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Hallowe'en

There's a night in October, a fun-making night When costumes are donned to the children's delight, And everything's jolly with fun and with play, "Have fun" is the watchword, "In whatever you may." Then the witches and goblins run 'round on the loose, And young frolickers traverse the streets by the twos. Their voices ring loudly, "Be joyful, " they mean; "Do come out and be happy on this Hallowe'en." There's not a thought given to such matters grave As the right or the wrong way for them to behave. They don't understand that the real Hallowe'en Was a day very different from what we have seen. For a long time ago, say in one eighty-two, "Twas an eve named for prayer, and all the night through The churches were crowded with those who would pray. To the dear saints above, that they would relay Their petitions of pardon for all the world's sin And graces for their life's battle to win. 'Iwould be well to revert to the custom of old And send to "All Saints" our prayers made of gold. (Margaret Sullivan in OSV)

Don't Gamble

Here is a bit of advice about Mass next Sunday. If you are staying at a hotel, leave word for the clerk to call you at a predetermined hour in the morning. If you are at home, make sure some member of the family will arouse you in time for Mass. If you are staying with non-Catholic friends, ask them to awaken you, and don't be week-kneed about it. The time to make inquiries about the location of the nearest Catholic church and the hour of Mass is Saturday night, not Sunday. To gamble with Mass is to gamble with your salvation.

Try to Fast For An Hour

How long must one fast before Holy Communion at the midnight Mass? One must fast

from midnight until the reception of Communion. Strictly, there is no obligation to fast before midnight when Holy Communion is received at a Mass that begins at twelve o'clock. But from a motive of devotion and special preparation for the reception of Our Blessed Lord, one should try to fast from at least 11:00 o'clock on.

PRAYERS: (<u>deceased</u>) father of Joe Lauck, '47; Mr. Mr. Griego; Father Doyle (Madison). One Thankegiving. Two Special Intentions.

