

Tonight at 6:45 in
Sacred Heart Church
Sorrowful Mother Novena.

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Deceased: aunt of Dick
Ryal of Alumni hall; mother
of Tom Cotleur (off-campus).

A Thoughtful Gesture

Many parishes, as you will learn later in your experience, never permit confessions during Mass. Why? Because it interferes with your proper assisting at the Holy Sacrifice. After all, "It is the Mass that matters!"

Occasionally, necessity knows no alternative. Mass-time is the only opportunity that some individuals can manage this obligation. And that's why we hear confessions at Notre Dame during the Sunday Masses -- for those who can't come at any other time. Let's keep it that way -- for those who can't come otherwise.

Hence, man living on campus can exercise a fine courtesy by leaving this limited opportunity to those for whom it is intended -- the Off-Campus group. The rest of you have confessors in every hall chapel in both the morning and evening. The Class Chaplains are on duty many hours during the day. You'll experience no rush, or confusion; no division of attention. You can discuss any number of matters with them in the quiet of the evening especially. Going to confession at this time will also enable you to assist properly at Mass on Sunday morning.

Incidentally, no one should go to confession during the Consecration -- not even the hard-pressed Off-Campus crowd. If myriads of angels, as we are told, bow low when Christ comes to the altar at Mass, we should do the same.

The Lagging Irish

It isn't a very pretty sight to observe the gallant Irish of Notre Dame -- first in war; first in the Faith; "first" in football -- come late for Sunday Mass. It takes more than a little luster from the Dome, and from the cloak of the Lady there. A few laggards can spoil the scene of the hurrying hundreds.

If you are one of those who have been asked to find a pew in the Lady Chapel, in recent weeks, you are adding no glory to our reputation. Nor are you fulfilling your Sunday obligation of assisting at the entire Mass. Since this is good solid doctrine -- the obligation of the entire Mass on Sunday -- the Bulletin does not hesitate to bring the matter to your attention. Late-comers qualify for the ...

Notre Dame Club Of Purgatory ...

a thoroughly sad group -- dullards, king-size -- with little rime or reason -- no by-laws, no officers, no sense to the crowd at all. The main requirement is that you come late for Sunday Mass. Indeed, we can think of no better way to acquire a long stay in Purgatory than negligence in this very important Catholic requirement. Campus residents who have little more to do on Sunday morning than roll out of bed and into church will, we think, be judged severely for carelessness in this matter, and for scandal, too!

Thanks For The Alms

Recently, the Bulletin has received a number of donations for the poor, the missions, the pamphlet rack, etc. To the anonymous donor from Pittsburgh (\$250), and to the others, our sincere gratitude.

Monday A Holiday

Because Monday is George Washington's Birthday, there will be no class; there will be no Bulletin. Late-Communion facilities in Dillon extend until 9:00 a.m. only.