### SCOTLAND'S PATRON SAINT

FATHER MACDONELL, O. S. B., LADYSMITH, DELIVERS ELO-QUENT SERMON

A powerful sermon was preached on Sunday in Ladysmith Church by Father MacDonell, O. S. B., who dealt chiefly with St. Andrew, the Patron of Scotland, whose Festival was cele brated on Sunday. Taking as his text the words, "Know that it is now the hour for us to arise from sleep,

We are, to-day, at the beginning of the Church's new year. This is the first Sunday of Advent, and Holy Church puts before us the words of my text, and the sermon of St. Paul. In it the Apostle says, "Knowing that it is the hour to rise from sleep." Holy Church wants us to realize that us to realize that we have work to and she puts those St. Paul in to day's Epistle. They are read to day in order to remind us of the work which God has given us to do. We are here for a special purpose, and we are always in great danger. St. Paul wants to warn the Romans of that danger of forgetfulness, of what we are here for, and the work we have to do; and thus it is the Church addresses us in ihese words.

Throughout the world to day there is great danger of forgetfulness; we know the Prophet says, "With desolation is the world made desolate." "With desola-We must realize that we are here for a purpose. The Epistle says: "Now is the time to arise from sleep." The sleep of the body is as like the death of the body as the sleep of the soul is like to the death of the soul. In sleep everything is forgotten, all our energies are at rest, and we know there is nothing more like death to the body; so it is with the soul, there is nothing more like death than forgetfulness of duty to our own soul. is Holy Church who has put these before us this morning, and again we have Her with Her zeal, and watchfulness, and anxiety to help. She not only gives us these words, but always near the beginning of the new year we have the feast of one of her great saints, St. Andrew. He was the first of the great Apostles who came to our Lord. The feast of this Apostle is always the day before, or the day after the first Sunday of Advent.

St. Andrew was the first Apostle to come to our Lord, and it is remarkable that during the time he was with our Lord it was his work to bring others. He brought St. Peter, his brother, and we are told that, when strangers came to speak to our they were brought by St. w. We are also told that at the great miracle of the loaves and fishes, when our Lord turned to His Apostles and asked, "How can these people be fed," St. Andrew said: "Here is a boy with five loaves and two fishes." His faith was there he, knew our Lord had the power to feed all these. Why does Holy Church give us the Feast of St. Andrew near to the beginning of the new year? Because he is the Apostle of the Holy Cross of our Lord; that was the standard he up-

We are told that at the end of his life when he was being led to the mountain he saw the cross they were to put him on, and he knelt down and said, "Oh, precious cross on which lay the Body of My Master, and said. oh. good Cross which hast received eauty from my Lord and Master, long have I sought thee : now at last I have come to thee, take me from among men and restore me to my Master, that by thee He may receive me who, on thee, redeemed From the time his Precious Master died on the Cross, St. Andrew had loved it; he had carried it after his Master and now, as a reward, he received the death of the Cross, and he welcomed that death.

Again, I ask, why does the Church give us St. Andrew at the beginning of the year? That we may receive him and try to imitate him. We may have in our hearts such love for the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ that we may be ready to take up the Cross and follow Him. And parenthesis I may mention that St. Andrew is Patron Saint of Scot-

Many of our people have left their Cross. During the last few years a League of St. Andrew has been formed, and the Scots are praying that Scotland may come back again to the love of the Holy Cross, that they may hold aloft the banner of our Lord Jesus Christ and St. Andrew and I ask you to help, by your prayers, this great work for the Master There are thousands of men, women and children praying for the return of their country to the banner of St. Andrew. Holy Church has given us St. Andrew because we know that for a Catholic to save his soul he must, like him, take up the Cross and follow our Lord.

We know that in this world there is before us the standard of our Lord Jesus Christ, There is another standard before us, and the Church warns us that now is the time we must awaken and fight for by the outrageously absurd and con-our Lord and for our own tradictory answers elicited, that he souls. As I have said, there are two never was a priest, and he displayed camps, and we have to choose be-tween them. Our Lord says: "Who day matters of Catholic teaching and is not with Me is against Me." On practice that it is very likely he was the one banner is inscribed pleasures, riches, honor, happiness, and that exposure he was no longer advertised

pride. Why is this not so? Because as the banner is that of the father of lies, if these words were put on it how many would follow? Few men want to sin openly, no one says that he wants to be sinful, therefore the Evil One puts before us the things to seduce us. And those who are going about doing the work of the Evil Spirit come forth with that banner and put up before us the love of riches and the desire for things of this world, and so crush out the love for the things of God.

