

GOD LOVE YOU!

By MOST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

THE word "Incarnation", is taken from two Latin words: "in" and "carne" (in the flesh). The Eternal Son of God at Christmas took on our human nature and became the Son of Man. What happened to that particular human nature when He took from Man? He willed would happen in a lesser way, to every human nature in the world. He willed that He be allowed to possess us and guide us as our ego and our selfishness do now.

When coins are made, each is stamped with the pattern die. When we are made Christians we are "stamped" in Baptism with a resemblance to the Divine Nature. It is the Will of Our Lord to have as many made "Christiform", i. e. conformable to Christ's Likeness as possible. That is why we have Missions so that Indians, Africans, Japanese and Chinese may be "other Christs". They cannot do this unless we help them... that is where your sacrifices to The Society for the Propagation of the Faith come in.

Did you ever hear of "Decarnation"? Of course not, because we just now thought of it. "Decarnation" is the opposite of Incarnation. As the Incarnation means bringing God into the flesh, "Decarnation" means making the flesh Godless. Incarnation is Christian, "Decarnation" is Communism. The Incarnation makes us children of God; "Decarnation" makes us children of Satan.

By the mere fact that we do nothing to apply the Incarnation, "Decarnation" increases and multiplies. By just setting aside this column without making a sacrifice to the Holy Father's Missions, we leave a person's area open to Malenkov. Take up your pen this second and send us your sacrifice.

New Year's Resolution: To say a decade each day for the Missions on the new God Love You Medal, with the Blessed Mother on one side and the Cross and the world on the other, framed by 10 beads. Send a \$5 offering and your request for a silver medal or \$10 and your request for a gold filled one.

Remember to pray the green decade on the World Mission Rosary and the Masses will benefit. But first remember to make a sacrifice and request the World Mission Rosary.

GOD LOVE YOU to J. M. for \$2. "Lately I've raked leaves for money for your missions. It has been very nice knowing it's going toward a worthy cause." ... to M. E. H. "I am enclosing \$2, the cost of a telephone call to my daughter who lives a distance from here. I'm writing instead of talking and sending the money to the Missions." ... to J. K. for \$1. "I am a shut-in, not able to do any work, but I wish to give this out of my little savings and from my heart." ... to Ann. "Enclosed is \$7 that I had intended to play the Mission with. Enclosed is for something more." ... to J. E. for \$1. "I am 14 years old and had to wait until I made my collection from my paper route to get the money for you." ... to the three little girls who sent \$4 to the missions by giving a little show, charging 5c admission and selling refreshments." ... to G. K. P. "Two years ago, mother and I decided our table manners needed some improvement and we agreed to pay 10c for any breach of etiquette at the table. It was fun but costly at first. It has fulfilled a two-fold purpose: our table manners are almost impeccable and the Missions are \$18 richer." ... to E. D. L. "Here is \$2 which represents my ticket to the Home-Forty-Niner game a couple of weeks ago." ... to D. O. "Enclosed find \$3.11 for the Missions. This money I saved from tips I received from my paper route." ... to F. J. M. "Enclosed is \$3 which is a great sacrifice as my husband has been unemployed for some time. I am offering it in atonement for my sin."

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Unity Octave Rites At National Shrine

Washington (NC) — Prayers that all may be united in the One Fold of the Catholic Church will be offered throughout the U.S. during Chair of the Unity Octave from January 18 to 25.

One of the largest observances will be held in the crypt of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception — whose great upper church will be started in 1954 to honor the Patroness of the United States.

Taking part at the services in the National Shrine will be nine members of the Hierarchy, including a Bishop of the Greek Rite.

SCHEDULE FOR Chair of the Unity Octave observance in the nation's capital is as follows:

January 18 — "The return of all the 'other sheep' to the one Fold of St. Peter, the One Shepherd"; Archbishop Patrick A. O'Boyle of Washington presiding; Father Edmund D. Benard of the Catholic University of America, preaching.

January 19 — "The return of all Oriental Separatists to communion with the Apostolic See"; Auxiliary Bishop J. Carroll McCormick of Philadelphia, presiding; Bishop Daniel Ivancho, Apostolic Exarch of Pittsburgh, preaching.

January 20 — "The submission of Anglicans to the authority of the Vicar of Christ"; Bishop James A. McNulty of Paterson, presiding; Father David Gannon, S.A. of Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y., preaching.

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January 22 — "That Christians in America may become one in communion with the Chair of St. Peter"; Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Hodges of Richmond, presiding; Father Joseph E. Mantou, C.S.S.R., of Boston, presiding.

January 23 — "The return to the Sacraments of lapsed Catholics"; Bishop Bryan McEnigart, Rector of the Catholic University of America, presiding; Father Ignatius Smith, O.P., dean of the Catholic University School of Philosophy, preaching.

On Sunday, January 24, the Liturgy according to the Syriac-Maronite Rite will be celebrated by Chof-Bishop Monsour Stephen, pastor of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, Brooklyn, N. Y. A sermon will be preached by Msgr. Richard H. J. Hanley, of St. Martin of Tours Church, Bethlehem, N. Y.

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