

Religious Bulletin
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Fathers' Day.

Today is the Solemnity of St. Joseph, dedicated at Notre Dame to our fathers.

Metro.

The big social event of this week is not a dance. Mirabile dictu! It is a smoker. And it is for charity. It is the Metropolitan Club Smoker, the proceeds of which go to the Bengal Mission, conducted by the Congregation of Holy Cross. The Club promises something for your money, and whatever profit results will help to maintain in the jungle field a staff of Notre Dame men who have the courage of their convictions.

"Full of Great Fishes, One Hundred and Fifty-Three."

It was after the Resurrection. Simon Peter said: "I go a fishing." The other Apostle said: "We also come with thee." And they fished all night and caught not a fish. And in the dawn of the morning Our Lord stood on the shore of the lake and called to them: "Children, have you any meat?" And they answered, "No." Then He said: "Cast the net on the right side of the ship and you shall find." And St. John tells us that when they pulled in the net it was "full of great fishes, one hundred and fifty-three. And although there were so many, the net was not broken."

The other day we took a sudden notion to count the cards of the off-campus students who had not yet checked in on their Easter Duty. They numbered 157. A re-check revealed the names of four students who had left school. The net is out, and it will not break.

Prayers.

Marcus Farrell asks prayers for his mother, who is quite ill. Leo Kennelly and Wm. Pfortner have been called home by the dangerous illness of their fathers.

Radio.

The collection for the Infirmary Radio is proceeding at a snail's pace. That doesn't look so good. You will find the contribution box in the Infirmary Dispensary.

Case N.

N, a junior, is afraid that being a good Catholic will interfere with his desire for worldly goods which he expects to attain through success in the legal profession.

His worldly goods will be capable of satisfying his wants as long as he lives. How long does he expect to live. His religion will satisfy his wants not only while he lives but as long as he is dead. How long does he expect to be dead?

Case O.

O says: "At Notre Dame spiritual direction is made compulsory, which I resent."

We would like a little more information on that point. We hadn't heard of it before. The suggestion has been offered frequently on questionnaires that a spiritual director be appointed for each student, but we were unaware that it had been acted upon.

Case P.

P objects to the "priest-ridden" campus. -- He gives us an idea. Let's chloroform all these dumb priests and turn their plant over to the Anti-Saloon League.