

Preparation For Marriage.
(Pope Pius XI)

"It cannot be denied that the basis of a happy wedlock, and the ruin of an unhappy one, is prepared and set in the souls of boys and girls during the period of childhood and adolescence.

"There is danger that those who before marriage sought in all things what is theirs, who indulged even their impure desires, will be in the marriage state what they were before, that they will reap that which they have sown; indeed within the home there will be sadness, lamentation, mutual contempt, strifes, estrangements, weariness of common life, and, worst of all, such parties will find themselves left alone with their own unconquered passions.....

"It will also help them (husband and wife), if they behave towards their offspring as God wills: that is, that the father be truly a father, and the mother truly a mother; through their devout love and unwearied care, the home through it suffer the want and hardship of this valley of tears, may become for the children in its own way a foretaste of that paradise of delight in which the Creator placed the first men of the human race. Thus will they be able to bring up their children as perfect men and perfect Christians; they will instill into them a sound understanding of the Catholic Church, and will give them such a disposition and love for their fatherland as duty and gratitude demand.

"Those who are now thinking of entering upon this sacred married state . . . should recall those points about which We have already spoken in Our encyclical letter concerning education.

"The inclinations of the will, if they are bad, must be repressed from childhood, but such as are good must be fostered, and the mind, particularly of children, should be imbued with doctrines which begin with God, while the heart should be strengthened with the aids of divine grace, in the absence of which, no one can curb evil desires, nor can his discipline and formation be brought to complete perfection by the Church." (Taken from Encyclical letter: "On Christian Marriage.")

Lenten Devotions Tonight.

Father McDowell, CSC, will preach at both services this evening, at 6:45 and 7:15. On Wednesdays throughout Lent there is no Benediction at 5:00 o'clock. Confessions are heard after both services. The second service will be out in sufficient time for everyone to secure good seats at the Bengal Bouts.

PRAYERS: (deceased) father of Harry Patterson (B-P); Frank Leonard, '35; Mrs Mary Littell; father of Bob McLaughlin (Bad) (Anniv); two friends of Moward Worth (Sor). (Ill) father of Milton Folds (Cav); friend of Ralph Dixon (Morr). Two Spec. Ints.

LENTEN DEVOTION

TONIGHT

6:45 P.M. EAST CAMPUS
7:15 P.M. WEST CAMPUS