenever a sal bonist has violated the law. "The punishment may seem drastic," ramarks the Universe, "but it is both just and necessary and its pro-vision is another point in favor of the law."

Thirdly, it limits the number saloons to one for every 500 inhabitants.
What the proviso for the elimination of brewery-owned salons does not do, to wipe out the predatory saloon, this pro-viso will accomplish. It will automati-cally reduce the number of saloons in Cleveland by half. "And then there will be enough," comments the Universe.
Five hundred people, goodness knows, are too few to be taxed with the support are too few to be taxed with the support of a saloon. We would rather the figure had been put at a thousand or two thousand people, but it will help some. There will be no more corners with from six to eight saloons clustered about them. There will be no procession of brewery saloons lining the whole side of a block. A saloon will be nearly as block. A saloon will be nearly as rare among legitimate places of business as it ought to be, and that is about one in every fifty."

Fourthly, it prohibits the granting of licenses to aliens. Of this provision the Universe says: "The saloon business is a delicate one in that it is the harde is a delicate one in that it is the hardest one, known to the law, in which a man may engage who at the same time wishes to preserve his law-abiding habits and his personal morals. Certainly there are enough citizens of this country willing to engage in the busine fill the requirements of the public thirst, and every alien in it is by that much one too many saloon-keepers."

The adoption of this amendment to

Onlo's State Constitution will be up to the voters at the polls in September. Only two classes of the votes will, in the opinion of the Universe, be opposed to it: The one will be those who favor unregulated license for this dangerous business and who stand with the breweries against the public welfare. The
other class is composed of those who
favor statewide prohibition and who
will refuse to vote for any other sort of regulation

TEMPERANCE IN TIPPERARY Deploring the appalling drink bill of Ireland—£13 546 472 last year, an increase of £236,000 over the preceding year—the Nationalist (Clonmel, Tipperary) remarks that the millions so spent are a blot on the fair fame of the country and a memora to its results. try and a menace to its progress and happiness. And it adds: "If only half

happiness. And it adds: "If only half the money were diverted to more useful purposes what a blessing and advantage it would be to the community at large and particularly the working classes whose homes are so often blighted by the curse of intemperance."

Continuing, the Nationalist says: "It has been said, and truly, that Ireland would be free from all crime but for drink. In other words, the little crime we have in the country is tracable not to any inherent criminality on the part of the people, but to brutalizing, demoralizing over-indulgence in alcoholic liquors. Our local court records bear this out." this out."

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"Tipperary is specially interested in
the movement by reason of the fact that the movement by reason of the fact that our great county mas, Father Mathew, the Apostle of Temperance, laid the foundation of the movement now being revived with such promise of further good results. There is a regular net-work of temperance associations through-out Tipperary doing splendid work, and we hope to see them multiply and flour-ish."

THE CHURCH THE MOTHER AND INSPIRATION OF ART

CONTINUED FROM PAGE THREE Florence six hundred years ago. Thanks be to God it is so! Thanks be to God it is so! Thanks be to God that when I lift up my eyes I may see so much of the purity of the face down which flow the last tears of blood! When I lift up mine eyes here it seems to me as if I stood bodily in the holy society of these men. It seems to seems to me as if I stood bodily in the holy society of these men. It seems to me that I see in the face of John the expression of the highest manly sympathy that comforted and consoled the dying eyes of the Saviour. It seems to me that I behold the Blessed Virgin, whose maternal heart consented in that hour of agony to be broken for the sing whose maternal heart consented in that hour of agony to be broken for the sins of men. It seems to me that I behold the Magdalen, as she clings to the Croas, and receives upon that hair with which she wiped His feet, the drops of His blood. It seems to me that I behold that heart, humbled in penance and inflamed with love—the heart of the woman who had loved much, and for whom He had prayed. It seems to me that I travel step by step to Calvary, and learn, as they unite in Him, every lesson of suffering, of peace, of hope, of joy, and of divine love!

Thank God, it is fitting in a Dominican church that this should be so! It is fitting in a temple of my order that when I look upon the image of my Holy Father over that entrance, in imagination, and without an effort, I travel back to the spot where I had the happiness to live in hour of agony to be broken for the sine

without an effort, I travel back to the spot where I had the happiness to live in my student's days, and where in the very cell in which I dwelt, I beheld from Angelico's own hand a glorious specimen of his art. These are the gladness of our eyes, the joy of our hearts. They give us reason to rejoice with him who said: "I have loved, oh Lord, the beauty of Thy house, and the place where Thy glory dwelleth." They give us reason to rejoice, because they are not only fair and beautiful in themselves, but they are also the guarantee. selves, but they are also the guarantee and the promise that the traditions of ecclesiastical painting, sculpture, archi-tecture and music, in this new country, will yet come out and rival all the glories of the nations that for centuries glories of the nations that for centuries and centuries have upheld the Cross. They are a cause of gladness to us, for, when we shall have passed away, our children and our children's children shall come here, and in reviewing these pictures, will learn to feel the love of Jesus Christ. Amongst the traditions of one of the old cities of Belgium, there of one of the old cities of Beiglum, there is one of a little boy who grew up, visiting every day the cathedral of the city.

One day he stood with wondering and child-like eyes before a beautiful painting of the Infant Jesus. According as time went on, and reason grew upon him, his love for the picture became greater and greater; and when he became a man, his love for it was so great that he spent his days in the cathedral as organizations. spent his days in the cathedral as organ-ist, pealing forth the praises of the Son of God. His manhood went down into the vale of years, but his love for the picture was still the one child-love—the young love and passion of his heart. And so he lived, a child of art, and died in the odor of sanctity of God. And that art had fulfilled its highest mission, for it had sanctified the soul of a man.

