#### FIVE MINUTE SERMON

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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE CHURCH AND THE SINNER "So I say to you, there shall be joy before the angels of God upon one sinner doing penance." (Luke xv. 10.)

Man's weakness is well known to Man's weakness is well known to God; and it is recognized by Him in His great mercy. He made us and knows better than any one else how far we are from prefection, how that we are from prefection, how untrained are our passions, and how terrible is the fight we are forced to make against the enemies of our make against the e make against the enemies of our and bondage. Beauty of mind, heart, salvation. It is not His fault that this is so, nor is it altogether our own; but we must take much of the responsibility, if we neglect to enter the struggle for betterment. God does not wish us to go into this do not refuse to ald him. Your gen-fight unarmed and as weaklings, erosity and sacrifice will be resuch as we are by nature, but He supplies us with weapons and His divine grace, and by its power, when we do our utmost, victory will

We should always bear in mind, however, that man especially in his youth when he is without experience and when the battle is hardest to wage, is liable to forget God's aid or whose religious training has been It is useless to tell the young that they must fight, unless we also tell them how to arm themlves and where to obtain assistance. one within us. The system proposed to treacherous youth outside of the Catholic Church is simply a negative one. The results achieved amount to nothing, in the majority of instances, because the young are not supplied with the proper weapons with which to withstand the enemy.

So it happens that much of the wickedness on the part of many is not so wilful as it may first appear. Nature untrained, unconquered, led them to excesses and the formation ol a habit; and then, as a habit becomes so strong in nature, they find it too difficult to rid themselves of it. We do not say that these poor sinners are to be excused, for conscience tells them of their wrongdoing-at least after they are well aware of the danger in which they stand—but we should have patience with them. We should exert every effort to bring them back to God, and have them fortified with His allpowerful aid. In some cases they may seem to be degenerates, or beyond a possibility of being brought to a duty they never before performed. However, there is always hope. They may be even as a Paul or an Augustine in their sinful life, but, like them, they can become children

of God after a sincere conversion. There can be no one who is not deserving of consideration in regard to his spiritual life. The world we live in, after all, was created in order to save sinful man. This earth is not parents and brother are proverbial. now as it was when our first parents were yet in their innocence. God any words of advice to the Catholic placed man in another sphere, as it order that he might be saved. Christ learn from her than to instruct her. came among us and suffered and Bowing down in respect and rever-died for sinuers—the greatest as ence to her, we offer her our gratiwell as the smallest. God gives to tude for the example and inspiration sinful man as many material ings as He gives to saints. He allows him to live on even though man is greatest glories of the Church as the district of the Church as the control of the church as the c continually defying Him. Why does the do all this? To give man an opportunity of saving himself. Only when hope is lost, is man made to God's needy ones elsewhere have answer to God, with no further chance to save himself. God's mercy is in truth above the clouds, and wonderful power of making the world

ness, returns to righteousness. Often his sincerity is doubted and his conduct regarded with suspicion. It itself must be a wonderful joy to is a truth no one can well deny that a nature so exquisitely good as yours. rowed in our souls. Above all the qualities of Christ His mercy and love for the sinner was most life! And generally a girl who is not

deserve consideration and mercy. They were weak. Perhaps they fell in soul, and would have fallen in body had it been weakened. They are not to be encouraged by being excused, but a gentle warning should be given them, and a helping hand offered to assist them to the confines of God's territory. Greater

love than this no one can show for

neighbor, then above all we must offer him safety. His sins may have brought him to the brink of perdition; let us bring him to the solid earth of hope. Have you ever met one in sin plunged to the lowest depths of despair, whom you could not have helped a little way on his uncompromising and exacting severity will repel. The poor sinner yearns for the good, the pure, and the noble. If you can help him toward them, warded

