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The Alumni Lead.

Two years ago, the active New York Alumni Club inaugurated a movement for a Universal Notre Dame Communion Sunday. The date, appropriately, was to be the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, or the Sunday nearest the feast if it fell on a weekday. The movement met instant approval, and each year an increasing number of clubs have received Communion in a body, then held a Communion breakfast.

This year it should be a perfect score. The New York Club has circularized every club in advance with this message:

UNIVERSAL NOTRE DAME COMMUNION SUNDAY
December 8th, 1940

"Every year since the inception of this idea more and more of the local Alumni Clubs have made this an important event. This year there is an even greater incentive -- because the actual date of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception is Sunday, Dec. 8th. Start now to make your plans to honor OUR LADY on her Feast Day....Let Armstrong know you're participating.
ND Club of NY."

The Alumni office reports a nation-wide co-operation. On Our Lady's great feast she can look down from Heaven and see her sons throughout the United States, of which she is patroness, receiving their King in honor of her, their Queen and Mother.

Will You Follow?

The New York Club asks, "Why not make the University a focal point for this?" And why not?

A Universal Notre Dame Communion Sunday would be a failure unless Our Lady's students -- every one of them -- also received Communion on that day in her honor.

That is another incentive for making the Novena to her for Purity, which began this morning. If you missed this morning, start tomorrow with nine successive days of Mass, Communion and the Litany of the Blessed Virgin.

Lawyers, Follow Precedent!

The 1940 graduates of the Law School report high success with their bar exams in various states. Of the 34 graduates who took the exams, 28, or 82%, have passed. A high percentage considering that normally only 40 - 50% pass bar exams the first time they are taken.

It's too bad that the present day law students haven't as high a percentage in fidelity to frequent Communion as law students of past years. There used to be a steady stream of law students to Dillon Chapel on their way to the caf, either before or after their first class. That stream is now a mere trickle.

To combat the temptations that you will meet later in your law practice, you must have backbone. You can develop it now with the help of Christ, the source of courage and strength. A shrewd legal mind topping a weak spine will be no credit to Our Lady -- can easily bring disgrace.

Late Confessions.

Lest you forget: Confessions every night in Dillon, Howard and Cavanaugh until 9:45. If you have a difficult confession, or worry of any kind, press the buzzer twice.