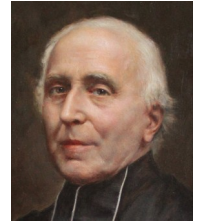


THE COLIN YEAR, 2012-13 - WEEKLY REFLECTION
'FROM THE LIPS OF THE FOUNDER'



Week 29

'Let them hold all covetousness in horror. Yes, indeed, may we abhor this spirit. I have seen in the rules of certain congregations that they should strive to win over people in high places. Personally, I have taken the opposite course. Confidence placed in a creature, whoever it may be, is always to the detriment of the creator.' (FS 54:2)

Week 30

'Let us put on Jesus Christ, to that end working with all our heart so that Jesus Christ will work with us. We must put the man in us aside, and so ask ourselves when we are in the pulpit, who am I to announce the bread of the word to these souls? Why have I entered this pulpit? It is to beget them for Jesus Christ.' (FS 56:4)

Week 31

'We must study the spirit of the Society more and more. I feel, alas, that unless we renew ourselves, our treasure will run out. We are so wretched. Our poor humanity drags us down. We must constantly overhaul it, and wind ourselves up, as people do with clocks to make them go. Yes, unless we are attentive and generous, the spirit of our Society will soon be lost.' (FS 59:2)

Week 32

'We must have a spirit of devotion to the Society, a family spirit. If someone were indifferent to the Society it would be a sign that he was not called to it. Let us then love the family that God has given us.' (FS 60:1)