

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK. Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost. Gospel, St. Matt. xviii. 23-35.

Christian Generosity

Generosity is the birthright of a Christian. To be generous, in the original meaning of the term, is to be of noble extraction, and to have the nobility of mind and heart, the lofty sentiments that should be inseparable from noble birth.

Generosity would make us rise above everything low and petty, and despite the meaner sentiments which spring from envy, jealousy and spite. It prompts us to overlook the faults of others, and pardon them even when they are offensive to ourselves.

Generosity prompts us to give to others what we hold most precious, to use our resources for their welfare, to share with them our treasures, to extend to them the benefit of our advantages, to devote to their improvement our personal gifts, our energy, intelligence, experience and the influence or authority we may have acquired.

Virtue like this is necessarily Christian, and there is no need of qualifying it under this name except to put before us the One, who alone as God and man, could be its source and model, since it is more divine than human.

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poor are clamoring for help, the laborer is vainly appealing to them not to multiply his burdens, the little ones of the flock are crying to have the bread of the Word broken into them, the wail and the orphans are seeking shelter, and millions of heathens are groping in darkness for the light of the religion and for the benefit of the civilization without which it were better we had not been born into this world; all about us, even in the bosom of our own families, minds and hearts are craving for light and consolation. Mere human pity, and the ordinary spirit of mercy, may, the very self-love that would make us be glad to be rid of their importunities, should inspire us to give lavishly of our means to relieve their needs; and yet their cry is unheeded, their appeal is in vain. Now and then a sop is thrown in the way of money they do not want, of legislation, or some scheme of enlightenment, or of education, that will only intensify the sense of their deficiency. One looks almost vainly for the gift given freely, unconditionally without advertisement, with any real self-sacrifice, or unselfish consideration of the purpose for which it is given.

The object of our Holy Father in designating "Christian Generosity" as the General Intention for October, is manifestly to renew among Catholics the world over, a sense of the need of this virtue in the persecutions to which the Church is subject in countries in which the government has been seized by enemies of religion, and in the face of hardships which we encounter in countries like England and our own, in which there is so much discrimination, on the part of certain bodies of our fellow-citizens, if not on the part of our government, against Catholic interests.

Without adverting to the need of more Christian generosity among the Catholics in other countries, it is well worth while to reflect on the need of it in our own country. A little more of it would support our schools, or at least inspire those who give a trifle for this purpose to give it cheerfully, without forever harping on the hardships or impossibility of supporting a Catholic school, and cherishing secretly, if not avowing openly, the conviction, rarely well founded, that a free religious school is necessarily inferior to a common one. Christian generosity would prompt some rich Catholics to make Catholic colleges quite capable of supporting the fine appearance of sectarian or secular institutions to which they send their sons or daughters, because they are not generous enough to take God at His word, and train their offspring to seek first the kingdom of God, in the sure hope that all things will be added unto them, even the social advantages and business chances they hope to secure for their future.

Christian generosity, finally, would make us all give more of our time, our energy, ability, learning, fortune, influence, political or social, to the advancement of religion, and make us give it ungrudgingly, modestly, yet fearlessly, with no other motive than that of repaying the generosity with which Christ has treated us, with no other hope of reward than the confidence that He will not be outdone in generosity.

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PROFANITY. A repulsive feature of contemporary life is our reckless profanity. The vice is not confined to the "tough" element, but is indulged in by "respectable" people. The name of God is outraged by oaths and imprecations quite as a matter of course and without the excuse of anger or excitement. The sacred name of Jesus Christ is a byword, and the air is vocal with explicitives which are not according to the second Commandment. Profanity is a sin, and profanity is ungentlemanly. One can understand why boys, who imagine that it is manly, indulge in it. One can understand how a man, under the influence of deep feeling, might now and then find ordinary language inadequate to the situation, though this rather palliates than excuses. But that a man in the regular intercourse with oaths and curses is a strange and foul thing. The growth of Holy Name Societies throughout the country is an encouraging sign. It is a matter which ought to appeal to every sincerely Catholic man, this crusade against blasphemy. "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain, for the Lord will hold him guiltless that shall take the name of the Lord his God in vain."

