

FIVE MINUTE SERMON

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

THE MAN OF PEACE

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you not as the world giveth do I give unto you." (John xiv, 27.)

Christ's mission on earth was one of peace. He advocated it on every occasion, both by word and by example.

One of the surest signs, therefore, that a man is really a minister of God, and conspicuously engaged in His work, is this: that he performs a peaceful mission, and endeavors to spread abroad the spirit of peace wherever discord reigns.

There are diversities of operations, but the same God who worketh all in all.

If, then, the Holy Spirit is the quickening principle of the Church and if He, according to the promise of Christ, is to remain with the Church forever, it follows that whenever the Church has authoritatively spoken throughout the ages, she has spoken with the authority of the Holy Spirit who is with her to lead her into all truth.

Therefore a reformation of the doctrine of the Church is as impossible as it is to correct God. The charge that the Church has deviated from the truth is—though, we are sure, often unwittingly—a blasphemy against the Holy Spirit.

Christianity alone, of all human religions, possesses the power of keeping abreast with the advancing civilization of the world.—James Freeman Clarke.

PENTECOST

When Cardinal Manning was yet a minister of the Anglican Church a lady of his congregation brought to his notice what she considered a strange omission among the topics of his sermons.

The Archdeacon, like every great man, was amenable to correction. He did not say or think, "Don't I know better than this lay person what I am to preach about?"

Christ's mission to the world was—not in its effect but in its actual performance—a temporary. However, before His departure He told His apostles that He was going to send them His Spirit, the Paraclete, who would stay with them forever and lead them into all truth.

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MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

The month of June is dedicated in a particular manner to devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In the Sacred Heart of Christ we find expression of the fullness of love. Because June expresses the fullness of nature the Church has chosen this month for adoration of the Heart that expresses the fullness of God's love for His creatures.

In order to increase devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus during the month of June, the saintly Pius X, on August 8th, 1908, graciously conceded many great indulgences in all those churches in which special devotions are held in honor of the Sacred Heart during this month.

Sunday of the month. All that is required for the solemn observance of the month, according to the mind of the Holy Father, is that there shall be a sermon each day, or at least on eight days of the month, in the form of a mission.

TEA SHORTAGE—HIGHER PRICES

In 1920, so much more tea was produced than required throughout the world, that the market dropped to a very low level. The situation was so serious for the growers that they agreed to reduce their production 20% during 1921.

GENERAL INTENTION FOR JUNE

RECOMMENDED AND BLESSED BY HIS HOLINESS THE LATE BENEDICT XV.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart is no longer a novelty in the Church of God. Time was when opposition to it was strong and bitter, when the timid hesitated before accepting it as a source of grace for the nourishment of their souls.

The object of this devotion is twofold: the one material and sensible, the other spiritual and invisible. In other words, its object is not the sole material heart, nor the soul's spiritual heart, but both indissolubly united in the Divine Person of the Word made Flesh.

Not that the Heart of Flesh—writes rather a poet—does not merit our adoration. For it is enough to say that it is the true Heart of Our Lord Jesus Christ; and if we feel so drawn to the devotion to His Five Wounds or to the devotion to His Holy Face, we cannot be less so to His Sacred Heart.

In order to stimulate our love and gratitude, the Church presents the Heart of Jesus to us not, as it were, lifeless, or as separated from the other members of His Body, but as a true and vivified heart totally inseparable from the living Humanity of the Word.

This leads us at once to the real object of the devotion, for as the Heart of Jesus is the necessary

organ of all the sensible affections of God; it is evident that we cannot find any other image or symbol of Him more fitting to express and remind us of the desires, affections and sentiments of His mortal life.

The Roman iron worker who forged the nails for the crucifixion, or the joiner who shaped the cross, or the expert who intertwined the piercing crown of thorns, little thought that a time was to come when these terrible instruments, besprinkled with the Redeemer's Blood, would be venerated by mankind in every region of the world.

This great consideration took root early in Christian hearts. It is quite certain that even in the earliest days of the Church, the followers of Jesus were taught to regard His Heart as an object of special adoration and imitation.

That John, reclining on the Heart of Christ, beheld therein the treasures of divine wisdom and knowledge. St. Augustine, interpreting St. John's Gospel, assures us "that the Beloved Disciple drank in the most recondite secrets from His most inmost Heart."

St. Bernard, whose eloquent accents still ring through the world, thus addresses himself to the Heart of Jesus: "O what a blessing to abide in this Heart! What a rich treasure, what a priceless pearl! I beseech Thee, O Jesus, to draw me into the divine sanctuary of Thy Heart. It was pierced that we might abide in It; that we might learn from the visible the invisible wound that Thy love has inflicted. How could this Heart more clearly testify its ardor, than by permitting not only the Body but itself also to be pierced by the lance? This lance layeth bare the spiritual wounds. Who is there that would not love this Heart so lacerated? Who could be insensible to so much love?"

