

March 27, 1928

Requiem Tomorrow.

At 6:20 tomorrow morning there will be a High Mass of Requiem (the Seventh Day Mass) for the repose of the soul of Charles Casey. This Mass is offered at the request of his classmates in Marketing.

Easter Duty.

Friday, March 30, the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows, has been set aside this year for the fulfillment of the Easter Duty, that precept of the Church which commands us to receive the Sacraments at least once a year. The Mass for this will be in the main church at 6:25. Confessions will be heard in the Sorin chapel all day Thursday. Be beforehand with your confession if you intend to attend the show in Washington Hall Thursday evening.

Is it necessary to make your Easter Duty at this time? No. The Church gives you from the First Sunday in Lent until Trinity Sunday, 100 days.

Is it useful to have a common day for the Easter Duty? It certainly is. Results in the past have more than justified the practice. Those who go every day should go on this day; there is encouragement in numbers. While the number of those who have not yet fulfilled this precept is now below 400, this number will be reduced materially by next Friday if those who go give the proper shove to those who lag.

Laziness Costs Money.

Donant's Tackling Tech gives an idea of what it costs to loaf and cut classes. The author finds that the cost of each available working hour in college costs \$.73; the cost of each class hour is \$2.00. This is figured on the basis of the investment.

This means that each time you cut a class it costs your father \$2.00 for which he gets no return; and that if you loaf 10 study periods in the week you have wasted \$7.30 of his money -- besides what you waste in frivolous spending during that time.

Sit down and figure out how much restitution you owe your father if you are coming to school on his money. Figure out how many comforts your mother has denied herself and the home if you are here as the result of her economy. Give father and mother a break this year.

If your loafing has caused others to loaf, figure out how much scandal you have given this year, and then make a meditation on the words of Our Lord: "It were better for him that a mill-stone be haged about his neck and that he be drowned in the depths of the sea."

The Disorder in Church.

Several questionnaires have returned complaints about the disorder in church at the reception of Holy Communion. The matter has been mentioned before, but it needs attention again.

There is no intention of providing for a single-file approach to the altar rail if this can be avoided. There is something inspiring in the individual relationship between the soul and God; and this relationship appears less to advantage when sodality order is observed in the approach to receive Holy Communion. But the law of charity is forgotten when those leaving the rail are distracted from their supreme concentration by having to pick a way back to their pews. Last Sunday a decent place was left open for those leaving the rail near the pulpit. If you will solve your difficulties this way no action need be taken by prefects.