

No argument can refute your University of Notre Dame May Day ceremonies Thursday  
conduct, if it is good; or Religious Bulletin night at 8 o'clock. . . First  
defend it, if bad. April 30, 1952 Friday on deck.

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When Good Men Do Something.

You saw it last year. . . and the year before: The solemn opening of May Day as Mary's Day--for every client of Mary, May is the month for doing something extra special. . . The Masses you hear. . . the Holy Communions you receive. . . the Litanies and other prayers you recite. . . the periods of adoration. . . the visits to the Grotto. . . your mortifications. . . your rosaries. . . use them all to tell God and His Blessed Mother how much you love your own mother. . . Then there is the Novena for Mother's Day, which begins Saturday. . . Notre Dame offers you nine masses for your mother. . . What will you add to this?

May Day Bigger Than Ever.

It depends upon you. Every day the newspapers give us added reasons for praying. Communism has not been halted--as yet. The missionary work of the Church has been effectively throttled in China. The toll of suffering and death of the Korean conflict has been heavier than we even suspect.

It depends upon you. The student-planned program (your program) calls for assistance at Mass tomorrow morning and the reception of Holy Communion. . . At 7:55 p.m., as the bells of Sacred Heart Church ring out, all are asked to assemble outside your respective halls to begin the candle-light procession to the Grotto. . . and the rosary.

The Rosary Publicly.

The rosary will be led over a public address system which should be heard campus-wide. . . Respond audibly. . . At the Grotto Baptismal Promises will be renewed, there will be the public Consecration to the Immaculate Heart, a brief talk by Father Tom Brennan, Sr. . . and Benediction.

Bigness With A Purpose.

It is not bigness for the sake of bigness that we want May Day to be a big day. Barnum capitalized on the American penchant for bigness for the sake of bigness. Our Lord said "by their fruits you shall know them." We go for bigness with a purpose.

Big crowds at the Communion rails. . . Assisting at Mass daily. . . kneeling in daily adoration. . . visiting the Grotto. . . this kind of bigness in external devotion augurs well of an interior devotion that is genuine and true.

May Adoration.

Between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., with Benediction at 1 o'clock: Monday through Friday. Because of the ceremonies Thursday night, adoration will not begin until Friday. You will not be asked to sign up for periods of adoration; you are being invited to come on your own when you can because you are convinced and want to go out of your way, if necessary, to adore Christ in the quiet and peacefulness of Sacred Heart Church.

Prayers: (deceased) father of Jim Carr, '51. Critically ill, Mrs. Charles Frey; mother of Joe Buckeit (Ho). 15 special intentions.