

Educating the Youth to Live the Mass

Experts from the Manual of the

Eucharistic Crusade of the Apostleship of Prayer

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AGE GROUPS

2. The Second age-Group: Crusaders

Promotion from Page to Crusaders should not be automatic. Every effort must be made by Crusaders to live as true friends of Christ, that they must take seriously all that is asked of them, and especially that they must be ready to exercise the apostolate. Nor must it be passed over in silence that this will require sacrifice. But a true soldier of Christ ought to be ready to put up with anything for His Master. Children will be encouraged to move on to the next step, but never forced to join.

PROGRAM FOR THE SECOND AGE-GROUP.

The children according to their age must be led more and more deeply into the practices and spirit of the true Christian life. At the same time little by little they must be prepared for the apostolate. The *Norms* thus urge three things:

1. As regards the Morning Offering:

a) *That they make it more perfectly every day.* To be "perfect" the Morning Offering must be made out of love of God and Our Lord. The children must be given a mental image or concept of Our Lord from which shines forth especially His singular love towards men, His omnipotence and His infinite wisdom so that they may give themselves to Him with all the love of their hearts.

b) *That they live it more fully.* The love of Christ must be affective and effective. The fundamental act of love of God is the living of a good life according to His Will. Since the age of the children in this section is such that they are exposed to greater dangers and may commit sin more easily, the examination of conscience must be stressed and explained to them in detail, according to their capacity and circumstances.

c) *That they live up to the duties of their state.* When exhorting children of this Age-group to lead a good life, Directors should call attention particularly to the daily duties of their state of life. There are two reasons for this. Firstly the children are to be formed not only for the future but must also learn to know and fulfill the will of God here and now. Secondly, it must be deeply imprinted on their minds and hearts that the perfection of the Christian life is not to be sought in good desires and feelings, but in obedience to the will of God which is shown, for the most part, in the daily obligations of life. This mode of spiritual action corresponds clearly to the sacrificial character of the Christian life, which demands that we do the will of God as perfectly as possible, so that we can offer to God a gift not entirely unworthy of Him.



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Summer Vacations: A Time for Idleness?

King David was a holy king, full of love for the good Lord. He was not a crusader (he lived before its time), but he had all the qualities of good crusader: piety, union with God, spirit of sacrifice, zeal for God.

He was a famous warrior. His arrow never turned back. When he shot, he hit the mark, and the enemy fell to the ground.

His battles were all victories indeed. He was a leader loved by God and by men; full of mercy, even for his enemy. What more can you dream of?

And yet, one day, David was resting. He took a holiday in Jerusalem, which is not wrong, and started doing nothing.
A saint who does not do anything.... what he is heading for?

Then started his complete pitiable downfall. He saw a married woman, tried to marry her and decided to kill her husband, by putting him at the head of his army so that he would get killed. Then without sorrow, he took the man's wife to himself, forgetting the all seeing eye of God. What had happened?
- Idleness. Nothing of the sort would have happened if David had remained busy, doing his daily duties.

Dear children, you are not more clever, than this holy king. The holidays are good for you, but to do nothing is very bad. Play and work, play and work well, play and work a lot, but do not offend the good God.

Also, do not forget the Eucharistic Crusade while on vacations. As you can see, the result for the month of April in Canada was quite good: 92 treasure sheets were returned. Let me hope and pray that it will not drop during the summer!

Your chaplain,

Fr. Dominique Boulet

* On June 6th, I said Mass for the intentions of the Eucharistic Crusade.

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HELL EXISTS *Little Talks to Little People*

Many of you children know about the story of Our Lady of Fatima, who appeared in Portugal, in 1917. And it was in July 1917, that Our Lady showed the three children of Fatima the fires of Hell. In the vision of Hell, the children saw a gigantic ocean of fire. In Hell the devils and people were all black and burned. They were thrown into the air by the flames and fell back into the flames in all directions. They were like sparks in a huge fire, without weight, which fly up into the air and fall back down again. The people and the devils gave out loud cries and horrible groans of despair, which caused the children to shudder and tremble with fear. What a terrible fate!

