

THE ROSEBUSH

Little Talks to Little People

Many years ago there was a little rosebush in a forest. It was a very lonely rosebush, because all around it were trees—big trees, little trees, fat trees, thin trees; but there were no other rosebushes. How the rosebush wished that it would have another rosebush to talk to, somebody to keep it company through the long hot summer days and the long cold winters.

One day the little rosebush was looking in between the trees and it noticed an angel—the angel of the forest whom God had appointed to watch over that forest. The rosebush asked the angel to come near and told the angel how lonely it was and how it wanted some company.

The forest angel thought for a minute and then told the rosebush, ***“Why don’t you ask God to send you another rosebush. You know God is all-powerful and can do anything. I’m sure if you will ask Him, He will hear your prayer and answer it.”***

“Yes,” the rosebush said, ***“I will do just that. I will ask God to send a rosebush to me, for company.”*** So the rosebush folded its petals, (since it didn’t have any hands), and prayed to God. It prayed to God in the morning, in the afternoon, and in the evening.

Many months went by and still the rosebush did not have any company. ***“I wonder when God will answer my prayer and send me another rosebush,”*** thought the lonely rosebush. Just then, the rosebush saw the angel of the forest and asked the angel to come near. The angel came and listened to the rosebush. Then the angel said, ***“I will go and ask God tonight and I will return in the morning and tell you what God told me.”***

Morning came and as soon as the sun peaked over the hill the angel appeared and stood by the rosebush. ***“God has heard your prayers and has already answered them. In April he sent a little bluebird with a rose seed in its mouth and told the bird to dig in the soil six feet away from you and plant the seed. Now all you have to do is wait and the rosebush will soon start growing.”***

And sure enough, about a month later, the rosebush could see the little green leaves of another rosebush. It was so happy now and it thanked God for the grace of having a new friend. By September, the new rosebush had grown quite large and it too was grateful to God for having been planted near another rosebush.

If we are patient like the rosebush, God will answer our prayers too. But patience is the keyword. Often we don’t ask God long enough. We pray a few prayers and then we stop. God loves to see us keep asking for a favour from Him. He likes to see us persevere. So be like the rosebush and continue to ask God for favours and continue to thank God for favours given to you.



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Special iSSue: anniverSary of the Decree of PoPe St. PiuS X

Dear Crusaders,

The picture below shows Pope St. Pius X giving Holy Communion to two young children. As you know, St. Pius X is the pope who allowed young children to receive communion.



There is no doubt that such a wise decision of Pope St. Pius X was one of the most important events that triggered the foundation of our Eucharistic Crusade. Yes, indeed, the Eucharistic Crusade is the answer of children to the call of Pope St. Pius X to receive Holy Communion at an early age.

It was only a few days ago that we celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of that very important event in the life of the Eucharistic Crusade; when, on August 8 1910, Pope St. Pius X signed the decree that allowed young children to receive Holy Communion. Before that time, children had to wait

until the age of 12 or 14 to be able to make their first Holy Communion. Now, thanks to St. Pius X, young children who reach the age of reason can and must make their first Holy Communion.

When he was a young boy, Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre was one of the first children to benefit from the decision of Pope St. Pius X. Marcel, who was born on November 29, 1905, made his first Holy Communion on Christmas Day of 1911. Right away, young Marcel wrote to the Pope, to thank him for the decree that gave him the chance to receive Holy Communion at the age of six.

Let us express their gratitude to both Pope St. Pius X and Archbishop Lefebvre for what they did for the Eucharistic Crusade!

