



HOURLY ADORATION

Jesus promises Paradise to the good Thief.

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" Et dicebat ad Jesum : Domine, memento mei, cum veneris in regnum tuum. Et dixit illi Jesus : Amen dico tibi, hodie mecum eris in paradiso."

" And he said to Jesus : ' Lord, remember me when Thou shalt come into Thy kingdom.'

And Jesus said to him : ' Amen I say to thee, this day thou shalt be with Me in paradise.' "

(Luke XXIII, 42, 43.)

Adoration.

The Cross of Jesus was raised between two other crosses on which were hanging two criminals. Oh, wonderful thing ! Over six centuries before, a prophet of Juda, Isaias, had predicted this ignominious circumstance of the Saviour's Passion : "*And with the wicked He was reputed.*" If we are to believe Saint Matthew and Saint Mark, there two crucified criminals, hideous, bloody, ignoble, had been vomiting in concert blasphemies against the Divine Crucified. Sometimes they took the form of bitter reproaches for having deceived the hopes of the people, sometimes injurious language which