

FIVE MINUTE SERMON

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THE LORD'S ANOINTED

"At that time: The Pharisees going... among themselves how to ensure Him... (Matt. xxii. 12.)"
The path of the righteous is a difficult one. This is due to two facts: First, because it is hard to conquer the cravings of nature; and secondly, because there are many outside obstacles to be overcome. The chief of these obstacles is that offered by our fellow-men. It is a well-known fact that the virtuous meet with more opposition from the world than do the wicked; and it is surprising that much of this comes from others apparently virtuous themselves. In fact, the most strenuous opposition comes from our supposedly virtuous and seemingly well-meaning neighbors. We need not seek for the reason. The causes are manifold and varied. We shall not speak of the first of the difficulties besetting the path of the virtuous—that is, of the inordinate demands of nature—but shall confine ourselves to those impediments offered by the world. The Gospel of the day suggests this consideration.

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, the man-God, the most virtuous of men that ever walked the earth, is opposed by various unlawful means to hamper His work, and have Him appear as violating the laws of God and of the State. Their efforts were futile, as we well know, though they finally did have Him crucified. They found fault with Christ when He was performing the sacred works of His public ministry. When He would speak, they industriously would try to find fault with His utterances; or have Him contradict Himself; or have Him say something opposed to the law, especially to the law that God gave Moses, to which they claimed strict adherence. In a word, Christ was continually watched by a hateful mob ever anxious for a pretext to have the people turn against Him. The power and the beauty of His divinity and the superb excellence of His humanity rendered their efforts futile. "Which of you," He well said, "shall convince Me of sin?" Today the people of God suffer in a similar manner. But God is with them, and if they themselves do their best He will render them immune from the attacks of their enemies. God is ever watchful of His own, and, to save them, He often routs their enemies by death or misfortunes. He dwells in the heavens above, but He has His dwelling-places on earth also; He is the Lord, God master of all, but He has His representatives upon earth. He cares for them, nay almost identifies them with Himself. He wishes us to respect Him and His name, but He also desires us to show proper respect to His representatives on earth. He even goes so far as to choose these Himself: "Let no man take upon himself this honor, except him who is called like Aaron."

How much people should, in recognition of this fact and in obedience to duty, as well as out of reverence for God, respect the holy places of God and hold in sacred esteem those persons dedicated to the Lord. The unbelieving part of humanity is ever mocking at our religion, ever using weapons destined, they think, to destroy it. Even those who believe, but who believe differently from us, act, in many cases, in a similar manner. In certain respects, they are like the Pharisees of old. They give a false interpretation to our every word and deed, and criticize every move we make. Our most sacred ceremonies are made little of and termed superstitious by them. The lives of our priests and Religious of both sexes are, to use the most charitable expression, represented in a bad light. By lectures and by the dissemination of literature they are waging an open war against us; and, by listening to the promptings of Satan, they are employing his diabolical methods in attempts at our destruction. But we are God's own. If we are faithful to Him, there is nothing to fear.

What we lament most of all is that in our day, more so than in times gone by, some of our own people sometimes are inclined to speak disrespectfully of those dedicated to God. They are too quick to see a failure, too eager to detect a fault, too hasty in their judgments. We hear them now and again speak of the Lord's anointed as they would of any ordinary person, judging him according to the same criterion by which they would judge any other mortal. Perhaps this can be done, but it certainly should not be done. And those who indulge in this practice, if they continue in it, will not long have faith. God cares for His own, and the person who does not respect and defend God's anointed will be deprived by Him, sooner or later, of that greatest of gifts—faith.

Some of our people, too, are inclined to be suspicious of the lives and actions of those who have dedicated themselves to God. They may feel sure that those who are in the service of the Lord will not remain there long, unless their lives be sincere and their actions meritorious. It is true that we are all human, and that those who are dedicated to the service of the Lord are also human, but pray tell us,

where will you find mortals who have conquered human nature as they have? Are they not in truth today the lights of the world and the salt of the earth? God, too, demands that they attain a certain standard; if they fail, He withdraws His support, and, as a consequence, they soon openly leave His service. But how seldom even this happens.

