

Dec. 9, 1924.

The Spiritual Bouquet.

The Spiritual Bouquet Christmas cards will be available today or tomorrow. They will be placed on sale at the pamphlet rack and through the agents for the Bengal Mission cards. The proceeds of the sale will go to the Bengal Mission. The charge will be five cents.

A spiritual bouquet is a cluster of spiritual flowers. This bouquet is from Bethlehem, which in Hebrew means "House of Bread". Its flowers all refer to the Blessed Sacrament, the Bread of Eternal Life.

It is suggested that you form a double intention for the Novena---your parents and Van Wallace. If God has taken your parents, send one to the person who has done most to take their place. You will do a very encouraging act of charity if you send one to Van Wallace. A present of prayers is the finest Christmas gift he could hope for.

Pamphlets.

Cardinal Newman's sermon, "Neglect of Divine Calls and Warnings," will be published today. The cost is five cents. This sermon will have a powerful effect in making you think: it is as good as a mission. Frank Spearman's article, "Your Son's Education," will appear in pamphlet form during the course of the week. Take one home to your parents.

Pictures.

There is still a good supply of Perry pictures awaiting your selection. Call at room 141 Sorin. The pictures are reproductions of the world's greatest religious pictures. They will harmonize with your mother's picture on the wall of your room.

Let's Clean House.

Those who have not yet had the courage to approach the Sacraments this fall will confer a favor on a busy man if they will be good enough to report before Christmas. It is a little difficult for the Prefect of Religion to follow the example of the Good Shepherd and go out looking for them, because the flock is so full of young lambs that they demand a great deal of attention. He has a list of one hundred preferred names in his room, however, and if the hundred do not come across pretty soon he will turn the young lambs over to the mercy of the wolves and go scouting.

The Bishop's Mass.

The Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Bishop Alerding will be sung on Thursday morning at 6:20. We owe it to our spiritual father to attend his funeral and pray earnestly for the repose of his soul.

Start the Novena Tomorrow.

Those who failed to start the Novena for Christmas this morning should report tomorrow and continue their Communions till Thursday morning. The Litany of the Holy Name is an appropriate Christmas prayer to accompany your Communion.

Clean Up the Amusements.

There is a complaint that there are no amusements left since the Bulletin has condemned the Palais Royale and the shows. Clean them up. If you protest to the management and hit the pocketbook of those responsible for immoral conditions, you can make them step around. Try it out. See how strong you are.

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