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#### HOLY HOPE

Some natures seem to be so constituted that naturally, and almost unconsciously to themselves, they "look upon the dark side" as we say. They are apprehensive, timorous, full of fears. The future, for them contains gloomy pitfalls of ominous depths; and they forsee, or think that they foresee sickness, want, old age, bereavement, loss of friends, awaiting them, very near at hand. Such natures as these are indeed to be pitied; and if possible, they should be brought to see and realize the advantages of holy hope. Gently and kindly let us lead them to put all their trust in God, and to hope in His tender, constant, unfailing love.

constant, unfailing love. How often in Holy Scripture do we find exhortations to the practise of this beautiful virtue; promises in its regard, examples of the happiness granted to those who cultivate it. The Psalmist

In peace the selfsame I will sleep, and I will rest: For Thou, O Lord, singularly hast settled me in hope.

Let all them be glad that hope in Thee: they shall rejoice forever, and Thou shalt dwell in them.

The king hopeth in the Lord; and through the mercy of the Most High he shall not be moved.

shall not be moved.

I have hoped in the Lord: I will be glad and rejoice in Thy mercy. For Thou hast regarded my humility, Thou hast saved my soul out of distresses.

O how great is the multitude of Thy sweetness, O Lord, which Thou hast wrought for them that hope in Thee, in the sight of the sons of men. Thou shall hide them in the secret of Thy face, from this disturbance of men.

Do ye manfully, and let your heart be strengthened, all ye that hope in the

Lord.

Why art thou so sad, O my soul? and why dost thou trouble me? Hope in God, for I will still give praise to Him the saluation of my countenance, and my God.

Thou art my patience, O Lord, my hope, O Lord, from my youth. Cast me not off in the time of old age: when my strength shall fail, do not Thou, for sake

strength shall fail, do not Thou forsake Tay arm to all the generation that is to come.

It is good for me to adhere to my God to put my hope in the Lord God.

The Lord taketh pleasure in the that hope in His mercy.

Let us make to ourselves a rosary of these enlightening, encouraging, in-

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the Lord and to hope continually in His mercy.

Moreover, have we not often found that things which we greatly dreaded did not happen after all; or, if they did, we received strength to bear them and did bear them? Let us suppose also that our all-wise God should will to test us, and we really should be called to pass through singular trials and intense suffering for a while, can not we still hope in Him, still love Him, and declare to Him, that even though He should kill us, we still will trust Him?

Life is but a little while, at the longest, compared with eternal life Throughout earth's little life let us practice ourselves courageously, joyously, inc.

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spired words of Holy Writ. Let us say

tice ourselves courageously, joyously, in holy hope. If the devout men of the days before Christ came trusted so manfully in God, shall we do less, among whom He dwells in our tabernacles, the incarnate God Who took our nature on Him and Who is our Brother and our unfailing Friend? — Sacred Heart Re-

THE COMFORT OF MORNING MASS

Catholics on vacation would render their period of rest all the more helpful to themselves mentally and physically as well as spiritually, if they tried to hear Mass every morning. Hilaire Belloc, in his "Paths to Rome," the story of a walking pilgrimage made by him to the Eternal City, has a beautiful passage showing why attendance at passage showing why attendance at Mass is restful to the mind. Although Mass is restill to the minu. Atthough of coarse the supernatural benefit accruing from devout attendance at the the Hoty Sacrifice is above and beyond all other considerations, Mr. Belloc ascribes its mental and consequent physical refreshment to the following causes:

1. That for half an hour just at the opening of the day year.

opening of the day you are silent and recollected, and have put off cares, in-terests, and passions in the repetition of a familiar action. This must certainly be a great benefit to the body and give

be a great benefit to the body and give it tone.

2. That the Mass is a careful and rapid ritual. Now it is the function of all ritual (as we see in games, social arrangements and so forth) to relieve the mind by so much of responsibility and initiative and to catch you up (as it were) into itself, leading your life for you during the time it lasts. In this way you experience a singular repose, way you experience a singular repose, after which fallowness I am sure one is fitter for action and judgment.

3. That the surroundings incline you to good and reasonable thoughts, and for the moment deaden the rasp and jar of that busy wickedness which both work-ing in one's self and received from others is the true source of all human miseries. Thus the time spent in Mass is like a short repose in a deep and well-built library, into which no sounds come and where you feel yourself secure against the outer world.

4. And the most important cause of

this feeling of satisfaction is that you are doing what the human race has done for thousands of years.

In one village at which Mr. Belloc arrived during his pilgrimage, he felt quite annoyed to find himself too late to hear Mass, and he remarks: "What is a pilgrimage in which a man can be the product of a pilgrimage in which a man can not hear Mass every morning?"—Sacred Heart Review.

Any coward can fight when he is sure of winning, but give me the man who has plack to fight when he's sure of losing.—George Eliot.

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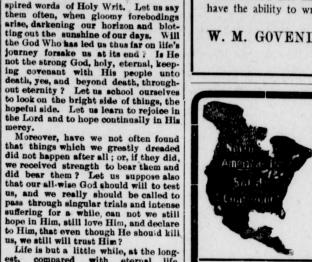
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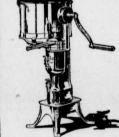
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