

The Communion of Saints.

Tomorrow and Monday bring home to us one of the beautiful human things in the Divine Church. St. John begins His Gospel with the story of the divine genealogy of the Son of God, who obtained for us the adoption of sons by making us His brothers and co-heirs.

The doctrine of the Communion of Saints is the teaching of the Catholic Church that her members fall in three divisions, all united one with another: the Church Militant, or the faithful on earth; the Church Suffering, or the Souls in Purgatory; and the Church Triumphant, or the Saints in Heaven. Tomorrow we commemorate the Church Triumphant; on Monday the Church Suffering.

The Month of the Poor Souls.

Not only Monday but the whole month of November is dedicated to our suffering brethren in Purgatory. And the Church regards this as little enough reminder of our duty to those who cannot help themselves, but can be helped by us. Every Mass said in black is another reminder of this duty; every indulgence "applicable to the Poor Souls in Purgatory", every cross on a grave, every tolling of a bell invites us to send forth our prayers to God for those who can no longer pray for themselves.

A Soul A Visit.

For every visit made to the church from Sunday noon to Monday evening you can gain a plenary indulgence, can release one soul from Purgatory. The conditions for gaining these indulgences are the reception of the Sacraments and a prayer each visit for the intentions of the Holy Father. (Those who have been to confession during the past week or two need not go again for the purposes of the indulgences.) The effectiveness of our prayer depends upon the perfection of our dispositions, but even when we do not gain the full effect of the visit, we can gain a partial indulgence that will do some soul some good.

Make Friends Now.

If you think it wise to have friends with God, be at pains to send your friends to Him with your prayers.

St. Joseph Today.

The patron of today's game is St. Joseph, the humble, faithful, obedient, just, prudent and chaste guardian chosen by God for the Infant Jesus and His Blessed Mother. The virtues of St. Joseph are good football virtues. Pray that Notre Dame football will develop them in Notre Dame players. Bring the team home with a smile!

You Are Not Praying Hard for Van.

A letter from a friend of Van brings the sad news that he has taken sick with flu-- first a headache, then fever and heart trouble. He needs prayers. A Novena for his recovery will start Monday morning. -- Nine other requests for prayers are on file.

The Novena for Exams.

This popular devotion starts Monday morning. Father Cavanaugh's name will be placed in it, as well as Van Wallace's. We want them both back well and sound -- and soon.

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THE COMPLETE ASS is the freshman who razed another student for saying grace in the Varsity Store. We have had many an ass before, but none quite so asinine.