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Novena For Exams

St. Bernard, who knew more than a little about the spiritual life, reminds us that, "we should pray as though everything depended upon God; but work as though everything depended upon us." All of which reminds you that exams will soon be here -- that there is yet time to work and time to pray.

Ask the blessing of God on your school work by starting the Novena Wednesday.

Unofficial As Yet

The relaxation of the Communion fasting rules will not go into effect in the diocese until Bishop Noll, of Fort Wayne, has received formal notification from Rome. He will then promulgate them throughout his See. Meantime, you should adhere to the traditional regulations in every respect.

This Week In Rome ...

will see 24 new Cardinals created by the Pope. The consistory idea originated in the Roman Imperial epoch; later it came to designate the assembly of the Cardinals in the senate of the Roman Pontiff. The Pope consulted with this Roman presbytery on matters of both a spiritual and temporal nature. Now, for the first time in 250 years, the college of Cardinals will be at its full strength, numbering 70.

The week's activities begin today with a secret consistory in the hall of the Vatican Apostolic palace in the presence of only the Pontiff and the present members of the Sacred College. The Fope announces the 24 appointees, and the Cardinals express approval by tipping their hats. Appointees are then informed of this approval. At the intimate consistory on Wednesday only the new Cardinals are present; and here the Pope gives them their short, four-peaked, scarlet birettas -- symbols of their new rank. On Thursday morning, at a public consistory in St. Peter's Basilica, the new Cardinals will lie prostrate before the Pope in token of obedience and humility. And the Pope will then present each with the broad-rimmed, red Cardinal's hat, or galero.

Finally, at a secret consistory on Thursday afternoon, there is the solemn ceremony wherein the Pope closes and opens the mouths of the new Cardinals. This is symbolical of the obligation to keep many matters confidential; and the obligation to advise the Pope on other matters. At this time, the new Cardinals are also assigned to their titular churches in the city of Rome.

The new group consists of 14 Italians, and ten non-Italians. Archbishop McIntyre, of Los Angeles, is the only American, and the first one named from the western part of the United States.

PRAYERS Deceased: John P. Dean; Charles E. Merriam; father of John Lipinski, (Off-Campus); aunt of Father Thomas Kelly, C.S.C.; grandfather of John Derment of Cavanaugh; Kenneth Lisy, 150; uncle of Bob Lally of Vetville. Ill: father of John Bierbusse of Dillon (heart attack); father of John J. Cleary of the Graduate School; son of John Martin, 138; Walter Wissell, 150 and wife (auto accident); Richard Nash, 123, Vice-Pres. of the Alumni Association; father of Ed and Irving Herskowitz; Miss Bina Golden, aunt of Warren Golden of Walsh.

K. of C.'s will canvass for Communion pledges later this week. Be ready!