

We keep a jungle kitty caged up most of the time. Unless we're dumb. Then we lead the pet on a leash, and pretty it up with a bow and a collar. Little wonder the animal smiles. He knows that he will be in on the kill before long.

It's the same with the occasion of sin. We can't take chances with it either. It will look congenial and harmless for a while, and then it leads us right into the jaws of death. Mortal sin is death, death to the life of Christ in the soul.

Perhaps you are the fellow leading the tiger. It's 14 days until Christmas. Does that mean only 14 more days before you fall into the same sins you committed last vacation or last Christmas? You know your weakness. It may be liquor, or drinking at certain places, or with certain companions. It may be a girl of questionable character. Maybe it's not the girl so much as the place you go with her, or drinking together. Missing Sunday Mass could be your trouble because of fatigue brought on staying up all night or late into the night. Your sin may arise from the worry you cause your mother by the reckless way you spend money and the late hours you keep.

Our Blessed Lord once made a blistering speech about the occasion of sin. "If your hand scandalize you, cut it off. If your eye scandalize you pluck it out." You heard a lot about "unconditional surrender" during the war. That must be your approach to the occasion of your sins; you must give them up entirely.

It's just common sense and obedience to the will of Christ to stay away from the kitty that scratched you badly last vacation.

PRAYERS: (deceased) friend of Tom Earls (Sorin); father of Prof. Paul Bartholomew (let Anniv.); grandfather of Bob Singer (Z). (Ill) friend of George Weiss (presbytery) mother of John Kelly (B_P), operation; Frank Leonard, '35 (Hines Hospital). 4 3.1.

ROTC in Morrissey
The chapel in your hall is now open. There will be daily Mass starting at 6:15 A.M.

Confessions.

All morning in Sorin

All evening in Sorin and Cav.

Basement of Church 6:30 to 7:30 P.M.