

I have experienced dull services and, no doubt, conducted dull ones. I found my "holiday" churches had services of a high standard. After all, if the music is faulty and the singing off-key ... well, if it is the best that people can offer, the Lord will accept it as such. If the sermon on occasion is rather dull - as an old minister once said to me as a student, "When you see a clerical collar in the pew just say to yourself, 'There's a man who knows what it is not to have much time for preparation'."

My quest to learn more about the man "Cooper" has resulted in obtaining a picture of one of the uncanonised saints of the Universal Church.

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"T H E E" and "T H O U" v "Y O U"

A Response

"In connection with your editorial in the Spring (1989) issue of "The Record", the following may be of interest.

In April I attended the Annual Retreat of the Fellowship of Dunkeld, and noted that of the ten members sharing the leading of our devotional exercises, nine used "Thee" and one "You".

Personally, I have never seen the issue as a vital one, and even question the zeal of one school of practice which suggests the use of "You" is essential in our days !"

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["Worship Now" - Book II, published by The Saint Andrew Press, Edinburgh, July 1989, has both forms. If the practice is more widespread than is suggested in some quarters, could there be further "Responses" ? They might help those amongst our number who feel that the use of both forms should be actively encouraged - Ed]