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THE NOVENA FOR EXAMINATIONS began last Friday. Those who began the Novena on schedule will conclude it the first day of examinations. If you haven't begun the Novena yet, start tomorrow. Attend Mass, receive Holy Communion, and recite the Novena prayers daily for nine days. The St. Jude Novena booklets (for those especially difficult cases) are available on all pamphlet racks. There is no money-back guarantee of favorable results. Just be sure to combine the right measure of work with your Novena prayers.

● THE CHAIR OF UNITY octave began yesterday and will end next Sunday. This worldwide crusade of prayer for the reunion of Christendom and the conversion of unbelievers to the Catholic Church sets a special intention before us each day of the octave:

The Daily Intentions

Jan. 18. FEAST OF ST. PETER'S CHAIR AT ROME. The return of all the "other sheep" to the one Fold of St. Peter, the One Shepherd.

Jan. 19. The return of all Oriental Separatists to Communion with the Apostolic See.

Jan. 20. The submission of Anglicans to the Authority of the Vicar of Christ.

Jan. 21. That the Lutherans and all other Protestants of Continental Europe may find their way "Back to Holy Church."

Jan. 22. That Christians in America may become One in communion with the Chair of St. Peter.

Jan. 23. The return to the Sacraments of lapsed Catholics.

Jan. 24. The conversion of the Jews.

Jan. 25. FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL. The Missionary conquest of the world for Christ.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be offered daily, along with the prayers for these intentions, immediately following the 5:10 Mass in Sacred Heart Church.

● THE BYZANTINE-SLAVONIC LITURGY, to be celebrated in Sacred Heart Church on Wednesday as part of the observance of the Chair of Unity Octave, will begin at 8:00 P.M. Those who wish to receive Holy Communion at this Mass should begin fasting no later than 6:00 P.M.

● WHILE ON THE SUBJECT of unity, we'd like to call your attention to the latest issue of Apostolic Perspectives. The entire issue treats of Religious Unity. A subscription to AP is yours for only \$2.00. Write Apostolic Perspectives, Box 596, Notre Dame.

The Unity

For Which We Pray

"There is no other unity possible in the divine economy save that which is built upon the same foundation as the one on which Christ Jesus, the Lord and Master, founded His Church, and you know what that foundation is. . . . 'And I say to thee that thou art Peter and upon this Rock I will build My Church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give to thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven (by which He meant His Church) and whatever thou shalt bind upon earth shall be bound also in heaven, and whatever thou shalt loose upon earth shall be loosed also in heaven. . . . ' When, therefore, you unite with us in the Chair of Unity Octave it should be to pray specifically for all those who, down through the centuries, have been separated from the Chair of Peter at Rome, that they may return to Catholic communion, that is to say, communion with the Apostolic See."

Father Paul, S.A.

Founder of the Chair of Unity Octave

YOUR PRAYERS have also been requested for the following: Deceased: Father of Gerald Nowak of Dillon; great-aunt of Tom Mammoser of Dillon; mother of Ted Ley, '58; sister-in-law of Prof. John James FitzGerald of the Philosophy Dept.; father of Prof. John Frederick the English Dept. Ill: Father of Val Chun of St. Joseph's Hall; aunt of Tom Quinn of Dillon; mother of Fred Gade of Dillon; Mrs. Grattan Stanford (requests prayers for the next nine days); Robert Liscom; Ann Sandles. One special intention.



Have a good weekend???



THE SEVENTEEN INCH SNOW that kept the printer from getting out our Bulletin last Friday will soon be forgotten. Also forgotten will be the disappointment of those who failed to get a Mardi Gras bid after waiting in line for five hours last Thursday. But it will be a long time before the folks who teach and work here forget the kindness of such groups as the Zahm Hall Snow Patrol, and others who helped shovel the 90 gazillion tons of snow that buried cars and all but stopped traffic in and out of the campus at noon Friday. Your kindness on that occasion convinces me that there is good reason to expect that you'll not soon forget this little Mona Lisa pictured here. I haven't the faintest idea of what her name might be. But why not call her Charity? I'm sure the song-writers didn't have little Charity in mind when they wrote "Thank Heaven For Little Girls". But I hope that you will be thinking of her often during the next few weeks, mindful that she is typical of many little children both in our own land and abroad who will be helped by the Mardi Gras returns you make. \$15,000 of this year's returns will go into the campus Charity Chest. This may seem a lot of cold cash. It is. But let us not forget that the lack of active charity can be just as fatal to civilization as the A-Bomb and H-Bomb. For only Love that is charity can plant and bring to fruition the seeds of hope in a human soul. The poor, the sick, the hungry, wherever we find them in the world--here at home or abroad--must be regarded as dear to

God and more precious than gold to us. They afford us an opportunity for growing in the respect we should have for human dignity.

IT IS TRUE that in this land of ours we seem to bear the brunt of the world's battle against hunger. But far better that the world should regard us as the Samaritan to the hungry and neglected instead of their butcher. In parts of China today a starving child must content itself with eating weeds and grass and clay for want of food. Little children, like Charity here, beg with the eyes of a woman or man of 60.

I DARE SAY you've never seen a child starve before your eyes, and have nothing to give it. And God grant that more and more human beings may be spared the sight. But, God grant too that while there is any human hungry, we will be just a bit hungry too.

A VERY HOLY PRIEST once remarked, "Giving is the test of whether or not we love God. It was because St. Francis loved God that he loved all men. It was because Damien loved God that he loved and served the lepers of Molokai." We can look upon the opportunity to replenish the Charity Chest as an opportunity to prove our love for God and our consciousness of the ties we have with those who may be suffering from hunger and disease.

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