METHODIST TRIBUTE TO CATHOLIC ACTIVITY

On the second Snnday in April the Rev. Dr. Lee of St. John's Methodist Church, St. Louis, spoke as foliows:

"Take the Catholic Church in St. Louis. Go around the city and count its orphanages, its asylums, its hospitals, its houses of Good Shepherd, its hundred forms of organized beneficence. I do not know what the figures are, but I venture the assertion thas the Catholic Church in St. Louis has actually done more social service in one year than all the godless, Christless social service experts have done since the foundation of the city of St. Louis.

"But the membe a of this communion do not blow any horns; they do not spin any curiosity wrought mechanical expert theories about the way to help the wretched; they simply go quietly along from day to day, from year to year, doing it.

EXPLAINING USE AND ABUSE OF SACRAMENTS AND SACRAMENTALS

In his Pastoral Letter at the beginning of Lent, Most Rev. Dr. Whiteside, Archbishop of Liverpool, gave some good instruction on the Sacraments and Sacramentals. good instruction on the Sacraments and Sacramentals, emphasizing the misunderstanding and improper use of the latter, even by many Catholics. There are (the Archbishop said) two mistakes which Catholics not unfrequently make. The first is made by those who disdain to use Sacramentals at all. The Sacramentals are seemingly so trivial and insignificant in themselves, their use not involving necessarily any special prayer, insignificant in themselves, their use not involving necessarily any special prayer, that some fail to see how such things can be a means of grace. On the other hand, a much more common mistake is the mistake of those who attach to Sacramentals an efficacy they do not and cannot possess, degenerating at times almost into superatitution. Amongst these there are some who regard a Sacramental in the light that some non-Catholics regard and use a charm or talisman—namely, as something that will protect the wearer from all sorts of harm. It is such as these charm or talisman—namely, as something that will protect the wearer from all sorts of harm. It is such as these who, receiving by post a copy of an unauthorized prayer to which are attached a variety of blessings for those who copy it, and untold evils for those who refuse, with nervous superstition will obey the behests of the sender rather than commit the prayer to the flames, its fitting destination. Or, again, some will have a crucifix blessed, as they term it, "for a happy death," and believe not simply that the person carrying it devoutly may obtain a plenary indulgence at the hour of death, but hope that by virtue of the crucifix, whatever lives they may lead, they will in the end obtain final perseverance, and die in the friendship of God.

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It is well, then, that the faithful should avoid both extremes by clearly understanding the mind of the Church with regard to her sacramentals, the use of which as a means of grace is optional, but which as a meter of fact always have played, and always will play, a large part in the daily life of most Catholics. Impressions are made on the soul through objects which appeal to the senses. Honors and powers are conferred through external symbols. Royal personages are made Sovereigns through the Crown, the distinguished citizen is knighted by the sword, the citizen raised to the mayoralty by receiving the chain of office. The same holds good in the sphere of the supernatural. When Ohrist the Messias wished to work miracles to prove His divine mission, He oles to prove His divine mission, He could have produced these effects simply by willing them, as in fact He did in the by willing them, as in last rie un in the case of the servant of the centurion. But, generally, He performed these wonders through the medium of something appealing to the senses.

The Church has from her Divine

Founder some limited power to convey to her children graces and blessings, and she is naturally expected in imita-tion of her Divine Spouse to attach such favors to the use of some material object which appeals to the senses She undoubtedly possesses the power of the keys, enabling her to draw upon the treasury of the merits of Christ and of the saints, and bestow indulgences for the remission of the temporal punish-ment due to sin, after the sin has been forgiven by the Sagraments.

POWERS OVER EVIL SPIRITS

She also possesses certain powers over evil spirits given her by her Divine Founder. But she cannot institute a vehicle of grace, be that grace habitual or actual. One means of obtaining grace, spiritual and temporal, she has, and it is this she wishes to place at the disposal of any of her children who choose to use That one thing is the immense power er own intercession with God. She of her own intercession with God. She knows that she is the spouse of Christ, and she is well aware of the sacrifices Christ made for her, and consequently the love He bears her. "Nourishing and cherishing" her as He does, she knows only too well how powerful with

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