

Tonight at 6:45: The
Sorrowful Mother Novena
in Sacred Heart Church.

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This Sunday: No football
crowd; hence, all Masses in
Sacred Heart Church as usual.

Notice To All Travelers

Heavenbound Schedule:

Trains Leave	At all hours
Trains Arrive	When God wills
First Class Fare	Poverty, Chastity, Obedience
First & Second Class	Piety, Devotion, Sacraments
1st, 2nd, & 3rd Class	Commandments, Duties of state in life

Price of Tickets:

First Class	Love of Crosses	
Second Class	Desire and Combat	(You must hold your own ticket)
Third Class	Fear and Penance	

Remarks:

There are no return tickets.

Children who have not attained the use of reason ride free, provided they are held in the lap of their Mother, the Church.

Baggage is limited to good works. All smugglers will be detected, and will cause themselves much delay. Their loot will be adjudged worthless.

Trains stop anywhere on signal to take on passengers.

Waiting rooms embrace the entire world.

On Learning To Be A Saint

Very few of the early Christians during the persecutions became martyrs overnight. The usual process was for them to lead lives of great sacrifice, strengthened by daily Communion for a long time before they were called before the pagan judge. Those who contemplate following in their footsteps, should first cultivate the state of grace, and then make sure of their motives. Often, this isn't very exciting at all -- just hard work. Anyone can assume piety; but it takes many years, normally, to acquire holiness.

Communication

Query: "How can a Catholic miss Mass on Sunday?"

Reply: Spiritual blindness, caused by infidelity to grace, causes some to miss Sunday Mass. Poor home training is another cause. Laziness is, of itself, an insufficient explanation. A more important cause is a peculiar kind of cowardice. "Conscience doth make cowards of us all!" The number of Communions received at the Sunday Masses at Notre Dame gets on the nerves of those who are afraid to go to Confession -- and they finally try staying away from Mass, rather than fight their consciences. Some men are too cowardly to admit their cowardice.

Others will resort to the subterfuge that daily, or frequent, communicants are insincere. Envy prompts them to belittle or destroy what they cannot equal.

Beating The Gun

There's a story in the annals of a Chicago parish of a particular member who never knew until his wedding day that there was a last Gospel in the Mass! He didn't go to Notre Dame, obviously. Here the custom is the obligation -- an entire Mass!