

April 18, 1929

Basement Chapel Wins.

Yesterday, for the first time since Easter, the number of Holy Communions in the basement chapel exceeded those in Sorin. You have seen interesting parallels in these figures before; here are some new ones:

Basement	-	46	61	118	176	201	205	216	203	200	210	224	244
Sorin	-	87	116	164	176	205	219	223	217	203	236	242	217

Make of it what you will.

Only 30 Minutes A Month.

Perpetual adoration sounds gruesome to some of you; that's because you don't listen. It isn't thirty minutes a day, or half an hour a week you are asked to give of your time to God, but one half-hour during the whole of the thirty-one days of May. Is that too much?

If 240 seniors give one hour each, and 960 lowerclassmen give one half-hour each, there will be three adorers before the Blessed Sacrament during the whole time it is exposed.

There are 24 adoration days in the month. The four Sundays are omitted, so is May 9, Ascension Thursday, and the adoration ends May 29. May 30 is the feast of Corpus Christi, and there will be a procession of the Blessed Sacrament around the quadrangle that morning, with Benediction given at improvised altars in front of Walsh Hall, Science Hall, and the Main Building.

There are ten adoration hours, or twenty half-hours, provided for. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 7:30 every morning, and at 5:15 every evening there will be May Devotions, followed by Benediction, to end at 5:30.

Try To Fit In With Your Hall.

Certain days and hours, scattered to suit convenience, are assigned to each hall. If possible, try to select one of these for your adoration. There are "reserve" cards in the possession of each promoter, which are intended as an aid to those who cannot fit in with the hall scheme; these and the "returned" cards from each hall will offer a fairly wide scope for those who labor under difficulties in finding an hour.

What Perpetual Adoration Means.

Love of God is the motive of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Love of God is not complete unless it includes love of neighbor and love of self. Those who make the adoration will pray for you and make reparation for you. Doesn't it strike you as rather glorious to have some one before the Blessed Sacrament praying for you while you are battling a temptation? Doesn't it seem to you rather fine that while you are committing sin there should be another Notre Dame man quietly making reparation for your sin before the Veiled Majesty? Doesn't it seem decidedly fitting that after all the holy begging Notre Dame men have done in Holy Communion, and after all the favors they have received, they should find some way of quietly adoring and thanking their Great Benefactor?

You come here for an education. God is your Great Teacher. You can go elsewhere for what they have in books and professors' heads; on your knees before the ostensorium you can learn what is not in the books and the grey heads. God teaches through the heart.

Prayers.

Three special intentions; two thanksgivings; two deceased persons.