Little Jacinta, one of the three children of Fatima, often wondered if Hell would ever end. But her cousin Lucy would tell her that Hell lasts forever! And little Jacinta would often think of how terrible it was for sinners to go to Hell forever. They would never enjoy the happiness of seeing God in Heaven! Because of Jacinta's thoughts of the many people going to Hell, she made many sacrifices and did much penance to stop people from going there. She would even think up new ways of doing penance so that less people would go to Hell.

Now if everybody would stop and think for a few minutes that Hell is a terrible place of fire that lasts forever and ever, they would really do a lot to stop themselves and others from going there. They would do more penance, make many more sacrifices, and not sin.

You see, when you do penance and make sacrifices, you make your will stronger to go good and avoid evil. It is because of original sin that we all have to fight against our own will and train our will to love doing good.

Let me tell you a little story. Many years ago there was a man who was caught by the enemies of the Catholic religion, and tortured so that he would tell them different things about priests and other good people who were keeping the Faith. The man had the letter "H" on his foot to remind himself of Hell. He would look at the letter "H" and tell himself that if he weakened during the tortures and told the enemies where the priests and good people were, he would go to Hell. After many months the enemies let the man go, because they could not get any information from him. So remember these stories and think of Hell when you are tempted to sin. Call on Jesus, Mary and your Guardian Angel to help you and they most certainly will!

*“Into thy hands O Lord, I commend my spirit: Alleluia,
For thou hast redeemed us, Lord, God of truth, Alleluia, Alleluia.”*

The brothers could hear the outer doors breaking in as they formed in line for the procession to Our Lady with which evening prayers always closed. Two young novices took their places carrying torches at the head of the procession, and behind them the community followed two by two, singing,

*“Hail Holy Queen! Hail Mother of Mercy,
Our life, our sweetness and our hope.
To thee we cry poor banished children of Eve;
To thee we send up our sighs,
Mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn then most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us...”*

As the brothers went singing down the chapel isle, the Tartars fell upon them with their swords. Soon they were all martyred; all except Br. Christopher who was so frightened that he ran up to the choir loft when the Tartars charged into the chapel. One by one the brothers had stopped singing as they were martyred. Br. Christopher looked over the railing of the choir loft and saw a strange light. There were golden crowns in the air above the clouds of smoke. As he watched, the crowns came down gently, one by one, and rested on the heads of his martyred brothers. But one crown still hung in the air. Br. Christopher looked and saw that all the brothers were dead, and there was no one left to wear the other crown. *“It’s mine!”* he sobbed, *“and they are all going to Heaven without me. O dear Lord I am too much of a coward to die bravely—but You will help me! I give my life for You; now You must make me brave enough to wear that crown!”*

The Tartars must have been surprised to see Br. Christopher walking bravely down the stairs, out of the choir loft and into their midst. They fell upon him and killed him too, and very soon the forty-ninth crown came to rest on the head of Br. Christopher.

Because the martyrs of Sandomir went so bravely to their deaths singing a hymn to Our Lady, it is still a custom to sing the **“Hail Holy Queen”** around the bed of a dying Dominican Brother or Sister. Now be brave and remember the words of Our Lady of Fatima: *“The good will be martyred,”* if Russia spreads her errors throughout the world, and Russia has!

The End

Blessed Sadoc and the Martyrs of Sandomir, Poland

After St. Dominic died, Blessed Jordan of Saxony sent many Dominican missionaries to northern Europe. Poland and Hungary readily accepted the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and soon there were many Dominican monasteries and convents. But the Tartars were a terrible lot of people and they soon destroyed the good work, which the Dominicans had done.

There were so many Dominican martyrs in the early history of Poland, that today the Dominicans wear a red cincture, (cord) in memory of the martyred hundreds who shed their blood for the faith, so that Poland would be converted and become Catholic.

Blessed Sadoc was a student at the University of Bologna, Italy when he met St. Dominic and was received into the Order of Preachers (Dominicans). Being a Slav he was eager to go to Northern Europe where the Slavs lived, to preach the word of God. This he was given a chance to do when he and Paul of Hungary were given charge of the Northern missions. Before long, Fr. Sadoc had a large number of students and novices and went to Poland with them. On his first night in the mission field, the devil appeared to Blessed Sadoc saying, *“I was able to lead many people astray and take many people to Hell, before you came here. But now you are disturbing*

my work with such children as these!” he said bitterly, pointing to the young novices. But that did not stop Fr. Sadoc from converting the Slavs and leading them to God. And in Sandomir, he soon had a large community working for the glory of God.

