[illegible]ing for the Future'

By Rev. Benedict Ehmann

[illegible] recent address to the Catholic Library Association, [illegible] Madeleva drew attention to the fact that two of the [illegible] writers in the history of English literature, [illegible] and Geoffrey [illegible] at a time as [illegible] Kempis [illegible] as prospect [illegible]

"They were young men in the very heart of a hundred years' war. Chaucer fought on the fields of France at eighteen [illegible] the [illegible] The Black [illegible] with no modern medi[illegible] [illegible] World war, [illegible] bereavement [illegible] these young men, [illegible] was at bay. [illegible] they read and [illegible] the Scriptures and the Lives of the Saints. They read Saint [illegible] and Saint Augustine. They read Aristotle and Ci[illegible] and Ovid."

[illegible] a [illegible] that looked [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] and pondered over the [illegible] [illegible] freshness of spring. Chau[illegible] is esteemed as the spring[illegible] harbinger of English lit[illegible], a strange and instructive [illegible]. Indeed, when we re[illegible] the appalling evils of the time in which he lived.

Sister Madeleva goes on then [illegible] the parallel to our own day:

"Perhaps our own century, already paralleling theirs in [illegible], has come, too, upon their inner springs of joy. There are many hopeful signs. The best of all is the unpre[illegible] restoration of the Bi[illegible] to our bookshelves, our [illegible] tables, our minds, our [illegible]. No century since the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], Bible, and New Testa[illegible] have never been so [illegible] or so widely circu[illegible].

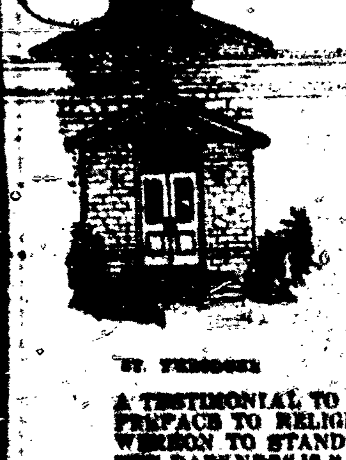
"Not since the days of the [illegible] of the Church have the [illegible] been more fortunate [illegible] biographers. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Our generation, the Rolle and Chaucer, [illegible] the golden legends [illegible] Chaucer's Clerks of [illegible], had he lived to[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] volumes of the [illegible] at his bed's head. And so [illegible], [illegible] speaking, [illegible] the [illegible] is too dif[illegible], we have the Companion [illegible] specialized capaci[illegible].

"Apart from these we have available today a rich world of books, expository, devotional, apologetic, doctrinal. The [illegible] and the most fastidious mind can find in current spiritual literature books to meet and to satisfy him as little [illegible] in contemporary literature can do."

The springs of joy never run dry. God's gifts of light and love are irrevocable. The heavenly light upon our lives will never be outshone by the glare of atomic bombs. Grant[illegible]ed that the signs of the future are far from reassuring. Yet ours is a light and a joy which cannot be taken from us. We will not, however, come into full possession of this light and joy, until we allow our minds and hearts to come within its radius: and this we do by reading and study. We must turn to our Bibles, and especially to our New Testaments, and there read and read and read again, drinking deeply of the holy wisdom which God has locked up within it. We must turn to the Lives of the Saints to as to find in them the example of courageous and holy living in the face of all kinds of trials. We must find time for the excellent books of spiritual light and counsel which show us the way to grow up in virtue and character.

A lovely Old Testament verse tells us that "wisdom built for herself a house." Wisdom is not something ready-made, prefabricated. It is acquired, and there is hardly a person who has not the capacity for it. But the building of it is laborious and trouble[illegible], and there are not many who have the patience. One of its sources is the painstaking reading of the golden spiritual books — the Bible, the Imitation of Christ, the Lives of the Saints, the books of Marmion and Pius and Adam and Leen, the Encyclicals of the modern Popes on the great issues of the day. The object is not to acquire information, although that has a certain value, but rather to form our minds and hearts according to a pattern of order which reflects the mind of God and brings our whole being into harmony with God. Therein is true wisdom.

