

Needed: 240 questionnaires. University of Notre Dame  
First Friday and Novena Religious Bulletin  
for Mother's Day. May 2, 1951

Hymns at the Grotto, 6:45.  
May Day: Well done! Thanks  
to promoters and participants.

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Announcements.

Feast of the Ascension, Thursday, Holyday of obligation. Masses: 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11.

Novena for Mother's Day (coincides with the Novena for Pentecost): begins Friday, which is also FIRST FRIDAY. This novena for your mother, according to our records, is the most popular novena of the year. The added incentive of its beginning on First Friday will be more than a shot in the arm. Do not wait until Friday morning to get to confession. Make it your duty to get to Communion tomorrow. Most of you made your first Holy Communion on Ascension Thursday. That was the first time in your life that Christ came to you as spiritual Food for your soul.

Hymns at the Grotto: daily after Supper, except Sunday, around 6:45. Volunteers are needed for distributing hymn cards. Please see Brother Boniface.

May Adoration: from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. No adorers will be solicited. See to it that you make your visit. If you have no intentions to pray for, come around--we'll give you a long, long list. Begin by praying for those who have not as yet made their Easter Duty. That will include a few Monogram men we haven't seen since the last football game.

Vigil of Pentecost, May 12, is a day of fast and abstinence. The Notre Dame privilege holds good for those eating on campus and for off-campus students living and eating in and around South Bend. However, on-campus students who are planning picnics with meat better drop around and see us sometime.

Trinity Sunday: the end of the time allotted for fulfilling your Easter Duty. If any of your friends or relatives are neglecting this obligation, pray for them this time in earnest. If any of your "pals" here have not made their Easter Duty, you have an obligation to do something about it--at least to pray. When death comes suddenly, the greatest comfort a Catholic can have is to know that the deceased was a practical Catholic.

Remember Mother: We are taught through the 4th Commandment to honor both parents every day of the year. But this celebration of MOTHER'S DAY has captivated individual Catholics and Catholic organizations more quickly than many other observances prompted by the Church. . . The Masses you hear. . . the holy Communion you receive. . . the Litanies and other prayers you recite. . . the visits you make to the Blessed Sacrament and the Grotto. . . your evening hymns of praise. . . your mortifications. . . your aspirations. . . your rosaries. . . use them all to tell God and His Blessed Mother how much you love your mother and everything she stands for.

Fatima lecture tonight: 7 o'clock, Law auditorium. What does the Fatima message mean to you? We have been asked to help Mary save the world. Must we believe what Lucy, Francisco and Jacinta told us about Mary's message? Suppose we don't? If we are wrong, the mistake will be tragic. There is too much at stake to take chances with incredulity. . . Keep this in mind: The apparitions began May 13, 1917. The last was October 13, 1917. During the July 13th apparition the Blessed Mother said, "If my requests are heard, Russia will be converted and there will be peace." . . Of historical importance is the fact that the Bolsheviks did not gain complete control of Russia till November 1917. In July of the same year she was a prostrate and defeated nation. Who at that time could have ever surmised that Russia in 1951 would have control of 800 million people? Think that over!

Missals: we have a few daily missals left-as gifts for Mother's Day?

Prayers: (deceased) uncle of Fr. John Murphy, C.S.C.; aunt of Fr. Henry Bolger, C.S.C.; brother of Fr. Broughal, C.S.C.; Miss Ann Lehman; mother of Carl Thinner, '51. Ill, mother of Fr. F. Duffey, C.S.C.; Father Butler is not so good; keep Jim Aoki in your prayers. Ill, mother of Tony Wirty (O-C). (Deceased) father of Maxine Scherman. Sp. Int. 2.