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ASCENSION THURSDAY
Mass Schedules

Sacred Heart Church

7:15, 8:30, 9:45, 11:00 a.m.
12:15 and 5:10 p.m.

Stanford-Keenan Chapel

8:30, 9:45, 11:00 a.m.
12:15 and 5:10 p.m.

Hall Chapels

5:10 p.m.

QUEENSHIP OF MARY -- Monday, May 31, is the feast of the Queenship of Mary. In his encyclical, Mense Maio Pope Paul urges the observance of this day especially to beg Our Lady for the gift of world peace and for the needs of the Church. At Notre Dame the occasion will be celebrated with a Mass at the Grotto at 5:10, weather permitting. This Mass will also be a fitting conclusion to the special honor paid to Mary throughout the month of May.

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MAY DEVOTIONS -- The 6:45 public recitation of the rosary at the Grotto will terminate tomorrow, (Wednesday) May 26. Tomorrow will also be the

last day of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar of the Lady Chapel.

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MEMORIAL DAY is next Sunday. We ought to remember especially the Notre Dame men who have given their lives in the service of their country and all those who have been killed recently in Santo Domingo and in Viet Nam.

ROSARY AND HYMNS.

. . . at the Grotto . . .

. 6:45 p.m.

Tonight Sorin Hall
Wednesday Walsh Hall

Mass Schedule: May 28 - June 5
Sacred Heart Church

Daily: 11:30 a.m.; 5:10 p.m.

Sunday: May 30 -- Regular
schedule

June 6 -- No 9:45
Other Masses
on schedule.

No Masses in Stanford-Keenan on
June 6.

A FINAL WORD -- It seems appropriate to say as you leave for the summer: God be with you and be good Notre Dame men. Some, however, resent being motivated by the Notre Dame "image." Yet there is nothing wrong in maintaining an image. Our principal duty in life is to preserve within us the image of God according to which we were created and according to which we were reborn through water and the Holy Spirit. If you maintain the Christian image, you will be all that Notre Dame expects of you

SPIRITUAL SUPPORT IN MIDDLE AGE (18 - 80) The "noonday devil" disappeared for a time from the modern scene when Scriptural scholars, improving on old versions of the Bible, banished him from Psalm 90 to a more proper habitat. Today, however, he is back as a pedlar of various kinds of discouragement, in London-born Father Bernard Basset's latest book, The Noonday Devil.*

If you are facing middle-age, ("all readers between the ages of eighteen and eighty may qualify as middle-aged") you stand open to attack from the noonday devil, says Fr. Basset, as well as from his four hoary old companions, namely, fear, guilt, lack of fervor, and loss of conviction.

Worry is the single greatest trouble-maker in the age-group of which Fr. Basset is speaking here. Nerves, for example, produce a large crop of problems. "Scruples, bees in the bonnet, sexual aberrations, chronic depression, drain all the joy from life. They spill over from the mind to affect the body and debilitate the soul." Many mental disturbances today are progressive, says Fr. Basset, spreading over from one sphere of life to another until life itself becomes unbearable. "The psychological and the spiritual, today, are so closely connected that it is hard to know whether to consult a psychiatrist or a priest."

Fr. Basset, who, of course, is a priest as well as a psychiatrist of sorts, deals with the noonday-devilish ailments of man in a way that is the more effective for being deftly humorous. The heavy seriousness of most psychiatry at least is not for him.

"If you ask me how one should begin to face religious reality today," he says, "I can but reply that self-knowledge is the one and only way. I will never conquer fear, never pray with ease, never enjoy life or attain self-fulfillment until I am familiar with my own spiritual machinery."

Few people, he says, really know themselves. We live in a fool's paradise, ignorant of our own manner and appearance. Even the mirror shows us a face reversed and the recording machine gives us back a voice we cannot recognize.

"A genuine emotional awareness of the world outside us is the first step toward self-knowledge," writes Fr. Basset. We must have a sensitive awareness of our neighbors. You and I and our fellow-men are able to reach one another only by sympathizing with one another. We have to know others and sense them as they really are -- not seeking to use them, to win them, to organize or improve them, but to be one with them.

Last of all, a true solution of the problem of acquiring self-knowledge will be found in prayer and meditation. In Fr. Basset's words, "A sane programme of prayer will tend to produce a sane man."

tells us, is to be judged by whether or not it springs from a sense of wonder. If it does, it will be effective; if not, it ought to be scrapped. It is only in a sense of wonder that one will find freedom of worship.

