

Thanks -- Where Gratitude is Due.

The editor thanks very sincerely those who offered Holy Communion for his intention yesterday morning. He missed many for whom he has done many personal favors, and on whom he has wasted many hours of time. He regrets their ingratitude, but he is gratified at the spirit shown by the majority. And he begs a continuance of prayer for the same special intention -- which is very urgent -- a matter of life and death for one who has done much for you.

He thanks also those who have assisted in the distribution of the Religious Survey. One student has been working a few weeks at the addressing; with what he accomplished plus the efforts of the volunteers who worked in relays on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week, five thousand envelopes were addressed by Saturday evening. In addition, he thanks those who have carried the Surveys to the Halls, and those who have taken their noon recreation to put Surveys into the addressed envelopes.

Finally, he wishes to thank the students, known and unknown, who have lightened his burden by a thousand little attentions; particularly those who have brought their friends to the Sacraments. The job of knocking off the ball and chain is comparatively simple if you don't have to go out looking for the birds who wear them. Magnificent work has been done by students in rounding up students who need attention but are too timid to seek it.

God Comes First Next Week.

Cancel all engagements for next week that would interfere with God's rights. Here is why:

Sunday - Tuesday: Forty Hours' Devotion.

8:30 a.m. Sunday - High Mass and Procession of Blessed Sacrament.

7:30 p.m. three nights - Benediction.

Adoration all day the three days, as on First Friday.

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

7:30 a.m. - High Mass and distribution of ashes.

8:30 a.m. - Breakfast.

(No sermon the first Wednesday evening of Lent.)

Friday, 7:00 in church, 7:30 in hall chapels - Way of the Cross.

The Insanity is Widespread.

We read that Illinois has had the largest crowd of flunks in its history this semester also that Wisconsin has lost a thousand students since September, most of them through scholastic failures. The number of auto deaths of students exceeds the number of student suicides last year. Northwestern is raising its tuition and adopted higher scholastic standards to reduce the number of students. The worldlings seems to be everywhere, and it appears that something will be done about it.

Prayers.

Morris Leahy asks prayers for an uncle who died yesterday. Two special intentions are recommended. Little Joe Mahon, who suffered so much from a triple fracture of the arm in November, is now threatened with mastoiditis; he is a son of Eddie Mahon of the Chemistry Department. Walter Goff wires thanks for the prayers and says that his father is not yet out of danger. Bill Browne asks prayers for his brother and a friend hurt in an auto accident. Two other sick persons are recommended. Bart O'Hara, who left school at Christmas for an operation for mastoiditis, was cured without the operation after a Novena to the Little Flower. Bobbie Huetz, who underwent an operation for the same trouble at Christmas time, has recovered.