
Russell O'Shea Needs All Your Extra Prayers.

The condition of Russell O'Shea, who was taken to the hospital five days ago, is not at all favorable. Diabetes is especially hard on young people, and in this case there has been a sudden and alarming collapse. Mastoiditis has developed, and this may necessitate an operation; gangrene is not uncommon in such cases. These details are given that you may have a better notion of the gravity of the situation. There is too much of a tendency to say, "that's tough," and let it go at that. Express your sympathy at the altar rail - that's practical; that's the way Russ always did it. After four years of daily Communion here he is certainly entitled to a remembrance in your Holy Communion.

Who Has The Book?

Twice last week we asked for the return of a copy of Msgr. D'Hulst's, "Mother Mary Theresa," a life of the Venerable Foundress of the order of the Reparatrice, in France, whose beatification is in process. The reason for the request is that we have discovered here a painting of the Holy Face done by this holy nun for Father Sorin.

The book by Msgr. D'Hulst tells the story of the original painting, of which ours is the only copy. Our recollection of the matter is that Mother Mary Theresa, while still in the world, had this vision of the Holy Face, and that her confessor commanded her to reproduce it on canvas to the best of her ability (she was something of an artist). She was willing to obey, but was puzzled as to how to proceed, as she had always painted from models, and never from memory. On a certain Friday she knelt before the canvas with her brushes in her hand, and suddenly the vision reappeared. The result is a beautiful and striking picture.

Some years ago the members of her community wrote to Notre Dame to trace this copy. It could not be located at the time, but was found recently. It was removed from its frame in an effort to discover some evidence of authenticity, and on the frame of the canvas this inscription was found written in pencil: "This picture was brought from France by Very Rev. Father General." The canvas had been rent in one place, and was patched with a newspaper wrapper addressed to "Very Rev. E. Sorin, C.S.C., Notre Dame, Ind." These evidences are considered sufficient evidence of the genuineness of the picture when considered in connection with a letter found among the papers of Mother Mary Theresa, a letter from Father Sorin thanking her for the painting and enclosing a small check.

This Week's Red Hat.

This week's red hat is conferred in petto on the lay cardinals whose attachment to the Catholic Church is evident only on Trinity Sunday, but who are sure that they can convert the little lady friend who will share their joys and sorrows through kingdom come.

Getting Big-Hearted With God.

A curious psychological twist in the individualist (the spoiled child) is the grand manner of generosity he adopts towards God when he receives Holy Communion three days in a row. God understands, of course, but it sometimes takes a lifetime of hard knocks to make the individualist realize that while an infinite favor is bestowed in Holy Communion, it is bestowed by God, and not by man.

CHARITY did not suffer through the moratorium: the "Lenten Offering from The Boys" was twenty dollars again this week.

FOUND, in the cafeteria last week, a sum of money. Inquire at the cashier's desk.

PRAYERS: Deceased - Fred Erdle's father; an aunt of Paul Carroll; a nun; a friend ill - The Mother of Matthew Barron, '31; Joe Clark's sister; a friend-benefactor; another friend. Four special intentions.