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The Bishop Will Preside Tomorrow.

The Most Rev. John F. Noll, D.D., Bishop of Fort Wayne, will carry the Blessed Sacrament in the Corpus Christi procession. The Rev. President will sing the Mass at 8:00 in the church. As announced previously, only seniors will attend this Mass, the halls for underclassmen having low Masses in their hall chapels at 8:15. The students will then march from the halls, four abreast, to join the procession at the door of the church.

Your full cooperation is solicited for the success of the procession. Look over last night's Bulletin for instructions, and carry them out to the best of your ability. The senior marshals in charge of the hall groups will show you where and when to fall in line; bring a prayer book or a pair of beads to help you keep your mind on what is going on. The Corpus Christi procession at Notre Dame is one of the most beautiful ceremonies you will ever see. You are fortunate enough to take part in it this year, and you should make it an act of thanksgiving for all that the Blessed Sacrament has meant to you during your time at Notre Dame.

A New Book About Notre Dame.

Perhaps some senior in Engineering will find some freshman English theme of his in the very interesting book Dr. Burton Confrey has just published - "Faith and Youth." The book is largely made up of extracts from past Religious Bulletins and freshman English papers, organized into a system of spiritual development by the skilful analysis of Dr. Confrey. It covers the following points: devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and to Our Lady; confession and spiritual direction; the practice of the Presence of God; meditation and spiritual reading; devotion to the Poor Souls; the Lenten season and self denial; missions at home and abroad; retreats for laymen; and the Lay Apostolate.

For the Notre Dame man the book is very intimate. It will be followed with interest by Catholic educators who are curious about the Notre Dame system, but past and present Notre Dame men will find in it much that will be missed by others. Benziger Bros. brought out the book; it is on sale at the Book Store, at two dollars.

General Confessions for Seniors.

Seniors are still asking questions about the matter of general confession. Here are a few suggestions: 1. Read Newman's "Neglect of Divine Calls and Warnings" and "Mental Sufferings of Our Lord in the Passion." 2. Use an examination of conscience in an ordinary prayer book. 3. Make a half-hour of adoration for the purpose of exciting true contrition and strengthening your purpose of amendment. 4. Tell your sins as simply as you can, and then ask the priest to suggest a few possible omissions; or, if you prefer, tell the priest at the beginning of the confession that you would prefer to have him question you. 5. Make the whole procedure a deep act of thanksgiving to God for having kept you out of so many sins, and for having turned away the effects of the sins you have committed. Don't let the idea disturb you; if you find it disturbing, don't make a general confession. It is necessary only when you know you have made bad confessions in the past which you have never corrected.

Pay Your Debts.

Books we haven't seen in a long time are coming back these days. This suggests a reminder that you pay your debts and clear your conscience of all obligations before you leave for home. As for restitution for thefts and damage - that's on the conscience of the thief, and if he fears not the wrath of God, neither will he be disturbed by anything the Bulletin can say.

PRAYERS: Deceased - Msgr. McGinnis, of Brooklyn; a friend of a student. Ill - the mother of Maurice Murray, '32; a friend. Four special intentions.