

Devotion for the 18th

Hymn: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the king of creation; o my soul, praise him for he is thy health and salvation. All ye who hear, now to his altar draw near, joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love doth befriend thee.

L O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine,

A all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine.

L Come, let us sing unto the Lord with joy, to God, our Savior, let us raise a song of praise; before his face let us appear to offer thanks and raise our hearts to Him in psalms of jubilee.

A Come, let us praise our Eucharistic Lord, the King of everlasting glory.

L We adore you, living Bread descended from heaven for our spiritual food.

A Give us grace to receive you worthily in life and at the hour of death.

L We adore you, Jesus, true Life of all who love you.

A Give us grace to die to ourselves and to live only for you, because you died for love of us.

L We adore you, Jesus, divine Light of the world.

A Enlighten our minds, that knowing you, we may love you and may come to enjoy you eternally in heaven.

L O Lord, our God, our Creator, our Redeemer, and sanctifier, you love all humankind without measure. What could you do to us with all your love, wisdom, and power that you have not already done? We want to give you thanks, Lord, our God.

A It is truly just, right and helpful for our salvation to give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, for all gifts of your love. Enlighten us that we may always better recognize your kindness and convert our hearts entirely to you so that we may, in word and deed, always thank you, O Lord.

L You have called us to co-operate with you to lead the Christians to a deeper religious life and to being members into your kingdom on earth.

A We thank you, O Lord.

L You have never denied us your blessing and your support.

A We thank you, O Lord.

L You have strengthened and consoled us in days of tribulation.

A We thank you, O Lord.

L You are always faithful to the Covenant you have made with us, your people. Also for us are the words that you once spoke to the nation of Israel, "I am always with you. I will make you fruitful. I will multiply you. I will keep my Covenant with you forever."

A We thank you, o Lord, and with grateful hearts we give ourselves into your hands forever. We entrust ourselves entirely to you. Do with us according to your divine plans.

L Glory be to the Father...

A As it was in the beginning...

Hymn: LORD, THE MYSTERY

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LORD, THE MYST'RY OF YOUR LOVE NOURISHES OUR SOULS WITH LIVING BREAD.
LONGING TO REVEAL ALL THE TREASURES HIDDEN IN YOUR HEART. COME AND LIVE
WITHIN US LORD THOUGH UNWORTHY BE OUR HEARTS FOR YOUR LOVE.

Fill our emptiness with yourself, so hymns of praise may resound. Draw us nearer to
you still and ease the pain of this world.

You are waiting day and night in stillness for our return. For you want to give
yourself and strengthen our weak hearts.

L Dear Blessed Mother, on this Covenant Day we greet you.

A We know ourselves united with all Schoenstatt children all over the world spiritually in the
Original Shrine; there we offer you anew our hearts with all that is in them.

L We hear once more your words from the founding hour of Schoenstatt: "Diligently bring
me contributions to the capital of grace. By fulfilling your duties faithfully and
conscientiously and through an ardent life of prayer, earn many merits and place them at
my disposal. Then it will please me to dwell in your midst and dispense gifts and graces in
abundance. Then from here I will draw youthful hearts to myself and educate them to
become useful instruments in my hand." (*First Founding Document, Oct. 18, 1914*)

A In this spirit we offer you anew all what the past month has brought us: joys and pains,
success and failures. We place at your disposal all and everything anew for the capital of
grace, that from the Shrine many graces may flow to reach the heart of many people. (*We
keep a moment of silence*)

L We renew our Covenant of Love with the Blessed Mother: My Queen, my Mother,

A I give myself entirely to you, and to show my devotion to you, I consecrate to you this day: my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my entire self without reserve. As I am your own my good Mother, guard me and defend me as your property and possession. Amen.

L To Him, the infinitely exalted, the thrice-holy God,

A Be praise, honor and glory now and for all eternity. Amen.

We proceed to burn the papers with the contributions to the Capital of Grace and with the petitions.

Hymn: **NOTHING WITHOUT YOU - WITHOUT US**

Music: Fr. Antonio M. Borges

Text: from the Founding Document

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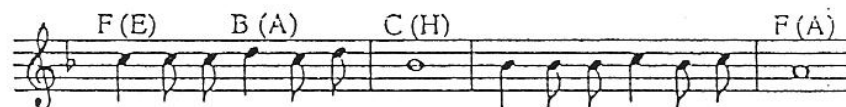
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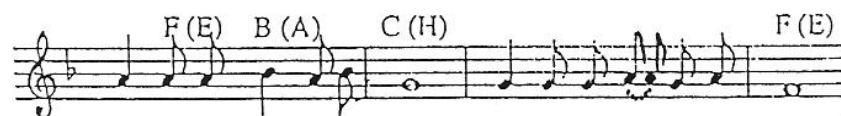
Nothing with-out you, with-out us, You chall-enge



us, O Ma-ry and we hear your voice; hear your voice.



1. Love me and I'll love you too! Give all and rich you will be
2. I'll come and live in the Shrine, give gifts and grac - es to mine
3. Crad - le of true hol - i - ness: this is our Shrine now for us.
4. In small things al-ways be true, great things will then be yours too
5. Yes, Moth-er glad -ly we live with you in Cov - e - nant love



1. Show me you're ser-i-ous, true Then I will work here for you.
2. Hearts I will draw to my - self form them as true in - stru - ments.
3. Strive to be free, ho-ly too, see that the Spi-rit leads you.
4. Pray, live with God each day through so that our times be re - newed.
5. Be home for us, for all time, trans-form us, send us from your Shrine.

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