Father Dominique Boulet

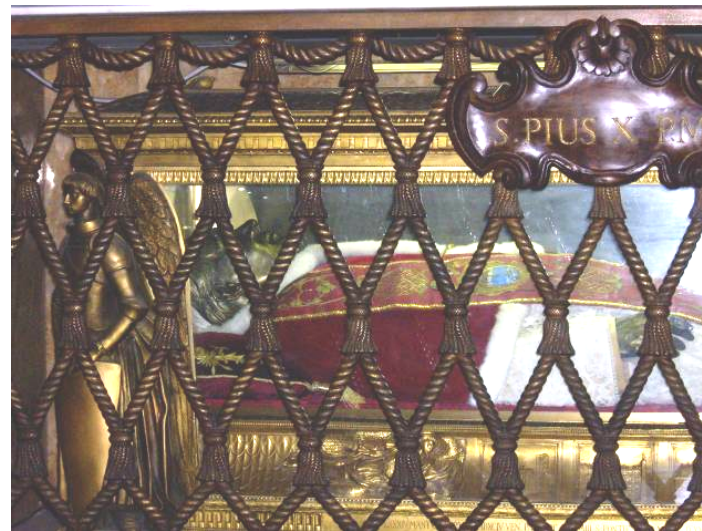
believed that Christ wanted Holy Communion to help those who were struggling to be good, not as a reward for faithful Catholics. St. Pius X said, **“Holy Communion is the shortest and surest way to Heaven”**. The Pope also encouraged people to go to Confession often so that they would receive Holy Communion worthily.

In 1907, Pius X wrote his famous encyclical: ***Pascendi***, which tells how Modernism—which is based on the sin of Pride, cannot be part of the Catholic Faith. Modernism denies the historical truths of Christ’s life, gives new meanings to Catholic Doctrine, goes by feeling instead of Faith, and destroys the traditional faith of people from inside the church. Pius X asked that all priests take the anti-modernist oath, in order to protect the Catholic Church from modern ideas.

During the first months of 1914, Pope Pius X learned that the Bishops of Mexico had been chased out of the country. From that time on, the Pope was sad. The Pope also predicted that there would be a great war and in 1914, when Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his wife were killed. He said, **“This is the spark which will set the world afire.”**

Day and night Pope Pius X begged God for mercy and peace in the world. He wrote a letter to the Emperor of Austria, asking him to abandon the war, but the letter was delivered to one of the government officials who did not forward it to the Emperor.

The war broke Pius X’s heart. When he died on August 20, 1914, the



The tomb of Pope St. Pius X

world lost one of the greatest men that ever existed. His tomb became a place of pilgrimage. Pius X had performed many miracles of healing during his life and many more after his death. He was canonized a saint in 1954.

Saint Pius X, Pray for us!

the clergy at the seminary. And here for a few years he taught dogmatic theology and moral theology. He also taught that the doctrine and methods of the great St. Thomas Aquinas should be followed. At the same time he taught the seminarians the beautiful Gregorian Chant.

Pope Leo XIII made Bishop Sarto a Cardinal on June 12, 1893 and three days later Sarto was named Patriarch of Venice. He gave much attention to the seminary so that good seminarians and priests would be



formed. When our saint went to visit Riese his eighty-year-old mother wept for joy. This was their last meeting, a few months later Mama Sarto died.

In his first letter to his flock, Cardinal Sarto wrote, *“God is driven out of politics when the government separates the Church and State. God is driven out of schools by not having any religious instruction, from Christian marriage without the grace of the Sacrament... We must fight this great modern error of man being placed on the throne instead of God! The solution of this, as with all other problems, lies in the Church and the teaching of the Gospel.”*

Cardinal Sarto preached by word and example. He often took the place of one of his parish priests in the confessional and would often assist them at Mass. He begged the priests to speak simply and insisted that people of all ages get religious instruction. The Cardinal also helped the poor, the sick and prisoners and even sold his ring to get money to help others in need.

In 1903, after Pope Leo XIII died, Cardinal Sarto was elected as the new Pope and took the name Pius X. Pope Pius X’s motto was **“to restore all things in Christ.”** He restored to the Catholic Church, the beautiful Gregorian Chant, he started a university in Rome to study traditional music, he brought all the codes of Canon Law into one book. He also wrote a Catechism, which is still used by Traditional Catholics today. And he canonized four saints and made ten people blessed.

