

Straight From The Sticks.

The wooden Christianity lamented by Cardinal Mundelein last week was exemplified at the Masses yesterday. Representatives of the outskirts of the Faith stepped into the limelight with a brilliant array of boners. From them we select the following for emphasis today:

1. The squad of publicans who left Mass while the celebrant was distributing Holy Communion (thereby placing themselves under the obligation to hear another Mass - under pain of mortal sin - since the minimum obligation includes the "Communion" of the Mass, which is the first prayer said when the priest returns to the book after covering the chalice);
2. The ushers who took up the collection during the Consecration, and all the hicks who let them get away with it;
3. The pew hurdlers who tried to break through the door before the priest left the sanctuary;
4. The self-centered egotists (some 600 of them at a Mass) who have to be first at the altar rail.
5. The hundreds who display their home training by coming late to Mass.
6. The whole congregation at the 9:00 Mass, which failed to stand from the Pater Noster till after the Pax Domini.

Swinging Doors.

It is not two weeks since the doors of Notre Dame swung inward to admit a surging mob. Since registration began fourteen students have learned that the doors of Notre Dame also swing outward. That's an average of a little more than one a day.

Note: You will find pledge cards at the pamphlet rack. Determine the period for which you want its protection, and then sign the card, sending a duplicate home to your mother. Be careful not to follow the duplicate home on the next train.

Holy Pictures.

In the first week of school, four hundred crucifixes were supplied through the pamphlet rack. They were intended for your rooms; unfortunately, many of them were shipped back home, leaving a good many rooms unsupplied. There will be more crucifixes, as finances improve, but in the meantime you will have to be content with holy pictures to give tone to your rooms. There is a good supply of these at the pamphlet rack.

The Novena Ends Friday.

Through an error in calculation, the Novena to the Little Flower began a day late. It should now end on the feast, Friday, October 3.

Prayers.

Father Paul Miller, C.S.C., died Saturday morning. Don also asks prayers for his sister and grandmother, who are ill. Joe Holbach's mother is in failing health. The following deaths this summer have been reported: Andrew Kata's sister; Clarence Donovan's mother; John Quinn's father; Wilfred Cardy's sister. Edward Fitzmaurice, of Brownson Hall, was called home yesterday by the death of his brother. Five special intentions.