Real mercy, true compassion, and strengthens us. This is all done by love for the sinner are shown most perfectly in this world by the Catho-lic Church in the tribunal of penance. Day after day the gentle voice of the Saviour, re-echoed through His priests, reaches the ear of the poor sinner, "Go in peace and sin no more; thy sins are forgiven thee." The erring foot is placed on the right path, the poisoned tongue not to place the proper reliance upon the right path, the poisoned tongue it. This is especially true of those cured, and the stained soul purified. Not only does our kind mother, the Church, not cast the sinner away, loving beats of her encouraging, forgiving heart. "Come and be enough, for besides the enemies about us in the world, there is also one within us. The system was also lost." Is our attitude as including the state of the encouraging, forgiven, is her cry; not "Go and be lost." Is our attitude as including the state of the encouraging, for the system was also lost." Is our attitude as including the state of the encouraging, for the encouraging, for the encouraging, for the encouraging, for the encouraging, the encouraging the encouraging the encouraging that the encouraging the encour in any wise similar? If not, where is our mercy? Show it in future, that God every day, but especially on judgment day may show it to you.

### THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTER

In a series of excellent articles on the obligations of the various members of the Christian family, which he has contributed to Queen's Work, Father Martin J. Scott, S. J., has the father, mother, husband, wife and son. His most recent contribu-tion, entitled "The Catholic Daughdeals with the obligations of girls who are growing into woman-hood, and contains much valuable advise.

Next to 'mother,' " Father Scott says, "there is no word which recalls all that is hallowed more than 'daughter.' Whether it be parents who speak of her as their child, or brothers who call her sister, the daughter is one of God's special gifts and blessings to mankind.

The fathers and brothers who have been inspired or reclaimed by daughter or sister are legion. The mothers whose hours and cares have been lightened by a devoted daughter are beyond number. The devotion and sacrifice of the daughter for

It seems hardly necessary to say daughter. Her devotion to family were, as we are today, but solely in and faith make us almost prefer to bless she has been to us. The Catholic well as of the Christian family. The you to take her place. Catholic daughters, you have a wonderful power of making the world with it He yearns to save the happier and better, and, thank God, you have exerted it most gener-

your power to be the greatest com-fort to father and mother. That in we always expect God to act mercial Also, you have an influence over fully with us, you we often act quite your brothers second only to that differently with our neighbor. How of their mother. What a noble the spirit of Christ! His sacred body often rests upon our tongues, what a career of usefulness, cheer His spirit is not mir-in our souls. Above pose you are not a good daughter Above pose you are not a good daughter, mercy what a missed opportunity in your

"Some young women act as if they owed neither obsdience, re-Because the world and former spect or submission to their parents. friends have manifested no interest in a prodigel's return and have ters is filled with thorns, and ends

unmindful of their happiness and welfare, has nothing to assuage her in the grief and disappointment

which generally result. Some girls fancy that their duty lies everywhere except at home. They flit about here and there, and have time and effort for everything

and being at this and that affair some young man will be captivated But the sensible young but she even takes him to her man does not care for that kind of breast, and allows him to hear the loving beats of her encouraging, runabouts either do not get married or, if they do, they get a husband who is of their own type. And then

trouble begins. "Other girls seek their pleasure in going to questionable places of amusement. Public dance halls and such places lure many thoughtless girle to lifelong unhappiness. Young women, let me tell you something which most of you know. A man, as a rule, has no good opinion of a girl he meets in such places. Men will go to these resorts for purposes of their own, but if they saw their eisters there they would order them

"You might possibly make a mar Father Martin J. Scott, S. J., has riage by frequenting places of that pointed out the ideal attributes of character, but it will be a marriage that you will rue. It a girl, by being what a good daughter should be, does not attract a man, it is far better for her never to marry.

"But it is the good daughter that usually wins the good husband. For the quality in women which most attracts men is gentleness and goodness. The flashy, runabout girl and properties attention was that it is not because of the paris court.

great hero and incomparable general, who possessed nearly every talent in a superlative degree but lacked moral greatness. In one sense of the Pope never ratified the decree of Napoleon Bonaparte incarnated the paris court. attracts attention, yes; but it is not the attention which makes for happy animated the reign of Louis XIV. and of outrages against the Hely See wedlock. One reason for so many

Every woman should be expert at housekeeping and cooking.

