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Old Stuff? -- There's Nothing New Under The Sun.

One of you unwisely objects, "Why propose the same old novenas year after year? I made the Novena for Dad last year and the year before. I need my rest this year."

Then you come right down to thinking it over, why change the novenas from year to year? You're carrying the same obligations toward your Dad tonight as you did this time a year ago. As a matter of fact, your obligations have grown!

One sure thing, in this life you can never catch up with the debts that keep springing from "the nature of things" and from the ceaseless bounty of God's loving hand.

To thank God and your parents properly for their goodness to you, you need the whole of eternity. It's small potatoes to be arguing, "I've already given Dad eighteen days of Masses and Holy Communions -- nine last year, nine the year before."

"The Man You Forget' Was Sentimental."

So another objects. Since when has sentiment become wrong in regard to Dad? You can save your cold reason for logic, your precision for mathematics, and rightly so. But you've got to admit, if you're human, that some of the goodly, intelligent things in life warm your emotions. If Dad isn't something more to you than a stick or a glorified automaton, you can direct plenty of reasonable sentiment right toward him. It's more to your credit to have a "soft spot" for him than to treat him with cool reserve— especially if you're in the habit of being "mushy" with Nellie of Niles.

He Is Dead Ten Years.

Brother Barnabas was a pioneer in the field of Catholic social work. His memory is cheri shed at Notre Dame, for he founded here our program of "group work." Brother spent most of his time assisting the under-privileged boy. God knows-- and many of you do, from what you see on the public playgrounds and in city streets-- how much need the world has today of many thousands of good Brother Barnabasses!

The Notre Dame Social Workers have arranged a high Mass at 8:00 o'clock temorrow in Cavanaugh Chapel for the repose of Brother Barnabas's soul. May he rest in peace.

And Speaking Of The Cavanaugh Chapel

- 1. Don't think the priest is rude if he doesn't rush up to the altar and give you Holy Communion at five minutes to eight when you're evidently dashing to a first hour class. *** It is better for him to seem rude to you than for you to be rude to Christ. *** Not enough of you have given thought yet to the intelligent proposition that Holy Communion duly prepared for and received while you have assisted at the whole Mass is the best thing Christ has left in this world for the good of your soul and the good of "Others." Next week, something more on this point. *** If you do receive outside of Mass, your lesser privilege, don't rush.
- 2. TOMORROW MCRNING (CNLY) the late facilities for confession and Holy Communion will be closed. Howard will be open, as usual, till ten; and Dillon till twelve.

PRAYERS: (deceased) sister of Benedict Chung (Car.); Mr. Walter A. Weed; Frank Botta, friend of Joe Papa (Car.); aunt of Joe Fitzpatrick (Cav.); aunt of Ton Cronin (Cav.); Miss Catherine Sloan (Newburgh, N. Y.); Dr. T.A. Vogel (Columbus O.); Jos. P. Rowan, friend of Geo. Armbruster ex '30; grandmether of Bill Cleary (How.); Sister M. Edmundo, C.S.C.; Ton Haake, friend of Marlean Cragin (Zahm); aunt of Roy Murray (Zahm); Colonel C.C. Bassett (Goodland, Ind.). Ill, (gravely) father of Bill '34, Jin '36 and Tom '37 Shiels; mother of Joe Hannan (Al.); grandfather of Jim Johnson (Al.); sister of Bud Kette (Dil); friend of Larry Hess (Sorin); friend of Tom McKenna (St.Eds.); brother of Mrs. Arthur Haley; (accident) brother of Cecil Jordan (St.Eds.); sister of Don McGinley (Cav.).

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Campus Supplement

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Conference.

THEME: The need of a lay apostolate in every parish.

OBJECT: The development of leaders, especially for religious discussion groups.

Synopsis of Program

Friday:

4:15--Religious Discussion Club Institute (training and preparation of leaders).

8:00--Specches on history and purpose of Confraternity.

Saturday:

10:00--Religious Discussion Club Institute (training and preparation of leaders).

2:00--Religious Discussion Club Institute (training and preparation of leaders).

3:30-Leaders conduct trial or experimental discussion groups (groups* composed of Notre Dame, St. Mary's students and C.Y.O.)

8:00 Speeches on participation of college graduates in parish activities.

Sunday:

10:00--Religious Discussion Club Institute (training and preparation of leaders).

11:00-Leaders conduct trial or experimental discussion groups (groups* composed of Notre Dame, St. Mary's students and C.Y.O.)

2:00--Speeches on different phases of the Confraternity.

3:30 -- Conclusion: Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

* Those of you who signed up for this time or at 11:00, a.m., Sunday, please register on your arrival at St. Mary's as a discussion club member.

All Notre Dame students, whether signed up or not, are welcome at any of the sessions.

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