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Church Unity.

The Church Unity Octave starts Friday, January 18--feast of St. Peter's Chair, Rome, and ends January 25, feast of the Conversion of St. Paul--two great apostles these, Saints Peter and Paul.

What's the Church Unity Octave all about?

It was one of the dreams of Christ to have the world united in one Faith. That was what He prayed for the night before He died. It was one of the chief reasons why He died. It was why He sent His apostles to every nation under the sun.

Do you know that most of the success of those who try to make conversions depends upon somebody's prayers, upon somebody's mortifications and the Masses and Communion they offer up?

Well, then, if your father is a non-Catholic, or your mother, or any near relative or friend, if there is anyone for whom you want the priceless gift of Faith, get busy and pray for their conversion during this Octave.

Most of the student body and many Catholics the world over will be praying with you.

Each morning for eight mornings during the Octave Mass will be offered up for the conversion of those you have in mind. To get your share from these Masses, list on a piece of paper those you want prayed for. Drop the list into the sealed box in either the Sorin or the Dillon pamphlet rack.

Do it now so that the names will be on hand for the first Mass that starts the Octave.

These lists will be collected every day during the Octave and will be placed on the altar in the Dillon Hall chapel where the Masses are to be said.

Join the efficacy of the Masses you hear and of the Communion you receive to the intention of the celebrant of these Masses. Be willing to do some act of mortification to convince God of your earnestness. A suggestion: the most sensible form of self-sacrifice is to climb out of bed and go to Mass every morning during the Octave.

Do you know any fallen-away Catholics? Any lukewarm Catholics? Any in-and-outers, moody, sensitive Catholics who are waiting to find something to disbelieve in, or somebody to have a fuss with in order to leave the Church? Pray for their conversion, too.

Novena for Examinations.

The Novena for exams starts a day earlier--January 17--Thursday--and ends on the 25th, day before the exams begin. The same Masses, Communion, sacrifices, can be offered for the two intentions.

Don't be afraid of cheating yourself if you include the intentions of Church Unity in your Novena for exams!

Did you read some days ago of O.C. McIntyre's respect for the bus drivers who tip the hat when passing St. Patrick's Cathedral? A startling thought from O.C.M.: "I have seen too much alcoholic deterioration to believe anyone can handle drink in moderation."

PRAYERS: Deceased, grandmother of Frank and Ed Hulsking. Ill, grandmother of George Wilson, (Lyons), dangerously ill; friend of Jim Robinson (Brownson). Five special intentions.