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"If then you fulfil the royal law, according to the Scriptures, *Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself*; you do well."—St. James, II., 8.



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MY FATHER AND MOTHER

PREFACE

These articles have for the most part appeared in the pages of the *Messenger of the Sacred Heart*. Some have been published in *America*, *The Sacred Heart Review*, *The Magnificat*, *Extension*, *Men and Women*, and the *Rosary*. Though written at different times, they group themselves—and by design—around one central theme, for they deal with those two greatest of all realities after God Himself, to wit: your neighbor and you.

Their appeal is meant to be a wide one, indeed, the thoughts they dwell on are for all earnest and sincere Catholic men and women. Desires often come to all of us to rise to nobler and better ways of living, to make more of our lives both for our neighbor and ourselves. But when, and where, and how to begin our efforts often seems difficult and obscure. For Religious, there are many manuals of holy living, for the layman there are comparatively few; fewer still deal with life as it is lived at our present time. These papers are only a partial and feeble effort to supply this want and to suggest to Catholics some at least of the everyday and easy ways

in which they may aid both themselves and their fellow-men.

Certain questions and issues otherwise very timely and important—such as political activity, the wide fields of social work, and all the rest—are only hinted at in passing. In a larger and more pretentious book they would be indispensable, but their absence will readily be pardoned here.

Finally, if something has been sacrificed to emphasis, to interest, and clearness; if there is a dwelling on the obvious with many repetitions, and a touch of old-fashioned familiarity towards the gentle Reader, all these things will be condoned, we trust, in view of the humble and practical purpose of this little book. It was written (a labor of love) in the between-whiles of busy days; and it is meant to be read in like manner, little by little, in quiet moments, or in your weary or your leisure hours.

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