

No 9:00 Mass this  
Sunday. 8:30 instead  
because of formal opening

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Calendars will come  
to your room next week.

### Your Mother At Notre Dame

The man responsible for the large statue crowning the Golden Dome is Father Sorin, the priest who founded Notre Dame. The statue represents Our Blessed Mother, for whom Father Sorin had a love that knew no bounds. In the mind of this virile priest Our Lady was to be the inspiration behind the school he was starting. So Father Sorin named the school just that, Our Lady or Notre Dame in French.

That no one would forget to whom the school was dedicated, Father Sorin wanted a statue of Our Blessed Mother placed in the most noticeable spot on the campus. He gave the architect the idea of a dome, and he saw that a suitable statue of God's Mother adorned it.

In 1879 the Great Fire burnt away the supports of the Dome, and the statue came crashing to the ground. A new Administration Building was started immediately with provisions made for another dome and statue.

The present statue arrived at Notre Dame in 1880, three years before the Dome was ready for it. But there was inspiration for that statue to give, and so Father Sorin ordered it to be erected temporarily on the front porch of the Main Building.

The statue is sixteen feet in height. In October 1883 the Dome was ready to receive it. The hoisting of it to its place, over two hundred feet above the ground, was an event in the lives of the students. The statue weighed 4400 pounds. It was removed from the front porch and taken to the back of the Main Building where it was to begin its ascent. It was a perilous job. It took a day and a half to finally complete the task. At five o'clock in the afternoon of one Thursday, when it was finally in place, a cheer went up from the students and clergy. Once more Our Lady reigned over the campus.

Whenever you pass the Main Building, look up to the Dome, and when you see the outstretched arms of Our Blessed Lady, remember that she is watching over your soul and body. That glance should bring you confidence. Some students have the practice of saying a short prayer in praise of God's Mother when they notice the statue. Keep a few in mind, like, "Mother most powerful, (or) Mother most amiable, pray for us."

### Jack Guentner Is Dead

Word has come from two students that Jack died July 14, from complications following an operation. Jack was graduated only last June. He lived in Sorin Hall for a number of semesters. His address is R.R.y, Butler, Pa., on some case of his friends wish to write a note of sympathy to his family or to his wife.

### Special Confessions

For those who wish to take more time than usual with their confession, for the purpose of straightening out some worry or spiritual problem the Prefects of Religion will hear confessions in the CHURCH all next week, from 4:00 to 6:00 P.M. Don't put off the care of your soul. A good talk with your confessor will bring your peace of conscience.

PRAYERS: (deceased) Mother of Paula (Purchasing Office) and Leo (OC) Popka: father of Al Mosca (Cal, died last week. (Ill) relative of Father Lochner, c.s.c. polio. Two Special Intentions.