

First Saturday tomorrow.

University of Notre Dame

40 Hours Begins Sunday.

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Don't Get This Fouled Up.

Tomorrow is the feast of St. Blaise, the day upon which Catholics throughout the world have their throats blessed. The blessing of St. Blaise will be imparted tomorrow in hall chapels at hours to be announced by rectors. Also at the following times and places:

12:30--1:00 p.m. . . . Dillon and Cavanaugh chapels.

6:30--7:00 p.m. . . . Dillon and Cavanaugh chapels.

Another announcement: There will be no 10 o'clock Mass next Sunday. The 9 o'clock will be a solemn high, which will officially open the traditional FORTY HOURS of adoration immediately preceding Ash Wednesday.

However, because there are students who do not read Bulletins, or who get announcements loused up anyhow, there will be a Mass--around 10:20, let us say.

If you have in mind entering fully into the beautiful pagentry and the significant liturgy of the solemn Mass, then show of what spirit you are moved and participate. Bring your missals, pray the Mass with the celebrant, join in the response of the Litany of the Saints.

Sunday Night, 6:45, Sermon by Father Harris, C.S.C. and Benediction.

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Tuesday Night, 6:45, Procession followed by Benediction.

The Mardi Gras festival will not be open for business until after devotions in the Main Church. Save your loose change. A lot of hard work has gone into preparations to make this Mardi Gras a roaring success. It's up to you to support it. The cause is a good one--charity. Every penny of the proceeds will be channeled to some worthy cause.

You'll Get A Kick Out Of Charity.

The latest Ave Maria quotes William Allen White who once said, "I have tried to teach people there are three kicks in every dollar: one when you make it; one when you save it; and one when you give it away. The biggest kick of all is this last one." So turn out and support your Mardi Gras.

Backsliders.

There are backslappers, backscratchers and backsliders. What we're concerned about are the backsliders who haven't moved off their backsiders as far as their religion is concerned. The "old faithfuls" know what the score is and keep the tally correct. Every morning they are there where God wants them. Vacation makes little difference. The first morning back they are at the Communion rail. Notre Dame and the Eucharist are doing something for them. They know it. We know it.

The Gospels record two kinds of backsliders who came back--stray sheep and prodigal sons. Our Lord went out to look for the stray sheep. The prodigal had to come home by himself. Why? Because he did not lose his way--he left his father's house deliberately, and knew his way home. The same holds true for Notre Dame's prodigals. They too know their way home. With a little more gumption and a modicum of confidence in the mercifulness of their Father, they could turn their backs on the husks of swine and begin their trek homeward.

Prayers: (Deceased) Rev. Russ Scheidler, '30; uncle of Rev. William Brinker, C.S.C. In a dying condition--Rev. William Lennartz, C.S.C. Operation, Mrs. B. N. Brockman. Ill, Rudy Huntsinger; Rev. Thomas Lahoy, C.S.C.; Rev. John C. Burke, C.S.C.; Rev. Francis Butler, C.S.C. (at Mayo's).