Through prayer a person becomes aware of the beauty and of the love of the world outside himself; a person comes to know with perfect clarity who he is, where he is, and why he is. Through mature prayer a person finds the answer to the Noonday Devil; and a sign of this mature prayer is "the sudden awareness of reality, profound, unchanging in the very center of the heart."

--Claude L. Boehm

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IN YOUR CHARITY please pray for the following: Deceased -- father of Pat Sharp of Cavanaugh; Godfather of John Keegan of Fisher; mother of Father Thomas Jones, C.S.C.; sister of Prof. Ernest Szekely of the physical education department; sister-in-law of Prof. Paul McLane of the English department; cousin of Father Leo Ward, C.S.C.; friend of Ed White, off-campus; Arthur V. Price, '46; father of Donald J. Strasser, '52; mother of John W. O'Brien, '48 and mother-in-law of former Law Dean Clarence Manion; Harry J. Rockett, Jr., '34; Andrew J.K.M. McCaffrey, '42; wife of Francis Fergus, '40; father of James L. Byrne, '57; wife of Charles J. Petretic, '32; William J. Donovan, '07; Ainsworth C. Wade, '36; Carl C. Feske, '27, father of Carl D., '64; John C. Redgate, '30; Richard N. Kavanaugh, '26. Ill -- wife of Dr. Colip, University physician; Father Harold Riley, pastor of Sacred Heart Church; an alumnus of the class of '56 suffering from leukemia; an alumnus with terminal cancer; Larry Kellerman of St. Ed's last semester who is also in the last stages of terminal cancer. Also two special intentions.

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Jack Pope died a year ago on May 13; Joe Smith died a year ago on May 15; the second anniversary of the death of Dave Betten was on May 23. Please remember them also in your prayers.

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St. Augustine said that only the passionate heart is pure. Temptations against purity are hard to resist with sheer will power. But if our emotions are on fire with a passion for honorable things, for compassionate things, for beautiful things, we can more easily fight fire with fire. Best of all, we will often be too busy to be tempted.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society can use your discarded, but still usable, furniture, clothes, athletic equipment. Leave it in or near the box marked for that purpose in your hall. Contribute to a good work that has helped the poor of South Bend for more than thirty years.



For Freshmen Only

BEING A CHRISTIAN DURING VACATION

A college Christian is committed, at least, he has been sealed for all eternity as belonging to Christ. Certainly he can refuse this radical commitment (as some of you obviously have). He can put it off because he is a coward and shrinks from such a demanding responsibility. He can choose to remain an infant spiritually while sporting all the trappings of maturity. But if he is generous the various circumstances of his life will not change his commitment. He is a Christian in the Chapel, at a party, in Sacred Heart Church, on a date, in a bar, on a Catholic Campus, on a job, and on vacation. His commitment is not a seasonal occupation. It can't be shed like an over-coat. It's a 24 hour a day deal. It reaches from the top of his head to the soles of his feet.

If you are questioning the existence of depth of your commitment then your summer vacation will give you the answer. For nine months you have lived in the warm womb of a Catholic University - in an atmosphere where you were almost swamped by God's grace. Perhaps the fact that there was no challenge here made you stubbornly refuse commitment. Now you'll be free and in a good position to see if your adult commitment will begin or, if begun, will grow.

Commitment to what? Commitment to love. A one-sided friendship is never going to last. It's doomed because it lacks the very ingredients of love. You, yourself, are revolted by a fair-weather-friend -- one who is a friend as long as it serves his convenience and demands nothing from him. You can't find it within yourself to respond to such selfishness. Your Christian commitment is to love -- love of Christ. But Christ isn't going to knock you through the side of a wall.

All love lives by union. You can't begin or grow in a friendship without contact, without communication, without giving. Love, even divine love, is not a one-way street. If you prefer to refuse Christ's advances don't be at all surprised during the "long-hot-summer" if Christ treats you just as you would treat any fair-weather-friend.

If you commit yourself to love Christ even with all your faults --- the summer will be a time of growth.

If you prefer to remain selfish and narcissistic --- the summer will be _____?

--Father Baker, C.S.C.

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CONFESSIONS in Sacred Heart Church: Daily and Sunday during the Masses and evenings between 6:45 and 7:30, Saturdays until 8:30.

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Saturday, June 5, the vigil of Pentecost is a day of fast and abstinence. Notre Dame's dispensation applies to all who eat on campus.