

DON'TS FOR SOME CHURCH GOERS.

The following don'ts taken from the excellent *Antigonish Casket* we recommend to associates of the Holy League. They are founded on common-sense as well as on the ritual of the Church, and will contribute much to interior piety and general edification :—

Don't bring a crying baby.

Don't dress so as to attract attention.

Don't forget your prayer book or rosary.

Don't stand on the sidewalk after mass is over.

Don't complain that the services were too long.

Don't take up a whole pew, but move up to the farthest end.

Don't forget the fasts and the feasts that the priests read out.

Don't forget to take or send the children that are old enough.

Don't forget to genuflect before you enter the pew and after you leave it.

Don't turn round to see who is there or to find out what that noise was.

Don't come late to mass. Be in church before the Holy Sacrifice begins.

Don't forget that God is really present and that you are in His house.

Don't go up to the first seat if you come in after mass or sermon is commenced.

Don't pray out loud or in a manner to cause people to look at you.

Don't forget to pray for the deceased persons whose names the priests read out.

Don't fail to bless yourself with holy water when you enter, and again when you depart.

Don't talk in church. Don't leave before the mass is over, unless absolutely compelled to do so.

Don't become over-pious and bury your face in your hand just as the contribution box comes round.

Don't refuse a person a seat in your pew because he or she is poorly dressed. That is not Christian charity.