Tonight at 6:45 in Sacred Heart Church: Sorrowful Mother Novena University of Notre Dame Religious Bulletin February 26, 1954 The 7, 8, and 9 o'clock Masses Sunday morning are for the Freshmen especially.

## "Forty Hours" Starts Sunday

You will recall that, after Our Lord's death, His Bacred Body was taken down from the cross by Joseph of Arimathea and placed in a new sepulchre where It remained for 40 hours before Christ rose from the dead.

That period of 40 hours has now become a time of adoration and reparation throughout the Christian world. Every parish church chooses a time during the year for this particular devotion. Undoubtedly, the favorite occasion was the three days before Lent -- at which time the Carnival season was at its height.

Among the Latin peoples especially, the carnival provided a last fling before the austere days of Lent. It was literally for them a "goodbye to meat" for the forty days of the penitential season. In the course of the celebration, many were guilty of excesses. The Forty Hours devotion provided the antidote -- the Faithful made reparation these three days for those who sinned, as well as for their own shortcomings. The devotion also prepared, and properly disposed them for the penitential season in the offing.

Here at Notre Dame, the Blessed Sacrament remains exposed on the main altar throughout Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday. You are invited to drop in at your leisure, and to spend a half-hour in prayer. Drop in for shorter intervals after meals, and between classes. You'll find these hours filled with abundant blessings.

And who of you is so busy that he cannot afford a few minutes of adoration at these times? The investment is the best you can make -- in time and in eternity. And when you have whittled down your own account, remember the members of your family who have little leisure or opportunity in their busy day for reparation. Surely, you are interested in their welfare! Your sense of gratitude should prompt you to remember them and their spiritual welfare at this blessed time.

## Program

The Forty Hours Devotion will open at the 9 o'clock Mass, Sunday morning.

There will be adoration from noon Sunday until 6:45 p.m.

Monday and Tuesday -- Adoration from 6:30 a.m. until 6:45 p.m.

Evening Devotions -- Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday (Closing), at 6:45 p.m.

## Indulgences

A Plenary Indulgence may be gained once each day by those who receive the Sacraments, visit the church, recite six Paters, Aves, Glorias.

An indulgence of 15 years may be gained each time the church is visited, and the prayers mentioned above are recited with a contrite heart.

The confession required for gaining the plenary indulgence may be made at the time of the Forty Hours, or during the octave preceding, or following, it. Holy Communion may be received on the day preceding the Devotions, or during the octave after it. Sorrow for sin is necessary to gain the indulgences which, once gained, may be applied to the souls in Purgatory.

PFAYERS - Deceased: mother of Thomas Finnegan (Off-Campus). Ill: father of Jim and Jack Mullane of Alumni; aunt of Brother Claver Reardon, CSC; mother of Mary Coury (Taw).