Spiritual reading, then, is the order of the day for us. [illegible] at the end of our workdays, too tired to engage in serious reading, then we should dedicate some part of the Lord's day to this cause. The ancient prophet had reason to cry out that the land was made desolate, "because no man thinketh in his heart." The world today needs men of wisdom and good judgment, men who have learned the pattern of God's order. Such leaders will not rise from among us, unless all of us in our place help to raise the level of [illegible] by an intent search for wisdom. We get the leaders we deserve. The confusion in the council rooms of the United Nations is only the loudspeaker of the confusion that exists throughout the rank and file. Our personal effort to search after wisdom in spiritual books will be the best contribution we can make, outside of prayer and the Mass, to the cause of the future. One by one, the candles must be relit all over the world, one person here, another person there, catching the light and the flame of wisdom from the golden books which have stood the test of time. The answer lies within us, if only we have the courage to admit it, and the "gumption" and patience to carry it through.



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Text of Papal Address to Confraternity Congress

Castelgandolfo — The text of the radio discourse of His Holiness Pope Pius XII to the eighth national congress of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine at Boston is as follows:

Venerable brethren of the Episcopate, beloved sons of the clergy, secular and regular, our most dear children of the laity, members all of the Body of Christ (1 Cor. 12,27), what wonder that you have responded with such loyal and holy enthusiasm to the invitation of Boston's zealous and large-hearted Archbishop, and from the widespread sections of the Americas have flocked to this national congress!

That body of which you are members has been threatened. That Body of Christ which is His Church (Eph. 1,23), is menaced not only by hostile powers from without, but also by the interior forces of weakness and decline.

You have been alerted to the danger. The growing weakness, the devitalizing process that has been going on—we speak with sorrow in our heart—going on in not a few parts of the church, is due chiefly to an ignorance or, at best, a very superficial knowledge of the religious truths taught by the loving Redeemer of all.

Oh, we are fully aware of the magnificent results being achieved in the Catholic missions among the infidels throughout the world: three million and more receiving instruction in the faith, almost half a million entering the church each year. Nor does the instruction of the new converts cease at their baptism; with the glowing fervor of those who have found an unsuspected treasure they are eager to increase and deepen their knowledge of eternal truth; and the missionaries, priests, brothers and sisters assisted by their devoted lay catechists do not fail them.

Failure of Faithful Hit

But your congress has been interested rather in those who live in countries where the true faith has flourished generations, in those also who were born of Catholic parents and duly baptized; and these we have in mind when we say that the vigor of the church and its growth are menaced by their failure really to grasp the truth they profess.

On the eve of His Passion, having finished the Last Supper, only a brief hour or two before He entered into the crushing agony of Gethsemane, surrounded by His Apostles, who for all their weakness of the moment clung to Him with the deepest affection of their hearts, Jesus, raising His eyes to Heaven, spoke:

"Father, the hour has come! Glorify Thy Son, that Thy Son may glorify Thee in order that, to all Thou has given Him He may give everlasting life. Now this is everlasting life, that they may know Thee, the only True God, and Him whom Thou has sent, Jesus Christ." (John 17,1-3).

To know the only True God, to know that He is, to know who He is: that is the first and indispensable step toward life everlasting. Now God is not an empty word applied to some phantom conjured up out of the black eaves of paganism. God is not some abstract idea decked out by scholars in alluring language to catch the adulation of vain and self-centered men and women; nor is He to be identified with the more palpable institution called the State, which at times would presume to vaunt itself the source and end of all man's rights and duties and liberties.

Before the beginning of all these things the only True God, your God, was existing. He transcends all that is; and all that is, derives its being from Him:

"Before the mountains were made, or the earth and the world was formed, from eternity to eternity Thou art God." (Ps. 89,2).