One night in 1260, at the Dominican Monastery in Sandomir, Fr. Sadoc and his companions were assembled in the chapel to pray. Br. Christopher a novice, read the martyrology for the following day, and was amazed at what he saw. On the pages of the martyrology, in letters of gold, were written these words: *“At Sandomir, the passion of forty-nine martyrs.”*

Fr. Sadoc looked at Br. Christopher and asked him to read the words over again. Again, the



novice repeated: *“At Sandomir, the passion of forty-nine martyrs.”*

This time Fr. Sadoc got up and went to see the book for himself. Looking at the pages he saw the same words: *“At Sandomir, the passion of forty-nine martyrs.”* Then the holy priest told the novices, *“My dear brothers we are going to go to Heaven tomorrow. God must have written this warning for us so that we could prepare to die well. There is nothing to be sad about, only great cause for happiness that God loves us so much. He will let us suffer for Him. Let us make our hearts ready to meet Him tomorrow at the judgement throne.”*

No one went to bed that night because they were all busy preparing their hearts for the death that they were sure would come to them the next day. Everyone went to confession and received his last Holy Communion. Those who were priests said their Masses with great devotion, knowing that this would be the last time that they would ever be able to say Mass.

Early in the morning there was a cry in the streets, *“The Tartars are coming! cried the frightened people. “They are almost at the gates of the city! We shall be killed!”* Everyone knew that the wild Tartar tribes who rode down from the North had no mercy on anyone; they would steal and kill and burn when they broke into a city. Then they would leave the city, burned to ashes, without a living person left in it. No wonder the people were so afraid.

Sandomir was very well protected, and the soldiers set about defending their city. All day they fought bravely; but as evening came on, they began to be very much afraid. Fr. Sadoc and his brother priests had been busy all day hearing confessions and preparing the people to die if the Tartars should take the city. As they came back to the monastery to say the evening Office, word was passed around the city that someone had betrayed them and opened the gates of the city for the Tartars.

But all the brothers were calm, and ready for what was to happen. That is everyone, except Br. Christopher. For as the hour of death grew closer, he found that he was very afraid to die. He spoke to Fr. Sadoc, *“Father, I’m afraid to die!”*

“We should all fear the judgement of God, for we are all sinners. You have prepared yourself to die by making a good confession, haven’t you?”

“Yes, Father,” replied the frightened brother.

“Then you may be sure that Our Lady will be there to plead for you at the throne of God, St. Dominic will be there, and our brothers, the martyrs of Hungary, and many others. You will not go alone, for there are forty-nine of us, and we will all die together. You must not be afraid!”

Br. Christopher said, *“I’m still afraid Father!”*

“Do not be afraid, Br. Christopher. We will pray the Office and God will give you courage if you ask Him for it. Now go and ring the bell for Office.”

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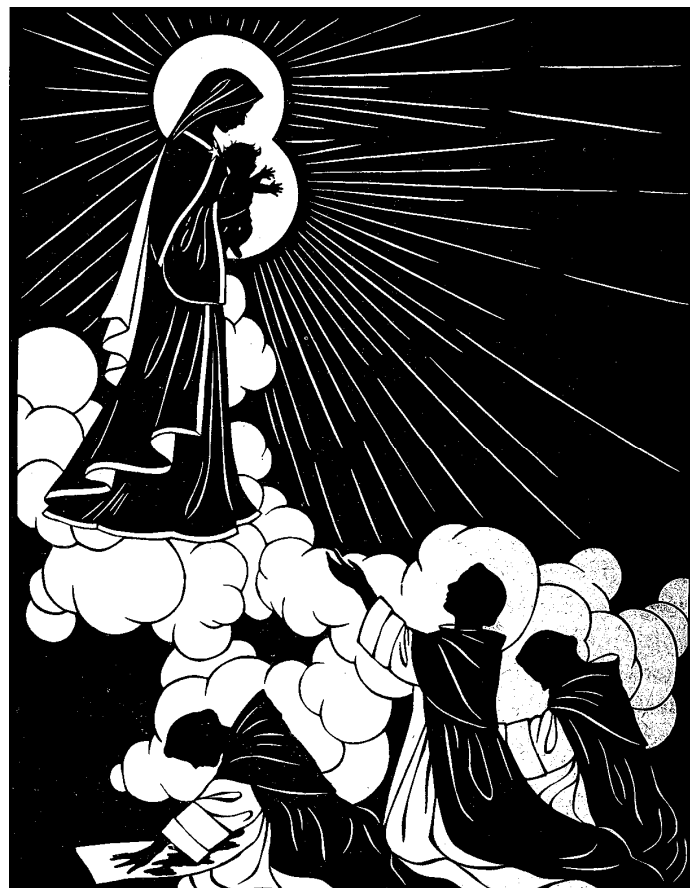
Br. Christopher was still afraid as he watched the other brothers coming into the chapel for the Office. Try as he might, he could not keep from shivering at the thought of the Tartars and what they might do to him.

