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Church Tenight.

Sermon and Benediction at 7:30. Offer it for your father. It's Father's Day.

Prayers.

Albert Gebert asks prayers for his father who has suffered serious injuries in an accident. Two students recommend friends who are quite ill. Prayers are also requested for an urgent case -- a fallen-away Catholic, past seventy, who has joined the Masons and wants a Masonic funeral; only prayer can do much in a case like this. Add three special intentions.

Trikity Sunday.

"It wont be long new."

Questions From the Questiennaire.

- 45. What is the best means of canverting a non-Catholic?

 Ans. Prayer. Three years ago last October a freshman came in and announced that he wanted to be a Catholic. He didn't know why; no one had ever suggested it to him, ever remotely. He discovered later that one of his friends had offered Holy Communion for him daily for a month. From the day of his First Communion he prayed daily for a friend who had come here with him, and for his mother and sister. A month ago the friend who that he had started instructions: a sudden impulse had swept him off his feet. A few days ago the boy's mother and sister came in and announced that they wanted to take instructions. That is one case, typical of a great many that have come to attention here. If you want reading matter and further suggestions, dro p in with the case.
- Ans. They certainly do not if they leave the Church before the Sacred Host has been disolved in the stomach, that is, some seven to ten minutes after they have received. In general it may be said that no one gives enough time to God; a good thanksgiving may be extended throughout the day: "He that keepeth My commandments, he it is that loveth Mo." Urgent need will excuse from the immediate thanksgiving; but people can excuse themselves too easily on the ground of need that is not urgent.
- 47. Is a Catholic allowed to be best man at a non-Catholic wedding?
 Ans. If he is merely acting as a civil witness, yes; if he takes part in a religious ceremony, and his presence is required as a part of the religious rite, no.
- 48. What is the average proportion of non-Catholics at Notre Dame? How many become $^{
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- Ans. Seven per cent was the average fifteen years ago. It advanced to eleven per cent and then drapped to seven again the registration following the K.K.K. trouble in South Bend. It now stands at about nine per cent. Few of them become Catholics while here; quite a few come into the Church in later years. There were no student converts last year; this year there have been six.
- 49. Why is there so many bulletins devoted to wise cracks?
 Ans. Because there is so many guys that can't get nothing else.
- 50. What are the advantages of the Notre Dame system of religion?
 Ans. Like the Catholic Church, it saves many souls -- not all, but many.
- ol. Why doesn't the Church have Mass in the evening?
 Ans. It was discontinued because of abuses; its return has been agitated of late.