

a fresh approach to old problems. Example and illustration would have helped to enliven the text, but the book, difficult to classify as it is, must be commended for its honesty of purpose and sudden flashes of inspiration. Read and digested page by page, it should make a prompt appeal to those who 'approve the better things'.

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TEACHING LITURGY IN SCHOOLS. By Mother Emmanuel, C.S.A. (Chaloner Publications; 6s. 6d.)

No new information on the liturgy will be found in Mother Emmanuel's book on teaching the liturgy. The basic principles, familiar to all of us, are assumed throughout the work, which is entirely practical in character.

The valuable opening and closing chapters of the book make it quite clear that Mother Emmanuel's intention is to offer suggestions to schools on how the children might be encouraged to live the liturgy, which is part and parcel of their lives from baptism to extreme unction. Its particular worth is that it is written by a teacher for whom the liturgy is life.

The main part of the work is concerned with liturgical beginnings, the mass, singing the liturgy and the following of the liturgical year. It is eminently sensible and filled with useful suggestions designed to assist teachers in promoting a love of the holy mass and liturgical worship in the children committed to their care; particularly sensible and helpful is the chapter on singing the liturgy, in which practical hints are given on how to promote a love of Gregorian music in children of different ages.

To give a more detailed account of the contents would be beyond the scope of a review. Let all teachers, and others, who are actively concerned with the instruction of the young, read *Teaching Liturgy in Schools* themselves. They will find in it much food for thought and a blueprint for action.

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ALIVE IN CHRIST. By Ralph Campbell, S.J. (Newman Press, Westminster, Maryland; \$3.75.) These 'Meditations for Young People' follow the traditional Jesuit form (scene, grace, first point, colloquy, etc.), but the application is to the modern American way of life (the ball game, drive-in movies, dates and petting).