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Feast of the Most Holy Rosary.

Tomorrow is the feast of the Most Holy Rosary, a day of great devotion in the Church. The history of the devotion, which dates from the Thirteenth Century, when it was revealed by the Blessed Virgin to St. Dominic, is replete with remarkable instances of its power. We choose three striking ones for your edification:

1. The victory over the Albigensian heresy, which ravaged France and Spain, and which yielded only to St. Dominic's crusade of prayer;
2. The triumph of Christian arms at the battle of Lepanto, when Europe, harassed by the Turks, was saved for Christianity by the troops under Don John of Austria, who fought while Pius prayed the rosary;
3. The protection of Ireland's faith, when the Mass was proscribed for centuries, and the people had the Rosary Indulgences ~~them~~ to the Church.

The Rosary Indulgences.

Although during this Holy Year most indulgences for the living are suspended, the indulgences for the dead go on as usual, and among the greatest of these are the toties quoties indulgences granted for visiting the church here on the feast of the Most Holy Rosary. ("Toties quoties" means "as often as" and describes the indulgences which may be gained as often as an enjoined act is performed.)

For every visit made to the church from noon today until tomorrow evening, a plenary indulgence may be gained for the Poor Souls, provided one has received the Sacraments (at least Holy Communion) today or tomorrow, and prays each visit for the intentions of the Holy Father. The prayer to be said is seven Our Fathers, Hail Marys and Glorias. (The state of grace, of course, is necessary for any indulgence.)

The Rosary Tomorrow For The Team.

The football team asks your prayers. A Mass for the team will be said in the Brownson Memorial Chapel tomorrow morning at 6:25, and the Rosary Devotions at 12:30 in the same chapel will be offered also for the players. This is a Notre Dame tradition. All students are asked to honor it - at Mass in their own hall chapels, and at the rosary devotions at 12:30. (Take a pair of beads to the game; it's done in the best families.)

The Grotto Saint's Novena.

The little girl whose statue appears in the Grotto, the Blessed Bernadette whose visions of Our Lady at Lourdes inaugurated one of the greatest devotions of modern times, is to be canonized a week from Monday. Those who wish to make a Novena in her honor should begin tomorrow and end the day before the canonization.

Is there some favor you especially want? Ask it of Bernadette on her canonization day. Make it preferably a spiritual favor. Our Blessed Lady promised Bernadette that she would make her happy, "not in this world, but in the next." A peaceful heart in this life is our nearest approach to heaven. If there is turmoil in your heart, ask her to heal it for you, to win for you resignation to the Will of God.

How to Make a Novena.

Say the same prayer for nine successive days. At Notre Dame we offer Holy Communion as well on the nine days.

PRAYERS: Deceased - Bishop Hickey, of the Diocese of Providence; Ernest Nathan's father. Ill - A sister of Wm. Gadek, '31; Leo McIntyre's mother; a friend. Four special intentions (two very urgent).