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The Lord will guard your coming
and your going,
both now and forever.

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EVERY WEEK WE CELEBRATE!

This week is the UNITED NATIONS WORLD DISARMAMENT WEEK, THE CHURCH WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, AND PARENTS SATURDAY AT ND FOOTBALL! What more could we be asked to remember? Sunday's gospel hits another topic that calls for our attention. Jesus has a way of telling us a truth within one of his stories. The truth this time is simply that THE BELIEVER PRAYS PERSISTENTLY. THE BELIEVER PESTERS HIS/HER GOD.

We Catholics do not talk much about our prayer life and we seem reluctant to share prayer. Yet, we pray. Maybe, just maybe our prayer could be something more for us.

Praying is loving! Loving is believing and hoping in some one. Love won't go too far with persistence. I have to show my to-be-loved-one that I mean business, that I am in love. Praying is like that says the the Lord. Some times I ignore or forget or avoid my God BUT HE DOES NOT GO AWAY. ONE OF THE GREAT THINGS ABOUT OUR GOD IS THAT HE LOVES US EVEN WHEN WE DON'T LOVE HIM IN RETURN. NICE TO KNOW, BETTER TO REALIZE!

I have to pester my God. I have to let Him know I care and that I want to know Him. Like the persistent widow, I must pester Jesus until He becomes real to me.



HIS CHOSEN WHO *
CALL OUT TO HIM DAY
AND NIGHT LK 18: 7

On Being Young and Catholic

The jury is still out on my future. My fingers wrapped themselves tenaciously around a bachelor's degree last May, much to the delight of family and friends who had trekked across the country to celebrate a milestone in the life of yet another debt-ridden, liberal-arts-college coed. My ego now shrunk to Lilliputian proportions, I have to admit that the sheepskin seems less than woolly warm in protecting against today's chilly employment climate. After 17 years of Catholic education (I even attended parochial kindergarten), what have I got that a little red wagon would not wheel home from college?

Plenty.

Confronted by Catholicism at each juncture of my intellectual and spiritual development, I have pummeled at its tradition, pounced on its moral teachings and secretly envied its persistent claim that human nature is not meant for the murky waters of a materialistic, hedonistic culture.

Not surprisingly, my boxing bouts with the church ceased when I ceased accusing an institution of acting institutionally. Instead, I started seeing the church as believers struggling in community to lift themselves out of the selfish pursuits and petty interests in which the lives of most people and most nations are entrenched.

Coming from a generation hung up on status symbols and visual art—à la Lacoste shirts and rock videos—I find it strangely uncharacteristic that many young people dismiss the church as a mere building full of allegorical symbols and allegorical teachings not pertinent to the real decisions and crises we face. We easily invest energy in musical fantasies but not in spiritual realities. Others of us seem to view the church as a collection of priests and nuns, a museum of living relics from a civilization that predates the sexual revolution. But these are peephole perceptions of the church, and they are to a large degree unfair.

«Kathleen W. McGarvey, a 1985 graduate of Notre Dame University, is a student at Columbia University Law School, New York City.»

To the young and skeptical I want to say: Forget your holy water hangups and look within the community and yourselves. Look into the living springs of faith and love that threaten to dry up if left untapped.

But the deafness of a Walkmanned army of yuppies and yuppies-to-be becomes unnerving as I see lives become entangled around objects in a cult glorifying the individual, the almighty dollar and a modern-day Madonna.

Then again, look at what we are up against. We are the generation who inherited a giant national debt and a tiny split atom. With a cornucopia of weapons and an army of the poor, we race against the ticking bombs of a population explosion and a nuclear nightmare, as we struggle to find solutions that create a peaceful and just order. The truth is that the sun may not come out tomorrow. Yet in this scientific age that has spawned us as its space-age children, faith is considered an impure thought sullyng a rationalistic mind-set.

I confess I have my doubts about believing in a church that can seem monolithic in its response to the needs and problems of all its people, including women, the divorced and homosexuals. Yet its people, particularly the laity, particularly the young, may perpetuate this communication gap by refusing to embrace fully their faith and claim their Catholic heritage and vocation as their own.

To be young and Catholic is to stand with both feet in a post-Vatican II era that demands the intelligent and compassionate participation of all of us as we attempt to bring to the secular society the good news about a God immanent in our lives. A laity that shares in the ministry of a crucified Christ will begin to see the suffering and conflicts each of us faces every day as chances to recommit ourselves to a God and a community that make radical claims about the dignity and destiny of even the least among us.

It is a gamble, this thing called faith. It is a risk, this thing called community. Then again, the jury is still out on the future.

