

First Friday Adoration
8 to 5 o'clock. Bene-
diction.

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Prayers: Special intentions
-15. Deceased: all the Poor
Souls.

Show 'Em Freshmen!

Tomorrow is FIRST FRIDAY. Volunteers for the last two weeks of October adoration--sponsored by juniors and seniors--petered out. (St. Peter is the Apostle who denied Our Lord, three times you know.)

The best response of adorers for the first week of October came from the freshmen. On the bulletin board in each hall is posted an Adoration Registry for you to sign your name for a half-hour of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament in the Main Church. We ask the volunteers to vest in cassock and surplice and kneel in the sanctuary.

Monday's Bulletin will post the number of adorers from each hall and the percentage participation.

Come Across For The Poor Souls.

"God helps those who help themselves," the saying goes. But the Poor Souls cannot help themselves. You can. Devotion for the Poor Souls has very little appeal to young people who think very little about death, which seems so far away to them. Yet death struck the campus four times last year.

Another reason for this neglect is plain selfishness. Nothing like selfishness takes the vim out of the spiritual life. It is nothing but selfishness that keeps men away from the sacraments. They have sinned through selfishness in the first place. They have enjoyed forbidden pleasures regardless of God's prohibition. Love of self-indulgence keeps them from clamping down on selfish inclinations and from the reconciliation with God that comes from self-less submission to a priest in confession.

Eyes Open.

Open the eyes of faith and you will see the Poor Souls begging your prayers. It is the doctrine of the Church that we can help the souls in purgatory by prayers and good works, especially by the gaining of indulgences for them. They in turn help us by their prayers.

The Novena for the Poor Souls starts November 9. Make a list now of your friends and deposit it in the Poor Souls' box at the pamphlet racks in Dillon and Cavanaugh. These lists will be placed on the altar during the novena. Father Fagan and Father Grimm will offer their Masses each day for the persons whose names are handed in.

The Novena will be concluded, November 17, with a Mass in the Main Church for the deceased mothers and fathers of Notre Dame students.

They Want Your Pledge.

Your personal signature on a Family Rosary pledge card shows that you understand prayer to be a life-long Christian duty. And the daily Rosary is the handiest way of fulfilling it. . . . Your signature shows too that you recognize your life-long need of Mary's help, and that Mary will never fail you if you never fail her. . . . The pledge does not bind you under pain of sin. . . . Tonight the local Knights of Columbus will knock on your door. If they miss you tonight, they'll try again Friday. . . . If they miss you altogether--see your student chaplains in Cavanaugh and Dillon.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: George Larson (D11) lost his mother recently. His father writes: "My family and I thank the priests, brothers and students of Notre Dame for the kindnesses shown to us in our recent bereavement. We want to thank all for the many Masses and floral tributes; also the students who attended the funeral. . . ."