

Remnants.

A remnant is a particular kind of bargain-stock. Women have an instinct for bargains, and good bargain-hunters love to spend time over the remnant counter because a remnant is a good buy if you can find a use for it. Its defect is not quality, but quantity. It may be a piece of Irish frieze, too small for the master's coat but quite ample as an everlasting blanket for his horse. It may be an excellent piece of linen, a yard too short for a table cloth, but containing several good napkins. It may be a sturdy brogan lost from its mate, excellently suited to the needs of a much-travelled one-legged man, but useless for the majority of us.

The Catholic Church has a remnant-counter to be closed out on Trinity Sunday, after which day she removes her guarantee of quality and her certificate of ownership. What price the Church's remnants? The price she places is the precious Blood of Her Divine Master; the price the sinner places is pride or lust or envy or avarice or whatever keeps him away from God. There may be excellent quality in the remnant, but he is not all there. There may be the blood of martyrs in his veins, there may be the possibilities of a St. Augustine or a St. John of God, but his pride keeps him from the confessional; he goes to the remnant counter, no interested soul-seeker bids for him against the devil, on Trinity Sunday he is thrown out with the refuse. (Trinity Sunday is only six days away.)

A Special Intention.

A widow asks prayer for her daughter who is dangerously ill.

An Important Correction.

The Jubilee conditions were announced last week on the Bulletin and Sunday in the church as five visits a day for four days. This is wrong. The conditions are four visits a day for five days.

Questions on the Jubilee.

1. Who grants the Jubilee?

Ans. The Holy Father. The Bishops determine the conditions for their respective dioceses, according to the terms of the grant of the Holy See.

2. Must all the local visits be made to the church, or may they be made to the log chapel and the hall chapels, the basement chapel, etc.?

Ans. The local visits must be made to the church. In South Bend four parish churches must be visited -- any four parish churches.

3. Is the Jubilee confession necessary?

Ans. Yes. A confession must be made with the intention that it be the Jubilee confession. This may be the ordinary weekly confession, however, but not the Easter Duty confession, which is due under another obligation.

4. Is a general confession necessary for the Jubilee?

Ans. No. It is a useful help, and it centers the mind on the gravity of sin and the importance of removing temporal punishment due to sin, but it is not necessary.

5. When must the Jubilee confession be made?

Ans. It may be made before, during, or after the visits. The last work of the Jubilee must be made in the state of grace. Daily Communion is advised during the Jubilee as it is a great help to the disposition of hatred of sin which is necessary to the full reception of the benefits. -- Your attention is called to the fact that during the Jubilee -- all this week -- confessions will be heard in the church daily at 12:30 and 5:00 p.m.