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## PREFACE

THE following chapters embody the material of a series of lectures which were delivered under the auspices of the Union of Ethical Societies at its central lecture hall. The aim of the lectures was to acquaint a body of sympathetic outsiders with the methods and institutions which the Church of Rome employs, as a result of its long experience, in the cultivation of the ethical ideal and the moral life. The spirit of the work is therefore rather appreciative than critical, though the chief purpose is the mere presentation of Catholic life. I must also warn those who may glance casually at the following pages that, although I have thought it of interest to point out such parallels in non-Christian religions as lay within my knowledge, there is no pretension whatever to completeness in this respect.

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