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GENERAL INTENTION FOR MAY.

Named by the Cardinal Protector and blessed by the Pope for all Associates

The Thirteenth Centenary of England's Conversion

In a Pastoral addressed to the faithful of the diocese of Leeds, England, His Lordship writes thus on the subject of our General Intention for the month of May: "The greatest event in the history of our country—the one most replete with blessings - was the introduction of the faith of Jesus-Christ within its borders. Whether we look at its effects on the material well-being of the nation, the spread of its civilizing influence, or at its moral and religious aspect, the conversion of England to Christianity was the most momentous and the most blessed of all the changes that ever passed over it. And of all the heroes who have added glory to our annals, the greatest is he who brought to our ancestors the tidings of Christ's redeeming love. Hence, we feel it a duty of gratitude and affection to invite you, dear children in Jesus Christ, to join with us, and with the Cardinal Archbishop, and the Bishops and faithful of England, in celebrating, on the Sunday within the Octave