

Duchess of Marlborough, who petitioned for and received the annulment of her marriage on the ground that she had been forced into it against her will. To gain an annulment of a Catholic marriage is by no means as simple as procuring a civil divorce. During the past five years the Tribunal of the Rota, which considers these cases, granted only about seventeen annulments a year. Compare this with the thousands and thousands of divorces granted in the United States alone, and we can form an idea of the indissolubility of marriage as it is considered by the Church and by the State.

—Bro. Clement Nowlen, O. P.

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MOTHERS' DAY

May Mary guard you, Mother Dear,
And ease your pain and sorrow;
Beneath Her care you need not fear
Life's threatening tomorrow!

That is my wish as this, your day,
One milestone passed, reminds us
How far along the homeward way
Each year, in fleeting, finds us.

And so I greet you, o'er the space
That parts but cannot sever;
May God send down His richest grace
And keep you safe forever!

—Bro. Francis Vollmer, O. P.