

Novena for Vocations
begins tomorrow

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Sermon and Benediction
7:00 - upperclassmen
**7:35 - freshmen

The Program.

This evening: 7:00 - Sermon and Benediction for upperclassmen.

7:30 - Sermon and closing procession of Forty Hours - freshmen.

Tomorrow morning: 7:15 - Blessing of Ashes, followed by mass. - Breakfast - 8:30.

Keep Your Eyes and Ears Open.

We can't have personal guides to lead you by the hand tomorrow, so if you want to avoid the charge of stupidity pay attention to this notice. The imposition of ashes takes place before Mass. During and after Mass Holy Communion is distributed. Don't come to the altar rail while the priest is distributing Holy Communion and say, "I want ashes." It happens every year. -- And get to confession tonight. While there will be priests on duty for confessions during the Mass tomorrow, the crowd in church will be so great that it will be difficult to reach the confessionals.

Your Lenten Regulations.

By virtue of a dispensation granted by the Most Reverend Bishop of Fort Wayne, the members of the faculty and community, the students, and the working people attached to the University, are dispensed from the fast and abstinence "provided they do the work they are supposed to do." Exception is made of Ash Wednesday, the morning of Holy Saturday, and the Vigil of Christmas.

However, no Catholic is excused from the law of penance. Early rising to hear Mass and receive Holy Communion is a most acceptable form of prayer and penance. Adoration and the Way of the Cross will be added by Catholics who know what it is all about.

The Depression in Your Head.

During the early part of January we had a Novena for the Depression. Forty intentions were handed in for remembrance in the Masses. Eleven thanksgivings came later. During the Novena the number of Holy Communions was as follows:

1330 1148 1257 1298 1247 1278 1278 1462 1261

The Novena for Examinations began the next day, and this is what happened:

1437 1440 1447 1478 1430 1625 1450 1488 1606

Then came the Examinations, with this record: 1638 1504 1362 1275

The next nine days were devoted to thanksgiving, as follows:

966 917 1048 1421 1172 1344 1157 1167 1197

Finally, banks started closing in South Bend, with the following results:

1331 1057 1109 876 983 1089 919 1337

Now do you see where the depression is? Make Lent a season of reparation. Until the depression hits your knees it is a failure.

N.B.- The second sermon tonight will be at 7:35, not 7:30. Last night's topic will be continued.

PRAYERS: Deceased - the father of Julius Gilbertson, '29; a friend. Ill - Fr. Cannon, C.S.C. (angina pectoris); Henry DeVoss's mother (operation); Walter O'Brien's little brother (still in dangerous condition). Four special intentions.