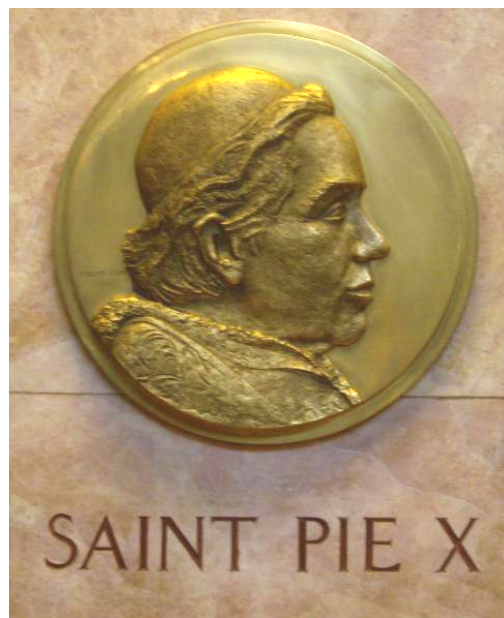
Pius X is known as the Pope of the Eucharist because he changed the age for First Communion to the age of reason—about seven years old. He wanted every Catholic to receive Holy Communion daily if possible, because he

*** On August 13th, I said Mass for the intentions of the Eucharistic Crusade in Canada.**

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ST. PIUS X—POPE OF THE EUCHARIST



This year, the Society of St. Pius X becomes forty years old. St. Pius X has helped us to keep the faith over these past forty years. Pray to St. Pius X, begging him to help you keep the Catholic Faith until the day you die!

St. Pius X was born in Riese, Italy on June 2, 1835 and was baptized Giuseppe Melchiorre on the following day. As the boy grew, he was known as Bepi, a shortened form of the name Giuseppe. He was a bright, intelligent lad and learned his lessons well, always getting top marks in his

class.

Bepi’s parents were poor in worldly goods but rich in the Catholic Faith. His father was a postman and his mother was a homemaker for her husband and eight children. They had a lot of mouths to feed with very little money.

One day Fr. Tito the pastor of Riese, told Mr. Sarto, *“I said in Catechism class, ‘I will give an apple to anyone who can tell me where God is.’ And your Bepi replied, ‘I will give two apples to anyone who can tell me where God isn’t.’ Your Bepi is a smart lad and might become a priest someday!”*

Bepi made his first confession when he was ten years old. According to the custom he was not yet allowed to make his first Communion.

One day, Bepi spoke with the parish priest, begging for the special grace to be able to make his first Holy Communion. The good priest told him that there was not much he could do for him, but he could ask the bishop when he would be coming to give the Sacrament of Confirmation.

After the ceremony of Confirmation, Bepi dared to approach the bishop, who was having lunch with the priests. “Your Excellency, please tell me why children have to wait so long to be able to make their first Holy Communion?” The good bishop asked the young lad: “How old are you?” “Eleven!” “Well, you don’t have enough instruction to receive the greatest of all Sacraments.” Bepi answered: “I know that Our Lord is present in the host, and that He wants to come into my heart. What else do you know about it, your Excellency?” The prelate remained silent for a while, and answered with a smile to that forthright question: “Maybe you are right, young lad, I am sorry but I cannot change the rules. You would need to ask the Pope.” To which Bepi answered: “I cannot go to Rome, it is too far away.” One of the priests had told the bishop that the child was thinking about becoming a priest, so the prelate uttered some prophetic words: “Maybe one day you will become a pope; and then you will make the changes!” Bepi insisted: “Could you give me a dispensation for one or two years?” The bishop spoke with the parish priest of Riese, and it was finally decided that the boy would make his first Communion the following Easter.

That is how, Bepi made his first Holy Communion just before his twelfth birthday. As he received Our Lord for the first time, he heard the call of God to become a priest. At that time, he didn’t know, but the prophecy of his bishop was going to be fulfilled: he would become pope, and he would introduce some changes in the Church: one of them was to allow young children to receive Holy Communion.

Bepi studied Latin with Fr. Tito and later he went to school in Castelfranco, to further his education. Here the lad would walk the one and a half hours, in all kinds of weather. His shoes were slung over his shoulder so as to make them last longer, until he got to the gates of the city. For lunch there was a piece of bread sticking out of his pocket. And at school, Bepi always got the top marks—God had chosen him for a great mission.

