

Tonight: at 6:45
Novena Devotions;

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Tomorrow: Fatima devotions
in private- First Saturday
of the month.

A Gift For Every Day !

Would you like to give away a present every day of the year -- without having the recipient know about it, or without having it cost you a penny ? And feel every bit as happy about it as though you were giving an expensive present?

You can!

There is a little old lady, living meagerly in Los Angeles on social security, who does it. She is the oldest of four brothers and three sisters, all of whom are located elsewhere. Each evening she says the rosary, and offers it up for one of her brothers or sisters.

"Monday is Joe's day," she explains. "Tuesday is Mary's, and so on. It rounds out the week."

"But that doesn't leave any evening to pray for yourself," we commented.

"Oh, I don't mind that!" was her reply of assurance. "If I pray for them, they'll do the same for me, I know. God will see to that." Then she leaned forward and said, softly, as though a bit embarrassed, "For myself I say the Stations of the Cross."

Her faded gray eyes sparkled a bit, as she went on, "It's almost like having a visit with my family, even though I'm far away from them. Before the rosary begins, I think about the one for whom it is to be offered, about the nice things he or she has done in the past. I always finish the rosary feeling very happy. I'm never lonely any more."

"And does your family know you are praying for them ?"

"Oh, no! That's a secret between God and me."

Take It From There

Here at Notre Dame we have the Family Rosary every evening in each hall chapel. You are away from the family hearth. How many other members of the family have the opportunity and the atmosphere in which to pray, as have been given to you! And what are you doing about it? Would you like to help them into Heaven? Do they need your prayers? Have you ever tried to make some show of gratitude for all they have done for you?

Be honest! It's pretty hard to drum up an excuse, isn't it? Start May with the Rosary for the family. Make this month the best of the year!

Sunday's 9 o'clock Mass will have the pews off the middle aisle reserved for the Freshmen and their guests. And just because many of the Juniors came late last week with their guests, don't think you have to imitate them. Remember, the best people are still coming on time for Mass every Sunday.

Have You Signed Yet?

There is daily adoration in Sacred Heart Church during the month of May! The halls are being canvassed, these days. Make it a part of your novena for Mother's Day.