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The Bad Debts Novena.

"Be at agreement with thy adversary betimes, whilst thou art in the way with him: lest perhaps the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. Amen, I say to thee, thou shalt not go out from thence till thou repay the last farthing." -- St. Matthew, 5:25,26.

The Adoration During May.

Solicitation of signatures for adoration during May will begin this evening. Off-campus students will receive blank cards with this Bulletin. The adoration will begin on Monday, May 2, and close on Saturday, May 28. No cards are needed for Sundays or the feast of the Ascension, May 5; the exposition on these days is only for one hour, 6:30-7:30 p.m. On the other days the Blessed Sacrament is exposed at 7:30 a.m.; the daily Benediction is at 5:15, except on Wednesdays, when May Devotions are held at 7:00 and 7:45 p.m. Off-campus students are asked to take the half hours 12:00-12:30 daily, and 6:00-6:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

Questions From the Questionnaire.

35. Is there a plenary indulgence applicable to one's self? Ans. Most of them are. A great many of them are also applicable to the Poor Souls. Among the plenary indulgences most easily accesible in daily life are: 1. The Way of the Cross (every time); 2. The one attached to the "Prayer before a crucifix" after Holy Communion; 3. The one attached to the 6 Paters. Aves, and Glorias for those who wear the miraculous medal suspended from the neck; 4. The weekly indulgence for daily communicants which may be imparted to them by confessors who are members of the Priests' Communion League.

36. Please mention some easy ways to develop my will power, to say "No" to immoral temptations, and to keep my mind out of the gutter. Ans. There are no easy ways to develop will power. It takes will power to develop will power - but God gives you the capital which you are to invest. You can begin by easy stages, it is true, but as things become easy you must always push on. There are many suggestions on this given in the pamphlet "Perseverance." - To keep your mind out of the gutter, stay out of the gutter yourself, that is, avoid the books, the persons, the shows, that give occasion for bad thoughts. In other words, guard your senses, and it is easier to control your mind; control your mind, and your body will not give you much trouble.

37. Does the Prefect of Religion tire of the sins of Notre Dame fellows? Ans. By the grace of God, no. A priest is ordained to forgive sins and to help the sinner do better. If you don't give him a chance to do this you are cheating him out of one of the most consoling functions of his ministry. If he rebukes you sharply for your sins, it is only that you may wake up here instead of in hell.

38. What may a Catholic believe about evolution? There are several pamphlets on this subject at the pamphlet rack. A two line answer here might be misinterpreted; such answers have been in the past.

PRAYERS: Deceased - Joe Sheeketski's mother. Operations - Leo Beaulaurier's brother (broken neck); friends of Clarence Troost and W.C. Cronin; Sister Arazoeli, C.S.C. (formerly of St. Joseph's Hospital). Ill - Frank Weinmann's sister; relatives of Jas. A. Ross, Jas. McQuade, Jos. Dwyer, John Moran. A friend of Leo Clark, injured in an auto accident. Four special intentions.