

Confessions for Mother's
Day and First Friday
TONIGHT: Church, Sorin,
Cav. (Press Buzzer)

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Tom Ryan (Z), recovering
from emergency operation.
Brother of Robert Reinders
(A1), ill.

"Is Your Girl As Good As Your Mother?"

This question was answered by the student body when a religious survey was made on the campus a number of years ago. The comments made in response to the question revealed a true Christian ideal in regard to the choice of girl companions. The answers also brought clearly into the foreground the student's love of his mother. A few confessed that they were disloyal to their mother. But not all were like the senior who admitted disloyalty to God, to his mother and to himself. His answer can be an examination of conscience for some students who take God and the virtue of purity lightly: "My girl is a temptation."

Read over these responses. They will help you bring home to yourself the debt of gratitude you owe your mother. Your mother deserves a token of your love on MOTHER'S DAY. A telegram, candy, flowers, a long-distance phone call home, will please your mother as a Mother's Day gift. But she will be more satisfied, more content, with a SPIRITUAL BOUQUET. FOR IF YOU ARE GOING TO THE SACRAMENTS AND ARE PRAYING, THEN YOUR MOTHER KNOWS YOU ARE TRYING TO BE THE GOOD BOY SHE WANTS YOU TO BE. The Novena for Mother's Day starts Friday, May 4 (Mass, Communion, Rosary, Visit to Grotto, Adoration.) There are extra Bouquet cards at the pamphlets racks.

Replies.

- "I have none now because she wasn't that."
"Yes, and she has made a better man out of me."
"By present correspondence I fear I have no girl."
"No, but she is as good as my sister."
"I have neither now. No girl could be as good as my mother was."
"Yes. She is the kind of girl my mother must have been."
"I hope so; she prays for me and remembers me at Mass and Communion."
"My last girl got married."
"The girl I'd like to have is."
"She probably was. She entered the convent last September and I haven't any now."
"If she isn't my prayers are unheard."
"No, but if I were better she would improve."
"No one could ever be in my eyes. Mother is a saint."
"If not, she's a great deceiver or I'm awfully blind."
"Not the present one. The one will have to be."
"I could not place either one of my two ideals of womanhood above the other."
"I think so, or she would be somebody's else."
"No. She double-crossed me and I gave her the gate."
"Well, she smokes and drinks. My mother never did."
"She is truly Irish -- if that is what you mean."
"Not as a cook; time will answer the rest."
"No -- too lazy."
"If ever I quit thinking so, she'll be my girl no longer."

The First Friday Promise.

"I promise thee in the excessive mercy of My heart that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who communicate on the First Friday in nine consecutive months the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in my disgrace nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment."

PRAYERS: (deceased) father of Ralph Carabasi, '42 (Jefferson Med. School); father of Lieut. Bowman (V-12 Course Officer.) (Ill) brother of Bill Dooley (Alumni Office)
Two Special Intentions. One Thanksgiving.