
It's A Good Thing Somebody Is Praying.

"Dear Father O'Donnell: I am a boy nine years old and going to St. Benedict's School. I am very much interested in Notre Dame's football team. So at Mass this morning I offered up my Communion for their future success and this week I am going to serve Mass for the first time. During these times I am going to pray for your school and players and I do hope and pray that they will win from S.C. I expect to be at the radio cheering for Notre Dame and counting their touchdowns ahead. For my constant wish is Notre Dame on to victory.

"My father is a railroad engineer on the Rock Island railroad and he wishes to let you know that he appreciates for sending your team over this railroad.

"Your little friend, R.E.H."

We like Robert Emmett's style. He has faith; he believes in prayer; he thinks of others besides himself; he has loyalty, gratitude, courage, self-denial, initiative, enthusiasm, hope, directness, simplicity. And he can spell better than most of the Scholastic's correspondents.

There will be a Mass for the team tomorrow at 6:25 in the church. Get down on your knees with Robert Emmett and pray that Our Lady of Victory, to whom the game is dedicated, will ward off from her boys all dangers of mind and body. (And if you don't know anything about the title, "Our Lady of Victory," look up the story of the battle of Lepanto, in which European civilization was saved from the Turks.)

Can Your Heart Refuse This Prayer?

A letter from a recent graduate states this pitiful case: "... last week my wife, to whom I have been married less than a month, had to come to the hospital here. Yesterday they operated, and the doctors say that she has cancer of the liver - that the entire right lobe is full of it, and that it has extended to the left lobe.... They say that such a thing is very rare in one so young - she is only 18.... Oh, Father, it almost breaks my heart when she says something about soon being well - it's almost too much for me to bear... She is a convert; she came into the Church only a few months ago...

"I know that if it should be God's will that she be taken from me, I must resign myself to it, but it is so difficult.... I have started a Novena to the Little Flower ... Will you, please, Father, if it is not asking too much... Make a Novena for us?.."

Alms.

Since the last report - for Bengal: \$1.00; \$1.25; \$1.00. For the poor: \$10; \$10; \$1. Undesignated: \$5.00; \$5.00; \$5.00; \$3.50. The three suits of clothes that came in, together with some reserve stock and one of the ten-dollar bills have been forwarded to the case reported last week; \$5.00 and \$2.50 have been given to other cases; \$10.00 more will go forward to the old ladies in North Carolina; some will go to Fr. Barron, whose health is improved enough to allow him to return to work in Korea.

PRAYERS: Deceased - the mother of Fr. Forrestal, C.S.C., of St. Edward's University, Texas; a friend (M. Patterson) killed in an auto accident. Ill - Father Nicuwlant, C.S.C.; Art Neumann; Sister M. Magdalene, C.S.C.; Rev. Frank Phillips; the mothers of the Fathers Heiser, C.S.C., John Beirdle; Edw. Cardwell, ex-'30; relatives of Tom Downs; Bob Coleman, Ray Reuland; a friend of Jack Bintz. Four special intentions.

THE ADORATION will begin Sunday evening. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 6:30-7:30, with Benediction at 7:00 and 7:30.