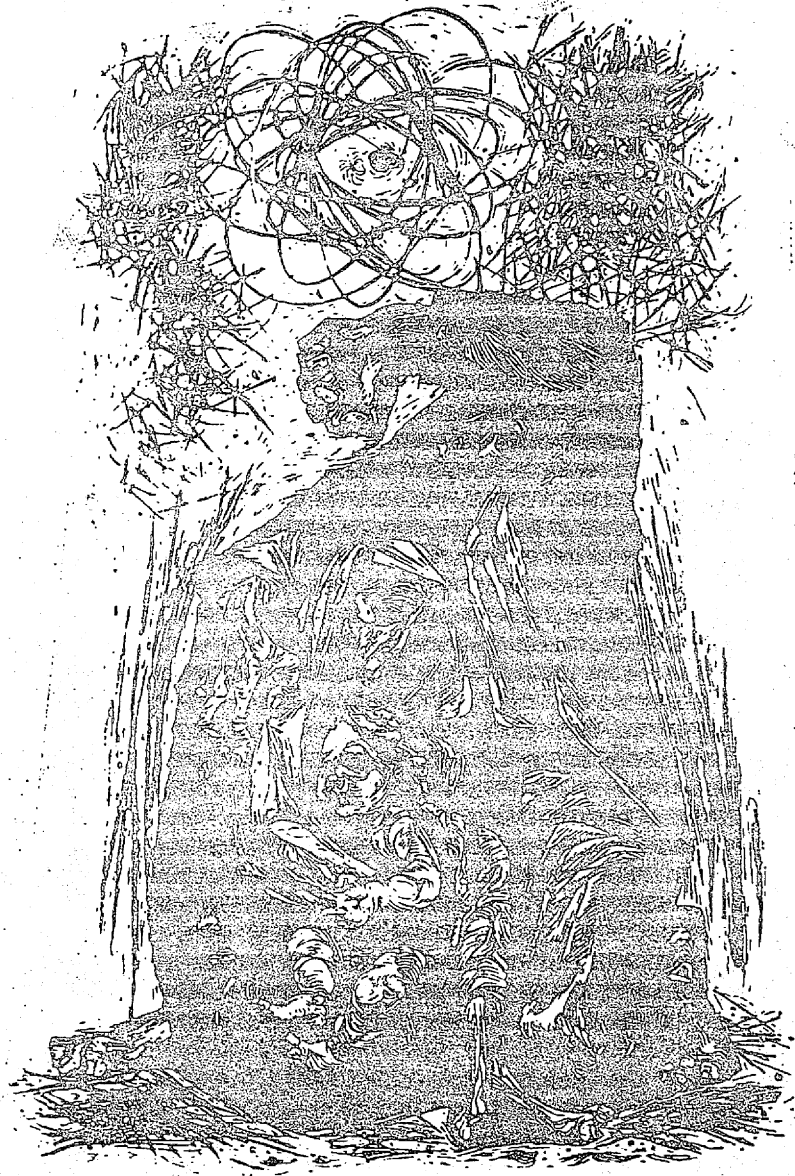
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SPECIAL NOTICE: BIBLE STUDY SHARING:

All students are invited to take part in a Bible Study Sharing on Mondays in the Lewis Hall Chapel at 8 P.M. Call Kristen Strougal at 283 4173 or Fr. D'Alonzo at 239 5577 or 239 6919.

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United Nations World Disarmament Week



Robert Hodgell

So far as I can see, the atomic bomb has deadened the finest feeling that has sustained mankind for ages. There used to be the so-called laws of war which made it tolerable. Now we know the naked truth. War knows no law except that of might. The atom bomb brought an empty victory to the allied armies but it resulted for the time being in destroying the soul of Japan. What has happened to the soul of the destroying nation it is yet too early to see.

—Mohandas Gandhi—1945

CFO - A - Prayer

"SOUL OF CHRIST"

JESUS, may all that is you
flow into me.

May your body and blood be my
food and drink.

May your passion and death be
my strength and life.

JESUS, with you by my side
enough has been given.

May the shelter I seek be the
shadow of your cross.

Let me not run from the love
which you offer,

But hold me safe from the
forces of evil.

On each of my dyings shed your
light and your love.

Keep calling to me until that
day comes,

When, with your saints, I may
praise you for ever. Amen.

CAMPUS MASSES

RETREAT

University of Notre Dame
1986-87

RESIDENCE HALL	WEEKDAY MASS	SUNDAY MASS
Alumni	4:30 pm M-F	11:00 am
	10:30 pm M-Th	11:00 pm
Badin	11:00 pm M	10:30 pm
	11:00 pm T-Th	
	(at Howard)	
Breen-Phillips	10:30 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
Carroll	10:30 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
Cavanaugh	11:30 pm M-F	11:00 am
	11:00 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
Dillon	11:00 pm M-Th	11:00 pm
Farley	11:00 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
Fiaber	11:00 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
Flanner	10:30 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
Grace	10:30 pm T-Th	10:30 pm
Holy Cross	10:30 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
Howard	11:00 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
Keenan	11:00 pm M-F	10:00 pm
Lewis	4:30 pm M-Th	10:00 pm
Lyons	11:00 pm M-Th	4:30 pm
Morrissey	10:30 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
Pangborn	10:00 pm M-Th	11:30 pm Sat.
		5:00 pm Sun.
Pasquerilla East	10:30 pm M-W	4:00 pm
Pasquerilla West	11:00 pm M-Th	10:00 pm
St. Ed's	10:30 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
Sorin	11:00 pm M-Th	4:15 pm
Stanford	11:00 pm M-Th	4:30 pm
		10:00 pm
Walsh	5:10 pm M-F	10:30 pm
	11:00 pm M-Th	
	(at Sorin)	
Zahn	10:30 pm M-Th	10:30 pm
O'Hara-Grace		5:30 pm Sat.
University Village	Married Students	9:30 am
Law School	12:00 noon F, Rm 112	10:00 pm
	12:00 noon M,W,F Lounge	
	(Advent and Lent)	

* On football game Saturdays only, there is a Mass one-half hour after the game. If the game is at night, the Mass will be at 4:30 pm.

"Sexuality, Intimacy & Spirituality"

directed by Patricia Livingston

TOPICS:

Intimacy
Relationships
Masturbation

Homosexuality
Heterosexuality
Loneliness

Sexuality: Primary
Genital
Affective

- How do I relate to God in the context of the gift of my sexuality?
- How does intimacy in my life reveal God to me?
- How do the yearnings of my life tell me about God's love for me?
- How can I come to understand my sexuality more broadly and deeply?
- How does understanding my sexuality free me to choose what is most life giving at this time in my life?

WHEN: October 31 - November 2 (noon)

CONTACT: Office of University Ministry
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SIGN-UP DEADLINE: October 17, 1986

COST: \$12.00

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