
Novena For The Poor Souls.

The next nine days belong to the Poor Souls. The whole month does, for that matter, as the Church dedicates the month of November to them, but at Notre Dame we call attention to their needs in a special way by having a public Novena for them once during the month.

The public prayers of the Novena will be said daily at 5:00, with the exception of Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday the devotions will be at 12:30, on Sunday at 7:30. The prayers of the Novena will be followed each day by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Hand In The Names.

You have your own relatives and friends for whom you want the union of prayer of the Novena. Hand in their names! Place your list in a sealed envelope and leave it at the pamphlet rack or in the basement chapel; the names will be left near the tabernacle during the Novena.

Doris Has The Dope.

Doris Blake, who administers psychic adenalin to the lovelorn through the columns of the Chicago Tribune, handled the question of mixed marriage the other day. Her correspondent signed himself, "Mad and Lonesome and Mostly Brokenhearted." He wants to know if it is correct procedure to beat up the pastor who has busted up his romance. "I can see now," he writes, "why couples rush off to Gretna Greens to be married. I bet in most cases it is because some dizzy pastor rushes in where he has no business. What right has anybody, cleric or layman, to butt in on a couple that are crazy about each other?"

She replies: "One is treading on dangerous ground in even discussing the wisdom of the so-called mixed marriage. It may be appended, however, that one marries on even more dangerous ground where the opposing faith of each of the contracting parties is a vital matter in their lives.

"Two young people meet and fall in love and nothing else matters but that they are in love. Maybe nothing else matters for a year or two, but when the family begins to arrive it is surprising how quickly there comes to life that urge which binds one, and is for binding one's own flesh and blood, to his religion.

"As time goes on and the first wild passion dies down, to a person born and bred in a faith continuously practiced religion is apt to take its place in the ordering of life again. One never knows how deeply this instinct runs nor at what moments it may arise in conflict with an opposing faith. Pastors understand. They understand the advantages of marriage of people of like faiths. They are not acting in the capacity of busybodies when they step in with advice. They are simply acting on their experiences and their motives are humane."

Doris might have added that when two people are crazy about each other or about anything else it is a good time for some one to step in. If the woman you are crazy about happens to be another man's wife, the state steps in to the extent of requiring her to register in a divorce court her change of affection. As the state protects the property and other civil rights of husband and wife against each other and of children against both, the Church protects both civil and spiritual rights, and unborn children are her special care. And nineteen hundred years of experience have taught her much.

Prayers.

Wm. Gorman is at home with an attack of pleurisy. Coach Rockne is much better; Eugene Cavanaugh is recovering rapidly, thanks to prayers. Joe Robinson's aunt died recently. Frank Keough, football captain in 1894-95, died yesterday. Five special intentions.