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Still More Objections to Daily Communion.

24. "What keeps me from daily Communion is the speech of daily communicants."

Ans. Which daily communicants? There are always some brainless high school kids in college, whose idea of being tough is pitiful. The more hopeless of these, of course, are not daily communicants; on the contrary, if you throw them out of bed in the morning, they gather in the local counterparts of pool rooms to await the breakfast bell. Of those who go daily, there are two classes: 1. those who are attempting to correct bad habits, however unsuccessfully; and 2. those who merely have lucid intervals. If your knowledge of daily communicants is gathered only from the rare specimens of these two classes, you are missing a chance to make some of the finest acquaintances in the world.

There is this much to be said for those with the lucid intervals: they at least have more faith than their critics, for they know their Lord in the Breaking of Bread.

25. "I am not sorry for my sins except at rare intervals."

Ans. How sorry are you then? Sorry enough to mean what you say in your act of Contrition and use the means of grace to avoid sin in the future? Probably you are confusing the emotion of sorrow with the real act of the will which is required of the penitent for forgiveness. If that is the case, you may never have been sorry, even at rare intervals. Go to a priest to find out what true sorrow is. Tears may not be in the offing; emotion may be far away; but if in your will you hate sin and wish you hadn't committed it, because God is so good, or even because you fear hell, you have contrition. The sense of shame is only natural; it will not obtain forgiveness for your sins.

26. "I have to go to confession every day to feel right about it."

Ans. You may do so if you wish. You have every opportunity. St. Charles Borromeo went to confession daily. On the other hand, if scruples are ruling your conduct, let a priest set you right on them, and follow his rules absolutely. No one has a right to nurse scruples, but you can't cure them without outside help.

27. "I got off on the wrong foot down here."

Ans. If you can't change feet, get out. You are doing yourself infinite harm by staying at Notre Dame and rejecting its opportunities. You heard during the Mission that it is far better for you to go to hell from a state university than from Notre Dame, for your responsibility will be less as your ignorance is greater.

28. "The remembrance of my past sinful life keeps me away."

Ans. Wouldn't you prefer to have more pleasant recollections? Draw up the material for them now by practicing your religion properly. It may help you to read Fr. Hugh Blunt's "Great Penitents." You will find there the stories of men who came back from a past sinful life. Daily Communion wipes away the memories of sin.

29. "Daily Communion is too often. Once a week is fine."

Ans. Why don't you start your own church? Our Pope has settled the matter for us.

Prayers.

Frank Harrison asks prayers for a deceased aunt; Pat McGaffrey and Walter Kilgallon for their fathers who are ill; Frank Widger for his mother who is critically ill. M. R. Madden's grandmother died a few days ago. Walter Rosselit, '29, asks prayers for his father who is very ill. Jackson Hay, former student, lost his father recently; his father was received into the Church on his death-bed. A student asks prayers for a sick friend. Four special intentions,