
The Charity Of Your Prayers

In the Apostles Creed we say: "I believe in ... the communion of the saints" -- an expression that finds substance in praying for one another, living and dead. It's a form of charity especially appropriate for Notre Dame men. To show you how it works, consider this letter just received from a June graduate, Greg Hussey:

"This past weekend my youngest brother, Denny, was critically injured in an automobile accident. The driver was killed. My family and I would be very grateful if you would ask the Notre Dame Family to pray for both of them."

This we do, every day in the Bulletin. And you'll find it comforting to know that when you most need help, even years from now, another generation of the Notre Dame family will be on their knees remembering you in the charity of their prayers. During the summer months your prayers were asked for the following:

Deceased: Father Wendell Corcoran, CSC; Father Michael Jednakowski, CSC; mother of Father Fosselman, CSC; brother-in-law of Father Walter Conway, CSC; mother of Father Francis O'Hara, CSC; grandmother of Brother Francis Garch, CSC; mother of Emerson Hynes, '39; William Cotter, Sr. '13; father of George McDonald, '49; father of Joseph Schiffgens, '56 wife of Coach John Jordan; Malcom V. Saxon, '36; Peter Arboit, '40; Thomas Blind, '54 (jet crash in Japan); Dr. John M. Culligan, '15; father of John H. Sennett, '55; father of Edmund Kellogg, '58; Harry Poulin, '00; John C. Hesse, '99; John P. Naughton, '88; Al Foos, '25; father of Lou, '33 and Bill, '31, Chawgo; mother of Harold Haynes, '23; brother of Judge Ernest Hammer, '07; Michael Curry, '26; Fred Heneghan, '32; mother of L. W. Norman, '28; father of Tom Riley, '57; father of Fr. Richard Sullivan, CSC; father of Walter Minder, '42; brother of Bro. Valery, CSC; Thomas A. Walsh, '23; Paul Sagstetter, '25; mother of Eugene Connelly, '32; Henry Klick, '94; Martin Costello, '97; George F. Covert, '20; Michael Scanlon, '21; aunt of Rick Grimler of Pangborn.

Ill: Father Charles Doremus, CSC; Louis Rosenberg; mother of Bill Lamb; cousin of Craig Hewett, '46; father of Jack Boyd, '51; mother of Joe Hall; Mr. Joseph F. Donahue, (trustee); Rev. Edward Keller, CSC; sister of Fr. Tom Brennan, CSC; Brother Claver, CSC.

Why The Class Missions?

At Notre Dame we clean house twice a year -- just as they do at home. In the fall we do it swiftly; it's all over in three days for each class. In the spring, it takes forty days -- we have to shovel out all the dirt tracked in during the winter; we have to scrub and scour for Easter.

Last night, we started fall house-cleaning for the Sophomores. The Freshmen have already taken care of the matter, and they averaged just about 100%. Now they're off to a proper start in their Notre Dame education, and are taking up the lesser elements involved in the art of living a full life on campus.

Herding Sheep Into Heaven

In describing the Last Judgment, Our Lord calls the good people sheep. Where there are sheep, there are shepherds. A man doesn't have to be a priest to be a shepherd. St. Francis of Assisi was not a priest, but he herded a lot of people into heaven. Part of our glory in heaven will be the size of our flock. Sophomores who are really sharp will let nothing interfere with attendance at their class mission tonight. It's a chance, too, for them to be a shepherd -- by bringing a friend along with them.

Coming this Wednesday evening -- the Mission for the Junior Class.