

happiness!" How much greater was his joy when he was allowed to receive Him more than once a week.

He had a beautiful practice which it would be well for us to imitate. Every thought, word, and deed of Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday he offered in thanksgiving to our dear Lord for His kindness in coming to visit him in Holy Communion. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday were given to preparation for the reception of the great Guest who was coming the following Sunday.

What a holy and salutary method of distributing his time and making his life consist of acts of love towards Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We can easily imagine the great care he exercised in cleansing his heart of every worldly feeling and his mind of every earthly thought. How many times he gathered sweet bouquets for the dear Guest, bouquets of loving ejaculations, kind words, good deeds, holy thoughts, anything that would make his heart beat in closer union with the Heart of Jesus.

When this saintly young man made such careful preparation for Holy Communion and such fervent acts of Thanksgiving after, how should we conduct ourselves? How closely can we imitate him? Father Furniss gives us a wise suggestion when he tells us of the two children who went with cans, to the river, for water. One returned with much more water than the other. Why? Because his dish was much larger than the other. So it is when we receive Holy Communion; the better our preparation, the greater our devotion, the larger our hearts are to receive abundant graces to overflowing.

