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Rosary Devotions Begin Tomorrow.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Every evening at five o'clock (Saturdays at 12:30, Sundays at 7:30) throughout the month of October, there will be public recitation of the Rosary before the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the church; Benediction will follow.

The Rosary is a beautiful prayer for clients of Our Lady. In the first place, the devotion was revealed by her to St. Dominic. Secondly, it interweaves the two kinds of prayer, mental and vocal. Thirdly, its vocal prayers were given to us by divine inspiration: the Our Father by Our Lord Himself, the Hail Mary by the Angel Gabriel and Elizabeth, under the direction of the Holy Ghost.

Is It Your Mother's Favorite?

The history of devotion to the Rosary is full of inspiring incidents, too many of them to relate here. One fact should appeal to the "Fighting Irish:" it was the Rosary that kept the faith alive in Ireland during the centuries when priests were banned and saying Mass was a "crime." But perhaps you want to remember it best as your mother's favorite prayer, for it is the favorite of many, many mothers, and it gives them the strength every mother needs - especially the mothers of boys who wander from their early training.

The Rosary And Temptation.

The boy who learns to love the Rosary, and who carries his beads in his pocket, has an unfailing source of strength against temptation. You have only to experiment with reaching for your beads when temptation arises to know how true this is. And that lesson you can learn this month: say the beads every day, carry them with you, and take hold of them in time of need. You will find that you are a much better boy when All Souls' Day comes around.

There Are Rosaries At The Rack.

Help yourself. The rosaries at the pamphlet rack in Sorin Hall are blessed, and carry with them the Dominican, Crosier, Apostolic, and Briggittine Indulgences. Meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary is required for gaining the Dominican Indulgences, but not for the other three.

Dillon Hall - Attention.

Students living in town but registered for Dillon Hall will have a special Mass in the Sorin Hall chapel at 7:00 a.m. Friday, the First Fridays. For confession, however, they should try to make proper provision the day before - either in the Sorin chapel tomorrow or in the Hall chapels at 7:30 today or tomorrow. Two priests will hear confessions during that Mass, but two priests cannot hear 266 confessions in half an hour.

The Adoration Friday.

The attention of first year men is called to the adoration lists posted in the halls (and in the Sorin chapel for off-campus, Dillon and Alumni Halls). The blessed Sacrament will be exposed all day Friday; students are expected to see that there are always adorers present. Sign the lists; it assures us that there will be adorers.

PRAYER: Louis "Buddy" is quite ill in St. Joseph's hospital. Martin Decard's father underwent an operation yesterday. John Tunney, of St. Edward's Hall last year, is ill. A student asks prayers for a sick relative. E. J. O'Donnell's father is very ill. Four special intentions.