

# RELIGIOUS BULLETIN

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## MORE ABOUT SACRIFICE

Sacrifice as religious worship is an experience to be desired. Only those who do not understand the sacrificial character of the Mass fail to appreciate it and are lax or lackadaisical in attendance. Among these latter are those who come late, leave early, and stand in the vestibule during the few minutes a week they deign to give to God.

Sacrifice as an act of worship is the proper sense of the word. More commonly we use the word in a figurative sense as somewhat synonymous with mortification or penance. In this sense we speak of the sacrifices parents make for their children or the sacrifice of a convenience or a pleasure for a greater good. These sacrifices sometimes mean real suffering, and they are the types of sacrifice we shrink from.

Some of these sacrifices are forced upon us, but not being able to avoid them, we accept them graciously out of love for God -- like the sacrifice a mother makes in bringing a child into the world, the sacrifice of a father in supporting a family, or the pain and nausea we accept when we are afflicted with illness.

Other sacrifices are more active, more positive, the kind we impose

### In Your Charity

Please pray for the following. Deceased: father of Bob Dettelbach, Off-campus; mother of the late Father James Young, C.S.C.; aunt of Joe Lemon of Cavanaugh; James T. McVeigh, father of John G., '51, and James P., '51; Frank H. Vogel, '06; John C. P. Regan, '22; John M. Wishing, Jr., '42; mother of L. Thomas Plouff, '23, and John F. Plouff, '38. Ill: Father A. J. DeWitt, C.M.

upon ourselves -- like sacrificing sleep to worship God in the morning at Mass, the sacrifice of amusement to apply yourselves more diligently to your duties as students, or the sacrifice of an article of clothing for the Bishops' Thanksgiving Clothing Drive.

This type of sacrifice -- both those we accept and those we impose -- can be made holy, in the original meaning of the word sacrifice, by offering them to God out of love. And they can be lifted still higher to true sacrificial character by incorporating them as part of the gift of self made in the offertory of the Mass.

### Campus Vignette

or

"What's Wrong  
With This Picture?"

Heard in front of Sorin Hall on a recent Sunday at 11:15 a.m. (Mass had begun at 11:00) --

First Senior (heading south): Let's get something to eat.

Second Senior (in no hurry, heading toward the church): Naw, I want to go to Communion.