

Don't leave the campus  
unless you are in the  
state of grace.--Mass Wed.  
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Are you one for whom  
victory is a setback?

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False Sources of Power.

People are ever groping for contact with the superior world. Upon that human tendency systems of occultism are built and systems of occultism prosper.

One such system is called Psychiana, in which pupils are supposed to be trained to duplicate Christ's wonders of healing the sick, calming the sea, raising the dead. But as hospitals run on full of patients and as cemeteries remain undisturbed, candidates of Psychiana keep trying under the "masters" to develop within themselves Christ's limitless principle of power.

Another system or sect now enjoying a few dollars a piece from the gullible is that of the Rosicrucians devoted to magic, occultism, and "mysticism." Rosicrucianism promises to bring truth, wisdom and happiness to its votaries by hitherto unused short-cuts.

True Source of Power.

There is an infinite source of divine power on earth that you as a Catholic should know thoroughly and employ daily. That source is the holy Mass. The Mass is not a fad. It has existed for more than 1900 years. The Mass was not invented by any human fakir but by Christ Himself at the Last Supper.

The efficacy of the Mass is not due to magic but to the power of Christ who in the Mass is intercessor, priest, and victim, just as He was on Calvary. The Mass is Calvary renewed, you know.

That is why one Mass gives God more praise and thanksgiving, makes more atonement for sin, and pleads more eloquently than does the constant worship of all the souls in Heaven, on earth, and in purgatory combined.

Why should you go to Mass daily? That's almost a blasphemous question for an intelligent Catholic to raise. You should go to Mass daily for the same reasons that would have taken you up to Calvary on the first Good Friday afternoon--

To render God the highest form of worship; to thank Him, through His own Son, for His blessings; to make reparation through Jesus for sin; to obtain the favors you desire through the powerful intercession of Christ; to help release souls from Purgatory and to shorten your own time there; to preserve yourself and relatives and friends from dangers to soul and body; to be consoled at your death by the memory of your time at Mass; to accumulate credit for the day of your Judgment by Christ; to understand better the sublimity of the Passion of Christ and what it means to you in personal love.

Why not read Father Martindale's excellent pamphlet on the Mass; why not get yourself a missal and offer the Mass daily with the priest? Why not by your example especially help popularize devotion to the Mass?

Daily Mass can be your part in making up for the millions of Masses now unheard in Russia, Mexico, and Spain. Daily Mass can be your way of helping to save our country from the awful scourge of religious persecution.

As a further aid to knowing and loving the Mass, get in touch with the Calvary Guild, 1628 Hudson Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. They will send you valuable information on the Mass free of charge.

PRAYERS: (deceased) tomorrow first anniversary of mother of Charles Wassell (St. Ed's); uncle of Greg. Byrnes (Alumni); Mrs. Theresa Hall, friend of Arthur Madalena (Brown.). Ill, sister of Dan Monaghan (How.); godmother of Don Scoffiatti (Sor.); grandmother of Jack Britton, '36; mother of Bro. Gabriel, C.S.C.; Fr. Arthur Hope, C.S.C. 2 sp. ints.