Riches and pleasures may be all right in themselves, but we know that the one who first begins to seek, with solicitude, after riches, crushes out in his soul the things of heaven The result is that, in time, he drifts right away from Almighty God, and in giving himself to those pleasures that are legitimate, he allows himself to be led away from the things of God, and no longer fights under the banner of the Cross.

Those who give their lives to the acquirement of riches, and who give themselves to pleasures and honors unjustly acquired, become careless and if you remind them of their duty to God they are indifferent, and indifference ends in contempt of God.

Are we with God or against Him? On the standard of our Lord Jesus Christ are inscribed the words; Penance, patience. There you have the standard of Christ, the Cross. Remember the strength of charity will enable us to follow that standard and will join us to our Lord. Holy Church on this day, and the follow-ing Sundays of Advent, preaches "Unless you do penance. "Unless you do penance you shall all likewise perish" says

Holy Scripture.
Every Sunday in Advent the Church preaches these words to us. We must make up our minds to day to be with God, Who has made us and Who has died for us, because we were made for His purpose, and unless we fulfill the work for which we were made there is no happiness for us. We were made to serve God in this world, and if we do this faithfully we shall merit eternal happiness in the life to come. In our hearts there will be that peace which surpasseth all understanding, the peace which the world cannot give, peace with God and peace with ourselves .-B. C. Western Catholic.



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## GOT THREE MONTHS

ANTI-CATHOLIC LECTURER WILL HAVE TIME TO THINK IT OVER

The Catholic Times of Liverpool, reports a fresh revelation of the kind of recruits that are sometimes rallied to the propaganda of foul cal-umny against Catholicity.

For some months early in the present year a certain Theodore Von Husen, who alleged that he was an ex priest, and called himself "Father Von Hnsen," had been active as an anti-Catholic lecturer, his repertory including lectures on convent life and on the confessional—lectures made up of the usual kind of noisome garbage that such adventures rake together in equal disregard of decency and truth. He was associated with the notorious "ex-monk Widow," and his "East London Pro-

testant Association."
A representative of the Catholic
Truth Society who attended one of Von Husen's lectures and publicly questioned him, was able to show, never even a lay Catholic. After the banner belongs to the father of lies.

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### THE CHILDHER

Deins A. McCarthy, in Sacred Heart Review Ah, sure, without the childer now, don't know what I'd do at all, Twould be the same old story everyday, an' nothing new at all!
'Tis thrue, they are a throuble, an' I'm often almost wild with them— But what about the times when I am just another child with them? When all their fun an' frolic makes

the very rafters ring again, I with all my years, am led to join them when they sing again? Patsy (that's the eldest)—he that has the roguish glance

with him—
He fairly drags me in to show the girls how I can dance with him?

the tunes of other days to An' she not knowing half the things poor child, the music says to

When Mary (that's my second) plays

When I can see around me every youthful face love-lit for me. feel that all their merriment's intended every bit for me?-Ah, then, in spite of all the work

the worry and bewilderment, I'm thanking God he gave me this; to know what little childhe meant!

Ah, sure without the childher 'tis myself might take it aizier; would I be much better off be cause I might be lazier?

My hand it might be whiter, an' I'd have more rings to wear on it, would my heart be lighter if I had no mother care on it? An' tell me how I'd spend the day-

I'm thinkin' 'twould be weary, now, If I could not be looking out for Patsy an' for Mary, now, Or some one or another of the little

lives so dear to me, An' thinkin,' are they safe an' sound? and wishin' they were near to An' kissin' them when they came in.

an layin' lovin' hold on them, An' askin' if they're wet, for fear they'd maybe have a cold on

An' smilin' to see Michael draw each lovin' little ones to him, An' laughin' when the youngest one.

the toddler, tries to run to him. thrue, the world is filled with care, we suffer every day from

But, ah, the little childher, sure, they lure our hearts away from

The house that has the childher is the house that has the joy in

every one that's added only makes the place the cheerier;

If childher are the gifts of God, the more He sends the merrier. every little one I've had gave something to my bliss the

more, An' every little baby face my lips were drawn to kiss the more. An' though I know the throuble an' the thrial an' the care they

An' though I know how often wild, how wayward an' how quare they are, though 'tis many a night I've

watched beside the little beds of them: held their little hands and cooled

the fevered little heads of An' though I know the surly moods

that fall upon the best of them Can one who is unkind outweigh the love of all the rest of them? No, no, the throuble that I've had through them, I'll never rue a

all. n' sure, without the childer, now, I don't know what I'd do at

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