

"Redeem thou thy sins with alms" (Dan. 4:24). . . Buy a ticket for the bouts.

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Happy Marriage Novena began this morning. . . Marriage Institute for seniors tonite.

Are You Confirmed?

Bishop Pursley will be in this locality May 3 for Confirmation. If you have not been confirmed hand in your name without delay to Father Barry, 106 Cavanaugh. . . Confirmation makes us Soldiers of Christ, fighters and defenders of the faith.

Novena Services.

Every Friday night from now on at 6:45. The Novena Services will last one-half hour. Deposit novena intentions in the box provided in the vestibule at the main entrance of Sacred Heart Church.

MEA CULPA! We ran short of prayer booklets the opening night. 500 more have been ordered. If you want a personal copy get yours at the pamphlet racks.

A plenary indulgence may be gained whenever the Via Matris is made, or the 14 Stations of the Cross.

The Sorrowful Mother must have been a joyful Mother last Friday night when she saw the packed church. Well done! Be faithful to this devotion and the blessings will be unmeasurable. Noticeable already are the following: an increase in attendance at Sunday night Benediction, an increase in the number of confessions since Friday night, and an increase in attendance at Mass and the reception of Holy Communion.

Three Kinds Of Backsliders.

Holy Scripture records three kinds of backsliders--stray sheep, prodigal sons and pigs. Those who came back were the stray sheep and prodigal sons. But Christ warned His disciples not to cast their pearls before the swine who relish carnal mud.

About those who came back. Our Lord went out to look for the stray sheep, but He let the prodigal come home by himself; the stray sheep had simply lost his way, but the prodigal had deliberately walked down the front steps and went away "into a far country."

Since the prodigal had gone out with his eyes open, he knew the way back home. There are prodigals here who know their way back, and back they will come as beggars, when they get fed-up on the husks of swine.

Too much attention may ruin the prodigal by supplying him with a wheel chair which he won't have after graduation. It is one of the sad and regrettable features about campus life at a Catholic university that there are dead souls walking around in living bodies. They see yet they see not. They are blind to the life and love of God's sanctifying grace.

Their behavior is correct; they are noisy but well-mannered when they should be; in many cases they are rich, have money for entertainment and amusement; in a way they are sophisticated; they are more popular than not; they are worldly and carry themselves with worldly confidence; they have eyes for what is nice--but they are blind, blind to the richness of the sacramental life on this campus. They cannot see because their faith is dead.

Bengal Battlers Tonight.

Bob Davidson vs Don Landfrued
August Freda vs Pat Connolly
Joe Belfiore vs John McGraw
Mike Perino vs Bill Guilfoile

Pat O'Malley vs Walter Landry
Bill Stanley vs Jesse Jolly
Don Rampolla vs Ted Lefflar
Joe Lyons vs Bill Howard