The brother’s prayers of the Office rose towards Heaven:

*“Brethren, be sober and watch, because your enemy
The devil, as a roaring lion goes about seeking
whom he may devour: whom resist ye, strong in faith.....”*

“Strong in faith!” said Br. Christopher to himself. *“I’m sorry to be such a coward, dear Lord. Help me to be strong!”* When he saw Fr. Sadoc’s face shining and happy, he thought, *“I ought to be happy too! If only I trusted in God as much as I ought to!”*

From the street there was the sound of shouting, the noise of heavy fighting, the screams of the injured. Smoke began to pour in at the windows of the monastery, and still the choir chanted.



*“He hath given his angels charge over thee,
To keep thee in all thy ways:*

*They shall bear thee up in their hands,
Lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.”*

From his place at the back of the chapel Fr. Sadoc looked at his brothers who were chanting so bravely. *“Dear Lord give all of us courage to die well,”* he prayed. *“Help*

poor Br. Christopher to be strong and faithful.” The choir continued,

INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2009

JULY-AUGUST 2009 JUMBLE

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The Crusader offers up his day with all its prayers, spiritual communions and sacrifices for the intention received from Bishop Fellay, the second successor of Archbishop Lefebvre as the Superior of the Society of St. Pius X.



Painting of the Immaculate Conception, from the Church of San Andrea della Frate in Rome, that witnessed the conversion of the Jew Alphonse Ratisbonne

Daily offering

(To be recited every morning when you wake up)

O 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 **for the return of those who left the Church, and for the conversion of Jews.**

TREASURE CHART FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2009

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INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2009

HOW TO USE YOUR TREASURE SHEET?

This is your treasure of the month. Every morning when you wake up, in morning prayer, ask God's blessing, and pray your daily offering for the intention of the month: you can mark it on the sheet. Every night when you pray your night prayers, fill in the treasure sheet, giving thanks to God for all the graces He gave you this day, and being sorry for not having used them all well.

HOW DO I FILL MY TREASURE SHEET?

Every night mark down what you have done this day. Row I the first day of the month. Mark each box with a number.

For the Daily Offering, mark I when you say the daily morning offering.

In the column for Masses, mark the number of masses you attended with fervour and devotion that day. Put zero if you could not attend Mass.

In the column for Communion with the (+) symbol, put a I if you have received Holy Communion and 0 if you haven't.

Where it is marked Spiritual, mark how many spiritual communions you have made that day.

In the Visit o the Blessed Sacrament, mark how many times you visited Jesus in a good Catholic Church.

For 15 minutes, we pray and meditate, quietly. We can use holy and spiritual books during that time. You can make a spiritual communion then too.

Mark Sacrifices how many good works you did, or what you gave up, your school work, or home work, or house work, any thing you could offer to Jesus.

After the end of the month total up, add up each of the columns at the bottom, and send them to the Eucharistic Crusade Canadian Headquarters by mail, or e-mail EucharisticCrusade@sspx.ca

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Statue of a true Catholic king, Charlemagne, by Notre-Dame cathedral in Paris, France

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April 2009 Treasure Sheets										
	Daily Off.	Mass	Sacr. Com.	Spir. Com.	Sacrif.	Dec. Ros.	Visit Bl. Sacr.	15 Min. Sil.	Good Example	Quantity
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ON	1477	568	450	976	3848	7153	431	435	2249	47
MB	174	39	36	59	425	811	21	41	121	8
SK	596	267	207	478	1548	3369	353	170	1923	23
BC	247	55	40	24	24	244	54	24	95	10
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