"Either you will get married or not. If you marry and do not know how to cook, you will be a dreadful imposition on your husband, unless

I have known charming girls who considered it beneath them to bend At the height of his glory to home tasks. Later on, as wives, it was a source of regret to them.

find fault with everything. And faultfinding usually ends in family discord, and too often in disaster.' -Buffalo Echo.

### THE ATROPHY OF THE SENSE OF SHAME

One of the most deplorable and love for the sinner was most conspicuous. His words seem to have been sweetest and His thoughts kindest—if we may compare His qualities—when He dealt with interest of the sequivalent outside for what you lose in the home. If through the sequivalent of the sequivalent outside for what you lose in the home. If through the sequivalent of the sequivalen Through God's mercy alone can any of us he seaved? We know Hewill not dony mercy to us if we struggle perseveringly for justice. Desperation would ever stare us in the face, could we not raise our eyes upward and behold the merciful countenance of one Heavenly. Father, Why are many and search of our earth of our earth, and behold the merciful countenance of the search of the se could we not raise our eyes upward and behold the merciful countenance of our Heavenly Father. Why should we assume an attitude different from that of the Almighty, when we consider the sins and faults of our neighbors? Perhaps they are not—in truth they can not beworthy of praise, but they always deserve consideration and mercy.

"As you approach closer to woman deserve consideration and mercy. They were weak. Perhaps they fell for yourself in many things, but the fellowmen. Publicity valuars well in many things, but the fellowmen. Publicity has also lost the sense of privacy and the fine resting the crown on his own head. This is in line with other tendencies of our age, which has also lost the sense of privacy and the fine resting the crown on his own head. Pope Plus left Paris for Rome in sense of privacy and the fine resting the crown on his own head. Pope Plus left Paris for Rome in sense of privacy and the fine resting the crown on his own head. Pope Plus left Paris for Rome in this is in line with other tendencies of our age, which has also lost the sense of privacy and the fine resting the crown on his own head. Pope Plus left Paris for Rome in the sense of privacy and the fine resting the crown on his own head. Pope Plus left Paris for Rome in the sense of privacy and the fine resting the crown on his own head. Pope Plus left Paris for Rome in the file of our age, which has also lost the sense of privacy and the fine resting the crown on his own head. Pope Plus left Paris for Rome in the file from the care, which has also lost the sense of privacy and the fine resting the crown on his own head. Pope Plus left Paris for Rome in the file from the earth. This is in line with other tendencies of privacy and the fine resting the care of provers and the file from the earth. The self condition that the paris for yourself in many things, but the sense of privacy and the file from the earth. The sense of privacy and the file from the earth. The sense of privacy and the file from the earth. The sense of provers

arrive at a point where he glories in

his disgrace.

This coarsening of manners is particularly apparent in the proceedings of the divorce courts. shown no mercy to him, many a frequently in misery. For a short their saming at the divorce courts, shown no mercy to him, many a frequently in misery. For a short there was a time when men kept period of what they call independence their family skeletons to themselves ence they pay a life-long penalty.

Winds are about to shipwreck our The number of women who wear out from public view. It a man was There was a time when men kept their family skeletons to themselves and carefully screened their scandals their lives in wretchedness because they had their fling in their youth is beyond estimate. Silly girls, who prefer the attention and flattery of a disgrace of his own and was anxious outsiders to the wholesome advice of the keep the sad affair from becoming their parents, usually spend their public property. He shielded the middle and old age repining. middle and old age repining.

