



How The Ashes Are Made.

The ashes placed on your forehead yesterday were not a commercial product. They were made here on the campus by the sacristan of the Church.

Strips of palm blessed last year on Palm Sunday were burnt. The ashes were the remains of those palms.

Are you carrying the ball?

Mother Church teaches a lesson to Her children by obtaining ashes in this manner. In the transformation of the palm to ashes She wishes to impress on the minds of the faithful the need of setting aside the joy of Palm Sunday for the necessary garb of penance. Have you started your Lent?

A New Hymn At Benediction.

During Lent the "Laudate Dominum, omnes Gentes," sung after Benediction is replaced by the "Parce, Domine." From praising God (Laudate) we turn to beg mercy (Parce) from Him. After the new hymn the Cor Mariae Immaculatum (Immaculate Heart of Mary) is sung three times, as usual. Try to remember the translation of the hymn when you sing it.

Parce, Domine	Spare, O Lord,
Parce, populo tuo.	Spare, Thy people.
Ne in aeternum	Do not be angry.
Irascaris nobis.	With us forever.

The Wonderful Ladder.

St. Alphonsus tells the story of a certain holy man who saw two ladders reaching from earth to Heaven, one ladder was red, the other white. Our Blessed Lord stood at the top of the red ladder, while Our Lady stood at the top of the white one.

Many tried to climb the red ladder; they mounted two or three rungs, and then fell back. Looking up, they saw Our Lord motioning toward His mother. All then hurried toward the white ladder, and as they began to climb it, the beautiful Mother of God went down to lift them up to her Son.

The white ladder is the rosary. It reaches from earth to Heaven. Every bead you say takes you a step closer to Christ and to Heaven. You should be saying the rosary every day during Lent. It takes less than fifteen minutes. You certainly have that much time to spend with Our Lady each day.

Are You Guilty of . . . ?

- Passing by the chapel in the morning without entering and saying a prayer?
- Coming to Sunday Mass late?
- "Quickie" thanksgivings after Holy Communion?
- Failing to pray for friends who have not been to confession in months?
- Shouting down corridors and slamming doors thus disturbing others?
- Carelessness about your room?
- Spreading moral infection by impure talk?

Late Masses: in Dillon + Cavanaugh at 7:20; Basement Chapel at 8:00