Catholics, above all others, should have the greatest respect, the most sacred esteem, for those dedicated to the Lord. Through them, they first received the grace of God in Baptism, and the growth of this same grace in their souls was accorded them chiefly through the ministrations of these same anointed of the Lord. Today, through them also, their sins are washed away and the burden of guilt lifted from their shoulders. Through these representatives of God, they can assist at a renewal of Calvary, where the great price of redemption was paid and where the greatest blessings were gained for man. Through them, again, they can receive the body and blood of Christ—the same Christ who said: "If any man eat My flesh and drink My blood he shall live forever." Who can begin to enumerate the blessings that come to Catholics through the ministrations of their priests? No others could afford them these opportunities and grant them these blessings. He who gives you the greatest blessings on earth, who weeps with you, who rejoices with you, who feels with you and for you—who, in a word, has given himself for your service, you should respect, esteem, and protect—he is the Lord's.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, Oct. 9.—St. Dionysius, who, of all the Roman missionaries sent into Gaul, carried the faith furthest. He fixed his see at Paris and with his disciples established sees at Chartres, Sens, Meaux and Cologne in the fourth century. He was beheaded during Valerian's persecution.

Monday, October 10.—St. Francis Borgia, one of the handsomest, richest and noblest of the Spanish grandees, who was chosen to escort the remains of his sovereign, Queen Isabella, to its burying place at Granada. The coffin being opened that he might verify the body, a sight so foul met his eyes that he vowed never again to serve a sovereign who could suffer so base a change. He entered the Society of Jesus and soon became its head. He died in Rome in 1572.

Tuesday, Oct. 11.—St. Tarachus and his companions, Probus and Andronicus, who, in the year 304, were denounced as Christians to Numerian, Governor of Cilicia, and put to death with great tortures.

Wednesday, Oct. 12.—St. Wilfrid, who was trained by the Celtic monks at Lindisfarne in the peculiar rites and usages of the British church. He longed for perfect conformity, in discipline, with Rome and visited the Eternal City, afterwards founding a strictly Roman monastery, under the rule of St. Benedict, at Ripon. He was elected Bishop of Lindisfarne and later transferred to the see of York. He swept away many of the abuses in England that existed prior to his death in 709.

Thursday, Oct. 13.—St. Edward the Confessor, who was unexpectedly raised to the throne of England at the age of forty. Though he married to content his nobles and people, nevertheless he maintained perfect chastity. He was kind and generous and during his reign of twenty-four years the country waxed prosperous, churches were restored and laws stabilized. He died in 1066.

Friday, Oct. 14.—St. Callistus, Pope and martyr, who, when a deacon was given charge of cemeteries of the Christians. The catacomb of St. Callistus is named in his honor. As Pope he is said to have appointed the four fasts of the Ember seasons. He was martyred in 223.

Saturday, Oct. 15.—St. Teresa, who at the age of seven, ran away from her home in Avila, in hope of being martyred by the Moors. She became a Carmelite nun and though at first frivolous conversations checked her progress toward perfection, later she gave herself wholly to God and carried out a reformation of the order in which she was favored with distinct commands from Our Lord. She died in 1582.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The reopening of the school year marks also the reopening of Sunday School. It should be unnecessary to insist upon the importance of this necessary adjunct to every parish. Much to his regret every pastor of a parish is not able to provide a parochial school, but there is no parish however small and struggling that has not its Sunday school. For many children who are not fortunate enough to enjoy the inestimable benefit of education in a Catholic school, the Sunday School is the only place in which they can acquire instruction in the truths of their holy religion. Priests, teachers, and parents all have duties towards the Sunday school, the priest by zealously conducting it, the teachers by giving their time and talents to the labor of teaching the little ones, and the parents by co-operating with priests and teachers by sending their chil-

