
Where Notre Dame Spirit Counts.

The Gleason family, you were told the other day, is deeply grateful for your prayers. A beautiful expression of this gratitude has come to Father Mulcaire from Mr. Gleason, in answer to the University's message of sympathy. Father Mulcaire has kindly consented to its use on the Bulletin for your edification:

"Dear Father: We have not words to express, in right measure, the depth of our feeling towards the University body, faculty and students. It is easy now to see you as one big family. In this tragic time you have stood in the place of parents to our John. And you have taken responsibilities better than we could have done, had we been with him. That, in so large a body of students, you should have known him so intimately, pleased us, and surprised us, too.

"As you say, John was an unusually good boy. Father, he has always been so. He was our eldest, and the pride of the family, and never until now have we had occasion for one sad thought for him. Our grief at his loss God only knows.

"John selected his college himself. We suggested to him colleges nearer home, but his heart was set on Notre Dame. And now we are thankful indeed that he was with you. He did love Notre Dame, and that he should die in a place that he loved, leading the clean life typical of that place, is a source of great consolation to us now. We feel that everything possible was done for our John -- and for us, too. Your prayers and condolences, and your splendid tributes to John, do much to soften our sorrow.

"Father Mooney's visit was the last word in kindness. That John should love him and respect him, is easily understood. In asking John's friend, Michael O'Keefe, to help bear our burden, we imposed a hard task, for he, too, was grief-stricken; but he was a great comfort to us all and a credit to Notre Dame. Father O'Donnell's constant attention and kindness and his care for us will never be forgotten. It is a true revelation of your beautiful family life.

"You have taken much of the bitterness from our sorrow, and our hearts are filled with gratitude to you all. -- John C. Gleason."

Did Van Make No Impression?

Does a plea for prayers have to come through megaphones? Does it have to be accompanied by the thrilling notes of the Victory March? You saw Van Wallace at your reunion Friday night in the gymnasium; you saw him at the field Saturday; you saw him carried into the church Sunday morning -- the church he loved so much, and has longed to see these dreary four years and more since his accident. And you heard the request for a Novena for him. And the number of Holy Communions this week will be the lowest since the week following the Navy Game. It may be comfortable to lie in bed these cold mornings, but it isn't Notre Dame spirit to neglect Van.

For The Next To Die.

The seven o'clock Mass next Sunday will be offered for this intention.

PRAYERS: Al Gall's grandmother died recently, after an illness of 46 years. Four special intentions; three who are ill; two deceased persons; a thanksgiving.