

week at the Feet of Jesus Christ, worshipping there "in spirit and in truth," then returning to their flocks with hearts on fire, "as Moses from the Mount or the Apostles from the Cenacle." The "network of flame" spread, and it encloses in its meshes to-day nearly a *hundred thousand* of those who themselves are fishers of men.

For the faithful he planned the Aggregation of the Blessed Sacrament. Its associates were asked to watch one hour with their Lord during the course of the month, the choice of the hour being left to their own discretion, unless they consented to join the phalanx of adorers in their parish—a Guard of Honour—that so the work of adoration might be carried on uninterruptedly. Thus one may belong to the Aggregation privately, or it may be organised as a parish society; two conditions only are essential, enrolment and the Hour's adoration.

The Aggregation grew in numbers, until at length, in 1897, it was raised by Leo XIII, to the dignity of an Archconfraternity, having as its centre the church of the Fathers of the Blessed Sacrament in the Eternal City, San Claudio in the Via del Pozzetto. In the Manual which our saint drew up for the associates, he laid the utmost stress on the part that frequent and devout Communions were to play in their lives. By feeding on Christ much more than by adoring Him, they are to strive after the ideal, "I live, now not I: Christ liveth in me." Communion is to do the work of transfiguration, and with the intuition of a saint he has mapped out the process. It may be added here that he left to his priests the duty of carrying on his war against Jansenism, and it is not the least of their glories that this active crusade was a direct cause of the great charter of 1905. And on the morrow of the issue of the Daily Communion Decree they organised the "Daily Communion League" for the priests, to ensure the realisation of its principles. Over *forty thousand* priests are at this moment—thanks to their zeal—inscribed upon its registers.

But to return. From the ranks of the Aggregation, or Guard of Honour, sprang the "Eucharistic Fraternity," or Third Order of the Blessed Sacrament, formed of the élite amongst the courtiers of the Eucharistic King. These, Père Eymard encouraged to the highest perfection, moulding them according to his own Eucharistic ideals. Other works for the

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