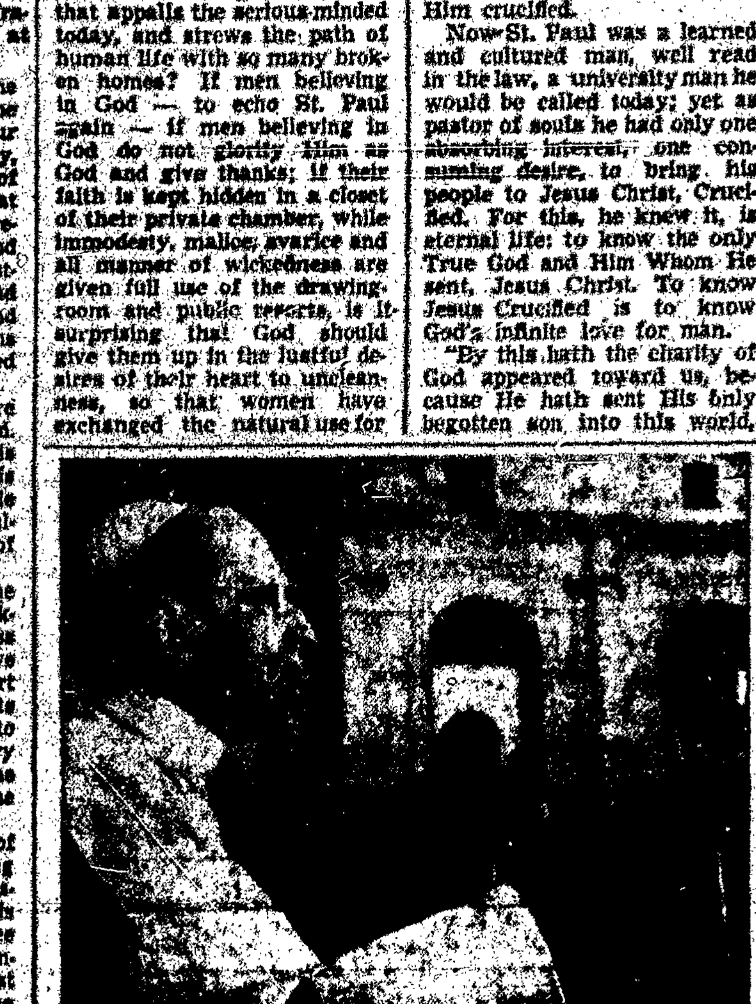
"In the beginning, O Lord, Thou didst found the earth; and the heavens are the works of Thy hands. They shall perish, but Thou remainest; and all of them shall grow old like a garment, but Thou art always the selfsame, and Thy years shall not fail." (Ps. 101, 26-28).

Millions may hurry along the streets of great cities absorbed in their business or pleasure or sorrows with never a thought of God; yet the only True God is no less real; it is He who sustains them in their existence.

Strict Accounting Foreseen

Men gather to enact laws of a people, or with the praiseworthy purpose of lifting their fellowmen out of the morass of misery and despair sown by injustice, the while they deliberately exclude recognition of the supreme law-giver and universal sovereign; yet the only True God is no less real for all that. And if He has given to His creature, man, the spiritual capacity to deliberate and willfully to act, He will most certainly demand of him a strict accounting of his thoughts and conduct. St. Paul made that clear when he wrote to the Romans: "We shall all stand at the judgment-seat of God ... everyone of us will render an account for himself to God." (Rom. 14, 11-12).

Is not this denial or neglect of God, Creator and Supreme Judge of man, the fountain-head of the rising flood of evil that appalls the serious-minded today, and strews the path of human life with so many broken homes? If men believing in God — to echo St. Paul again — if men believing in God do not glorify Him as God and give thanks; if their faith is kept hidden in a closet of their private chamber, while immodesty, malice, avarice and all manner of wickedness are given full use of the drawing-room and public resorts, is it surprising that God should give them up in the lustful desires of their heart to uncleanness, so that women have exchanged the natural use for



men have become full of envy and murder, contention, hateful to God, irreverent, proud, haughty, disobedient to parents, without affection, without fidelity, without mercy? (Rom. 1, 18-32).

Men must be brought to be conscious of the fact of God's existence, of their utter dependence on His power and love and mercy, and of their moral obligation to shape their daily lives according to His most holy will.

St. Paul's Words Stressed

And is that will so difficult to learn? Has not God made it clear to those who seek to know? In the first of the two letters which he sent to his congregation at Corinth, St. Paul reminds them that when he first came among them he professed to know only one subject. It was Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.

Now St. Paul was a learned and cultured man, well read in the law, a university man he would be called today; yet as pastor of souls he had only one absorbing interest, one consuming desire, to bring his people to Jesus Christ, Crucified. For this, he knew it, is eternal life: to know the only True God and Him Whom He sent, Jesus Christ. To know Jesus Crucified is to know God's infinite love for man.

"By this hath the charity of God appeared toward us, because He hath sent His only begotten son into this world, that we may live by Him," (John 4, 9). "And we have seen" — again it is the Disciple whom Jesus loved — "the Savior of the world" (John 4, 14). "If God has so loved us, we also ought to love one another," (John 11).

To know Jesus Crucified is to know God's horror of sin: its guilt could be washed away only in the precious blood of God's only begotten son become man.

Perhaps the greatest sin in the world today is that men have begun to lose the sense of sin.

