

NOBLE DEEDS

"An enthusiastic youth fired with love for the Blessed Sacrament, and eager to do something to extend Its reign, began by gathering at his home fourteen children and young people. To inflame their ardor he read them a chapter from some work on the Eucharist, and told them a story bearing on the same subject. Already his reward is 80 to 100 communicants a week.

The greater number are children of the working-class and of the public schools, all living in their families and obliged to get up very early, to come sometimes from great distances, and in every kind of weather, to hear Mass. Many of those innocent little ones are in the church every day at a quarter past five waiting for the half-past five Mass. One of them who made his First Communion secretly on account of his father, a rabid free-thinker's opposition, has not since then missed a single morning, to receive Communion at this very early Mass especially early for sleepy heads like himself."

"For more than a month three sturdy young mechanics of 18 years, come every morning at five, to receive Communion before Mass and after a short but fervent thanksgiving, go to their work, bearing every day the Good God to factories where He is often insulted, always unknown. In order to receive Jesus in their hearts those young heroes often deprive themselves of their morning cup of coffee and for healthy appetites like theirs that is no small sacrifice."

You asked me Father, to let you know whenever, I came across any noteworthy examples of generosity. You will, I am sure think as I do, those I have just mentioned beautiful and noble, and I trust they will help to comfort you for the indifference of so many others towards Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.