dren regularly with carefully prepared lessons. On parents primarily rests the obligation of instructing their children in religion. The seriousness of this obligation may be seen in the words of the Canon Law of the Church, which declares in canon 1113: "Parents are bound by a most grave obligation to provide to the best of their ability for the religious and moral, as well as the physical and civil education of their children." Religious and moral education does not mean simply attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holydays. It implies regular and careful instruction in the truths of revealed religion. The child must be taught, that is, he must not be left to pick up scraps of information from conversation and example, but must be given intelligent and systematic instruction in the truth that God has revealed and in the duties he owes to God, his neighbor and himself.

Many parents have neither the time nor the ability to impart this systematic training. Nevertheless they are not relieved of their obligation, to provide "to the best of their ability" for the religious and moral education of the children whom God has committed to them as a sacred trust. To assist parents to fulfil this grave obligation, Catholic schools have been erected at great expense and with untold sacrifices and where no Catholic school exists Sunday schools are provided as substitutes.

The Sunday school does not relieve parents of their obligation to educate their children, it simply furnishes the opportunity of fulfilling it. Therefore Catholic fathers and mothers should co-operate as fully as possible with an institution primarily designed to assist them in this most important duty, the training of candidates for the Kingdom of Heaven. Many of the difficulties that beset priests and teachers in Sunday school work could be removed by a more active interest of parents in the work of their children in Sunday School. It is not too much to ask that parents should take the same interest in the religious education of their children as they take in their secular education. To see that they attend regularly the classes, that they come with lessons prepared and that they devote to their catechism as much time as they give to their other studies is the minimum that is required of every parent.

The spirit of lawlessness in the present age, the appalling waves of crime that deluge the country from time to time, the rise in juvenile delinquency all are directly traceable to lack of religious instruction in the young. The figures of childish ignorance of the fundamentals of religion in this country are startling. A recent test in one of our large cities revealed the fact that thousands of children in the Public schools had never heard of the ten commandments. Unless religion is elevated to its proper place as an integral part of education we shall rear a generation of educated pagans. Such sorrowful reflections should only urge Catholics to more strenuous endeavors to provide proper instruction for their children. The Catholic Sunday school is necessary as a preservative of faith and an incentive to virtue, but it is also one of the mainstays of the nation and a mighty bulwark against the spirit of lawlessness and crime.—The Pilot.

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CATHOLICS AND THE BIBLE

Time was when we were constantly put on the defensive for our attitude toward the Bible. Time will be, and is fast approaching, when, the basis of attack being radically changed, we will occupy the same enviable position. Hitherto we have been accused of want of respect for the Word of God; of superstitious regard for it. The Bible was once the rule of faith of Protestantism, now it is fast becoming a shadowy approval of its ethics. Even the latter is not unquestioned. Destructive criticism has played havoc with the Protestant attitude. On fundamental questions of the inspiration, integrity, and accuracy of the Bible the Protestant higher critic has left the shreds of an antique piece of literature on a level, or even below the historical records of Babylon. Meanwhile the Church has not changed a particle in the reverence for the inspired word of God. It commends its perusal to her chil-

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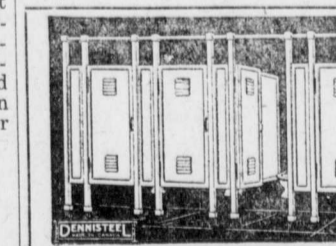
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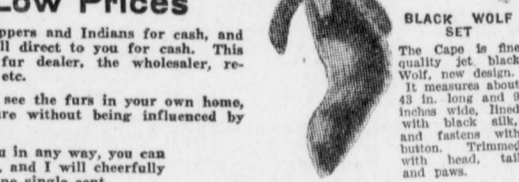
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