For more than sixteen years prior to his death on October 30, Monsignor John J. Burke, C.S.P., had been General Secretary to the N.C.C.—potent or organized agency of the American hierarchy. You have read in the newspapers these last few days that the Holy Father and the Apostolic Delegate and bishops and priests and important laymen throughout the country regard Monsignor Burke’s death as an acute loss to the Church in America.

The Monsignor was an altogether uncommon man—genuinely holy and learned, and yet, thoroughly popular and public-spirited. Notre Dame is proud that in 1930 she conferred upon him her L.L.D. Tomorrow morning at 6:25 in the main church, Father O’Hara will offer a Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Monsignor Burke. Come and offer Mass and Holy Communion with Father O’Hara.

**Power Behind Atrocities in Spain.**

By Arnold Lunn.

The Devil is at work in the world, and there is nothing that the Devil hates more than the Catholic Church. Nobody would bother to burn an Anglican or a Methodist church. Who could hate a Baptist or a Congregationalist?

"I regard Protestantism," my friend Joad remarked, "with good-humored and genial contempt. I regard Rome as respectworthy and hateworthy." That’s worth quoting next time some smug, complacent ignoramus says to you, "Really the Church must have behaved very badly in Spain to provoke all this hatred."

Yes, if only the Church had behaved nicely, the Devil might have been content to spit thoughtfully as he passed a priest instead of crucifying him!

Quite a lot of people hated Christ when He was on earth. "The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth: because I give testimony of it that the works thereof are evil." (John, VII, 7.) "I have given them thy word, and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world; as I also am not of the world." (John XVII, 14.)

**How are we to fight communism?**

I. By living our Faith. There would be no bad communists if there were not far too many bad Christians. Unless we can prove that we are in earnest in our ambition to make Social Justice a reality we shall deserve to have our throats cut. Communism is the scourge which God permits as a punishment for slack Catholicism.

II. By knowing our Faith. It is, as I have said before in this Bulletin, much easier to get Catholics to die for their Faith than to think for it. It is tragic to contrast the apostolic zeal of communists who are prepared to preach their Faith on every occasion with the wooded view with so many Catholics that it is a mortal sin to mention the Faith to a skeptic. I wonder how rapidly the Church would have progressed in the Roman world had Christians replied to their pagan friends who sought information about the Faith, "Oh, I’m not good at arguing. You’d better ask one of these converts, Paul, for instance. He’s a whale of a controversy!"

Nothing would be more fatal for the Church than to give the impression that we hate communists merely because it’s our money they want. It’s our Faith they want...... little as they know it.

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