

Novena for Notre Dame
soldiers, sailors, marines...

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...starts Thursday. Con-
fession tonight.

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Notre Dame Men Appeal To You.

The letter below is but one of many requests for prayers sent to the campus by Notre Dame men in the armed forces. The Novena which begins Thursday will be the answer to these appeals. The Novena in honor of our Lady's Assumption will be for the deceased N.D. service men and for all who are now in arms, students and alumni.

For nine consecutive days get up for Mass and Holy Communion and make a visit to the Grotto asking God to protect all Notre Dame men from danger, both spiritual and temporal. Pull out your roommate and the fellow next door. This is an all-out Novena. The news of this Novena will reach all the camps. It will be a great disappointment to your pals if you let them down.

"Father, the primary purpose of this letter is to let you and all Notre Dame know that at this stage of the game I am still kicking, and believe it or not, enjoying life. The last clause of the foregoing sentence brings us to perhaps the necessary stimulus to get me to write. Simply stated, Father, I believe I am happy today because of the training and the philosophy of life I received while at Notre Dame. And although my name may be on a Japanese bomb or bullet, I just wanted Notre Dame to know that I was enjoying life here because of Her and I just wanted to say thanks in case I don't get the opportunity later.

"Perhaps someone might ask you where I was when I wrote this letter. The answer is French New Caledonia. Because of censorship restrictions I can't give any more details. Before I came here, I spent a few days in Australia. Australia isn't half bad, but personally, I'll take good old U. S.. In many ways it could be any American city but for the most part it is about twenty years behind us and has a strong English accent.

"Well, Father, the battery is having a party tonight and it's just about time for it, so I'll sign off. But before I do, I'd like to have you remember me to Father Mullahy, Eli Abraham, Prof. Flynn, and the Alumni Association, and also, Father, remember me in your Masses and ask the Prefect of Religion for a blow for me too.

Yours, Jack Fisher."

Afternoon Mass - - Wednesday 4:45.

It is the special privilege of the men in the armed forces to have Mass in the afternoon when morning Mass is impossible because of regulations. The privilege applies to the Navy men on the campus. The first afternoon Mass will be celebrated in Sacred Heart Church. Although the Mass is principally for the convenience of the Navy men, anyone may attend. ONLY THE NAVY MEN HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION AT THIS TIME.

Have You Been Confirmed?

Bishop O'Hara, C.S.C., former president of the university, now bishop of the Catholics in the armed forces of the United States, will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to a group of Navy men and students Wednesday after the 4:45 p.m. Mass. If you have not been confirmed, see the Prefect of Religion in Dillon or in Cavanaugh early TONIGHT without fail.

PRAYERS: (Deceased) Sister of Russ Alvino (Cav) (1st. Anniv.); Mr. Thos. Riley of Bedford, Maine. Two special intentions.