

Do Better Tomorrow.

Sixty-two per cent of the off-campus students and thirty per cent of the campus students were not a Holy Communion on the First Friday. The intentions were: 1. Help in the choice of a state in life; 2. The success of the Eucharistic Congress;

Prayers.

Jimmie Egan wires that Commissioner Kelly's son is in desperate condition. Charles Baum has gone home for a serious operation on his ear. Andy Sleigh will have an operation this morning and asks prayers. Vincent Henry's grandfather died Thursday.

The Novena for Vocations. II.

We have considered the priesthood as a vocation. If any student feels that the Holy Ghost is tempting him to be a priest, he should follow the following course:

1. Lead a life in conformity with what may be his future state;
2. Pray earnestly for guidance, particularly in daily Communion;
3. Read spiritual books, with an occasional treatise on vocation;
4. Place his case in the hands of a spiritual director.

An emotional impulse may at times be mistaken for a real desire for the priesthood. A thing of this sort should be tested very thoroughly before any final step is taken. For this a wise spiritual director is essential.

The Religious Life. Apart from the priesthood, which is directly of divine institution, there exist in the Catholic Church a great number of religious orders, or communities of men or women who bind themselves by the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience to live apart from the world and its pleasures in order to imitate more perfectly the virtues of Jesus Christ.

The religious orders have generally grown out of some spiritual necessity or other, and their great number and variety shows the adaptability of the Church to every human need and desire.

The contemplative orders dedicate their lives to prayer; and the amount of good they accomplish is incalculable. They rank higher than the active orders, because they fulfill more perfectly the primary purpose of the religious life -- the praise of God. The Trappists for men (priests and brothers) and the Poor Clares and Carmelites for women are the principal examples of contemplative orders in this country. St. Theresa, the Little Flower, was a Carmelite.

The active orders are less cloistered from the world than are the contemplative orders, and their members dedicate themselves to the direct relief of some spiritual or temporal necessity of their neighbor. The members of the orders for men may be priests or brothers. The chief activity of the brothers in the United States at the present time is teaching in high schools, and the demand for religious for this work is now about four times the supply. Community life with the vow of poverty makes possible the Catholic high schools and colleges; their cost of maintenance would be prohibitive to most parishes otherwise.

Lost and Found.

A pencil and pen were found in the gymnasium Friday afternoon. Call for them at room 141 Sorin Hall. Brother Alphonsus has the following articles in his possession awaiting their respective owners: a pair of glasses found in room 301 Science Hall; two other pairs of glasses; two fountain pens, some rosaries and medals, a locket, two rings, an overcoat and a slicker.