

No matter what your priests may do, says the eloquent Bishop Cowgill, of Leeds, England, no matter how zealous the sisters and the teachers may be, parents have a duty to their little ones which no one else can discharge. They must always remain the first teachers and instructors of their offspring. This is the law of nature, the law of religion, the order of Divine Providence, the will of God. It is, continues the Bishop of Leeds, on the mother's lap that the little child should learn to lisp its first prayer, to praise God, its Maker, to bless God, its Saviour, to love Jesus of the Manger, Jesus of Calvary, Jesus of the Tabernacle.

It is from the father's lips it must learn its first lesson of wisdom. These lessons will never be forgotten. This primary duty of parents is such that, unless it be observed, priests and nuns and teachers will labor in vain. Unless parents cooperate with them it is not possible to give children a proper training. What is built