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More Objections to Daily Communion.

14. "I don't believe in daily Communion. These fellows who go daily are hypocrites."

Ans. Easy, easy! "Judge not, lest you be judged." If you don't believe in daily Communion, you set yourself up as knowing more than the Pope, which is just a bit rash for a young man in college. And if you call a man a hypocrite simply because, for the cure of his daily faults, he takes the divinely-ordained medicine for those faults, you put yourself in the class of those who condemned Our Lord for eating and drinking with sinners.

Do you recall the story of the woman taken in adultery. She was brought to Our Lord to be condemned; she went away forgiven. She was left at the feet of Our Lord, unaccused, because when Christ said, "Let him who is without sin among you cast the first stone," He stooped and wrote in the sand; and when her accusers say Him write there the secret sins they had committed, "they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest."

15. "I am too lazy to go daily."

Ans. Which means that you are probably in college only because you are too lazy to go to work. There are such people, but we don't envy them their ambition.

16. "When I went daily I lost my appreciation of the Sacrament."

Ans. And when you take your three meals a day you lose your appreciation of food. Why don't you stop eating for a month in order to appreciate your meals more? Don't come back with the argument that you use ordinary means of grace for daily needs, and save Holy Communion for extraordinary needs and occasions, just as you have banquets only at rare intervals. The Holy Father has recommended Holy Communion as our daily Food of the soul; the "banquet extraordinary" is the rare precious act of sacrifice to which the soul can rise when it draws fruit from daily Communion. Such an act of sacrifice was the giving up of the Army Game and dates to give fifty dollars to the Bengal Mission.

17. "I lose respect when I go frequently."

Ans. Then there is something wrong with your manner of approach. If the argument were true, you should lose respect for your parents through daily contact with them. If properly used, the Sacrament should change fear, servile fear, to love; and there is a possibility that therein lies the nub of the argument. If through daily Communion you learn to love God as one of your own, and lose the sense of His being a Stranger, the Sacrament is producing its proper fruit. The Jansenistic heresy made respect, not love, the apex of devotion; and by so doing, killed the love of God in the hearts of men, and kept them from the graces they needed.

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Note. These "objections" are taken from the Religious Survey of last March.

Prayers.

A relative of Fathers Leo and Alan Heiser was seriously injured in an accident this week. Wm. Scully's mother underwent an operation yesterday. An aunt of Bob Mulhall, '30, is very ill. Two deceased friends of students; one very ill. Seven special intentions.

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The Confirmation class will meet in Room 2, Main Building, at 4:05 Friday.