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The Archbishop of Bordeaux was at once apprised of the miracle, and the holy man, deeply moved at the recital, commanded perfect silence on the subject. In reward for the obedience of the Sisters, our Blessed Lord renewed the same apparition for eight days, for which reason the Archbishop instituted a yearly commemoration as a memorial of the same.

The Magnet of Souls

The Blessed Sacrament is the magnet of souls. There is a mutual attraction between Jesus and the souls of men. Mary drew Him down from heaven. Our nature attracted Him rather than the nature of angels. Our misery caused Him to stoop to our lowness. Our repentance wins Him to us. Our love makes earth a paradise to Him; and our souls lure Him as gold lures the miser. On the other hand, He draws us to Himself by grace, by example, by power, by lovingness, by beauty, by pardon, and above all by the Blessed Sacrament. Every one, who has had anything to do with ministering to souls has seen the power which Jesus has. Talent is not needed. Eloquence is comparatively unattractive. Learning is often beside the mark. Controversy simply repels. But the simple preaching of Jesus Christ and Him Crucified, will collect a congregation, fill a church, crowd the confessional, furnish the altar rail, and solemnize a feast when nothing else will do so. All the attraction of the church is in Jesus, and His chief attraction is the Blessed Sacrament.

Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament is the queen of all devotions. It is the central devotion of the Church. All others gather round it and group themselves there as satellites. How can a man be a Christian who does not