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The Novena For Health.

Weekends will constitute a serious handicap to the success of this Novena -- not that they should, but that they will.

The Novena begins Monday; it ends on Tuesday of the following week. It is addressed to Our Lady of Lourdes, Health of the Sick, whose feast falls on Wednesday, Feb. 11.

It is needed. This is pneumonia weather. Both here and at home there is much sickness. God's blessing has been with us in extraordinary manner: Joe Ford's death was the first one from illness in three years and three months. But we must pray for a continuance of that blessing.

Feast of the Purification.

This feast is Monday, Registration Day. It is a beautiful feast of the Blessed Virgin. It commemorates her Purification, on the occasion of the Presentation of her Divine Son in the Temple, forty days after His birth. It is also called Candlemas Day, for the custom of blessing candles on that day.

The Mass for the feast of the Purification will be at 8:15. Holy Communion will be distributed during this Mass -- and all morning in the Sorin chapel, as usual.

The Blessing of Throats.

The Blessing of St. Blaise, for protection against diseases of the throat, is given on the feast of that Holy Martyr, February 3. Throats will be blessed all day Tuesday.

\$399.00

The total amount collected for Bengal during this semester reached \$399 on Wednesday, when another student contributed \$5. That isn't a thousand dollars, but it is a very nice sum, and the missionaries will be very grateful for it.

For The Poor.

The box at the pamphlet rack has yielded another four dollars for the fund to relieve the poor of the parish. (However, only two Clubs, the boys from New Jersey and the Grand Rapids organization, have contributed to this good cause.)

Stamps.

A Bulletin fan who is an official at a state university has sent in a collection of stamps in response to the recent appeal. That is more than most of you have done. (You will find a box for these stamps at the pamphlet rack in Sorin Hall.)

The Great Deficit.

Speaking of the pamphlet rack recalls an unpleasant fact. At present it has a deficit of approximately \$500. The Sunday collections go for this purpose when there is no other cause designated. You might keep this in mind next Sunday.

PRAYERS: A relative of Ted Garver died a few days ago. Bob Ryan asks prayers for a friend who died Wednesday. Mrs. Ford, Joe's mother, is to undergo an operation which she had deferred to keep Joe from worrying during examinations; the case is very serious. Five special intentions.