

People are discouraged from approaching penance because they see it from the wrong angle. They think at once of what THEY WILL HAVE TO DO IN THE WAY OF DISAGREEABLE HARDSHIP. If they thought of it as TURNING WHOLLY TO GOD, WHICH is to see it from the right angle, they would be more ready to pursue its implications. They would in fact be spurred on to gather their whole selves together from the four corners of their particular little world and face about - - AWAY FROM SELF AND TOWARDS GOD!!

The only kind of penitence which is worth anything is CONVERSION. Not only conversion FROM but conversion TO. The penitence which stops short at remorse is not a true conversion, not a COMPLETE TURN. For remorse to be effective it must be SUPERNATURAL - - it must go on to TRUST. To turn our backs upon sin is one thing, and is a good start, but it will not help for long unless we turn our eyes towards Grace. Once the Soul is truly contrite about sin, not merely CRUSHED BY THE GUILT OF IT, there is already a stretching out towards the love which casts our fear. There will still be the holy fear of offending God's love, but this it not at all the same as the fear which comes from the feeling of guilt. The repentance, the CONVERSION, must be an act of the will, there must be decision about it. Where one fear can be the sign of love, the other can be the sign of its absence. WHERE ONE LEADS TO HOPE, THE OTHER CAN LEAD TO DESPAIR. THE WILL CONTROLS IT ALL!!!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

SUNDAY:	6:00 A.M.	For Prayer Promises and Benefactors
	9:30 A.M.	For the People of the Chapels
	12:30 P.M.	Novena: Dec. Walter Roberts
MONDAY:	"	" " "
TUESDAY:	"	" " "
WEDNESDAY:	"	" " "
THURSDAY:	"	" " "
FRIDAY:	"	" " "
SATURDAY:	"	" " "