

Prayers.

Three special intentions are earnestly recommended to your prayers. Fr. Albertson as prayers for a deceased relative, and Ed Walsh, Jr. for a sick cousin.

Get Organized for Lent.

How much superstition is there in your religion? How much of your spiritual life proceeds from real love of God? How much of it is based on goofy hunches?

Here are some of the reasons for these queries:

1. Students have been known to insult God by praying and receiving Holy Communion for success in examinations, while carrying <sup>in</sup> their pockets cribs to be used if this <sup>is</sup> found feasible;
2. There are Catholics who would not for the world miss the blessing of throats, the distribution of ashes or palms, or the Way of the Cross on Good Friday, while they will approach the Sacraments only once or twice a year, if at all;
3. There are those who seem to feel it a religious duty to carouse in anticipation of a season of penance which they intend to observe with extraordinary rigor.

It seems uncharitable to lay such stupid things to anything but low mentality, at least low spiritual mentality. Any Catholic should know that indulgences cannot be gained by those who are not in the state of grace, that merit for everlasting reward has sanctifying grace as a prerequisite, that the only grace that can be gained by good works performed in the state of mortal sin is the grace of contrition.

"Bad luck" seems to be the only religious impulse of these people -- bad luck for the day, not bad luck for eternity. The love and service we owe our Creator and our Redeemer does not enter into their calculations. The state of grace for itself, or as insurance against an unhappy death, never enters their minds.

Get organized for Lent. If you think you are a Catholic and are not leading an A No. 1 Catholic life, you are kidding no one but yourself, Notre Dame is wise to you and the world is wise to you. In spite of all her black sheep (which she even advertises in the Religious Survey) Notre Dame still enjoys an enviable reputation among American Catholic universities as an incubator for energetic Catholicity, and among other universities as a molder of character.

Get organized. Lift up your head. Lift up your heart. Start your Lent today. Go to confession. Don't be an ostrich all your life.

Are the Lepers Forgotten?

Ten dollars is the amount added to the fund for the lepers since the Washington's Birthday week-end began last Friday. Amounts contributed previously have been sent on to the colony at Makogai, with the request that the fund be used to construct a Notre Dame hut. \$49.25 is the total to date. A hut costs \$100.

See A Doctor.

If you had scarlet fever you would. If your soul has leprosy see a doctor of souls.