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FIRST FRIDAY

Today is the First Friday of the month. Confessors are available in the church this afternoon from 4:00 until 6:00 P.M. Mass will be offered, as usual, at 5:10. If you didn't get to Mass this morning, you can still get there if you move out before 5:00.

ST BLAISE DAY

Tomorrow is Saturday, the first day of classes, and the day when the last Mass in Sacred Heart Church is at 11:30. No 5:10 Mass tomorrow. We point this out because tomorrow is also the feast of St. Blaise, the fourth century martyr and the saint who is invoked against diseases of the throat. Throats will be blessed at all the Masses in the hall chapels and in Sacred Heart Church. The blessing will also be given in Dillon Chapel at 12:00, 12:30, and 1:00 o'clock tomorrow.

LOURDES NOVENA

Yesterday, we began the Novena in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes. These devotions, in advance of the Feast of Our Lady's Apparition at Lourdes, will be conducted daily following the 11:30 and 5:10 Masses in Sacred Heart Church.

EASTERN RITE

One week from today, the evening Mass in Sacred Heart Church will be an Eastern Rite Mass, the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom. This will be your only opportunity to participate this semester in an Eastern Rite Mass. So, reserve the late afternoon of February 9th for this purpose. The monks from St. Procopius' Abbey at Lisle, Illinois will celebrate the Liturgy.

IN YOUR CHARITY

Please pray for the following. Deceased: Father of Bill Fry, Off-Campus; father of Sr. Raphael, O.S.B.; father of Mother Francis Marie, R.S.H.M.; grandmother of Tucker Glaser of Morrissey; aunt of Jack Egan, Off-Campus; Rev. Bernard McCaffrey, C.S.C.; father of Leonard W. Condon, '32; Vincent Carroll, '58; father of Richard Sinnott, '58; father of Paul Aderman, '48; Francis Corrigan, '23; John S. Malcolm, '15; Col. Earle P. Doyle, '06; father of Joseph Mead, '54; mother of Dave Eardley, '56; cousin of Rev. Leo R. Ward, C.S.C.; brother of Menotti Lombardi, Jr., '57; mother of Joseph Lanigan, '39; mother of Paul Delker, '44; father of William Bohnsack, '59; Raymond F. Ryan, '31; grandmother of Donald Hendon, ex-'62; Tom Owens (12th Anniversary). Ill: Father of Michael Garrett of Pangborn; sister of John Borda of Cavanaugh; sister of Don Dugan of St. Edward's; wife of Mr. J. Egan of the Foundation Office; grandmother of Dick Bajura of Alumni; father of John B. Sullivan, '48; Gordon Walsh, Sr.; Joseph Kimmel; Bro. Jonas, C.S.C.; grandmother of Anthony Doheny of Farley; Nicholas Amrhein, '39; Tom Rini, '60; Diane Esser; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hailer; Mrs. Thelma Miller; Ellen Walsh; Everett Warren of the Audio-Visual Department. Four Special Intentions.

The Second Vatican Council

WITH THE ANNOUNCEMENT THIS MORNING that the Second Vatican Council will convene in Rome on October 11th of this year, the question that many are asking is "What subjects will be treated?" Actually, until the agenda is made public, we can't be sure what subjects will be treated. However, we can mention some of the topics that many persons believe will be discussed. For months, in fact from the very first announcement that was made about the Council, the press has reported that one of its aims will be to try to heal the disunity that has prevailed in the Christian world since 1054 in the East and 1517 in the West. Another topic some believe will be discussed is the precise binding power of such papal pronouncements as encyclicals.

Another allied topic might be the Church's right to defend spiritual interests when these are endangered by secular authority. Yet another area of possible discussion may be that centering around the Church's juridical structure and efforts to keep it apace with the complexities of the 60's. The Church's growth in recent years has also meant a growth in the number of problems that presently must be submitted to Rome for adjudication. Possibly, discussion could center about ways of preserving Roman solidarity and at the same time facilitate the handling of diocesan or national problems. Moreover, it is not unlikely that there will be discussion of ways of effecting a greater participation of the laity in the Church's liturgy and apostolate. Perhaps, therefore, the Council will deal with requests for use of the vernacular to a degree beyond the privileges already granted in the administration of the sacraments. Some believe there is a good possibility that the Council will discuss the restoration of the diaconate as a permanent way of life. Finally, there is good reason for expecting that Church and State relations will find a place on the agenda. The millions of Catholics behind the Iron Curtain will be given directions aimed at exposing the utter incompatibility of communism and Christianity.

SURELY, THERE WILL BE OTHER QUESTIONS and topics discussed by the 3000 prelates when they assemble for the first ecumenical council in a hundred years. And surely the prayers of all the Catholic world will aid them in their discussions.



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