

RELIGIOUS BULLETIN.

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Announcements.

May devotions: 7:30 this evening. Sermon by Father Miltner. Tomorrow, Ascension Thursday, is a holyday of obligation; Masses at 6:30 and 8:15, as on Sundays.

Hand in the Names.

The Novena for Pentecost is a Novena for conversions. Hand in the names to be placed on the altar in the basement chapel during the nine days. Some notable results have come from this practice in the past.

Bundle Day.

The Near-East Relief wants to relieve you of your old clothes tomorrow. Let them. It will improve the appearance of the campus, particularly of the church. Sweaters are especially in demand. No sport sweaters, please. There's trouble enough in the Balkans now. Leave your bundle somewhere around the rector's office, and the truck will cart it off.

Are the Juniors dumb?

Leaving the classification by halls for a while, look at the returns of questionnaires by classes:

	1925	1924
Seniors.....	98	93
Juniors.....	88	137
Sophomores.....	109	141
Freshmen.....	328	341

And if the juniors are dumb, the sophomores are hopeless. What's the reason? There are two: 1) the Bulletin praised the class of 1927 at the end of last year, and their heads were too small to carry it; 2) almost half of the sophomores are in classes taught by the Prefect of Religion, and they are afraid that if they send in their answers he will recognize their handwriting. Poor fools! Little they realize that just by looking at them he could tell them more about themselves than they would dare write in their answers. Experience is a great teacher--- of human nature!

Does the Survey Do any Good?

Two hundred copies of the recent Survey report have been requested in letters received within the past twenty-four hours. Joe Scott, of Los Angeles, is among the petitioners. The most eminent Catholic sociologist in the United States prefaces a request for thirty copies with these words: "My mind goes directly to the high value of the method. It is revolutionary against the formal, a priori method that clerical traditions have so long cherished. I can imagine nothing that can make religion more personal and intimate to each student than does your method. I pray God to bless you and show you visible results of your courage and intelligence. The whole plan is admirable. God bless you!"

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Prayers.

A non-Catholic man asks prayers for peace in his family. Three students ask prayers for a sick person, and three for deceased friends.

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