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September 29 is the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel. In the prayers after Mass we ask him to "defend us in battle." Have a Mass said to invoke his care.

PARISH OF CONVERTS

Mar Severios, the zealous convert Bishop of Tiruvalla, India, reports the conversion of large numbers of people from the Jacobites of the Malabar coast. This is one of the greatest movements of reunion in modern times. Many thousands have returned to the Catholic Church in the ten years since it began.

Mar Severios writes about one of the stations he visited recently:

"Amayannoor is another station without a chapel. I had a mass conversion there—two priests and about one hundred and fifty people in one hour."

"These priests have given up their means of support. Their people have given up their well-appointed church buildings. They are now dependent on our charity as the Catholic Bishop, for everything I have very little to give them."

"The first great need at the village of Amayannoor is a modest chapel to accommodate these converts and give them a place to hear Mass. It would provide for the teaching of their children and for the instruction of others who may join them."

We can put up a chapel in Amayannoor for only Five Hundred Dollars. It will bring the presence of our Blessed Lord to this new center and make it possible for the mission to grow. Can you think of a better memorial to your loved ones? If you build this chapel, they will be remembered before God in every Mass and service held there.

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was not appreciated at his true value, and because he thought we were talking only on our subject, he is always in a state of high tension produced by inevitable pride, impatience, or consternation and hatred of all and everyone who disagrees with him. But he aims at making his writings popular, usually superficial, in appeal to the galleries and the general public. And in this he has succeeded. The *Journal of Mary Street* was the first to publish *The Mass*, considered by many to be the best Catholic review in the English language. Just twenty years ago that Joseph McCabe had done more to undermine the Faith of the English people than any other writer of his generation.

Richard set by the Nationalist Press he has become the darling of the Haldeman-Justus publication. He has produced for them more little Blue Books than any other writer. He has been their guest at Oxford and I think he is now in this country. In one respect he differs from all or most of the "intellectual" apostates and enemies of Christianity. He talks not only the Christian religion but manifests a positive hatred and contempt for the person of Jesus Himself. He writes of "the founder of Christianity" with a small "i." He asks what was the necessity of such a teacher when philosophy and literature flourished at Antioch, Alexandria, Athens and Rome? The world was being saved when Jesus appeared and arrested the progressive evolution of man. But the world must be saved again from this gross apostasy, and Joseph McCabe is the new prospect!

His latest work for the Haldeman-Justus Company is "The Black International" namely "The Church of Rome." The Black International is a series of Little Blue Books. Rather it is a series of series published at irregular intervals. The first and second series of ten volumes each had already appeared. A third series was in preparation, and a fourth and fifth series were promised when Haldeman-Justus were forced to stop their publication. The character of *The Black International* can be seen in the introduction to the first series. "The totalitarian Church of Rome has its Führer, its Gauleiter, its Gestapo, its Gaps and its Treasury. Amongst the apostates to be swept out of modern life the chief is the Roman Church, an economic corporation shaping the life, etc."

This raises the question at the head of this paper: Why do they all hate us Catholics? In my dictionary apostasy is defined as "a total desertion or departure from one's faith, principles or party." From one's faith there are apostates from Jewry, apostates from Protestantism, and apostates from Catholicism. Of the great Haldeman-Justus are examples; Wells is an example of the second, Joseph McCabe of the third. I do not mean to say that all apostates from their faith and principles devote their subsequent lives in making war against what they have abandoned. Nor can it be said that all apostates from Catholicism do them, much less that they treat the Person of Our Divine Lord with ridicule, contempt and hatred. Ernest Renan is an example. He wrote always with respect, even with admiration, of the personality of Christ as a man and sublime moral teacher. I am speaking of the class who spend their lives in making war on what they have abandoned; and as Brown of the Iconoclast said truly of this class: "There is no hatred equal to that of the renegade." But, in any case, how comes it that these apostates from all the faiths show their hatred especially against Catholics and Catholicism?

I find the answer in an article that appeared in the *Catholic Times* of Liverpool some years ago. The article quoted the following from the "Freethinker," a publication of the Rationalist Press: "The Catholic Church is the one with which we shall have to deal ultimately. It is the best organized of them all and the most logical of them all—that is why it is the worst of them all. At present the ordinary Protestant churches are being eaten away by Freethinking on the one side and the incurably religious on the other. It is from the latter that the Roman Church draws the converts it makes"—such as Brownson, Newman, Chesterton, Eric Gill, Dawson, Holtis— and John Moody!

The very same opinion as that of the Freethinker was given by Lenin to a Catholic journalist who as an old friend visited the Communist on his death bed. "But this article is already too long!"

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