

Lent starts a week  
from today. Don't  
delay confession.

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Why not ask God to help  
you prepare for the  
future? Pray the Mass.

Special Consultation With The Captain.

The Supreme Commanding Officer of this station wishes to have a personal interview with every Catholic military and civilian student. The Captain will have special quarters in the Main Church. He will be ready for interviews from Sunday noon until Tuesday evening at 7:00 o'clock. A half hour period will be set aside for every consultation. The Captain gives you the privilege of signing up for any period of your own choosing.

Naturally, military students will appear in their best uniforms, and on time. Civilian students will vest in the black cassock and the white surplice, and they too must be punctual. The Captain likes cleanliness and fidelity to one's word.

The Interview In North Africa.

Last year, the Commanding Officer was in Africa. The air corps there made plans to meet Him. They did not have much to work with. They had no gold thrones. So they made one from the material they had on hand. A strange throne! Made from the enemy's best. It was a Messerschmitt when it left Germany. When the Catholic Yanks finished with it, it was a monstrosity. The parts of that damaged plane were reclaimed and made once again to serve the King. That German planemaker never thought his landing gear, propeller and forward fuselage would house the Blessed Sacrament, nor the glass cockpit-shield of an ME 109 would become the round crystal window that enclosed the Sacred Host.

You can imagine what the Captain told those pilots and mechanics when they knelt down in prayer that day. He must have inspired them, filled them with courage, told them that they were fighting to honor Him, to bring justice and charity to His children in the world.

Christ, your Captain, has something to tell you during the Forty Hours Devotion. No doubt it will be something about yourself; how you are to serve Him when you leave here for a new station or for your vacation; what you are to sacrifice for His sake and for the good of your soul for Lent. You expect Him to be honest. So you will not be surprised if He shows you your weakness and chides you for not praying for strengthening grace like you ought.

Not Onesided.

You can wager that those fighters in Africa told Our Lord no end of things, of their fears, their sins, their friends at home, their companions on their bombing missions, their injured and dead, the men they killed. You can't imagine them leaving the throne of their Captain without telling Him that they would be more charitable, more patient, more prayerful, more thoughtful of others for His sake. Christ will give you opportunity to speak. Tell Him what you plan to do for Him.

No Compulsion.

No one is obliged to appear before Our Lord. He leaves everyone free to accept or reject the blessings He has to offer.

PRAYERS: (Missing in action) brother of Father John C. Burke, C.S.C., (deceased) Bill LeMaster; grandfather of Joe Murnane (Sorin); grandmother of Brother Vincent Ferrer, C.S.C.

FORTY HOURS SCHEDULE: Sunday, all Masses as usual, except 9:00, which is moved to 8:30 to give sufficient time for Solemn Mass and Procession. Special 40 Hours Devotions Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings at 7:00. Closing: Tues. at 7:00.