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Tonight, 7 & 7:30, Fr. Hoff preaches. -----

Mr. Burns, for years mimeo-
grapher of Bulletin, died
yesterday. Remember him!

Encouragement.

Few of you will find bitter the reading of the following letter from one of the older priests:

Dear Father: I realize that students--and the rest of us--prosper little on praise. But a bit of it now and then may do more good than harm. I've been here on the campus for many a decade, and I'm convinced that, in spite of their faults, our boys are the best in this or any other land. Where can you duplicate their day-by-day record at Holy Mass and Communion? Where would you see another display of faith such as these modern, active young men put on during Lent? Where is there another Ash Wednesday like the one we have at Notre Dame?

Many boys tell me reluctantly that they're getting in adoration almost every day during Lent. There is a good-sized crowd in cassock and surplice before the Altar of Exposition almost constantly throughout the day. And those boys really have something to say to the Lord! You can tell it by their general attitude.

As a priest, I'm edified at all their mortifications. One tells me, after some questioning, that he's giving up smoking; another, that he's keeping away from town; another, that he's making the daily Way of the Cross, and so on and so on. Just about every single one that I've talked to is going to Communion daily and nearly everyone is trying to make daily Mass. Now that's pretty good for boys their age, I think.

This year, as you know, I've had to say Mass later than usual many mornings. Well, I go to a certain place on the campus where a number of boys are usually together in the morning. I simply ask: "Will someone please serve my Mass?" And every morning there's a half-dozen or so who answer together, "I'll be glad to, Father." Then when we get to the chapel I ask before we go to the altar, "Do you want to receive Holy Communion?" And almost without exception, the answer comes, "If you please, Father." Maybe they don't know, but you ought to, that I get a great thrill out of that!

Encourage them, Father, to keep up their fine spirit during all of Lent and for the rest of the year. They'll one day be great men, if they do, and God will bless them and Notre Dame. Tell them that there are 47 days from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. Even if they oversleep or something for one day, look at all the other days they can give to the Lord, if only they come back to their good resolutions!

So many of us think that if we break a resolution once, there's no use trying any more. But that's not true.

Every morning during Lent I'm remembering the boys in my Mass. God bless them! May Our Lady make their lives extremely happy and good! --Sincerely, _____.

You have been unusually good this Lent, especially about signing up for Adoration. For a single period yesterday, that from 1 to 1:30, there were, for example, 33 students signed and on hand. A dozen students for a half-hour period is very common this Lent. For every single half-hour period of the entire time of Lent there are at least two students signed up.

Some points to remember: Keep the appointment you make, or, if it is impossible, inform us at the Prefect of Religion's office. Be on time for your period. Adoration takes place on the Bernini Altar, behind the main altar. Vest in cassock and surplice at the entrance to the sacristy. Adoration on Saturday ends with 11:30 Benediction. PRAYERS: (deceased) friend of Holy Cross sister; anniversary of Don and Bob LeMine's father; brother of Bro. Leo, C.S.C.; mother of M.J. Cullen '29; cousin of John Bourke (Lyons); relative of Bro. Angelus, C.S.C.; father of Jerry Pahlman '33. Ill, grandmother of Francis Payne (Dil.); relative of Fr. McElhone; friend of student; friend of Don Allen (Cor.); fathers of Art Hoffman and Don Scorfietti (Cor.); sister of Jim Foltz (Alum.); friends of John McGovern (Dil.); Prof. R. L. Greene's sister. 4 sp. int.