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Month of the
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Heart of Mary

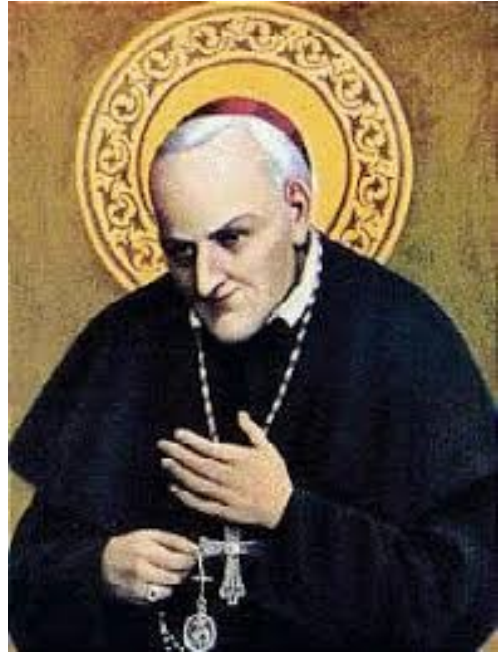
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*The
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Saint Alphonsus Mary de Ligouri (1696-1787)

Saint Alphonsus was born in the village of Marianella near Naples, Italy, September 27, 1696. At a tender age his pious mother inspired him with the deepest sentiments of piety. The education he received under the auspices of his father, aided by his own intellect, produced in him such results that at the early age of sixteen he graduated in law. Shortly after, he was admitted to the Neapolitan bar. In 1723 he lost a case, and God made use of his disappointment to wean his heart from the world. In spite of all opposition he now entered the ecclesiastical state. In 1726 he was ordained priest. He exercised the ministry at various places with great fruit, zealously labouring for his own sanctification.

In 1732 God called him to found the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, with the object of labouring for the salvation of the most abandoned souls. Amid untold difficulties and innumerable trials St. Alphonsus succeeded in establishing his Congregation, which became his glory and crown, but also his cross. The holy founder laboured incessantly at the work of the missions until about 1756, he was



appointed Bishop of St. Agatha, a diocese he governed until 1775, when, broken by age and infirmity, he resigned this office to retire to his convent of Paganì, where he died.

Few saints have laboured as much, either by word or writing, as St. Alphonsus. He was a copious and popular author, the utility of whose works will never cease. His last years were characterized by intense suffering, which he bore with resignation, adding voluntary mortifications to his other pains. His happy death occurred at Nocera de Paganì, August 1, 1787.

**Saint Alphonsus' feastday
is on the 2nd of August**

FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Dear Crusaders and Friends,

Hear ye, hear ye, hear ye!
Calling all Crusaders of the Eucharist. Fr. Campbell is no offering to send you \$10 every time you turn in your treasure sheet. With twelve months in the year, that means you can make up to \$120 a year.

Did you get excited when you read that? Did your heart leap with joy at the thought getting that reward? Did you think for a second that you would always turn in your treasure sheet from now on? If you did, I am sorry to disappoint you. What is said in the first paragraph is absolutely false. There is no cash

reward for turning in your treasure sheets.

But, there are rewards that you will receive if you do turn in your treasure charts. You may ask who will give the rewards and what they will be. Very well, I will tell you. The rewards come from your King and Queen and they are supernatural rewards.

By turning in your treasure sheets your virtues grow, your sanctifying grace grows, the good God showers you with more actual graces to do good and avoid evil, your honour and glory in heaven increase. Even you mind, will and memory become stronger by the care and diligence you take in filling out and turning in your treasure sheet.

Your brothers and sisters won't necessarily notice it. Your parents won't either. Even your best friends at school will not see the changes that are taking place in your soul. But don't think that the rich rewards won by your soul go unnoticed. Your guardian angel sees it and rejoices. Your patron saints see it and bless God. The whole heavenly court sees it and thanks God for it. And most of all, our King and Queen, Jesus and Mary see it take great pleasure in it.

Yours in Jesus & Mary,
Fr. Benjamin Campbell



THE LITTLE FLOWER

The story of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus

By Mary Fabyan Windeatt



DISAPPOINTMENT IN ROME



Suddenly Thérèse's heart sank as she saw a familiar figure fixing her with a stern eye. It was Father Révérony, the Vicar General of Bayeux, who had been present when Papa and she had paid their recent visit to the Bishop. His glance seemed to pierce her very soul, and she realised the reason only too well. Father Révérony, who was to introduce her to the Holy Father, felt sure that Thérèse

was going to speak to the Holy Father about entering Carmel. And he was determined not to allow it. A mere child was not to bother Pope Leo the Thirteenth with a matter which other superiors could decide.

