

1945 Calendars will
be delivered to your
room next week.

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Prayers: two special
intentions and one
thanksgiving.

Have You Ever Made The Nine First Fridays?

The First Friday devotion is about two hundred and fifty years old. Our Blessed Lord Himself promoted it. On the occasion of one of His appearances in vision to Margaret Mary, a Visitation nun, now a canonized saint, Christ made a number of promises. One of these promises refers to the First Friday devotion:

"I promise thee in the excessive mercy of My Heart that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who communicate on the First Friday in nine consecutive months the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in My disgrace nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment."

Observe two points about this promise. First, its object: Reparation to the Sacred Heart. By this devotion Our Lord is trying to draw men to see not merely His Heart filled with love for men, but His Heart outraged by sin. He has even left us the symbol of His love in the form of a heart all aflame (with love) and with a gaping wound (caused by the piercing on Calvary) that men might be drawn to make reparation for the suffering He underwent for sin. There are many means of trying to undo sin and the injury done to the Sacred Heart. Christ suggest Communion of Reparation.

Good Friday in 1945 does not fall on the First Friday of the month. So it is impossible to receive Holy Communion on the "First Friday in nine consecutive months" during the year which has just opened. Receive Holy Communion this coming Friday whether you are starting the devotion or not. Christ desires your presence at the Communion rail in manifestation of your love of His Sacred Heart and reparation for sin. If you fail to receive Communion on the campus where it is so easy to communicate, should not Christ question your love for Him and His sufferings for you? It's a cold heart that will not make every effort to receive Holy Communion on the First Friday of the new year.

First Friday Adoration

The Notre Dame student is generous in his devotion towards the Sacred Heart. He expresses his reparation and love in another concrete way, namely, by watching in prayer before the Eucharistic Heart of Christ. This is done by a period of Adoration in the Church where the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the Main Altar on First Friday from 11:00 A.M. until 6:00 P.M. Benediction will take place immediately after supper for the civilian students.

Your First Friday Communion and Adoration will hasten the end of the war and the dawn of peace. Sign up for Adoration. Leave your name and the half hour period you choose on the list attached to the Bulletin Board in your hall.

Prayers.

The soul of one of Notre Dame's most loyal alumni is recommended to your prayers, that of Sam "Rosy" Dolan of the class of 1910. "Rosy" made a national reputation by his four years of varsity football competition. May Our Blessed Lady, whom he honored by his gridiron feats and, in later years, by his devotion and interest in his Alma Mater, welcome him home to an abundant reward!

(Deceased) mother of Paul Fogarty, '17; mother of Tony Bristol (OC); John Gilbert, Killed in Action; friend of Dick Martin (Sor); father of Ed Hanyzewski; Albert Spencer. (Injured in Service) Dick '42 and Elmer, ex. '45, Milliman; friend of John Stanfill (Al). Two Special Intentions.