

Notice Freshman: Because of the overcrowded 10:00 o'clock Mass on football...

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...weekends, will you kindly attend another foregoing this one.

The Rebirth Of An Old Spirit.

In athletics Notre Dame acquired many, many years ago the reputation as the Fighting Irish, although sons other than those of Erin fought for her with determination and renown. . . This fighting spirit energized true Notre Dame men whether they tangled on the gridiron or struggled in other domains where the game of life is fought. . . In recent years the Fighting Irish became known as the Winning Irish, and all her followers gloried in her fame. . . . But winners can not always be winners, nor will losers always lose. . . . In this 9-round bout two knock-downs have already been scored. . . . No one loves a quitter. . . If Notre Dame lies prone when she could rise up, her glory would become inglorious--she would be booed as the Quitting Irish, not cheered as the Fighting Irish. . . This must not be so.

Two Pleas.

An irked housewife writes: "Father, please see that Notre Dame wins a football game. My husband is unlivable since Notre Dame lost." . . . From the Blue Circle and the Student Council: "Father, we are planning to rouse the student body for Mass Saturday morning in the hall chapels. The students want to get behind their team 100% the best way possible." (Kindly oblige but let's cut out the midnight racket.)

How To Transfer Enthusiasm.

St. Paul used sports to drive home a lesson: "Do you not know that those who run in a race, all indeed run, but one receives the prize. So run as to obtain it They indeed to receive a perishable crown, but we an imperishable."

You are worked up to a dither for a perishable crown, but what of the imperishable? Will you eagerly patrol the campus to protect it from marauders who would smear paint on sidewalk and building, and be unwilling to safeguard this same sanctuary of Christ's sacramental presence from other marauders who desecrate it with that which defiles worse than paint: filthy booklets, smutty jokes, profanities? Test your spirit. Is it of man? or is it of God?

Christ The King.

Sunday we will be reminded of a fact that is fading from our awareness, namely, that Christ is the true King of society and His kingdom is not of this world. The celebration of this feast in recent years has been providential, as providential as the decree of saintly Pius X on Frequent Communion which opened the doors of the tabernacle for strengthening young men and women in advance of an era of moral decadence.

In your Holy Communion Sunday ask the Father that Christ, His Son, be restored as King. Only when He is so proclaimed, only when His principles are adopted, only when your own lives are dominated by His ideals--only then will there be peace in the world and in your own hearts too.

The King To The Queen.

If you have broken your novena of Masses, Communions and Rosaries in preparation for the proclamation of the dogma of the Assumption, November 1, the following plan is offered: 1) Make a private triduum of Masses and Communions, beginning on the feast of Christ the King; 2) Pray the Rosary at the Grotto--Glorious Mysteries Sunday, Joyful Mysteries Monday, Sorrowful Mysteries Tuesday; 3) Receive Communion on the feast of All Saints and attend the Holy Hour that evening at 6:45. All clients of Our Lady are invited to pack the church to the doors.

Prayers: (deceased) Jim Sharkey, '50; mother of John, '30, Joe, ex-'30, and Charles, '39, Nelson. Ill: mother of Austin Halpin.