St. Bonaventure, whose seraphic soul so often found prose too cold a medium for the burning thoughts that inflamed him, would fain bid forever in the Heart of Jesus; nay, he yearned to be transmuted into the soldier's lance. "O!" he exclaims, "what ineffable sweetness overflows the soul that, through these wounds, is united to the Heart of Jesus Christ! I cannot describe it. The gate of Paradise is thrown open, the soldier's lance hath beaten down the flaming sword that forbade us ingress. Would I were that happy lance! I never would be drawn out from my Saviour's side. I would say, This is my home; here will I dwell forever. Oh, soul, created to the image of God, how you should be wrapt in ecstasy! your loving Spouse hath opened His side to give you His Heart!"

Sentiments like these, entertained by men who were favored with so much insight into heavenly things, and who throughout the centuries have been celebrated for their science and their sanctity, will surely suffice to explain the magnetism of the Sacred Heart for souls and the extraordinary impetus given to the devotion to It in the world. The millions who love and trust the Sacred Heart in our days have solid motives for doing so.

What the saints loved and practised so also may we; what they urged us to do, we also may do in all security. It is the will of Our Lord, plainly expressed to Saint Margaret Mary that we love Him under the symbol of His Heart of Flesh. What a consolation it will be for us on the Day of Judgment if we can show Him who is to be our Judge that we loved His Heart and tried to make others love It.

Reckon what is in a man, not what is on him if you would know whether he is rich or poor.—Henry Ward Beecher.

REAL IDEALS OF SOCIAL SERVICE

San Diego.—The libraries of Mr. Carnegie and the research institutions of Mr. Rockefeller, immense as they have been, have had little or no influence upon the lives of the great multitude, according to the Right Rev. John J. Cantwell, Bishop of Los Angeles, in an address before the fourteenth annual convention of the California Conference of Social Work, held in Balboa Park.

"Mere liberality," said Bishop Cantwell, "will produce nothing in social life but Dead Sea fruit." He warned social workers against overspecialization that would make social work lose its humaneness, its love and degenerate into mere police duty.

REAL CHARITY IDEAL

"The social worker," said Bishop Cantwell, "should see to it that we of America do not return to a pagan standard of generosity, to the destruction of the ancient ideals that are summed up in the word 'charity.' The ancient Romans, while not as remarkable for their public generosity, for the largeness of their giving, as were the inhabitants of Greece, yet astonished us in the lavishness of their gifts. Their wealthy endowed libraries, recreation centers, public baths, Communities selected some wealthy man to be a patron, with the hope that the city or town would benefit from his generosity. In Rome and in the great provincial centers beggars in large numbers were to be seen sitting at the corners of the streets, at bridges, at the entrance to the temples, in places where traffic was most lively. They received some small coins from the passers-by. Travelers and those who were wrecked at sea were the recipients of a kindly generosity. When in the reign of Nero the great theater at Fidenae fell in and buried fifty thousand men, the citizens of Rome dispatched physicians and all kinds of medical appliances to the scene of the disaster, and received the wounded into their own homes. The emperors and the politicians were not behindhand in the generosity of their gifts.

PERSONAL SERVICE NECESSARY

"One of the dangers of an organized charity is the peril of excluding personal service, of freezing out the volunteer worker. Many people, having given their contributions to some social agency, will close their eyes to the distress around them, and feel that in paying their quota they have done their duty. It is the sight of suffering that makes the heart tender and makes the social worker, professional or volunteer, to be what he ought to be, and begets a greater generosity. When one realizes how people suffer, enthusiasm for their relief will be increased a thousand fold.

"The trained social worker must, under prevailing conditions, bring to his task the loving prudence of the father, the tender compassion of the mother, the strong support of brother and of sister. He must have the wisdom of the teacher, and the strength of the apostle. The social worker in his calling must not yield to discouragement nor know defeat. The mother's tender heart is welded to the crippled child who lies for years on a bed of pain rather than to the ten others who do not need her solicitude. I know that in demanding these things we ask that which is the very highest ideal and flower of Christian kindness."

"ALL'S LOVE, YET ALL'S LAW"

L. Wheaton, in Catholic World

God is Love. If once we get a firm grasp on that one great central fact, the "burning heart of the universe," things fall into their places, the tragedy of life explains itself, problem disappears, the true meaning of our existence is clear. Since God is Love and all love must have something of God in it, why do we find the pursuit of human love, as it is presented in the modern novel, so often disastrous? When we want a quick and sure answer to a question, we must fall back upon our poets, who give us what Victor Hugo calls, "l'essence des choses." Browning writes in Saul:

"I report as a man may of God's work—all's love, yet all's law." It is because love is so enticing that God puts His limitation to its human possession. "Of all the trees but this" after yielding the garden to man: thus far and no farther—the old Eden, the old serpent, the old desire, the old permission and the old restraint—these are part of the test of every soul.

The essence of an immoral novel is the reverse of Browning's line. The case is put with such plausible pathos, that it looks as if the Divine command were too great a strain upon the temperament of the person manifestly on trial. The average girl will not understand that there is a wide difference between an immoral book and one which is merely coarse (realistic is the term generally used). The former may be quite free from indelicate allusions and expressions, and yet may subtly insinuate the poisonous impression that virtue is dull and uninteresting and vice quite the opposite; that passion is overpowering, that love is not law, that, worst of all, there is no such thing as human love, but mere animal instinct.



No Appetite

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