Afternoon Mass Today, 4:45, Church. University of Notre Dame Religious Bulletin August 5, 1942 Novena Confessions Tonight in Church Dillon, Cav., B - P.

Novena Starts Tomorrow.

WHO IS MAKING IT: All Notre Dame men, with no exception.

FOR WHOM:

All Notre Dame service men living and dead.

How MAKE IT:

Attend Mass, receive Holy Communion, visit Grotto

daily for nine consecutive days.

MASSES:

Hall chapel - regular time.

7:10 Dillon and Cavanaugh Chapels

The Bishop Gives You An Indulgence.

Tomorrow morning in your chapel you will find a holy card on the back of which is a prayer begging God "to bless and protect all soldiers, sailors and marines who are in the service of our country, especially Notre Dame men and our friends". Bishop Noll has given his <u>Imprimatur</u> to the prayer and also grants a <u>50 days indulgence</u> for saying the prayer.

Pick up the holy card and put it in your missal or on the desk in your room. Say the prayer daily. Make it part of the Novena. Include the petitions of the prayer in your Mass intentions. The picture of the sailor and soldier on the face of the card will remind you of the pals in the service and your duty of praying for them.

Coming: First Friday.

Benediction will be given Friday evening immediately after supper. There will be no public adoration of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day. But try to spend 15 minutes or a half hour in private devotion in the church or chapel with Christ. The basement chapel is always cool, and so is the church.

Snow in August.

A Roman patrician and his wife, having no children to whom they might leave their estates, vowed their whole fortune to the Blessed Virgin, begging her to make known to them by some means in what pious work she wished them to employ the money. Our Blessed Lady answered their prayers with a miracle.

In August, during the hottest time of the year in Rome, a part of the Esquiline hill was covered with snow during the night. That same night the Mother of God appeared in a dream to John and his wife separately, and told them to build a church on the spot they should find covered with snow, and to dedicate it to the Virgin Mary; for it was in this manner that she wished to become their heiress. John related this to the Pope Liberius, who said he had dreamt the same thing.

The pope and the people went to the snow-clad hill and chose the site of the church which was built with the money of John and his wife. There are many churches in Rome dedicated to the Mother of God. But since this one surpasses all others in dignity and by its miraculous beginning, it is distinguished from them also by its title of St. Mary Major. Today is the feast of Our Lady of the Snow, the anniversary of the dedication of St. Mary Major.

It is a coincidence that the Navy men who, along with all others in the armed forces, are dedicated to Our Blessed Mother should attend their first afternoon Mass on the feast of Our Lady of the snow.

Prayers: Fr. Grimm, C.S.C., former assistant Prefect of Religion, now Superior of Holy Cross Seminary, is seriously ill in St. Joseph's hospital.