

reclining on a bed of anguish, looks calmly for the season of his restoration to health and usefulness. By hope the Mariner tosses his anchor into the briny deep. Without hope we are lost, and life becomes the charnel house of despair. With hope animating us, no labor becomes too arduous; no suffering too trying; no disappointment too acute. We hope that your career as a Sister of our Order will be replete with satisfaction to the Order and yourself, and that your fraternal life will be charged with kindly thoughts, gentle words and beneficent acts, always having before it the hope of that eternal Crown which fadeth not away.

(A voluntary is then played on the organ while the N. is led to the Banner of Charity, when Sister Charity delivers the following charge:)

*Charity.* Novice, behold! this is the Banner of Charity, whose color is white in token of purity, for what virtue is or can be purer than self-sacrifice for the good of others. Charity means love and is so highly esteemed by the Apostle that he prefers it in honor either to Faith or Hope. Charity, my Sister, profiteth nothing; Charity suffereth long and is kind; Charity envieth not; Charity vaunteth not itself; is not puffed up; doth not behave itself