

Religious Bulletin
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Rosary For the Team.

You may offer the beads for the team at the Rosary Devotions at 12:30 today.

Before Breakfast Tomorrow.

Keep in mind that you can receive Holy Communion before breakfast on Sundays without attending the seven o'clock Mass. Come to the church on your way to breakfast, then return for the 8:30 Mass.

Prayers.

Ray Smith asks prayers for his mother who is ill. The mother of three old students is seriously ill. Two students ask prayers for deceased friends and one for a deceased relative. Three special intentions are recommended. A student wishes to acknowledge a favor granted his father, who prayed at the Grotto last year for relief from a condition which he feared was cancer of the tongue; the pain left at the end of the prayer and there has been no recurrence of the infection, which had lasted two months and had resisted medical treatment.

To See and Not To See.

The Ave Maria gives us the following wise observation:

"As the prevailing fashion of women's dress is unlikely to change, it will be well to remind boys and young men that if they cannot avoid this new occasion of sin -- unquestionably it is such -- they can nullify it to a great extent. No reason exists why one should take notice of everything that one sees. There is as much difference between seeing and noticing as between hearing and heeding, and many other things.

"It is a deplorable circumstance that the present style of dress is followed by so many mothers, who should be in all respects an example to their daughters. But indications of a lowering of respect are not lacking; and perhaps when they notice this, they will have more respect for themselves."

The Mass Starts At Seven.

One of the surest signs of lukewarmness in the service of God is the pernicious habit of coming late to Mass. God does not appear to be much in your eyes if you feel that you can keep Him waiting. Coming late to Mass is the source of a great many evils. If you find yourself in this attitude, see whether it is not because you have weak faith. If you find yourself unable to overcome faults that you regret having, examine your conscience on the matter of prayer and promptness in serving God. Real faith makes us place God before everything else -- even sleep -- and real faith will root out faults.

Make it a point to come on time for Mass for a while; fine yourself for coming late; go to Mass on week-days if you come a minute late or leave a minute early on Sunday; use a Missal for hearing Mass. Check yourself on these points and be surprised at the amount of spiritual progress you make along other lines.

The Use of the Missal.

As soon as enough students are supplied with Missals a course of instructions on the use of the book will be given. The Missals are to be found at the pamphlet rack in the alcove of room 141 Sorin.