“Let no one here presume to speak to His Holiness!” he commanded suddenly, his eyes still upon her. In desperation she turned to Céline. Had they made their trip to Rome for nothing? Couldn't she say *one* word to the Holy Father about being a Carmelite?

Céline smiled at her sister's anxious face. “Speak!” she said gently.

Her heart was pounding wildly, her hands were like ice, and she dared not look at Father Révérony. As the long line of pilgrims made its way toward the Pope, Céline smiled again. She did not speak this time, but Thérèse understood everything she was thinking. Now that the great moment had arrived, she must not be afraid.

She knelt down quickly, kissed the Pope's foot, then grasped his hand. Her eyes were full of tears as she looked into his kindly face.

"Most Holy Father, I have a great favour to ask!"

Father Révérony made an impatient gesture, but Pope Leo the Thirteenth did not seem to notice. He bent toward her, his dark eyes looking deep into hers

"Most Holy Father, in honour of your Jubilee, will you permit me to enter Carmel at fifteen?"

There! The fateful words were out at last! Trembling, she waited for the verdict. But before His Holiness could speak, Father Révérony drew himself up stiffly.

"Most Holy Father, this is a child who desires the life of Carmel, but the superiors are at the moment considering the question."

The Pope smiled. "Well, my child, do whatever the superiors decide.

The words were kind, but they were not the ones Thérèse wanted to hear. Heedless of rules, of previous instructions, she joined her hands and placed them on the Pope's knees. Then, with all

the fervour she could command, she tried again.

"Oh, Holy Father, if only you said 'yes,' everyone else would agree!"

For a long moment Pope Leo the Thirteenth gazed at her earnestly. Finally he spoke: "Well, my child, you shall enter if it be God's Will."

The other pilgrims were amazed at her actions. Who was this girl who dared to speak to the Holy Father? To place her hands upon his knees? Father Révérony shared in the general dismay, and made a curt motion for her to give place to those behind her. Thérèse refused to move, and was just on the point of renewing her petition when two of the Noble Guard ordered her to rise. Seeing that she made no effort to obey, that the tears were steaming down her face and she continued to kneel with her hands on the Holy Father's knees, they came toward her and tried to lift her to her feet. But she would not budge, and finally Father Révérony had to come to their aid. Still weeping, she was led away from the Audience Chamber.

"Dear God!" I thought. "What am I going to do now?"

EUCCHARISTIC DEVOTION

More Motives for visiting the Blessed Sacrament

3. JESUS CHRIST IN THE TABERNACLE IS A RICH AND GENEROUS FRIEND.

He is hidden there, waiting for us to come to visit Him and to make our requests. He wishes to see us near Him, to tell us that He loves us, and wishes to load us with good things.

When you go into a church and take holy water, when you make the sign of the cross, look at the tabernacle. Our Lord will at the same time bless you and say to you: "Come to me all you that labour and are heavy laden and I will refresh you."

Are you sad? Come then cast yourself at His feet, and you will feel comforted.

Are you despised by the world? Come here and you will find a friend who will never fail you.

Are you tempted? Oh! it is here you will find powerful arms to conquer your enemies.

Do you fear the terrible judgment, at the thought of which the greatest saints have trembled? Profit by the same when your God is the God of mercy, and when it is so easy to obtain grace.

Are you oppressed by poverty? Come here and you will find a God who is infinitely rich and who will say to you that all good things are yours not in this world but in the next. It is there that I prepare infinite riches. Despise these perishable goods, and you will have those that perish not.



Sinners, ask Him with tears and contrition to pardon your sins, and you will surely obtain it.

Be reconciled to Him. Beg the precious gift of perseverance. Oh! tell Him that you wish never more to offend Him, that you would rather die than offend Him again.

4. JESUS CHRIST IN THE TABERNACLE IS OUR MEDIATOR.

He is there, in the sacrament of His love, sighing, and interceding with His Father for sinners, and He asks that we pray for their salvation.

He is so good that there goes out from His Heart a flood of love and mercy to wash away the sins of the world.

During His agony, He experienced a sweat of blood, and this blood flowed even to the earth. It is this sweat of love which has saved the world and which still goes out from His Heart in the tabernacle. Now, to share with us the privileges of His Redemption, Our Lord wishes us to point out the souls on which He ought to pour out the graces of His atonement. Let us then intercede with Him for poor sinners, and thank Him for having such compassion in His Heart for them. We can never thank Him enough for it.