"It is bad enough if your career is made wretched when you have done your duty. But if it has happened because of your disregard of duty, it causes inexpressible sorrow. Disaster of the public, to gaze upon their discovered the public, to gaze upon their discovered the public of ters which occur to the girl who has grace. They open the family closets been dutiful and faithful have in and encourage everybody, who them the bright rays of sacrifice and loyalty. But for the girl who has sought of her own pleasure regard less of her parents' prohibition, and

This lack of shame, more than anything else, shows the depths to which we have fallen. The stench of some of the things that have been revealed and openly aired in our divorce courts of late is intolerable. It poisons and pollutes the general atmosphere and tends to lower our moral standards still more. men do not hestiate to purchase the freedom to follow their low passions at the price of public disgrace, they have trnly come to the very end of depravity. Our age has to learn again to suffer in silence, to bear its private disgrace in noble reticence and to keep its scandals to itself for the sake of the family

Honor is more than happiness. It is the characteristic of a soft and unmanly generation to sacrifice honor to happiness. Sensuality has robbed us of that fine sense of shame, which is the glory of man and which lifts him above the mere brute that knows no other law but that of the satisfaction of animal instincts.-Catholic Standard and

#### NAPOLEON AND THE CHURCH

The world is celebrating this year the one hundredth anniversary of the death of Napoleon in exile on the island of St. Helena as a British prisoner on May 5, 1821. The French world in particular is proud of its great hero and incomparable general,

"Every girl, no matter what her Napoleon, chastened in exile, had a later Napoleon's mistreatment of chaplain sent to his prison isle by the Vicar of Christ. to take hold and manage her home. the Pope, and died in the Catholic

At the height of his glory Napoleon was indifferent to religion, although always a believer in God. He said Emperor had many a corniging of His "No matter what your station in to the parish priests in Milan in view during the captivity of His fe, you do not know where its ups 1797: "Society without religion is Holiness at Savona and later at Fon-The attitude of very many people toward sinners, is vastly different from the attitude of God toward. His sering children. Many are slow to show mercy, and unwilling to forgive if another has injured them. How little do they rejoice when one How little do they rejoice when one How little do they rejoice when one how are slowed. The show many land your home duties. And what a beautiful field you have the intention of the parten priests at Savona and later at Fondaward like a ship without a compass; there has how where its ups like a ship without a compass; there has how then the same of your home duties. And what a beautiful field you have the intention of Bishops whom Napoleon twelve years hence. Your failure to be able to supply your husband with soft wided a proper meal may be the opening 1799 the non-jurying priests extled by the Revolution were allowed to return. Napoleon then respected the spiritual authority of the Pope, and what a beautiful field you have the intention is life, you do not know where its ups like a ship without a compass; there has him the visitor of Bishops whom Napoleon then he became First Consul in be able to supply your husband with a proper meal may be the opening by the Revolution were allowed to return. Napoleon then respected it most gener.

When he became First Consul in be able to supply your husband with show where its ups like a ship without a compass; there is no morality without religion. In the home, and your first duty is to and downs may land you ten or twelve years hence. Your failure to be able to supply your husband with show the part of the home, and your first duty is to and downs may land you ten or twelve years hence. When he became First Consul in the holes, as high without a compass; there is no morality without religion. In the home, and your first duty is to the home, and you first duty is to the home, and your first duty is to the home, and you first du wedge which will split asunder your marriage happiness. A hungry man with nothing palatable to fill his stanger, is in a fine condition to stomach, is in a fine condition to and hastened to restore religion and the Church by the Concordet of 1801 and the Organic Articles of 1802. In fact, this work was one of the land the church was one of the land the church by the Concordet of 1802. In the church by the Concordet of 1802. In the church by the Concordet of 1802 and the church was one of the land th tant achievements of his career. His plan, of course, involved interference of the State in the life of the Church. Hastening towards omnip-otence, his autocratic mind could conceive of no man or power greater than himself. He desired to make gradual disappearing of the sense of the Church the tool of the State, a branch of the government subsidiary to Napoleon.

