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Campus-Wide Memorial Mass Tomorrow

Tomorrow morning, at 6:45 in Sacred Heart Church, the President of the University will be celebrant of the Solemn Requiem Mass for the deceased victims of the Saturday night accident -- James Byrnes and Clinton Core.

It is Notre Dame's own way of pausing to remember the members of her own household in a tragic moment of their lives -- in a moment when they need help most. Were you the victim, you would command the same attention, the same loyalty, the same prayerful remembrance. The Family of Notre Dame remembers her own!

All Upper-Classmen...

are invited to Sacred Heart Church for the Mass beginning at 6:45. Be there at the cost of whatever inconvenience is involved, to blend your prayers and your Communion for the stricken comrades. It would be a fine show of loyalty and devotion if every Upperclassman on campus put everything else aside for this holy occasion. And why not? This is Lent; and your presence at this Mass would be the most eloquent sign of charity -- fraternal charity -- in your power.

The Freshmen and Sophomores are asked to assist at Mass and receive Communion in their own halls -- for the simple reason that Sacred Heart Church cannot begin to contain the entire student body on campus.

But the heart of Notre Dame should be big enough on this tragic occasion to keep tune with the throbbing of the Requiem; all of us joining our humble prayers for their eternal rest!

They Did Not Go Empty-Handed

Remember last September -- when we had the Mission for each Class -- and the Mass and the Communion, and the prayers of each member of the Class on a particular day were offered for the next one to die? Remember the treasury thus accumulated? That was the substance of their inheritance; and that is the riches they took with them into Eternity. There will be for you and for their families a great measure of consolation in recalling this blessed memory!

For You Tomorrow

Tomorrow morning at the Solemn Requiem Mass, Father Hesburgh will offer the Sacrifice for the Living and the Dead -- for the deceased victims -- and for the next one of us to die. Join your own Mass-Communion with those of 5000 other Notre Dame men tomorrow, at the Memento for the Living during the Mass you attend.

Tomorrow let us make it a campus-wide memorial with 100% participation. Who knows, you might be praying for yourself! Hall councils should assist the rectors in awakening all residents for this eventful display and manifestation of our fraternal charity. Who knows -- the soul you pray for tomorrow may be your own!

Go To Confession Tonight

There will be confessors in all the hall chapels this evening at 7 p.m. Leave the little time at Mass tomorrow for the Off-Campus students who have no other opportunity to go to Confession; they will be grateful to you for doing so.

Let every Notre Dame man be a part of this campus-wide Memorial Mass Tomorrow!