# Religious Bulletin May 16, 1929

## Adoration During Exams.

Now that the schedule of examinations is posted you know what time you will have free for adoration on the 27, 28, and 29. The recreation hours of these days were signed for when the cards first went out; the other hours are available at the pamphlet rack.

## The Jungle Chapel Fund.

It has been necessary to reopen the fund for Father Rozario's chapel; some students were broke last week (and some seniors went broke last week). There will be no further collections in the church for this purpose, but individual contributions may be left with the Prefect of Religion.

#### General Confession.

Students who wish to make a general confession before their departure for home would do well to take care of the matter soon. The demands upon the time of confessors increase very noticeably as the end of the year approaches, and the last few days are a bedlam. Students seeking advice on vacation conduct should also heed this waming, as spiritual directors have little free time at their disposal during the remaining days of the year.

The general confession has been discussed time and again on the Bulletin, but a brief outline of its purpose will not be out of place. It is necessary if a person is cortain that at some time in the past he has hade a bad confession which he has never rectified -- and a bad confession is one in which a known mortal sin is concealed, or one in which the purpose of amendment or the sorrow is faulty. In such cases it is necessary to go over all the confessions in the meantime, repeating all the sins since the last good confession, whether they have been confessed or not, and including mention of all intermediate confessions and Communions, which, in the case supposed, were sacrilegious.

A general confession is useful, but not necessary, when a person is about to assume a new state in life (the marriage state, for instance) or when he wishes to get a fresh start in life. It acts as a sort of balancing of the books, and if a proper gratitude to God is its motive, it deepens love of God in the soul and gives a fresh impetus to the spiritual life.

A general confession is generally harmful to a scrupulous penitent, and should not be attempted by a penitent without the permission of a priest who has been made aware of the nature and extent of the scruples. Scrupulosity needs other treatment.

### Thanksgiving After Communion.

Spring fever is taking its toll, and one of its prominent symptoms is late rising. This usually brings with it a curtailment of the preparation and thanksgiving for Holy Communion -- with its attendant dangers of loss of fervor and tolerance of venial sin. This is a problem for the individual conscience to meet. There are at the rack still a few of the little Purple Prayer Books of Bishop Chartrand which contain excellent prayers for your preparation and thanksgiving.

#### Return Books And Pay Debts.

Don't leave school with anything on your conscience. Return books and pay debts now, and don't be troubled about such matters during the summer.

#### Prayers.

Oliver Tong, old student and member of a prominent Notre Dame family (his father was long a professor here) died Monday at his home in St. Paul. Two friends of a student were burned to death in an auto accident a few days ago. Three other deceased friend of students. Four special intentions.