Smother that, deaden it—if can hardly be wholly cut out from the heart of man—let it not be awakened by any glimpse of the God-man dying on Golgotha's Cross to pay the penalty of sin, and what is there to hold back the hordes of God's enemy from overrunning the selfishness, pride, sensuality and unlawful ambitions of sinful man?

Question on Laws and Facts

Will mere human legislation suffice? Or compacts and treaties?

In the Sermon on the Mount, the Divine Redeemer has illumined the path that leads to the Father's will and eternal life; but from Golgotha's gibbet flows the full and steady stream of graces, of strength and courage that alone enable man to walk that path with firm and unerring step.

Those graces are channeled to your souls through the Church. Christ's work was not wholly accomplished at His death. In one sense it was only beginning.

He has finished, finished perfectly the work assigned Him by the Father to do in His mortal body. But He would live on to ensure that His beloved creatures should profit by the redemption He had wrought.

And so He told His Disciples: that He was going to build a church, its foundation, the basis of its strength and unity, would be one of them, Peter, impregnable against the powers of evil, imperturbable amid the crash of mere human institutions, deriving always its comprehensiveness and its oneness from Him who in an unbroken, continuous line would be the successor of the first Vicar of Christ, it was to carry on until time and space are no more, until the book of human history is closed.

He gave it the divine mandate to go forth and to teach all men of all nations. It would be the pillar and mainstay of the truth. It would be the Holy Mother, imparting to Her children the life of faith and sanctity which is the pledge of everlasting life. It would be his beloved spouse, for whom He delivered Himself up, that He might sanctify Her — that She might be holy and without blemish (Eph. 5, 26).

"Challenge" to the Meeting

That is the soul-stirring challenge sent from the heart of Christ to the National Congress, as it brings to a close the crowded days of spiritual and apostolic activity: That the Church might be holy and without blemish. It cannot be such unless its members understand the fullness of the beauty of their faith and of their obligations as members of Christ's body.

For, surely, to be holy and without blemish in the sight of God is a beautiful thing, is it not? It is to reflect, however imperfectly, the sheer white holiness of God.

Instruction, then, is necessary, it is indispensable, not only for children in Sunday schools and for growing youth in higher classes. Religious instruction should hold a place of honor in college and university curricula.

Millions, you well know, never enter college or university; and yet from their number will come leaders in important spheres of your national life. Are they to approach their tasks with the most meagre, shallow knowledge of their God, of their loving Redeemer and their Mother, the Church?

What a vast harvest is opened up to your zealous labors! And how deep is the consolation that fills Our paternal heart when We hear of the constantly increasing strides you are making, under the stimulating guidance and example of your bishops toward reaping that harvest!

Priests will not suffice for the work; the sisters, to whom the Church in America owes such an incalculable debt, will not suffice. The laity must lend their valiant cooperation; and, first of all, Catholic parents should deem it their sacred duty to equip themselves so that they may be able to explain at least the simpler catechisms to their inquiring children.

New York Martyrs Praised

This year and this month the Church is commemorating the third century that has passed since that giant of a hero, Isaac Jogues, and his lay companion, John Lalande, won the glory of martyrdom near Auriesville in what is now the State of New York. You are familiar with their story of zeal, suffering and sacrifice.

They were catechists come to teach the truths of God's revelation in the New World. You are the successors to their apostolate. They have joined the white-robed army of martyrs before the throne of the Lamb; but their affection for the land of their adoption and their glory is all the stronger.

With confidence, then, appeal to their powerful intercession in behalf of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, while as a token of Our keen, paternal interest We impart to all its members, and especially to all who have taken part in the eighth national congress in Boston, the Apostolic Benediction.

Information Desk
Books in the Bible

Q. How many books are there in the Bible? Were they divided into chapters and verses by the original authors?

A. A glance at the table of contents in the Douay-Rheims edition of the Holy Bible will reveal that it contains seventy-two books in all: forty-five in the Old Testament, and twenty-seven in the New Testament.

Non-Catholic editions of the Bible do not contain all of the inspired books, for the "reformers" of the sixteenth century rejected many of them.

The present division of each book into chapters, and of each chapter into verses, was not made by the original author. It is a comparatively modern device, adopted to facilitate the location of texts. The division of the books into chapters was probably first made by Stephen Langton, the Catholic Archbishop of Canterbury, in 121 A. D. The verse division comes still later: Sanctes Pagninus gave us the first edition of the Old Testament with each chapter divided into verses, in 1528. The New Testament was not so divided until the fourth Greek edition of Robert Stephanus, in 1555.