ENGLISH AND WELSH MARTYRS**Blessed Adrian Fortescue, 1539 (Continued)**

Not long after becoming a Lay Dominican began what Adrian called his "trobilles". At the start of summer 1533, he assisted in the Coronation of his cousin, Anne Boleyn - then six months pregnant - as Queen of England. He must have realised that the marriage was not valid but perhaps thought, at that stage at least, that in the words of Sir Thomas More, it was not his business "to murmur at it or dispute upon

it." This narrow compromise was to prove short-lived. The King's infidelity and presumption were rebuked when the Pope refused to grant an annulment, declaring Henry's marriage to Catherine as valid on 23rd March 1534. The following month on 13th April, Bishop Fisher and Sir Thomas More refused to take the Oath of Succession. Sir Adrian was similarly arrested that same year but he was released without explanation, probably in the spring of 1535. Fisher and More were afforded no such clemency, and the two Saints were executed in summer 1535.

The Act of Supremacy was also passed in 1535, making Henry supreme Head of the Church "immediately under God." As a matter of law, Henry expressly denied the Pope's authority. A writ affirming this and dated the following year can be found in Sir Adrian's extant Missal. Tellingly, per-

haps, it has a line struck through it: apparent evidence of his disapproval. The die, it seems, was cast. In February 1539, Sir Adrian was again arrested and imprisoned in the Tower of London. In the sitting of Parliament that spring, a number of laws were passed in what has been described as the most servile Parliamentary session in history. Among the draconian laws enacted was a novel provision whereby a sentence of death might be passed without any trial of the accused. Under this procedure, no evidence was needed; neither could a defence be heard. Ironically, the architect of the law, Thomas Cromwell (then Lord Chancellor) was himself condemned by the same measure a year later leading to his own execution. This device was put to use on 11th May 1535 when a Bill of Attainder was passed condemning fifty people of High Treason who opposed Henry's ecclesiastical policies. The names included Sir Adrian, Reginald Cardinal Pole, and the Countess of Salisbury (**Blessed Margaret Pole**).

Sir Adrian's Book of Hours contains a Rule of Life written in his own hand, and giving an insight into the interior life of a man who exemplified holiness and virtue in his conduct. He led a life of asceticism and honour, trying to follow God's will in all things and daily seeking the guidance of the Holy Ghost. His pursuit of God's truth brought him to a martyr's death on 8th July 1539 (but possibly 9th or 10th) when he was beheaded at Tower Hill. His servants were also killed for treason on the same day but were hanged, drawn and quartered at Tyburn.

Adrian Fortescue as a layman ranks among the great Dominicans as an outstanding example to all Christians. Pope Leo XIII declared Adrian Fortescue blessed on 13th May 1895, together with **Thomas Percy**, Earl of Northumberland, and the Benedictine **Abbots of Colchester, Glastonbury and Reading**.

KINDNESS: THE BLOOM OF CHARITY

By this rubric giving thoughts on Fraternal Charity, the Crusaders ought to find help in the practice of their motto: Pray—Make sacrifices—Receive Holy Communion—Be an Apostle. Indeed, these four practices are simply four ways of practising the great virtue of Charity, which is the link of perfection. These thoughts can be used, as well, as source of meditation for knights and handmaids.

**SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER**

St. Francis Xavier, known as the Apostle of the Indies, was born in 1505 of a most illustrious family, whose castle was in the Pyrenees. He was sent to study at the college of St. Barbara at Paris. Here he became the friend and associate of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Xavier was of joyous, ardent temperament, and enamoured with the charms of worldly glory; but St. Ignatius repeated to him so often the text from the Gospel: “What doth it profit a man if he gain the whole world and suffer the loss of his own soul?”



that St. Francis began to think more seriously of eternity and of the things thereof. He at last yielded his great heart completely to God, and, in conjunction with Ignatius, founded the Society of Jesus. He preached the Gospel in the Indies and Japan with marvellous success, and his labours were attended with many miracles. He died whilst struggling in his burning zeal to carry the Faith into China, breathing his last on the little island of Sancian, on 3rd December 1552. He was only in his forty-sixth year, but had reaped his harvest of immortal souls by the hundreds of thousands.

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Resolve to pray for the conversion of sinners and the propagation of the Faith.

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Let us love our neighbour as ourselves, let us draw as best we can all the world to the love of Thee, let us rejoice at the good of others as though it were our own, let us sympathise with misfortune, and never offend anyone.

HOLY SOULS CORNER

St. Gertrude, a Benedictine nun, was the great apostle of the Sacred Heart in the 13th Century. She was a mystic and had frequent intimate apparitions of the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gertrude was one day praying with the community. Our Lord approached her and lifted up His left arm, offering her the wound in His sacred side to kiss. As she kissed it often, our Lord showed that He accepted these tokens of her affection with great pleasure. She then said to our Lord: “ My loving Lord, as I see that this devotion is pleasing to Thee, I beg of Thee to teach me some short prayer, that Thou wilt receive with the same goodness when anyone recites it devoutly.”

