

HISTORY OF THE DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART.

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In all times and amongst all peoples the human heart has been considered the seat of the feelings of the soul and the seat of the soul itself.

incomparable grace of being the Daughters of the Heart of Jesus.

Soon a new order sprang up, founded by Father Eudes, who was once an illustrious priest of the diocese of Soez.

At first he preached devotion to the heart of Mary and composed two offices approved by a certain number of Bishops.

light, different to that in which it had previously been presented.

Poland; that religious country which shared so deeply in the humiliations of Christ, presented a petition in which no mention was made of the unapproved revelations of Paray le Monial.

Practices to sanctify the month of the Sacred Heart.

weaker, and their words are finally lost on his ear.

Now, for the first time, casts a look beneath him. Had that glance lasted a moment, that moment would have been his last.

There was a new England Methodist Conference lately held in Boston.

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- 1. In the beginning of the month have a great desire to obtain of the adorable Heart of Jesus the graces you most require for the uprooting of your predominant fault. 2. Assist, if possible, every day or at least every Friday, at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, offering it up in gratitude for the ineffable love of Jesus and to make amends for the ingratitude of men. 3. Do all in your power to receive Holy Communion oftener than usual and hold the month by uniting yourself to the Heart of Our Lord in the Sacrament of His love. 4. Place in your room or for your veneration and meditation an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. 5. Daily recite the following consecration to the Heart of Jesus: "My loving Jesus, to show you my gratitude and in reparation for all my sins I offer Thee my heart. I consecrate myself entirely to Thee, and with the help of Thy grace will do all in my power before an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Penitentiary at the end of the month if recited daily." 6. Often repeat the beautiful ejaculatory prayer: "Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto Thine (300 days ind.)" 7. Spread the devotion as much as is possible. 8. Make a visit to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, especially on Fridays. 9. On the last day, make the resolution to continue to honor the Heart of Jesus during the year, recommending to Him your dearest interests, consecrating your families and all united and dear to you, to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

AMBITIOUS YOUTH. It is noonday and the sun is shining clear. A thousand feet below the key clear of the great span of limestone that makes complete the vast natural bridge of Virginia, three boys are standing, looking up, seeing the stars as when in the world's first morning they sang together, and when the Almighty bridged this bewildering, perpendicular chasm, in awe they look upon one of the world's great natural wonders.

They see the names of hundreds of men in the limestone abutments. A new feeling comes over their young hearts, and their jack-knives are in their hands in an instant. "What man hath done, that he should carve away; they begin to look around them; they find that there have been there before them men, who have been there before them."

They were all satisfied with this exploit of physical exertion, except one, whose example illustrates perfectly the forgotten truth, that there is no royal road to intellectual eminence. This ambitious youth sees a name, that will be above his reach—a name that will be green in the memory of the world, when those of Alexander, Caesar and Bonaparte, shall rot in oblivion. Before the name of Washington. Before the name of Washington. Before the name of Washington.

THOUGHTS OF THE SACRED HEART. He has the greatest compassion of all for His servants and saints who are suffering for Him. How it grieves Him to witness their pains! What consolation He pours into their souls! How He compensates them for their afflictions with spiritual delights! What a reward He promises Himself to give them

for what they have endured for love of Him! It is indeed of all privileges the greatest to earn the sympathy of the Sacred Heart by suffering for the cause of Christ.—Rev. R. Clarke, S. J.

He has a still greater compassion for those who have separated themselves from God by sin, and who are desirous to be freed from the chain that has bound them down, and to return to their Father in heaven. What countless, boundless graces flow from His Sacred Heart to keep them in their difficulties! What sweetness thence proceeds to fill the heart of the sinner who does penance!

All the writing of St. John tends only to explain the Heart of Jesus. In this Heart is the abridgement of all Christian mysteries; mysteries of charity the origin whereof is a Heart; a Heart, if we may say so, formed all of love.—Bossuet.

Our best thanks will be fervent acts of love. We must love Him who has so loved us. We can not put into words the claims that the Heart of Jesus has upon our love. One moment's thought is enough to remind us.

It does not require a very tender heart to grieve before the Father when we think of all that Jesus is doing for us, and of the poor return that He receives. "Behold this Heart, so loving and so little loved!" He says to each of us, as He said one day to Blessed Margaret Mary.

Why that wound in the side of Our Lord? "It is not to give us scope to the aspirations of His Heart. There a sure retreat is to be found and an abundance of delight." "Oh Jesus, the most beautiful of the children of men," says another, "Your Side was pierced to give us an abode therein. It was pierced to show us by this visible wound the invisible wound of Thy love."

The Jesuits established it in their colleges and the priests in their parishes. It was no longer a personal devotion of the Middle Ages, as everywhere this feast was kept with great devotion. Blessed Margaret Mary was overjoyed. "Now I can die happy," she used to say, "since the Heart of my Saviour begins to be honored, I have nothing to wish for."

Nothing could express the love with which these souls were filled for this ineffable beauty and goodness. They lived only for God; to praise and serve Him was their only aim. Can we, then, be astonished at the signal graces they received from heaven and the wonderful favors God bestowed upon them? A corrupt and perverse world, steeped in sensual pleasures can hardly understand the love and tenderness which unite the soul to God and is fruitful of sacrifice and repugnance to human nature.

This refusal had on influence on the devotion to the Sacred Heart. New churches were built, congregations erected, to the glory of the Sacred Heart, and their jack-knives were in their hands in an instant. "What man hath done, that he should carve away; they begin to look around them; they find that there have been there before them men, who have been there before them."

St. Francis of Sales, founder of the Order of the Visitation (1610), gave to the religious as their model the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and for their motto the word of Our Divine Saviour: "Learn of Me, for I am meek and humble of heart." To them he would often say: "Do you not wish to be like the daughters and servants of the Heart of Our Divine Lord?" He is our master, king and father. Serve Him well and He will not fail to favor you. The religious of the Visitation will only truly bear the title of Daughters of the Gospel when they imitate the mildness and humility of the Heart of Jesus, which is the form of the work of their order. Then only will they be worthy of the privilege and

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