

Making Marriage Click Keys To Cure Loneliness

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When you marry him, love him.
After you marry him, study him.
If he is secretive, trust him.
If he is sad, cheer him.
When he is talkative, listen to him.
When he is quarrelsome, ignore him.
If he is jealous, cure him.
If he cares nought for pleasure, coax him.
If he favors society, accompany him.
When he deserves it, kiss him.
Be to his faults a little blind.
Be to his virtues very kind.

One of the first answers then to a lonely husband is a true spouse: one who flavors his life, for she is an "abundant" woman. In the business world, he knows that he is often misunderstood and could be replaced by others. But, at home, it is she who makes him feel understood and indispensable.

Without being irrevocable, I wonder if the qualities that some dogs have could not be partially imitated by some human beings. Dogs are so loyal, so responsive, so appreciative, even if their masters are "crummy," ugly and need sandpaper to clean up. Could this not be one reason why men generally favor dogs to cats?



TOO MANY men have never gotten over their one-sided parental love; they have never learned to care deeply for someone else.

That is why the infidelity of a husband shows one of two things: either he has never learned to really love another or he is mentally sick. No sane man can say in one breath that he has a happy married life, and in the next that he can leave home and occasionally be unfaithful to his wife.

If he really believes that, he needs a psychiatrist. True conjugal love is complete surrender to one person.

When women are lonely at home, often it is because they are so ill-prepared for that life. If young women were more efficient home-makers, they would find less time and occasion to be lonely. There would be home challenges that they could meet.

Because many women are lonely, some find it advantageous to do their housework with a neighbor. There is company. They select different days to do each other's washing and house work and find it much less tedious doing it together.

A sincere, practical husband will set aside one specific day each week to take his wife out for a show or other outside recreation. It's got to be a specific day and only a crisis should break the date. It is one of the easiest antidotes to loneliness.

Someone who has lost a spouse by death should not then hesitate under normal circumstances to seek another. A true spouse is actually God's last best natural gift to man.

To anyone who is beginning to suffer from hardening of the sensibilities, crochety thinking or just plain loneliness, I heartily recommend that they try to fall in love again.

Even in little things to share is to add. A bit of reading together, or a good movie, a lecture discussed, an amusing joke exchanged, all take on much more satisfaction when shared.

It is not false love to look for a partner to share the unpleasant realities of life, for it will be mutual. "How can I serve you?" is the question love always asks and never has to wait for an answer.

Religious Orders Of Men In Our Diocese

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Divine Word Superior Dies of Leukemia In Rome

The Most Rev. Aloysius Grosse Kappenberg, S.V.D., Superior General of the Society of the Divine Word, died August 27th of acute leukemia, at the clinic of the Missionary Sisters of the Holy Ghost, Rome, Italy.

He was 67 years old and was Superior General of the Society since October 1947. He visited the Divine Word Seminary at Conesus on Hemlock Lake, shortly after World War II, on his way to inspect war-torn missions of the Society in the Orient and again stayed at the Conesus Seminary for a period of several weeks in 1950.

Congo Natives Elizabethville — (RNS) —

The first three Negro seminarians to be trained for the Catholic Secular priesthood in the Vicariate Apostolic of Katanga will be ordained at an open-air ceremony on Sept. 21.

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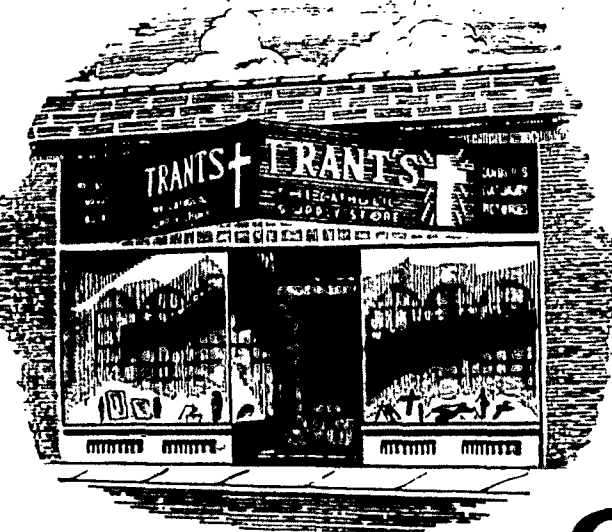
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MUD AND GRASS

In MAYAM, India, that's the only shelter Our Lord has in the village chapel, which is large enough only for half of the 1,200 parishioners. Father Joseph writes that many pagans show much interest in the Church, but without a chapel he can expect little more than interest. The poor people will do the work if we can find \$2,000 for materials.

