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THE TURN-OUT FOR THE CLASS MISSIONS was excellent. If the long lines outside the confessionals were an indication of His activity, then, the Holy Spirit has been very active hereabouts for the two weeks just ended.

● Anyone who was unable to get to talk to a priest during the Mission, will have no trouble doing so this Saturday evening between 6:00 and 8:30. Stop off at Sacred Heart Church--whether you're sad or glad about the way the Series is going, and whether you've seen or haven't seen "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers". Four priests will be hearing Confessions in an effort to lessen the number of all those who have been waiting until Sunday morning to go to Confession.

REPEATING WHAT WE SAID in Wednesday's Bulletin: Due to the Annual Red Mass having been scheduled for 9:00 A.M. on next Sunday, the 10:00 A.M. Mass will be delayed in starting a few minutes. In the future, however, all Masses will begin promptly on the hour until 11:00 A.M. The last Mass is at 12:15 P.M. Get in the habit of being on time for Sunday Mass.

LAST SUNDAY IT APPEARED THAT we need to schedule another Mass for Freshmen in the Keenan-Stanford Chapel. So, until further notice, the Freshman Sunday Masses in Keenan-Stanford Chapel will be at 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, and 11:00 A.M.

NEXT THURSDAY EVENING AT 7:30 P.M., in Sacred Heart Church, there will be the Annual Departure Ceremony for the Holy Cross missionaries who are leaving for our foreign missions in East Pakistan. Here is an opportunity for you to learn about the Church's work in foreign fields. Be present to pray for these priests and brothers as they receive their mission crosses and depart for seven years of preaching and teaching among the Hindus and Moslems in East Pakistan.

BLOOD Donors ARE NEEDED to replenish the Notre Dame account at the Blood Bank downtown. If you are 21 and feel you

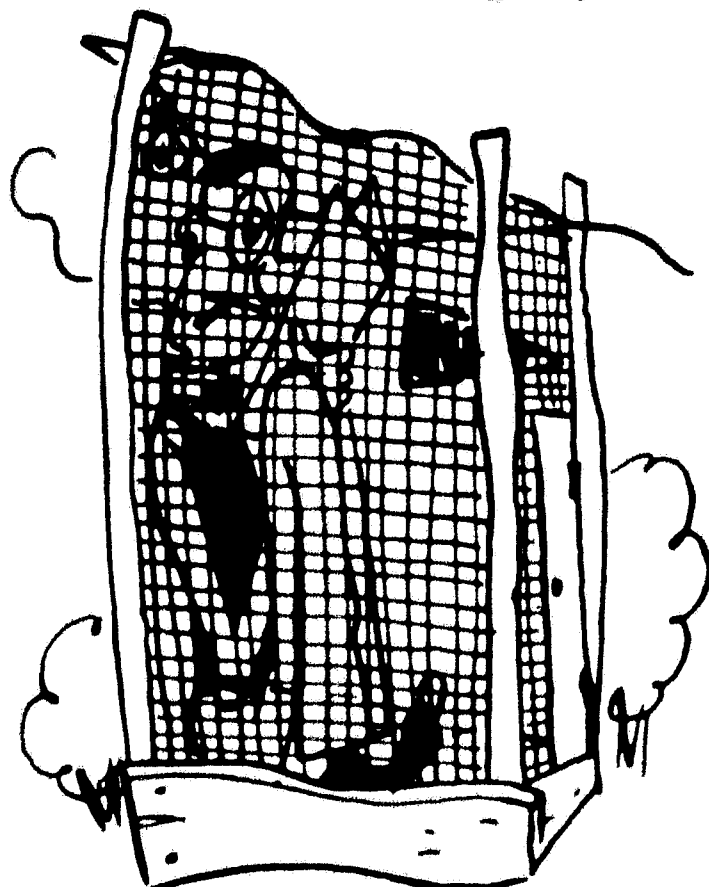
might safely donate a pint of blood, in order that a supply will be on hand when needed, please leave your name at the office of the Prefect of Religion in Dillon Hall. If you are under 21, and wish to participate in this work of charity, please stop at the Prefect of Religion's office and pick up a form to be sent home for your parents' permission.

LATE DAILY MASSES IN SACRED HEART CHURCH continue to be at 9:30, 10:30, and 11:30. Holy Communion is distributed from the main altar at these three Masses, and also between Masses. There is also a Mass in Sacred Heart Church in the afternoon at 5:10 P.M. Those who might have forgotten that today is the First Friday of October should try to get to Mass this evening.

