Tomorrow: the Holy Hour at 4:45 in Sacred Heart Church. Drop in.

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Coming: on Monday evening the Campus-Wide May-Day Observance at 7:55.

Adoration During May

This week, members of the Hall Presidents' Council will approach you with the invitation to sign up for May Adoration. The Flessed Sacrament will be exposed in the Lady Chapel daily, Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. The practice of assigning certain halls to a particular day each week will again be followed. You are invited to select a convenient half-hour on the day assigned to your hall throughout the month. Note the assignments:

Monday --- Alumni, Fisher, Walsh
Tuesday --- Dillon, Pangborn, Sorin
Wednesday --- Badin, Howard, Lyons
Thursday --- Morrissey, Breen-Philips, St. Ed's
Friday --- Zahm, Cavanaugh, Farley

There's something about the month of May which finds a warm response in all Notre Dame men. It's been that way for many generations here on campus; and it's no different today. And it's only natural to give expression to something that you feel intensely. It is not merely to claim proudly that you're a Notre Dame Man. Talk is cheap -- you'd rather do something. And that's why, long ago, your predecessors came asking for Adoration during this beautiful month.

They felt they were favorite sons with a great love for their mother. And loving Mary, they loved the things that were dear to her; and sought to hate the things that she hates. After all, being loyal and devoted to the Mother of God is not so much different from being loyal and devoted to an earthly mother.

And to her favorite sons, Mary is a sure intercessor in Heaven. The Cure of Ars says that her heart is so tender toward them that it far surpasses the devotion of all earthly mothers put together. Mary is the only human being in Heaven who never offended God. She is the only one who kept ever perfectly His command to love and adore Him. Christ denies her nothing.

This being true, the favorite son of Mary is really predestined for Heaven. He may waver now and then in strong temptation, but she will draw him back. She will find a way of softening his frozen coldness, of bringing contrite tears to his sin-deluded face. The greatest gift she can bestow on anyone of us is to bring us closer to Her Son.

That's the reason for our Adoration. This is the devotion that has helped to make May the most beautiful month of the year.

Select a half-hour that is most convenient for you on the day assigned to your hall, and sign up with the canvasser. Your response to Adoration during Lent was one of the most fruitful in the religious history of the University. As favorite sons of Mary, make her month of May even more glorious!

Furthermore, let's not think only of ourselves. Maybe there are family problems. Maybe the family doesn't have the time to pray -- as you do here. Do they need your prayers? This is an opportunity to make some show of gratitude for all they have none for you -- and to help them into heaven.

PRAYERS - Deceased: James Casey, ex'56; John R. Flynn, LL.B.'23; father-in-law of John Haddox (Off-Campus). Ill: Sister Michael, OSU; grandfather of Jack Dolan of Breen-Phillips; Dr. Francis A. Gannon,'31 (dying). Five special intentions.