DO IT — YOURSELF
That's the national "craze" of the moment. But when it comes to making sure that Masses will be said for your soul when you'll need them most, it makes good common sense. For, you leave nothing to chance. Ask about our SUSPENSIVE CARD. You owe it to yourself. Often our missionaries live entirely from Mass offerings.

PUZZLED SISTER IN IRAQ
The Superior of the Dominican Sisters at Telkelt simply doesn't know where to turn for help. To make any progress, she must start a mission school. She needs \$1,000, the cost of a classroom. Sounds modest, but it's a start to which she can add later. They deserve your charity.

PIUS — PAUL
These two lads, Pius in Iraq and Paul in India, ask to be "adopted" by a kind friend as they undertake six years training for the missionary priesthood in their native land. Can you help one by sending, in say payments, the sum (\$100) needed each year by the seminary to keep and train him?

WOE ON THE MARCH
As FATHER KING looks over the 900,000 Arab refugees from Palestine, it seems woe is on the march on every side. He has his woe, too, trying to meet all the needs—schooling for the few, clothing, medical care, and hundreds of the small, daily emergencies of these hapless souls. He sends a HOLY LAND ROSARY for \$10 gift.

QUINTETTA OF HOPEFULS
Hopeful that their yearning to serve as missionaries will not be frustrated by the poverty of their parents who can't supply the \$150 needed each year during two in training. Can you "sponsor" one by giving her this yearly sum. We suggest SISTERS MARY ROSE, CHARLES and JOSE SARTHO in India, SISTER HAONAINI in Lebanon and SISTER THECLA in Iraq.

CLOTHE CHRIST'S MEMBERS
Indeed, we are all members of His Mystical Body, the Church, but especially we are "His poor," like hundreds of our zealous priests—too busy in His service to see that their own reduced incomes are ragged. For \$25 we give a new one to a worthy priest. Then, thousands of orphans must be fed (\$10 a month) and clothed (total \$3).

"STRINGLESS GIFTS" ARE PRECIOUS HELP IN CRISES. MAKE YOUR WILL GOD'S WILL BY INCLUDING HIM. MAKE SURE IT'S VALID BY GETTING LEGAL ADVICE.

"PROTECTION OF CHILDHOOD"
It's a group of zealous women in Zahle, a town in the poor mountainous area of Lebanon. Both parents of the poor families work all day in the fields below. The tots run the streets. So these ladies take them in to guard them morally and physically from street life. Without outside help, they must close. Have you a mite?

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HILAIRE BELLOC

Robert Speaight

I know Belloc, now that I have read at his death in his funeral train. Robert Speaight has told a story covering the years with the fidelity and vision of a poet, but of a guard.

under pressure when to give his best he needed freedom. Man's lot indeed. He faced truth valiantly and inescapably, though with both mind and body he was tempted against it and drawn to earthiness and pessimism, a man who honestly had "no horizon beyond that plain horizon of this world" and no comfort in heaven, just rock-hard faith.

He was changed, halved, by grief. How many men are so, and dare not know it! He was manlike in his Britishness-to-the-bone, class consciousness unmodified, Catholicism, capacity to insult, to inflict the casual wound—or to say to his son's news of a religious vocation, "Put that idea out of your head. No Belloc can do that sort of thing." (Two grandchildren have done it, however.) He was thoroughly manly in his life's dealings with wine and beer and champagne: they served him, not he them.

THE RICHNESS of his writing career cannot even be hinted at in a short space. (Nazareth College Library's Treasure-Room, however, has a complete Belloc collection.) Robert Speaight handles it all lovingly—the *Morning Post* work, the essays and articles born in substitution for it, the great histories and biographies, the satires and novels, the poetry bubbling purely from a deep hidden spring—with a lively anecdotal interest that is incomparable. Pharaonic.

The book is a long feast of literary criticism (not mere praise) mingled with that unique correspondence, those historic friendships and acquaintances and hatreds that would alone make Belloc's life fascinating.

Let me prove him a great writer and a representative human being by quoting one line, a casual line in one of those letters: "One drinks all waters before Lethe."

Bp. Sheen To Get Legion Medal

Washington—(NC)—Auxiliary Bishop Fulton J. Sheen of New York will receive the American Legion Distinguished Service Medal on September 19, during the Legion's 39th annual convention in Atlantic City.

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