

Getting Ready for Mother's Day.

May 11 is Mothers' Day. A beautiful sentiment has set one day of the year aside for our mothers. What is the best souvenir to send your mother? What will she most appreciate?

The Western Union suggests a telegram.

The confectioners suggest candy.

The florists suggest flowers.

The publisher suggests books.

The Spiritual Boquet.

The Catholic Church suggests a spiritual boguet. Do you think it would offend your mother -- who taught you your prayers -- if you sent her a card looking like this:

Masses said.....	1
Masses heard.....	10
Holy Communions.....	9
Spiritual Communions.....	50
Rosaries.....	10
Aspirations.....	200
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament.....	10
Visits to the Grotto.....	10
Mortifications.....	25

The Novena for Our Mothers.

The annual Novena in honor of the Blessed Virgin, Our Heavenly Patroness and Protector, will begin Thursday. The chief intention will be Our Mothers. These nine Communions will give a beautiful tone to your spiritual boquet.

The Importance of This Novena.

From many points of view this Novena is the most important religious exercise of the year. Before the eighth of December we honor Virginity; in May we honor Motherhood. Our gravest social danger in this country is the decline of the ideals of mother -- your mother's ideals, the Christian ideals, the ideals of the Mother of God.

Most of you expect to be fathers. Do you expect to share parental responsibility with a God-fearing girl, who will give your son as good a chance for life and heaven as your mother gave you? You will if you hold to these ideals and use sense in selecting their mother. Make this Novena for your mother and for sense in selecting the mother of your own children.

No Democrats Allowed

Democrats who are not in the state of grace should not start the Novena Thursday morning. Therefore, if there are any Democrats who are not in the State of grace and wish to attain that blessed state they should arrange to go to confession before the smoker Wednesday evening. The basement chapel offers facilities before 7:00 p.m.