

Tonight at 6:45: the  
Sorrowful Mother Novena -  
then the Pep Rally.

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Tomorrow at 7:15: Senior  
Mass in Sacred Heart Church  
by request of the Seniors.

### Tradition

In the old days, even before Notre Dame had a cheerleader, or senate president, it had a football team. The team was not a large one -- only 14 men -- but it was good enough to wallop Michigan, "the champions of the West." And the day before the game Rosy Dolan and his Notre Dame stalwarts went to six o'clock Mass in Sorin Hall chapel, and received Communion. The sight so inspired the server (now Archbishop O'Hara) that he ran off to Ann Arbor the next morning to form the 26th N.D. roster at the game. Michigan had a large crowd present to out-noise the Notre Dame contingent -- but Notre Dame won -- most of it in Sorin hall chapel, and at the Grotto.

You will help the team most if you remember them in your hall chapels tomorrow. The team itself doesn't overlook this element -- you'll find the squad and the coaches tramping off to Dillon chapel for Mass and Communion. Then the team captain will lead his men in the Litany of the Blessed Virgin, and dedicate the game to the Blessed Virgin under one of her particular titles. Then Father Barry, the chaplain, will bless each man with the relic of the True Cross. That's the routine Notre Dame athletes go through before every contest.

The genuine Notre Dame man doesn't spend all his loyalty at the "pep" rally on Friday evening. He keeps a little for the day of the game -- asking God and His Mother to bless the efforts of all Notre Dame representatives in every way that may bring honor to the school, and so make the name of "Our Lady" better known, revered, and loved throughout this land.

Since the days of Rosy Dolan the teams of Notre Dame have sought help and inspiration at venerable campus shrines. Their efforts have been blessed, as the records prove. A loyal student body has helped immeasurably. And such loyalty is begotten at the same campus shrines today. It is manifested in much more substantial ways than noisy Friday nights in South Bend. In fact, the Grotto rates much more important than town traffic. Notre Dame has won many more games on her knees than on bar stools.

### Pray For The Team!!

Why not? You risk your throats for the squad -- why not your knees? And hearts? If you believe in prayer and in the team, why hide the fact? Why not let the team have the benefit of prayer? No one wants to see one of the squad break a leg. Is it, then, expecting too much of you when the team asks you to get up for 7 o'clock Mass and ask God to protect the team from broken legs? Indeed, our charity should extend to the protection of both teams from injury.

### Sportsmanship

Booing is always out of order because it is poor sportsmanship. And poor sportsmanship is poor Christianity. Notre Dame has no room for either. A worthy rival deserves, and receives, applause from Notre Dame men. An unworthy rival, silence.  
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Sunday Masses: Because of the huge crowds on football weekends, there will be a Mass in each hall chapel, this Sunday morning at a time designated by the rector. Watch your hall bulletin boards for this information.

Beginning this Sunday, there will be a late Mass at 12:15. It is intended for your visitors, and for Off-Campus students. Courtesy demands that we make some provision for them, And if ever you see elderly visitors, or women with children, standing in the aisles at any Mass, it wouldn't be out of order to offer them your pew.