

Easter Duty Period  
begins this Sunday.  
Tho you've rec'd Communion  
this yr., must receive during  
this period.

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Draftees: come in for  
Blessing before you leave.  
Books with Way of Cross  
in 1st pew of chapel.

From Dust . . . To Dust.

Last Wednesday, when the priest placed the Ashes on your forehead, he said, in Latin,  
"Remember, O man, that thou are dust and unto dust thou shalt return."

This Ash Wednesday ceremony was designed to remind you of death. Yet the thought was  
mixed with a note of joy. If you observed the vestments, they were not black, the  
symbol of complete mourning, but purple. In placing the Ashes on your brow, the  
Church wanted you to think of a HAPPY DEATH. AND PENANCE, She knows, is absolutely  
necessary for a death that will result in eternal joy in heaven. "Unless you do  
penance, you shall likewise perish." Everyone must mortify his evil inclinations, lest,  
left unchecked, they lead him to hell. Everyone must make reparation for his sins,  
otherwise, though one dies a friend of God, entrance into heaven will be delayed until  
penance is done in Purgatory.

So in approaching the altar rail for Ashes, you told God, implicitly at least, that  
you were a sinner, that you wanted heaven, that you wanted to serve him more faith-  
fully, and that you were most willing to undertake PENANCE in order to gain that end.

God came down to you at the altar rail, in the person of his representative, the priest.  
He came to accept your good will to do penance and to bless you. The Ashes placed on  
your head were blessed, which means that Mother Church prayed for you; She asked God  
to give you the strength and perseverance necessary to be perfectly faithful to your  
Lenten resolutions.

This is the third day of Lent. Did your promises wash off with the Ashes? Were you  
at Mass Thursday and today, like you promised? Were you more charitable towards  
your roommate and the people who crowd on the busses and trains? Lent goes to town  
with you, don't forget, and politeness is more than social finesse; it is charity.

Maybe you need Ashes again. Maybe we all do, for everyone fails in part. But we  
can't quit. It may have been a bad start. Dig in, and make it a grand finish --  
for your salvation, but principally for Our Blessed Savior who suffered and died  
that you might enjoy Eternal Life.

Classes taught	Will be examined	Date	*	Classes taught	Will be examined	Date
8:00 Monday	8:00 Wednesday	Feb.21	*	8:00 Tuesday	8:00 Thursday	Feb.22
9:00 Monday	8:00 Friday	Feb.23	*	9:00 Tuesday	1:15 Saturday	Feb.24
10:00 Monday	10:00 Wednesday	Feb.21	*	10:00 Tuesday	10:00 Thursday	Feb.22
11:00 Monday	10:00 Friday	Feb.23	*	11:00 Tuesday	10:00 Saturday	Feb.24
1:15 Monday	1:15 Wednesday	Feb.21	*	1:15 Tuesday	1:15 Monday	Feb.26
2:15 Monday	1:15 Friday	Feb.23	*	2:15 Tuesday	3:15 Saturday	Feb.24
3:15 Monday	3:15 Wednesday	Feb.21	*	3:15 Tuesday	3:15 Friday	Feb.23
4:15 Any day	8:00 Saturday	Feb.24	*	5:00 Any day	7:00 Thursday P.M.	Feb.22
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Math classes			*	Classes in		
(except Math.b,			*	Physics 21,22		
8n and 9n)	2:00 Thursday	Feb.22	*	25 and 26	9:00 Monday	Feb.26
Classes in Naval			*			
Organization	10:00 Saturday	Feb.24	*			

PRAYERS: (deceased) grandfather of Carl Sebastian (Cav); friend of Chris Rehkoff(Cav)  
mother of John Davis (Biol. Lab); grandmother of Bill Lawler (Sor); father of Robert  
"Red" Lonergan, '43; William J. Monagle, friend of Prof. Philip Riley; mother of the  
late Father DeWulf, C.S.C., (Ill) cousin of Gene Cellantini (Z), serious, polio.