Q. Are constant and prolonged temptations a sign that we have been abandoned by God?

A. By no means. God will never abandon a man unless he dies in the state of mortal sin. As St. Paul tells us, "God wishes all men to be saved."

God does, however, permit man to be tempted as a trial, a testing, an opportunity for that man to emerge victorious and triumphant over temptation. When he does permit temptation he also gives us sufficient grace to overcome it. Far from abandoning us in temptation, He stands ready and willing to cooperate with us in the struggle.

Thus no temptation, even a prolonged one, is a sign that God has abandoned us. Many of the saints endured for years the most violent temptations: temptations to give up their vocations, temptations to pride, worldliness and lust. The saints came through these serious tests with flying colors: that is why we venerate and honor them. Even the great Apostle St. Paul was severely tempted. He tells us in his epistles how he besought God to free him, only to be told by our Divine Lord, "My grace is sufficient for you."

Prolonged temptation is useful for our humility, for it shows us most clearly our utter dependence upon God. We learn the meaning of "Without me you can do nothing." We learn how necessary it is to pray, "Lead us not into temptation."

We should always remember that temptation is not sin. Not all the temptations in the world could ever constitute even a venial sin. To be tempted is not evil in itself: it can be the cause of evil, if we consent; it can be the cause of good, if we resist.

Q. A friend of mine stopped her frequent communions because, as she says, "I can't seem to feel the presence of Christ. For me, he isn't there."

A. Your friend is in a bad way. Not because she cannot "feel" Christ's presence (whatever she means by that), but because she lets feeling, rather than faith, guide her conduct. Our Lord is truly present under the species of bread and wine in Holy Communion. The Catholic faithful believe that, not because they have had an exalted feeling when receiving, but because their ever-trustful Lord told them so. When the priest says over the bread, "This is my body," he is speaking words which Christ commanded him to say. Christ could not command him to tell a lie. Therefore those words are true, and while the appearances of bread remain, it is the Body of the Lord which is present under them.

Since Our Lord is present in the Eucharist in a hidden way, it is to be expected that His presence will not ordinarily be emotionally "felt" by us. It is however quite possible that a person of very fervent faith should have such a passionate conviction of the truth of Our Lord's words, that there should be some emotional response to his own intellectual conviction. His faith will evoke a deep feeling in his emotional side. While this is fine and laudable, it is not necessary for all, because all of us are not so emotionally responsive. Sometimes, too, Our Lord may, for reasons of his own, give this emotional response as a reward or a spur to devotion. Some saints like St. Catherine of Siena went into transports of ecstasy whenever they received Holy Communion. Other saints, like the Little Flower, communicated for years without sensibly experiencing Christ's presence.

Our Lord commands us to eat this Bread of Life. To those who do, He promises eternal life. He will keep that promise, if we communicate regularly and worthily. He never promised to give us sensible, earthly joys as our reward.

Nuns Edit New Book

Wilmington — (NC) — A book written and edited entirely by Sisters, "Ursuline Tradition and Progress," is being prepared for publication here. The volume edited by Mother M. Agatha, reviews the writing, teaching and other activities of the Ursuline Sisters for the past five years.

The Literary Cavalcade
Which World Tomorrow?

By John O'Connor

Two key books were published last week. They offer you a choice of two worlds—a program for either of two worlds.

The first is **A Century of the Catholic Essay**, edited ably by Raphael H. Gross, C.PP.S. (Lippincott, $3.50). The other work may be justly described as one of the more important works of the present day. It is **Blueprint for World Conquest**: The Official Communist Plan. William Henry Chamberlain wrote the introduction. And it is up to America to write the conclusion! (Human Events Publishing Co. Chicago and Washington $3.50).

In the first work, Father Gross has assembled an anthology of essays that immediately nominate him to be one of the editors of the anthology of all time. His selections are so well chosen — and so welcome — that he actually stimulates you enough to send one scurrying about compiling his own work.

Those standbys, Thompson and Chesterton, Noyes and Belloc are there — but in a slightly different garb. Father Gross has a plan, flexible and knowing, and the aforementioned [illegible] fit into it . . . in a garb that is happily strange to us. It is years since anyone has printed Thompson's essay "**On the Fourth Order of Humanity**." It is probably just as long since anyone has seen that more-timely-than-ever essay of Peter Finley Dunne: "Mr. Dooley on the Education of the Young." Laughter is one of the things the mathematical-minded pseudo-ascetic of progressive education cannot cope with.

