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inventions of her piety to show that mother love and honor — and lastly she told him the young girl's soul was like a spotless lily in God's sight, she having always preserved her baptismal innocence. Having reached the Church, the priest took the Sacred Host, and went to the the home of the dying girl.

Imagine, if you can, dear reader, the sentiments of the priest, as he carried the Sacred Host, escorted by the Blessed Virgin and the celestial inhabitants; but what human language can describe the emotions, the hosannas of the heart of Mary as she accompanied her Divine Son, and the worship of love and veneration offered to the Sacred Host by the guard of angels.

When the wonderful procession entered the home of the sick girl, and her eyes rested on our Blessed Lady and those glorious spirits accompaning the Blessed Sacrament in order to visit her, to console her, and to strengthen her, — her humility was unbounded, "Lord, I am not worthy;" but it was almost surpassed by her gratitude, her joyous thanksgiving for such a singular favor, and sweet, unspeakably sweet, was the consolation she felt, in receiving the Bread of Life from the hands of a saint, and in presence of the heavenly attendants.

What is most remarkable in this wonderful fact, is not simply that the Queen of heaven came down to earth to offer her homages to the Blessed Sacrament, she had granted the same favor to St. André Corsini while he was celebrating mass, neither was it, that by a miracle, she obtained the grace of Holy Viaticum for her devoted child, Blessed Dorothy of Prussia, had been similarly favored when she was dying; but without precedent was the fact that the Blessed Virgin walked a long distance, first to the Church, and then to the sick girl's home. She could have sent an angel as guide, or taken any other means to indicate where the sick girl lived, but no, she wished to show us by coming herself how much she loves and favors those who love and honor her.

Happy the soul that is faithful to Jesus, devoted to Mary. Blessed those who have the happiness of accompaning the Blessed Sacrament, whether carried solemnly in procession, or quietly in Viaticum. "It is a glorious privilege to follow the Lord."

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