

Module One

Introductory Thoughts on Prayer

READ

⇒ Pages 31 – 62 of 'The Ignatian Adventure' by Kevin O'Brien SJ

Gitanjali

Face to Face

Rabindranath Tagore

Day after day, O lord of my life, shall I stand before thee face to face? With folded hands, O lord of all worlds, shall I stand before thee face to face?

Under thy great sky in solitude and silence, with humble heart shall I stand before thee face to face?

In this laborious world of thine, tumultuous with toil and with struggle, among hurrying crowds shall I stand before thee face to face?

And when my work shall be done in this world, O King of kings, alone and speechless shall I stand before thee face to face?

MAXIMS

Maxim 1: Love is aggressive. Love moves outward, reveals itself whether it is received well or not, or even rejected.

Maxim 2: God cannot keep God's love inside God. God will never give us a gift which will render God obsolete, or merely a spectator.



The Annunciation of Mary