

Religious Bulletin
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Visits For The Poor Souls Today.

A plenary indulgence is the remission of all temporal punishment still due to sin after the sin itself has been forgiven. If a soul in Purgatory receives the full benefit of a plenary indulgence it goes straight to Heaven. The perfection of the dispositions of the person performing the good work to which the indulgence is attached is known only to God, consequently, we do not know how much benefit comes to the souls for whom we offer our prayers and good works. However, that is a matter which we can safely leave in the hands of God. On our part, the thing to do is to offer for the Poor Souls all the indulgences we can.

The extraordinary privilege of a plenary indulgence for every visit made to the Church on the feast of the Holy Rosary is one that places us under an obligation of charity to the Poor Souls. Make as many visits as possible today, and offer them for those for whom you ought to pray.

You Will Never Be Young Again.

Youth may be bitter, but it need not be, and it should not be. Few Notre Dame men look back with regret at their college days. If you want to see why, look into the faces of the boys who kneel at the Communion Rail morning after morning.

Some years ago a Commencement visitor, one of the most distinguished luminaries of his chosen profession in the United States today, was studying the faces of the students as they looked up at him in Washington Hall. Turning to one of the priests, he asked: "What is there in the faces of these young men that I have not seen before in college groups? It is a spiritual quality, and it is new to me. I love young men; I like their company; I delight in studying them. Every year I address the students of several of the large eastern universities. Notre Dame has shown me something new. What is it?"

He was told about daily Communion. Although he was not a Catholic, he has a Catholic spirit, and he flashed the answer: "It's the grace of the Sacraments."

You will never be young again. Spend your precious youth in the state of grace and you will never regret these days. It will take years for you really to appreciate what they will mean in your life, but you will draw dividends on them long before that.

Don't Forget Sorin.

The attention of sub-committee x24 on dance publicity is called to the lamentable omission of any announcement on the Sorin Hall bulletin board of the post-dedication dance.

The Bulletin Expands.

Within the next few days the Religious Bulletin will adopt a new policy in distribution. Each student will receive a copy every day. The students in charge of the mail in the halls are asked to deliver the Bulletin on the campus. As soon as the addressograph plates are ready, it will be mailed to students living off-campus; until that time a supply of Bulletins will be left for call in various convenient points. This departure will be inaugurated soon, possibly this week. There will be no charge for this additional service.

Prayers.

Tom Ewing, a former student, was seriously injured in an automobile accident a few days ago. A friend of a student is also suffering from injuries received in a similar accident. A cousin of Anthony Brick died recently at a Jesuit House of studies. Four special intentions.