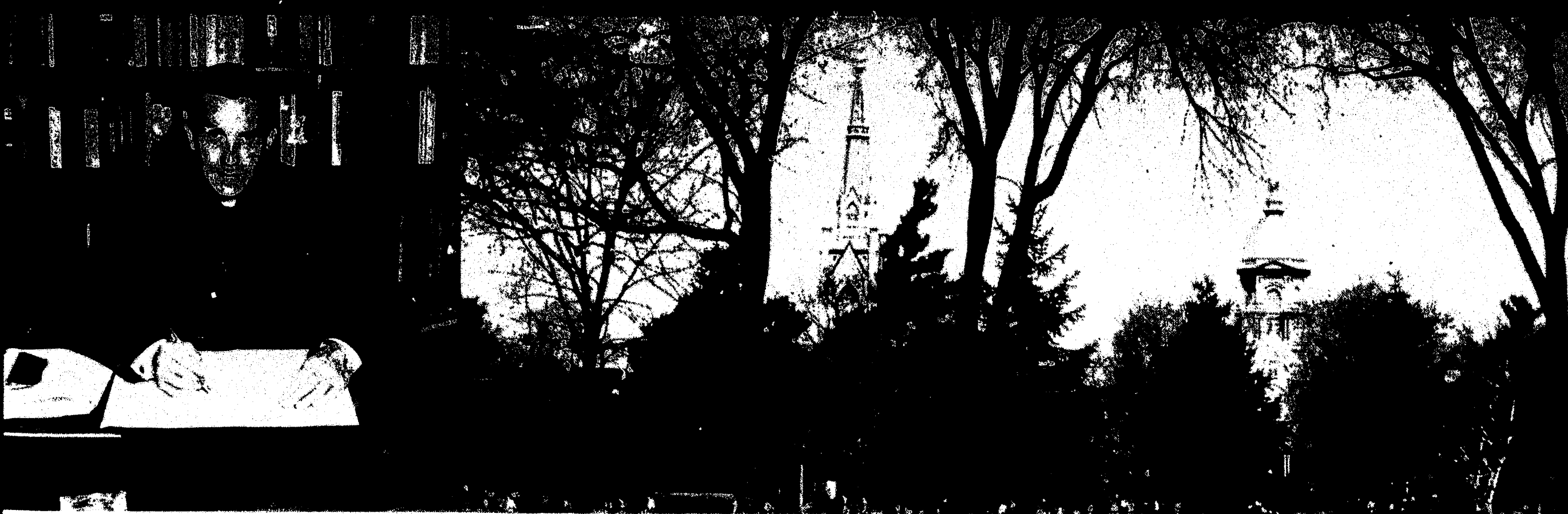
ROSARY DEVOTIONS DURING OCTOBER are conducted each evening, Monday through Friday at 5:30 P.M. in the Lower Chapel of Sacred Heart Church.

TODAY, AS ON EVERY FIRST FRIDAY, there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from Noon until 4:45 P.M. in the Lady Chapel of Sacred Heart Church. Find half an hour in your schedule to spend before the Blessed Sacrament.

IF, FROM WHERE YOU SAT, the Mission was a success, be sure its good effect is not dispelled by mortal sin. Mortal sin has a way of cutting one off from his friends. So play it smart!



DON'T BE
FENCED IN!!



PROFESSOR MARITAIN, who returns to the campus in a few days, wrote some years back that man is

never simply his natural self. He is a being out of joint and wounded,--wounded by the devil with the wound of concupiscence and by God's wound of love. On the one hand he carries the burden of original sin, he is born dispossessed of the gifts of grace, not indeed corrupted in the substance of his being, but wounded in his nature. On the other hand he is made for a supernatural end: to see God as God beholds Himself, to reach even to the very life of God; he is traversed by the calls of actual grace, and if he does not turn against God his power of refusal, he bears within him even here below the truly divine life of sanctifying grace and of its gifts.

Hence, in point of existence, we may say that man is at once a natural and a supernatural being.

ON ANOTHER OCCASION, Professor Maritain expressed his enthusiasm for a sonnet of Gerard Manley Hopkins, entitled God's Grandeur. A day like today ought to prompt us to pause and reflect on Hopkin's words, if we believe what Maritain says above. So, take the time to read these lines, too; lines of GMH:

The world is charged with the
grandeur of God.
It will flame out, like shining
from shook foil;
It gathers to a greatness, like
the ooze of oil

Crushed. Why do men then now not
reck his rod?

Generations have trod, have trod,
have trod;

And all is seared with trade;
bleared, smeared with toil;

And wears man's smudge and shares
man's smell; the soil

Is bare now, nor can foot feel,
being shod.

And for all this, nature is never
spent;

There lives the dearest freshness
deep down things;

And though the last lights off the
black west went

Oh, morning, at the brown brink
eastward, springs--

Because the Holy Ghost over the bent
World broods with warm breast
and with ah! bright
wings.

BOTH HOPKINS AND MARITAIN give evidence of a profound awareness of the true significance of the Redemption.

WHILE IT WOULD BE FOOLISH to suggest that we can all be great philosophers or great poets, we ought all be striving to better understand the significance of our vocation as Christians, and not just Christians living in a vacuum, but Christians living in this particular time and PLACE.

Most of you have lived the Faith for a decade and a half--or more. But have you really lived?

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