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The First Friday.

Mass of Exposition, 6:25 a.m. in the church.
Adoration all day. Sign the lists posted in the halls.
Benediction, 7:00 and 7:30 p.m.

Feast of The Purification.

Tomorrow, Friday, is also Feast of the Purification--one of Our Lady's oldest feasts.

Observing the old Mosaic law, Mary waited forty days (Dec. 25-Feb. 2) after the birth of Jesus before her Purification--consisting of a visit to the Temple and the offering of a lamb, or, if means did not allow that, of "two doves or two young pigeons".

The ceremony of churching Christian mothers has its counterpart in this old purification ceremony of the Jews.

Pray tomorrow for special graces of purity.

What Will Your Thoughts Be?

Following is an extract from Napoleon's last will, executed in his exile at St. Helena:

"I die in the Holy Roman Catholic Faith, in the bosom of which I was born more than fifty years ago. I desire that my remains may be deposited on the banks of the Seine, in the midst of the French people whom I have loved so much."

Napoleon died as a Catholic. Was his an exemplary Catholic death?

Hardly. Although embittered by war and all that it brought to him, although feeling keenly the need of the consolations of his religion, nevertheless Napoleon the warrior overshadowed Napoleon the Christian to the end.

After he had ceased in his conscious moments to pray, his campaigns came back to him in his deliriums.

His last audible and distinguishable words were, "Army.....Army" and "Head of the Army."

Death hands us over to eternity as it finds us--selfish, little, hearts set on pleasure or power or glory, sold to God; or in the state of grace, God above all, and service to others equal to the aims of self.

Ordinarily we write our sentence for eternity now, while we live, not in the hour of death.

Pray for His Soul.

Pat Malloy, '07, distinguished Oklahoma attorney, formerly Assistant Attorney General, died suddenly yesterday in Arkansas. His son, Pat Malloy Jr., lives in Lyons Hall.

Remember this distinguished alumnus tomorrow at Mass, Communion and during your adoration.

Adoration Promoters Wanted.

Promoters are wanted to canvass the halls for Lenten Adoration. Cards will be ready after supper tonight at 117 Dillon. Sign your names when you take the cards.

PRAYERS: A friend of Harry Baldwin. Three special intentions.