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Welcomed Home

St. Catharines, Oct. 7. — Last evening at St. Patrick's Church, Merriton, in honor of Rev. Father Smith's return from the Old Country, the Merriton choir, assisted by members of St. Catharines' Church choir and an orchestra of eight pieces rendered in excellent style St. Paul's Musical Vespers. The solos in the Vespers were taken by Mrs. R. Welch, Mr. C. O'Donnell and Mr. F. H. Morey, while Mrs. H. J. Johnston sang most sweetly Hevey's Ave Maria as an offertory. At the conclusion of the offertory Mr. R. T. Woodside stepped to the altar railing, and on behalf of the congregation read the following address:

To the Rev. Father Smith, P. P., Merriton, Ont.: Reverend and Dear Father—When a short time ago your dutiful parishioners of St. Patrick's Church, Merriton, assembled together in order to bid you Godspeed on the eve of your departure for a short visit to your native land, we then congratulated you on the results of your labor amongst us for the last six years. The evidences of your devotedness to the interests of this parish were amply demonstrated even to the most casual observer, as in person can pass along our church property without being forcibly reminded that some master hand, some guiding spirit had been at work in order to accomplish such splendid results in so short a time, and humanly speaking with seemingly inadequate means.

THE PRIEST. Far down the village street, with step so slow and lended form, he comes; his cassock old Flaps faintly in the breeze. The sun's last glow Sweet rests upon him now and time of gold Crowns fair his wrinkled brow, so noble, brave, And smiles in peace o'er locks of snowy white.

Now, dear Father, after following you in spirit during your absence from amongst us, we feel that our dearest hopes and fondest aspirations in your behalf have been fully realized. We are sensible of the pleasure it afforded you after an absence of many years to revisit again the land of your birth, to renew old associations, to enjoy the balmy breezes which are ever present and wafted like gentle zephyrs inland from her sea-girded shores.

It is only the exile who can fully appreciate the supreme delight of once more visiting the scenes of youthful days. There is a charm associated with this visit that cannot find compensation elsewhere. Neither wealth nor social position can fill the void in the human soul when the thoughts revert back to the scenes of early days, and well has this yearning been portrayed by the poet when he so feelingly expresses this thought:

"Live there a man with soul so dead That never to himself hath said, This is my own, my native land."

Now, dear Father, we beg to congratulate you on the improved condition of your health. You have escaped that troublesome hay fever which has been undermining your health for the past two or three years, and we cordially welcome you back again to continue your energetic labors which you so auspiciously began, and we are confident will come to its full fruition in the years that are still before us.

There only remains for us now, dear Father, the duty of continuing in the path which you have marked out for us, and with the blessing of God upon our labors all our endeavors will be crowned with success.

Father Smith, though taken completely by surprise, and being very much overcome, replied in feeling terms, expressing his pleasure at being amongst them once again, though during the past summer he had experienced almost an exile's pleasure in revisiting the scenes of his childhood and renewing old acquaintances. Whatever he had done in the way of building up the parish had only been done with their assistance and at some sacrifices to themselves. He thanked them most cordially for the feelings so aptly expressed in the address and he also desired to thank the people of St. Catharines who in every way, while he was amongst them and since his removal to Merriton, had been only too willing to assist him. He trusted in the future their relations would always be as pleasant as they were now, and he would try and always be worthy of their regard.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections; also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints. Having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, and desiring to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge to all who wish it; this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail, by addressing, with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. Noyes, 847 Powers' Block, Rochester, N. Y.

HALL, CAINE ON RELIGION.

London, October 5. — If there be any who read his novels who have been puzzled as to Hall Caine's religious creed they may learn something from a recent utterance by him.

At the Catholic bazaar at Douglas, Isle of Man, he said his book just published had brought him many protests, both from Catholics and Protestants. He assured his Catholic correspondents that the Pope in his book was not intended as a portrait of their present honored head. The Pope in his story was a purely imaginary being.

As one who belonged to "the big church outside of the churches," Mr. Caine said, he couldn't but regret the bitterness which divided the churches of the people as the most unchristianlike thing connected with Christianity. The Christianity of Christ was, above all else Catholic, and in the Catholicism of Christ, there had been no division among men except that of good men and bad men.

The Catholic Church, added Mr. Caine, was the church of the poor. That ought to be its honor and pride. The Pope saw this clearly; hence his encyclicals on Christian democracy. The Christian democracy movement would revolutionize nations and change the relations of races, and the churches could not afford to let it slip away. The Christian Church that cast in its lot with the rich and great against the poor and lowly, Mr. Caine said, was a church built on

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Notice to Creditors In the matter of the Estate of George W. Rielly, late of the Township of York, in the County of York, farmer, deceased. Notice is hereby given pursuant to R. S. O. 180 Chapter 129, Section 38, that all persons having claims against the estate of the said George W. Rielly, who died on or about the 9th day of January, 1897, are requested to send by post prepaid, or delivered to John O'Donohue, solicitor for the administratrix, on or before the 30th day of October, 1901, their names, addresses and full particulars of their claims, and that after that day the administratrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the claims of which she then has notice. Dated at Toronto, this 25th day of September, 1901. JOHN O'DONOHUE, Solicitor for the Administratrix. No. 100 Church street, Toronto.

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