

Religious Bulletin
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Six Days to Go: Can We Do It?

Last Friday the Bulletin contained a letter from Father Finner, away off in Bengal, which stated that he had just been assigned to a city of 50,000 inhabitants that had not so much as a palm leaf shack for a chapel. The Bishop had told him to go with the blessing of God, and build a church and school. He has asked us to raise \$600 to make this possible.

Can we do it in a week, and without any campaign organization, without any overhead expense? It's Notre Dame spirit to see the right thing and do it at once. We started yesterday at Mass (after individual contributions of \$1.55 had come in on Friday and Saturday). The figures below show the individual contributions and the total amounts in the collections yesterday and the previous Sunday (which is given for comparison):

		Jan. 9		Jan. 16
	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.
Dollars	2	\$2.00	26	\$26.00
Half-dollars	5	2.50	41	20.50
Quarters	48	12.00	248	62.00
Dimes	360	36.00	390	39.00
Nickels	360	18.00	323	16.15
Pennies	92	.92	109	1.09
	<u>867</u>	<u>\$71.42</u>	<u>1137</u>	<u>\$164.74</u>

After Mass yesterday one student brought in a dollar and another three dollars, so the total amount of the fund now stands at \$170.29 -- almost a third of the amount desired.

The first student who checked in Friday was living off campus. The only other off-campus students heard from thus far were the few who were at Mass here yesterday. The rest of them can leave their donations in the office of the Prefect of Religion, 141 Sorin Hall.

Twenty-five cents a man is not a bad quota. Seventy students have already over-subscribed their quota, two hundred and forty-eight have paid in full.

Let it come out of sacrifice. You won't get a real kick out of it unless you miss a show, or a couple of packs of cigarettes, or some ice cream or candy in order to give Father Finner his church and school. And let it come this week. If any student feels too poor this week to hand over the two bits, let him make known his intention so that the fund can be completed before next Sunday. We certainly don't need a year to raise \$600.

The Church Unity Octave.

The slips containing the prayers for the Octave and the intentions for the eight days will be distributed through the halls today. Write out the names of those for whom you wish the grace of faith -- or of return to the Church -- and leave them in the basket in the rear of the basement chapel. And don't miss Holy Communion a day during the Octave. You can make the examinations a secondary intention -- but pray hard for the spread of the Kingdom of God upon earth, and your prayers will surely do some one some good.

The Sorin Chapel Blooms Again.

The gold and silver plating that now adorns the candlesticks and the sanctuary lamp in the Sorin chapel adds new lustre to this shrine of devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. Of course they need to be paid for. The line forms to the right.