

Religious Bulletin.

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The Fortune Teller.

"I have been a daily communicant ever since I came here last September, and I can't see that I have gotten anything out of it. I prayed for my uncle's health, and he died -- without leaving me any money. I made Novenas for both examinations, and flunked a class each time. I prayed for success in a track meet and didn't even place. And now my girl has broken off our engagement."

Freshman.

God be praised, you have a strong spiritual constitution, or you couldn't have stood it this long. But you've left too much of the material scaffolding. If you don't start praying for spiritual favors pretty soon, God will suggest some real temporal favors for you too pray for. God makes use of whatever appeals to you to draw you closer to himself. Give him a chance along other lines. Father Scott, in "The Hand of God" (pamphlet rack, twenty-five cents --adv.) has written a chapter expressly for you -- "The understanding of the Cross."

First Friday Adoration.

Freshmen, fall in line. There used to be a dozen adorers in the Sanctuary each half hour. Put on a cassock and surplice, even if there was no room on the list for your name. Draw close to the tabernacle and tell Our Lord your worries.

Confessions Tonight After Supper.

Confessions in the hall chapels at 6:20 and again at 7:30. Get out of the way before the Newman lecture.

Prayers.

An urgent special intention.

Thanksgiving for two favors received.

Your Lenten Sacrifice May Save Many Lives.

Five dollars a month will supply a missionary's medicine chest with specifics against cholera or plague, the devastating diseases of Bengal, when Notre Dame men are working for the natives. Put your loose nickles, dimes and quarters in Poor Ben or in a mite box.

Why Are the Irish Such Poor Catholics?

You didn't know they were? Look over the police records and see how many of them have turned their backs on the Faith as they quit having to fight for it. In penal times Mass was said in caves and behind hedges, by "hedge-priests" -- and the Irish carried their guns and WENT TO MASS.

Sixty years ago in Indiana, Irishmen had to walk fifteen or twenty miles to Mass --AND THEY WALKED IT. That's why we have the Faith. Prosperity, ease of comfort, luxury, has killed many an Irishman's Faith. Many a grandson of these pioneers will lie in bed on a Sunday morning. Take stock of your Faith!

841 a day.

The total number of Communions during February was 20,700, the daily average, 740. The total for the first fifteen days of Lent was 12,618.