

May 28, 1925.

Nine More Days.

There is time for just a Novena before Trinity Sunday. If you want to do your soul some good, if you want to make the flower of charity thrive in your heart, put those nine days to good use praying for those who have not made their Easter Duty. "the greatest of these is charity," said St. Paul, and "Charity covereth a multitude of sins." The greatest charity is spiritual charity.

A Kind Word for Rexford and Keldar.

"Dear Bulletin: When has 'preposterous clothing' become an ideal at Notre Dame? The writer has pursued Notre Dame's ideal for nearly a year--- with many disappointments--- and never suspected for a moment that his dear old disreputable shirt, right on his back, was his cherished goal.

"A comparison of the classes will show that the men here longest are the least addicted to picturesque attire. To look for Notre Dame's ideals in the freshmen is faulty perception; and to hold up the yearling's immaturity is not quite just.

"As to what non-Catholics think: The writer has been on several trips to athletic meets with freshmen whose attire failed to excite comment. Mr. Guilford Klienfelder (I don't think he can be a Catholic), of Rexford and Keldar (that don't sound Irish either) advertises on the canvas that he is displaying fine clothing at one of the down-town hotels. An inspection of his wares will show what the non-Catholic thinks about the school if clothing is an index to its character. If the young gentleman can find any leather cravats, cast-iron shirts (tool-steel inlay optional), or sand-paper sox in Mr. Klienfelder's display, the writer will buy them and present them to him gratis. That should make his first step towards his 'ideal' easier.

"A Freshman."

The Novena for Exams.

This Novena should start not later than Saturday. If it is begun Sunday it will end on the first regular day of exams. If you want it finished before the anticipated exams, of Saturday, you should start tomorrow.

Good Samaritan Loses Coat.

One of the students who helped at the Ave Maria office with the mailing of the Religious Survey left a good leather coat at the office.

What Books the Lawyers Like.

Out of one hundred books read by law students, the following were declared interesting:

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| An Average Man | Education and the | Fabiola |
| The Wonder-Worker of Padua | Higher Life. | Ghosts of Bigotry |
| A Little Sister | The Greater Love | Where we Got the Bible |
| Lepers of Molokai | Life of St. Francis | You and Your Neighbor |
| Maria Chapdelaine | An Army Wire | Pearl |
| My Friend Prospero | St. Ignatius Loyola | Gentleman Roger |
| Quo Vadis | Father Damien | Life of St. Augustine |
| Sins of Society | Er. Coleman, Gent. | Collapses in Adult Life |
| The Secret Citadel | My Prisons | Dangers of the Day |
| Padre Ignacio- | Via Crucis | Life of Christ (Loyola) |
| Lisheen | Glenanaar | The Wounded Face |
| Whose Game is Legion | The Straight Path | Socialism (Ryan) |
| The Potter's House | False Prophets | Francis vs. Pads |
| Told | A Milltown Pastor | Frankincense and Myrrh |
| The Cardinal's Snuff-Box. | Robert Kimberly | |

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 Prefect of Religion.

Survey Supplement.

I.

"As long as I went to Daily Communion I found it easier to resist temptations, until finally I found that I was no longer bothered with any form of temptation. I think the best thing for me to do is to begin going daily again, as it does me an immeasurable amount of good."

Which is exactly what St. Thomas meant when he said that the effect of Holy Communion is to extinguish the "fomes peccati." Here's hoping you kept your resolution; was a good one. And push your development further this time. If you are content to avoid sin the spiritual life becomes uninteresting. If, on the other hand, you push hard on growth in virtue, it becomes fascinating. Use mortification, spiritual reading and meditation with daily Communion, and you will begin to live.

II.

"Daily Communion has helped me quite a bit. I am less tempted to sin. Since I have been going regularly I have quit drinking and have dismissed a lot of bad thoughts, although I still take pleasure in some of them."

Guard your senses; use your eyelids as well as your eyes; meditate, don't day-dream; recall the presence of God frequently during the day; visit the grotto and the chapel every day.

III.

"It is just since reading this questionnaire that I have commenced receiving the Sacraments as often as possible..... I realize that my whole trouble has been spiritual as well as physical sloth, and that by constant sacrifice and frequent reception of the Sacraments, as well as prayer, I can hope in time to become that which would be the aim of the ideal Notre Dame man,--- a good, staunch Catholic."

You have learned a lot. Are you putting it into practice?

IV.

"I feel ashamed to talk to a priest about the matters I would like advice on."

A five dollars reward is offered for a new case---something not heard again and again.

V.

"Why do some of the students who never make a novena, never go to morning or evening prayer, and never attend the Sacraments get better grades than some of those who do."

On pages 91 and 92 of the recently published report you will find that your proposition is not true in the majority of cases. Some of those who are spiritually dumb may be very smart along other lines. You will have the laugh on them when it comes to the final examination---at the Judgment Seat of God---provided your life is in conformity with your present practices. God will ask them more questions about the graces they rejected than He will about the grades they made at Notre Dame. Hell is full of bright people; so are the lower grades of heaven. The Curé of Ars, who is soon to be canonized, could not pass his examinations for ordination, but he made a wonderful priest.

VI.

"I don't know whether there is anything wrong with my spiritual life or not; but there are certainly a lot of views of the Church that I cannot accept."

One is enough; you don't need to reject a lot. Once you refuse to accept the infallibility of the Church you cease to be a Catholic. But as long as you are at Notre Dame (by the grace of God), why don't you ask some priest to explain to you why Cardinal Newman and Admiral Benson and St. Augustine and Chesterton and a million other distinguished converts could accept all those views that are repulsive to your mind?