

Religious Bulletin

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Prayers.

Jack Doyle, of Badin Hall, requests prayers for the repose of the soul of his grandmother, who died a few days ago. Joe Gannon, of Pomona, California, and Frank Branson, of Joliet, Illinois, both wired yesterday to ask prayers for their fathers who had just died. Two requests for prayers for special intentions, three for persons who are ill, and two for deceased relatives have come in. The right thing to do is to make a general intention to include in your prayers all the requests that are made through the Bulletin or the Sunday announcements.

Suppose It Rains.

Poor Father Molinie is going to have to spend all his time in the kitchen if it rains in New Mexico as it has in Indiana this falls. \$23.06 went roof more than one room, and that's a rotten record for a three-weeks campaign for \$100.

Now This is a Bawling-Out.

Some thirty years ago there was a revolution going on in one of the South American countries. It was bloody; it was horrible; it was devastating the land of the young men who were needed for the up-building of the country. A committee of ladies went to the wife of the President to ask her to intercede with her husband to stop the war. They told her that the soil, of their country was being drenched with blood. Her reply was worthy of a Jezabel: "I shall speak to him -- when the blood reaches the balcony of this house." Three days later her husband was assassinated as he stood on the balcony reviewing the troops.

This picture is ghastly, but it is true. And though the attitude of the woman seems too unnatural to be human, it is simply an exaggeration of the common human weakness of avoiding thought -- and consequently prayer -- until we have our backs to the wall. And with this in mind we can see that it is not such a far cry from a Uruguayan revolution to Notre Dame football. Here's how:

Last Friday night Johnnie Smith, in the name of the team, asked you to pray for the fellows whose sacrifices and hard work make a Roman holiday for you every Saturday afternoon. The answer he got was a drop of 70 Communions from the total of Friday. Immediately thereafter came an avalanche of disasters -- painful injuries, some of them almost dangerous. Through the intercession of St. Albert, patron of last Saturday's game, there were no broken bones. -- Do the decent thing without being told about it everlastingly.

Mass Servers.

Father Murch will have a meeting in the church at 6:30 this evening of students who wish to serve Mass or to learn to serve.

Found.

Brother Alphonsus reports that the following articles found about the campus have been left at the throne in Brownson Hall: a ring (found in the natatorium), several fountain pens and text books, several keys, a pin.

First Friday Confession.

Go to confession tonight in the basement chapel after supper or in the hall chapel after night prayer. And remember that the hall chapels are not in use tomorrow; everyone comes to the church for the Mass of Exposition at 6:30.