In 1850, Giuseppe received the Tonsure from the Bishop of Treviso and was given a scholarship from the Diocese of Treviso to study at the seminary of Padua. Bepi’s joy was mixed with sorrow and he could hardly hold back his tears when he said goodbye to his family. Like every saint, Giuseppe had his faults too, and he had to work and pray to become holy. He used to steal cherries from the neighbour’s tree, and he had a bad temper. But he had overcome these faults and was like an angel at the seminary—his virtues shone and all loved him. At the end of the first year he had the best marks. In May of the second year, Bepi went home to see his dear father for the last time. Within a few days his father died and though Bepi wanted to stay home to help out his family, his mother would not hear of it, so he returned to Padua.

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In August 1858, Giuseppe’s seminary training was done; he had completed all his studies with top marks in every subject. He was ready to be ordained except for one thing; he was only twenty-three years old. The Bishop of Treviso got a dispensation for Giuseppe and he was ordained at Castelfranco on September 18, 1858. The next day when Fr. Sarto said Mass his mother and friends were deeply touched and showed him great affection.

A few days later Fr. Sarto was appointed assistant priest to Fr. Constantini, the parish priest of Tombolo. When the new priest arrived, he was shocked to see that the people there used bad language continuously, although at the same time they did not wish to offend God by doing so.

Fr. Constantini was always sick but this did not bother Fr. Sarto. When the young priest had to do the duties of the pastor as well as his own, he said, ***“I will preach a sermon for you too Father—but please stay in bed, since you cannot get up— and don’t worry, I will see to everything.”*** And later, Fr. Sarto would take great care of the poor old pastor, cooking for him, and helping him in every necessity.

Always striving to win souls for Heaven, Fr. Sarto mixed with his parishioners as much as he could, making friend’s especially with the young men and boys. The young priest started a night school to help educate the men and his only pay was that he asked the men to stop swearing.

Fr. Sarto continued to preach, teach, visit the sick, help the dying, hear confessions, and teach Catechism to the children—nothing was too much for him. But after eight years of doing this, in May 1867, he was appointed rector of a large parish in Salzano.

After Fr. Sarto gave his first sermon at Salzano, the people were delightfully surprised that they have been given such an excellent priest. As in Tombolo, the holy priest gave special attention to children and adults, teaching them the Catholic truths. He would often say, ***“Most of the evil in the world comes from a want of the knowledge of God and of His truth.”***

Fr. Sarto restored the church in Salzano and expanded the hospital there with money he had begged for and with his own money and labour. He started a choir of young men and boys and taught them how to sing Gregorian Chant. In 1873, during the cholera plague, our saint helped the sick and the dying and was their doctor, nurse, health inspector and priest.

In 1875, Fr. Sarto became Canon of the cathedral and Chancellor of Treviso. He also became the spiritual director and rector of the Treviso seminary and examiner of the clergy. As Chancellor our saint also made it possible for public school students to have religious instruction classes. When Bishop Zinelli died in 1878, Fr. Sarto was put in charge of Treviso until a new bishop was named. On November 10, 1884, Fr. Sarto was named Bishop of Mantua. In this new position, Bishop Sarto took charge of forming

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INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF September 2010



New school building at Holy Name Academy, NY

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 Catholic schools and the education of youth.**

May 2010 Treasure Sheets										
	Daily Off.	Mass	Sacr. Com.	Spir. Com.	Sacrif.	Dec. Ros.	Visit Bl. S.	15 Min.	Good Example	Quantity
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BC	350	96	40	91	373	1179	73	7	241	12
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June 2010 Treasure Sheets										
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ON	638	168	151	410	1227	2897	120	312	740	22
SK	353	30	24	302	1276	1625	29	56	1116	13
AB	149	34	33	122	346	781	79	143	252	5
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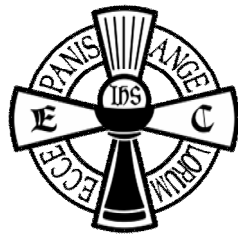
TREASURE CHART FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2010

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Note about sending your total to the Secretariat:

- Vancouver, BC:** give it to Mrs. Leung
- Wilmot, ON:** give it to Fr. Peter Scott
- Welwyn, SK:** give it to Mrs. Mailloux
- Winnipeg, MB:** give it to Fr. Gerard Rusak

Other locations: Preferably, e-mail the total:
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