

(FOR THE CATHOLIC STUDENT AT NOTRE DAME)

Church Unity Octave
began Tuesday. Pray
for conversions.

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Confessions: every night
in Basement Chapel at 6:30.
After 7:30 in Sorin and B-P.

The Number Of Our War Dead Increases.

A passenger on the exchange ship Gripsholm has brought news of the death of Lieutenant Jacob Paul Sevcik, ex '33, of Klamath Falls, Oregon. Lieut. Sevcik and his two year old Son died in a Japanese prison camp in the Phillipines. The child was reported to have died in July. The date of the father's death was indefinite: "after the fall of Bataan in 1942". The wife of the Lieutenant is still a Japanese prisoner at Santa Tomas university camp near Manila. Lieutenant Sevcik was a mining engineer with a private firm in the islands when the war in the Pacific opened. He enlisted in the engineers and was with General Douglas MacArthur's forces on Bataan.

Lieutenant Commander Wells Worth Carroll, ex. '16, of New York died from injuries received at the time the U.S.S. Lisome Bay, a plane carrier, was torpedoed November 24 off Makin Island. A news dispatch stated: "Although wounded from shoulder to hip, he assisted other wounded until he was forced by enlisted men to leave the ship. Later, a doctor, swimming from one wounded man to another to render first aid, endeavored to save the officer's life but his loss of blood was too great." Commander Carroll had left Notre Dame to take part in World War I. In this war, he served in the office of the Naval Advisor to the W.P.B. until, at his own insistence, he was placed on active duty.

Captured: Lieutenant Ray Eichenlaub, Jr, ex. '42, is a German prisoner, according to war department notice sent to his parents. His plane was shot down October 5, near Voltumo River.

How Charitable Are You?

The number of deceased Notre Dame Service Men is now eighty. The Secretary of War reported recently that the number of American war dead has increased. Will this affect your prayer-life any? It should. Because it means that there are more souls in need of your charity. Among them may be your friends and relatives. True, many of the men who have died in the war offered cheerfully to Our Lord the last sufferings of their life and thereby paid in full the debt of their temporal punishment. But we can presume that with others there must be period of detention in Purgatory.

You can pay the debts of souls in Purgatory. There are infinite merits in the Mass. Christ comes at the time of the Holy Sacrifice to apply His merits to Poor Souls. The amount of remission He grants a soul will depend on the spirit of love, gratitude and reparation with which you offer yourself at Mass to serve God. The more frequently you assist at Mass and unite yourself with the sacrifice of Our Blessed Lord, the more relief will you obtain for your suffering friends.

Mass on Sunday is the minimum. Certainly God asks more of the Notre Dame student who has Mass offered every day with a few steps from his room. It seems that the minimum for the civilian and military student should be no less than three weekday Masses: one for the Dead, another for Peace, and a third for success in studies.

Size up yourself. Maybe you are not the charitable man you think you are.

PRAYERS: (deceased) uncle of John Agnone (B-P); Edward Dixon, '40; brother-in-law of Prof. Horan; father of Father C.C. McGrath, O.S.A.; Joseph Fransch; Father Wm. McNamee (Archd. of Dubuque). (Ill) cousin of Geo. Weiss (St. Eds); cousin of Father Leo Gorman, C.S.C. - missing in action.

IF YOU HAVE NOT BEEN CONFIRMED, LEAVE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS WITH ONE OF THE CHAPLAINS:
FR CRADDICK (141 Sorin), FR. SIMONITSCH (121 B-P), FR. SHEEDY (115 MB)