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OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



• HE month of Mary is the month of blessings and graces, for all graces come to us through Mary, as Saint Bernard and all the saints assure us. It is a feast of thirty days in honor of the Mother of God, and it will prepare us for the succeeding lovely month of the Blessed Sacrament.

I. — Because we make profession of especially honoring the Holy Eucharist, it does not follow that we should have less devotion to the Blessed Virgin. Far from it ! He would be guilty of blasphemy who would say : "As for me, the Blessed Sacrament suffices. I have no need of Mary." — Where shall we find Jesus on earth if not in Mary's arms? Did not she give us the Eucharist? Was it not her consent to the incarnation of the Word in her pure womb that inaugurated the great mystery of reparation to God and union with us, which Jesus accomplished by His mortal life, and that He continues in the Eucharist?

Without Mary, we shall not find Jesus, for she possesses Him in her heart. There He takes His delight, and they who wish to know His inmost virtues, His sacred and privileged love, must seek them in the heart of Mary. They who love that good Mother will find Jesus in her pure heart.

We must never separate Jesus from Mary. We can go to Him only through her. I even maintain that the more