

Religious Bulletin.

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The Month of Mary.

Notre Dame is beautiful this month. It is beautiful in nature; it is more beautiful in grace. Those who know the soul of Notre Dame (the basement chapel and the grotto) find it the most beautiful month of the year.

A Sinless Month.

We are sometimes perplexed to find the power of grace thwarted. We have often heard that one Holy Communion could make us a saint. It does not because there is so much sin in us and around us. If we could make this month we could generate a force that would conquer the world. It's up to us. Let's try!

A Working Possibility

The idea of making this a sinless month may be new, but it is not impossible. It is certain that the vast majority of Notre Dame students have made the firm resolution to exclude mortal sin from their lives, for they are frequent communicants, and frequent communion not only presupposes such an effort, but is the best means to its accomplishment. Can't venial sin be handled in the same way?

The Effect.

A wrong environment is a terrible enemy. A right environment is a most powerful aid to sound character. Suppose everything vicious -- in the way of companionship and occasions of sin -- were taken from your environment; suppose you deliberately boycotted everything in the way of amusement that might tarnish the purity of your soul. Wouldn't the effect of one month of such effort be worth the effort?

The Spiritual Boquet.

An attractive card for Mother's Day is in the hands of the printer. It will be sold by the Mission Crusade for the benefit of the Bengal Mission. The first item on the list is the Novena for Mother's Day. If you failed to start the Novena this morning, make your start tomorrow morning and end on May 10.

The First Friday.

Take care of your confession tonight. There will be confessors in the church and in the hall chapels after benediction tonight, and you have additional opportunities in the basement chapel at 4:15 and after supper.

The Adoration.

Offer your adoration tomorrow for your mother. Add this to your spiritual boquet.

Prayers.

Louis O'Connor, Freshman Hall, lost his father last Sunday. William Foley 821, asks prayers for his mother, who died Monday. Herbert and Willard Jones will appreciate prayers for their sick mother. Five other students have lost friends or relatives lately and two other students beg your prayers for sick relatives. Raymond Durst's father is very ill.