When Napoleon proclaimed him-self hereditary Emperor in 1804, has imagined he was another Charle-magne and invited Pope Pius VII. to come to Paris to assist at his coronation. The saintly Pops Pius very reluctantly and was harshly treated, the insolent Napoleon plac-

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Napeleon's relations with Pope Pius VII. became more strained when the Holy Father refused to annul the marriage of Jerome Bonaparte with Elizabeth Paterson of Baltimore at the bidding of the Emperor, and the latter's own marriage with Josephine. A subservient Parisian ecclesiastical court, however, declared Napoleon's marriage null and void through lack of consent and form, and His Majesty took unto The final climax in the long line

wedlock. One reason for so many reached its apogee in the "Little came when Napolson seized posses-miserable marriages nowadays is the Corporal" who, lowly born in Cor- sion of Rome because Pope Pius license and vanity of girls—alas, too common at present.

"A good Catholic daughter will be serviceable in the home, as well as the Continent of Europe, even as the lovable and devoted. Even if you ex Kaiser Wilhelm II. was accused of Napoleon annexed the Papal States are a business woman, there are aspiring to reach a similar position to the Empire in 1809. The Pope duties at home which, for your own and is likewise doing penance in issued a Ball of excommunication sake, you cannot afford to omit. exile. Even the Catholic bishops of France are lauding the name of Napolson today and Masses are being chanted in honor of a very recalcitrant child of the Church. Some claim that Napolson was an atheist and an enemy of Christianity, but a control of the Catholic world until 1812, you marry a millionaire. Many a marriage has been made a tragedy because of bad meals. And if you that the devil is not always as black wans after his disastrous retreat that the devil is not always as black wans after his disastrous retreat because of bad meals. And if you do not marry, you will need to as he is represented. Although he know the art of cooking just as much. For the time will come when your mother will depend on you to take her place.

You to take her place.

That the devit is not although he is religion when boasted that the Pope could not cause the arms to drop from the hands of his soldiers, but somehow would not bow to his autocratic will, after Napoleon's mistreatment of after Napoleon's mistreatment of an experience. The saintly Plus VII. refused to

the Church to be used for political purposes as a tool of French Imperialism. The Pope and the in two before surrendering his offi-cial seal. In an insulting letter, Napoleon asked for the Holy Father's Pope and found the Supreme Pentiff inflexible. His Holiness me) all these outra; cous demands with a firm "Never!" The master tyrant met another Waterloo, and was frustrated in his plot to make Paris the capital of the Catholic world and the

Papacy the tool of French Imperialism. His downfall came close on the beels of his attempt to make himself greater than the Pope. Napoleon seemed to go to pieces intellectually

narvelous and meteoric carser.

It is well to know these things, as of finance and secret diplomacy now rule with a rod of iron, and the old Powers to dethrone Napoleon in 1815, as the Associated Powers combined to overthrow the Kaiser in 1914.-The Monitor.

Commune with yourself once in a while; the results will be surprising and inspiring.

PREPARED FOR DANGER

The following news carries a large amount of religious edification: "In New York, recently, two thousand and morally at this time, and the members of the police force of New curtain was soon rung down on his York received Holy Communics. It was an edifying sight. Men who must be manly to be admitted to there is a recrudescence of Napoleon-ism today in Europs. The Napoleons ready to face danger at all times, and who must have a sturdiness about them that will cause the most spirit of Napoleon animates the timid of those whom they protect to French capitalists who govern have every confidence in them, France and control the Continent. It required a Coalition of European banquet table and asked for His strength to carry on their work. We are sure that every one of the 2,000 policemen is a braver man today because of the reception of that sacrament. 'Conscience makes cowards of us all.' If we are at peace with God, we need not fear, for it God is with us, why should nd inspiring.

When ingratitude comes to us it is against him. Almost invariably usually a lesson that we may not find that the bravest heart is the shoulder other pecple's problems.

purest heart.—Catholic Transcript.



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