

(FOR THE CATHOLIC STUDENT AT NOTRE DAME)

Be generous. Attend
Mass daily from now
until Easter. Do Penance.

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Last week for Daily
Adoration. From 11:00
until 4:30 P.M.

Eddie Matthews' Anniversary.

Just a year ago tomorrow, March 29th, Eddie Matthews of South Orange, New Jersey, died in the hospital in South Bend. Eddie, a freshman in Architecture, was the first member of Notre Dame's ROTC to die. A blood-stream infection caused his death. The BULLETIN had this to say about Eddie when announcing his death to the student body:

"The striking thing about Eddie Matthews' character was his total Catholicity. From the day of his first Holy Communion, some twelve years ago, until a week before he died, he did not miss a single Sunday Holy Communion. He missed hardly a day during his too short stay at Notre Dame. The great action of his life was serving Mass: since the beginning of the school year, he often served the six o'clock Mass in Zahm Hall's Chapel, or in the Basement Chapel of Sacred Heart Church. He served six o'clock Mass the day brief agony began for him. Once in the "Religious Bulletin," Bishop O'Hara, then prefect of Religion, wrote: "At the hour of death our greatest consolation will be the Masses we have heard and the Holy Communions received." If that is true -- and surely it must be -- then Eddie Matthews died consoled.

"People say that delirium brings out the subconscious, the real, the hidden self. Eddie Matthews was delirious for three heartrending days before he became quiet. In his ravings he recited the Hail Mary literally hundreds of times, and made acts of contrition; he said the server's prayers at Mass over and over again, until it broke your heart to listen. During all that time not one dirty word passed his lips. Eddie Matthews' subconscious, hidden life was a life of prayer."

A special Anniversary Mass will be sung in Walsh Hall Chapel for Eddie. The members of the ROTC unit will participate. Thank Our Lord and Our Blessed Lady for sparing the student body from death throughout last year.

Who Will Respond To This Mother's Request?

"Will you please do a favor for my son Robert who is very ill at Pawating Hospital, Niles. Robert had two years at Notre Dame (ex. '41) before he enlisted in the army. He was given a medical discharge last October. Prayers alone are going to make him well. When he attended N.D. he was a day student and had great faith in Our Lady at the Grotto. Could you find some student who would take his place each day for nine mornings and pray to Our Lady for him?"

(Mrs. E.L. Dunn, 460 St. Joseph Ave., Niles, Michigan.)

Mrs. Dunn will be pleased to know the names of the generous volunteers. Leave your name with the Chaplain.

Killed In Plane Crash.

Aviation Cadet Thomas J. McQuaid, ex. '47, of Rochester, New York, was killed recently in a plane crash near San Antonio, Texas. Cadet McQuaid was trained at Ellington Field, Texas, Harlington Field, Texas and the Hondo Army Field where the accident occurred. Eighty-seven students are known to have died in the service.

PRAYERS: (deceased) Miss Mary Hogan, aunt of Joe Neufeld, '43; brother of Nick Canzona (Cav). (Ill) Sister Lisetta, C.S.C.; serious. Missing in Action: friend of Roger Kiley, '23.