



GENERAL INTENTION FOR JAN- UARY.

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

THE WORK OF THE APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER.

Its Golden Jubilee: 1844-1894.

¶ As the traveller reaches his first halting place after a long journey, he likes to look back and consider the stretch of country through which he has passed. Our dear Associates, who go to make up the great moral person of the Apostleship, will doubtless be pleased to do likewise at the opening of the fiftieth year of our onward progress. It is even a duty for them to cast a retrospective glance on the past, to be enabled the better to thank God, who in His goodness has never ceased—they know it well by personal experience—to lavish on our Holy League the “blessings of sweetness.”* Moreover, at the recollection of what their valiant companions in arms have accomplished during the fifty years just elapsed, they will take courage and vie with each other to secure even more consoling results for the honor of the Adorable Heart.

This onward march of a half of a century's duration is, strictly speaking, a *campaign* or warlike expedition.

*Ps. xx. 4.