Many others are represented in the pages of the century: Agnes Repplier, Cardinal Newman — of course, Lionel Johnson, Joyce Kilmer, Sean O'Faolain, Christopher Dawson, the late Monsignor Benson, the gentle Monsignor Knox and the dynamic Monsignor Sheen. Happily enough Frank Sheed's "Essay on Reading and Education" is also included . . . for which editors and teachers critics and parents should give thanks.

Father Gross has compiled a rounded work. It is a definite key to happier, fuller things and a plan for a fuller life.

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From the wealth of Catholicism and the warmth of humanity that will be found in Father Gross's work, we turn to a reality of the hour — "**The Communist Blue Print for World Conquest**" published by a new firm. It is a notable and clear contribution to the current study of Communist motives and programs.

For the first time the three documents which set forth the organization, program and general aim of the Communist International are made available to the American public in book form. Here are the basic principles of Soviet Communism, its assumptions of international action. **This is the Russian equivalent of Mein Kampf, the Soviet version of the Tanaka Memorial.**

Here is the Soviet official program regarding schools for treason, agents of the Comintern, the World Federation of Trade Unions, cells in government, confiscation of the banks and department stores, squatter seizure of houses, the AFL and the CIO, UNRRA, the UNO, Palestine, China, Indo-China and Indonesia — all these are here and more.

How's this for regimentation? In the statutes of the Communist International as long ago as 1921 the following dogmatic rules were laid down. To depart from them is to die. Sample some:

"**11. The organs of all the parties and organizations forming part of the Communist International as well as of those who are recognized sympathizers of the Communist International are obliged to publish all official regulations of the Communist International and of its Executive Committee!**"

submission to Moscow.

To put it mildly:

Again: "15. The International League of Communist Youth is subject to the Communist International."

Or: "17. In the event of a member of the Communist International coming to another country, he is to have the fraternal support of the local members of the Third International."

This is but an inkling of the instructions and the directives in this remarkable book. Read it. Ponder how highly paid American dramatists and journalists and artists can so degrade themselves as to ally their names and contribute their money to further a cause based on such servile principles. Wonder how people in some of the highest offices in the land can offer the hand of political friendship to those who carry the seeds of hypocrisy and deceit in their sleeves, the while wearing over their shoulder to [illegible] sure they do not [illegible] the master.

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One poor missionary has been begging me for a set of new vestments. These, in modest form, cost forty dollars, and I do want to take from him the tattered garments he has been wearing at the altar."

Won't you help this Bishop of the Poor? For years he has been depending on us to support his humble diocese, which has had 80,000 converts in recent years.

HAPPY HOLIDAY?

With the holidays coming, we must build up our fund for ORPHAN'S BREAD, to make Christmas glad for thousands of orphans. Do what you can, and when you write, ask for "Happy Holiday," our little booklet showing how much your help means.

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Can you give a thousand dollars to build a chapel of the Holy Souls in Egypt during November?

NOVEMBER 4

That's the feast of St. Charles, and we are thinking of those noble Sisters of St. Charles, who run a home for the aged in Alexandria, Egypt. Can you help us to send them two hundred dollars before Christmas?

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Three little, shepherds, Francis, Jacinta and Lucy, saw Our Lady at Fatima in 1917. She promised Cure even the conversion of Russia, if all prayed hard enough. Won't you help us to build the Shrine Chapel of Our Lady of Fatima in the Holy Land, for this intention. Gladly to we send a Novena leaflet.

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With Christmas not far away, have you thought of our beautiful gift card, which tells friends and loved one that you have had Mass offered or have given a sacred article to a mission chapel in their honor? Write for our illustrated circular in colors.

BOUET

In this small town of Egypt an American benefactress, since passed away, built a little chapel. Named after the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, its pastor asks fifty dollars in order to place this picture over the main altar. You can make this your votive offering to the poor.

KISS OF DEATH

"Altar boys on whose infant features was already fixed the certain seal of early death" So someone described Father Damien's Mass servers. Please do give your mite to the DAMIEN LEPER FUND, for we want to make these unfortunates happy at Christmas.

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November 24 is the second birthday of the BASILIANS, our Near East School Club. A dollar monthly puts you under the patronage of St. Basil, its holy patron. Write for a picture of a chapel-school.

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