

our redemption. In the Rosary we consider what the Son of God suffered for us as we think of His bloody sweat, of His Scourging, His Crowning with thorns and His Crucifixion. In the Rosary we also consider the wonderful ways of God's wisdom in the choice of the Mother of Jesus—her unspotted virginity, her visit to her cousin Elizabeth in order to sanctify the precursor of Jesus, her Assumption into heaven and her glorious Crowning. We see God's wisdom when we consider that Jesus Christ was conceived and born of the Blessed Virgin Mary and that He was offered up and found in the temple by Her and through all the days of His sufferings even to the time of His ascension she was near to Jesus Christ.

By the Rosary Mary is honored, for in it we speak of the excellence of Her graces. "Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with thee, Holy Mary, Mother of God." We think of the Incarnation and the Birth of the Son of God without detriment to her virginity and her assumption and glory in heaven, and we praise her as holy and blessed among women; and all her other excellencies of which the Holy Scriptures speak. We consider the excellencies of her virtues, her purity, her fear of God, her motherly solicitude, her union with Christ, "The Lord is with thee" always was; her holiness we cry out: "Holy Mary." We consider the excellence of human nature, we call ourselves sinners whilst Mary alone is the only child of Adam without stain. We call upon her full of confidence to pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.

Through the praying of the Rosary we receive the greatest blessings, for we see therein the great works of the goodness and wisdom of God. We see what great things God has worked, can work and will work if we are faithful. We see what we should be and what we are and thereby are spurred on to virtue. We learn humility and place

our trust in the Blessed Mother of Jesus as our intercessor with her Divine Son.

In this month of the Holy Rosary every Catholic in public and in private will pray the Rosary most devoutly every day and thereby ask our Blessed Mother to protect our Holy Father from all enemies of the Holy Church. For those who pray the Rosary, the Blessed Virgin will obtain every grace. If we offer up these spiritual roses, praying with our lips and raising our minds in prayer our Blessed Lady will be charmed by our prayers as she was when Gabriel saluted her, "Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee."

SOME OF ST. TERESA'S SAYINGS.

By Eleanor C. Donnelly.

I.

"To suffer or to die."

When spent with sorrow or o'erwhelmed with pain,

Upon our cross in agony we lie,
Oft do we weep, and, weeping, oft complain:

"Give ear, O God! Though grief and death were gain,

Let me not suffer, Lord, nor let me die!"

Not so the saint of love and brave desire—

Not so Teresa.—In the days gone by,

(Heroic rival of the Seraphs' choir!)

Oft 'mid her pains, she cried, with heart of fire:

"Oh, let me suffer, Lord, or let me die!"

II.

"He loves not!"

Once, in the saintly presence

Of Avila's sweet nun,

They spake of cruel Satan,

The dread, infernal one;

Of all his bitter malice,

His snares, his treachery—

His rancor, cold and callous,

His base malignity;