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Rome Calling.

Reservations for the Pilgrimage to Rome of Notre Dame students and friends have been filled. Fifty-four have signed up. Four will leave June 8. Fifty, including the two chaplains, June 10.

The spiritual bouquet for the Holy Father adds up as follows: Masses heard--23,162; Holy Communions--24,292; Rosaries--24,278; Stations of the Cross--7,417; Ejaculations--206,071; Visits to the Blessed Sacrament--32,315.....Those who did not contribute may still do so. Totals will not be inscribed until May 20. Turn in your offerings at the offices of the Prefects of Religion. Knock on the door, or, if you have tender knuckles--just walk in.

Any Further Comment?

"Dear Father: It was an unpleasant surprise to read in one of last week's <u>Religious Bulletins</u> that the traditional 9 till 5 May adoration periods are to be replaced by adoration from 4:30 till 5:30. This hour is inconvenient because it would deprive many students from making any adoration at all. It would be impossible for any member of the football, track, baseball, tennis and golf teams to attend. This late hour would also be inconvenient for those of us who play afternoon golf, swim, etc."

"Wouldn't it be more convenient for the majority of students if adoration were held at another time, say between 11:00 and 1:00? Many would drop into Church before or after chow. I always found this time well attended." (--Signed_____)

Make A Date With Mary.

If you could choose your own mother, what would she be like. Loving? Understanding? Forgiving? Clean and Pure? Of course. God gave you earthly mothers who understand you and your weaknesses, who forgive you and build you up again.

You did choose your own mother when you came to Notre Dame. God chose an earthly mother for you-a good mother-and that is why you are here. But when you came to this campus you chose a heavenly Mother, the same one He chose for Himself: "Our tainted nature's solitary boast."

Go over her Litany prayerfully: Mother most pure . . . Virgin most merciful Queen of the most holy Rosary . . . Queen of peace.

May is the month dedicated to Mary. Make a date with Mary. When? May 1. Where? At Mass for the solemn opening of the Month of Mary. Why? Mary understood the deadliness of sin best when she stood at the foot of the Cross. Mary will help you most when you are present at the Sacrifice of the Mass, which is the same Sacrifice as that of the Cross.

A date with Mary! Meet her at the Grotto. The Student Council, Knights of Columbus, Liturgy Club, Y.C.S., and the Third Order of St. Francis, in your name, have asked that solemn attention be paid by the entire student body to the opening of May Devotions. Throughout the world prayers will be prayed fervently for the conversion of Russia. (If we fight Russia, YOU will have to bear arms.) It's up to you to cooperate with your organizations and make May 1, and all the days of May as well, an outstanding success....Grotto services, 6:45, will include: Rosary in common, a brief talk by Fr. Robinson, Consecration of student body to Immaculate Heart of Mary, renewal of Baptismal Promises, and Benediction (at the Grotto). This is your program for May 1.

Prayers requested for Mrs. Howard Doyle -- Serious operation. Jerome Matthews - '74' Near Death, Denver, Colorado.