
A Tip From Honest Abe.

Our country and all of us could take a lesson from the common-sense and humility of the great Lincoln. When faced with a national crisis, he was convinced that he and the country should rely more on guidance and aid from Almighty God, than mere human wisdom and worldly standards. He said at his inauguration:

"I go to assume a task more difficult than that which devolved upon Washington. Unless the great God who assisted him shall be with and aid me, I must fail; but if the same Omniscient Mind and Almighty Arm that directed and protected him shall guide and support me, I shall not fail - I shall succeed. Let us all pray that the God of our fathers may not forsake us now."

Lincoln knew the need of prayer and penance. During his term of office, he declared a day of fast and repentance.

Until this world, our country and we do penance for our individual and national sins, until we come back to God, in one grand and continuous gesture of penance and humility, then we will continue to reap disorder, fear, discouragement and despair for our selves and for our country. If your knees are knocking, kneel on them.

In this crisis, knees are needed more than arms. The Mass is the greatest prayer of reparation; Jesus Christ, the God-man, offering reparation to His Father for His erring, stumbling brothers of the human race.

Back to God From Chicago U.

Recent observations made by a non-Catholic, Dr. Robert M. Hutchins, President of the University of Chicago, sound a similar note - Back to God and morality:

"...The American people, in their own interest, require a moral regeneration. Hitler," Dr. Hutchins declared, "sprang from the materialism and paganism of our times. In the long run we can beat what Hitler stands for only by beating the materialism and paganism that produced him."

Watch For It.

An old hermit, with an honest disgust for the things of the world and a keen appreciation for the things of God, one day remarked to one of his fellow-religious: "Every time I go into the city, I return less a man." Not long ago a modern hermit, with a taste for spiritual things, said the same thing about our present-day newspapers and magazines. He remarked: "Every time I read a newspaper or a magazine, I feel less a man." A Catholic Press exhibit next week will show you the difference.

You Can Bite On This One.

Rumors travel fast at Notre Dame, especially the false ones, which put in a bad light the school, some priest, brother or professor. Did this story, substantially true, of a special Senior Mass every Sunday travel slowly? For seniors only, the Mass would be in Brownson Chapel or Basement Main Church with short talks concerning the problems of seniors now and in the immediate future. There are some details to be figured out. Three or four more priests, (celebrant, preacher and two confessors) will have to be found. More details later. BUT NO MORE FRESHMEN AT THE 10:00 MASS. DECEASED: (deceased) father of Anna Torp; grandfather of Donnelly McDonald (Cav.); Grand Hoover 1863 - 71; E. C. Prughorne '91 (Cap't. of 2nd and 3rd N.D. football teams; grandfather of Lileen Conley (Biol. Bldg.); brother of Sr. Claudia (Sm. school). III, Fr. McGrath, O.S.A.; Peter O'Connell; friend of Dan (Scr.) and John (Wal.) Stack; uncle of Paul Patten (How.); mother of Carl Alaska. Six special intentions.