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Thurs. is a Holy Day of  
obligation. All Catholics  
must assist at Mass.

Lace Panties.

"I want to thank you very much for the CATHOLIC DIGEST, and also the pamphlets. They have done some good; don't know how much, but they have helped. You see, I am first Pilot on a B-17 -- so I am boss. I have a fine crew, tried to get as many Catholics and Texans as I could. My co-pilot is just a kid out of training, so I let him read my 'Catholic stuff' as he calls it, but between you and me he loves it.

"I have been checking kids out as co-pilots. I fly 'em in the morning for three hours, then I take him to dinner, have a long talk with them, then give him a night ride. That gets to be old stuff, day after day, but you have to get good men....I get a new officer every day. I have to tell in 15 hours if he is good for what we want him for. Nine out of ten times he is about 20 years old, has had two years or less of college, thinks he knows all the answers and knows he is a pretty hot pilot. I have to see if he can fly, take orders, and has lots of guts; and between you and me, if he can pray (of course that is my own qualification). But if a fellow can't pray he hasn't any guts as far as I am concerned. If a young kid will come out and tell you he prays, then he is Okay.

"You see when I am with these guys I say a lot of words I shouldn't, I act mean and hard, and at the end of the day the kid is ready to fight me. Then I ask him if he has lace on his underpants, and I bet him he even says his prayers at night. And when a kid will say, 'Sir, I don't wear lace on my drawers, I can beat hell out of you, and you're damn right I pray,' I apologize to him, and he is a man in our group. Of course it takes me another hour to explain to him what I've been doing all day, but after that it's all right, and we are big pals."

Mother.

You used to bind my finger with a string  
Some mornings when you kissed me at the door,  
That after school I might not fail to bring  
Those little things you wanted from the store;  
Sometimes I lost the string when out at play,  
Sometimes I purposely untied the knot,  
But at the end of almost every day  
I somehow had to tell you I forgot.

Long years have passed since then, I can't recall  
The house in which we lived, the neighborhood;  
I scarce remember the old school at all  
That glistened poppy-red beside the wood;  
But through those long, long years of broken bliss  
I still can taste the sweetness of your kiss.

(Rev. Thomas E. Burke, C.S.C., in the AVE MARIA)

Don't forget the Masses and Communions, rosaries and visits to the Grotto you omitted your mother on your Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet. If you have not fulfilled your promises, keep working on them every day until they are finished.

Ascension Thursday Mass Schedule.

(Sunday Mass Schedule will not be in effect)

Civilians: Mass in your hall chapel at regular time.  
V-12 Students: Mass in your hall chapel at 6:15 A.M.  
Afternoon Mass: In Dillon only at 5:00 and 6:15 P.M.