

Next the twelve Apostles, foundation-stones of the Church, who have travelled the world over, by the command of their divine Chief, to be unto all nations the heralds of grace and truth. Among the Saints, behold with deep admiration the countless multitude of Martyrs, clad in robes empurpled with their blood; the tender virgins, lilies that bloom in the garden of the Beloved One; the army of the Confessors, who "Shine like stars throughout all eternity."

But higher than all the Saints rises a throne of glory. The brilliancy of their crowns pales before that of another crown far more radiant. It is that of Mary, Queen of heaven and earth. More than all the other Blessed who gaze upon the face of the Lord, we honor her, because it is through her that salvation came into the world."—(For the *Annals*.)

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THE PILGRIMAGE TO ST. ANN'S.

Mr. Editor :—

We went to St. Ann de Beaupré to worship at her shrine. Some wondered, some laughed and some thought our folly big enough to be dammed up, of course, for fear it might burst its bonds and hurt somebody. Yet we went, the priest himself leading. And do not wonder; for what does the Church, encouraging pilgrimages, do but march by the music of ages thundering by, God Himself driving. Abraham marching out to the land that the Lord God will show him; Israel marching out of Egypt to worship at the foot of Mt. Sinai, (the Red Sea recoiling at their approach), and afterwards ascending yearly to the temple—Jerusalem turned into a caravansary, Jehovah himself standing guard over the frontier. Pilgrimages!—Pagans following the bent of nature, had their shrines; Jupiter Tyrius, or Melcarth, at Gades; Jupiter Capitolinus at Rome; Apollo at Delphi; Diana at Ephesus;