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More Objections to Daily Communion.

7. "I don't get up in time."

Ans. Something might be done about that if you could only be aroused to the value of your soul. But suppose it isn't. Holy Communion has been distributed in the Sorin Hall chapel at all hours from 12:10 a.m. till 9:15 p.m. To receive in the morning you have only to ring the bell at the door of the chapel; to receive in the afternoon, look for a priest.

8. "It's pretty cold these mornings."

Ans. Yes, and it was pretty cold in Bethlehem the night Christ was born in a stable.

9. "I always lose out on week-ends."

Ans. The official ecclesiastical name for Sunday is Dies Dominica, the Lord's Day. Are you so wedded to the world's ideas that the Lord can't have His day, the only one of the seven He demands of us? Did it ever occur to you that the Devil invented Saturday night when people started to go to Communion on Sunday morning? Do you consider a night club or a dance more important than the Bread of Life? There is a Night Club for people who prefer creatures (and "creature comforts") to God, and it is eternal night there: "The fool remains forever, and the April comes no more," as Chesterton puts it.

10. "I swear too much."

Ans. Most swearing, even in the courtroom nowadays, is "too much." Did it ever occur to you that a man who has free will may also learn to exercise self-control? Did you ever happen to think that every lack of self-control makes a man less a man? It is true theologically, of course, that slips that come of habit are not imputed as sins if one is making an earnest effort to correct the habit; but there is something missing in a man's makeup if he cannot correct the habit of profanity. See a priest for suggestions. You would cut it out if it cost you a dollar a word.

11. "I get breakfast where I stay."

Ans. That's all very nice, and if it is relatively more important than Holy Communion, it is a valid excuse. Some people are easily satisfied; their spiritual wants are few. When with age the mind opens up, however, there may be many vain regrets.

12. "I have a fear of confession."

Ans. Listen -- it's been years since any priest here shot a penitent for what he told him. This is a good place to get your fears knocked out of you. Go to a priest and tell him of these fears; leave it up to him to get them out of your system.

13. "I am ashamed to go to confession so soon again."

Ans. Do you mean that when you have committed one mortal sin you would rather pile up more so that that one won't look so big? Your experience has probably shown you that once the state of grace is lost it is much easier to commit other sins. Why not use common sense and recover the state of grace immediately if you fall?

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THE NEW JERSEY CLUB will have a Mass at 6:30 tomorrow for the repose of the soul of J.D. Sullivan's mother. This Mass will be said in the church.  
PRAYERS: Edwin Lisiakowski's brother is reported dying. A priest-friend of a student is quite ill. Four special intentions.