Then an interior inspiration revealed to her that the following words might be devoutly recited:

“Jesus, Saviour of the world, hear us. Thou to whom nothing is impossible, except not to have pity for those in misery; Thou who by Thy cross didst redeem the world, O Christ, hear us! I adore Thee Jesus, most loving Spouse, in the glory of Thy divinity; I embrace Thee with the affection of all creatures in the world, and I embrace Thee also in the wound of love. The Lord is my strength and my glory. He is become my salvation. Thou shalt draw with joy from the fountains of the Saviour.”

These words must be said in honour of the five wounds of our Lord. They should be offered by the loving Heart of Jesus, which is the mouth-piece of the most Blessed Trinity.

If this prayer is offered for the Holy Souls, or for a particular soul suffering in Purgatory, then Almighty God will accept it with as much satisfaction as many other prayers accompanied with much labour.

Saint Gertrude was a wonderful saint with whom Our Lord was intimately familiar. We can marvel at the frequent and loving conversations they had together. These intimate conversations often involved her begging the release of souls from Purgatory. We can pray to her with confidence that she will, now in heaven, continue to petition Our Blessed Lord on behalf of the Holy Souls, and especially of our loved ones, now suffering in those cleansing fires.

Jesus, send me here my purgatory, and so prevent the torments of that cleansing fire which attend those souls in the next world, that have not been sufficiently purged in this. (The Jesus Psalter)

Aesop's Fables

The Farmer and the Snake

One winter a Farmer found a Snake stiff and frozen with cold. He had compassion on it, and taking it up, placed it in his bosom. The Snake was quickly revived by the warmth, and resuming its natural instincts, bit its benefactor, inflicting on him a mortal wound. "Oh," cried the Farmer with his last breath, "I am rightly served for pitying a scoundrel."



The greatest kindness will not bind the ungrateful.

The Fawn and His Mother

A young fawn once said to his Mother, "You are larger than a dog, and swifter, and more used to running, and you have your horns as a defense; why, then, O Mother! do the hounds frighten you so?" She smiled, and said: "I know full well, my son, that all you say is true. I have the advantages you mention, but when I hear even the bark of a single dog I feel ready to faint, and fly away as fast as I can."

No arguments will give courage to the coward.



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Crusader Treasure Chart—August 2018

To make reparation for the blasphemies said against the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Day of Month	Morning Offering	Masses	Communions		Sacrifices	Decades of Rosary	Visits to the Bl. Sac	15 mins of Meditation	Good Example
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LITURGY THIS MONTH

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**Sundays after Pentecost**

In the long succession of Sundays after the feast of Pentecost until Advent, 6 months, our Holy Mother the Church teaches us through the parables and miracles of Our Lord the Christian Virtues we must practice. Sunday after Sunday, we will be amazed to know all the things Jesus did for us and how much He wants us to realise that we were created to go to Heaven. It is important to listen to the sermons of the priests at Sunday Mass in order to learn and be encouraged to do good.

August 6th: Transfiguration of Our Lord

The Transfiguration of Our Lord celebrates the revelation of Christ's divine glory and provides us with a glimpse of our life in the world to come.

August 15th: ASSUMPTION

Our Lady is taken up to Heaven body and soul to be there the Queen of the universe.

August 22nd: Immaculate Heart of Mary

Let us remember how much Our Lady suffered for our Redemption from the Birth to the Death of Her Son, out of love for us!

The Hail Mary - 1**Hail Mary**



The Crusader prays, receives Communion, makes sacrifices and shows good example for the intention that is given him each month by Bishop Bernard Fellay, successor of Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre as Superior General of the Society of Saint Pius X

August 2018 Intention:

To make reparation for the blasphemies said against the Immaculate Heart of Mary



PRAVER



COMMUNION

Daily offering

To be recited every morning when you wake up



Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer Thee all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day, for all the intentions of Thy Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, and in reparation for my sins. I offer them particularly



SACRIFICE

to make reparation for the blasphemies said against the Immaculate Heart of Mary



APOSTOLATE

MAY 2018 RESULTS

The Intention was to spread devotion in the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Treasure Sheets returned	Morning Offering	Masses	Communions		Sacrifices	Decades of the Rosary	Visits to Blessed Sacrament	15 mins of meditation	Good Example
			Sac.	Spirit.					
43	1517	376	357	702	2966	5324	814	181	1605

Remember that all the good works and prayers from your treasure sheets are given each month to Bishop Fellay and His Excellency offers them at his Mass on the first Saturday of every month.

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