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News Section

● TODAY IS THE FIRST FRIDAY OF DECEMBER. TOMORROW IS THE FIRST SATURDAY. HOW LONG IS IT SINCE YOU'VE RECALLED MARY'S

First Saturday Promise

"My child, behold my heart surrounded with the thorns which ungrateful men place therein at every moment, by their blasphemies and ingratitude. You at least, try to console me and tell them that I promise to help at the hour of death with the graces needed for salvation whoever, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess and receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me."

● TONIGHT AT 7:30, the NFCCS will get its Advent Symposium underway in the Law Auditorium. All are welcome to attend. Keynoter Edward Kirchner is with the Association for International Development. The meetings continue through Sunday.

● SUNDAY, Notre Dame men everywhere will observe the 22nd Universal Notre Dame Communion Sunday. Together with the Alumni, we are asked to dedicate the day to prayer for moral leadership in the cause of world peace. After the Sunday Masses, therefore, we will recite the Prayer for the Church and for the Civil Authorities.

● MONDAY is a day of fast and total abstinence. So, if you are 21 and are away from campus, remember you are obliged to fast. And, all, regardless of age or location are obliged to abstain. Tuesday is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and a holy day of obligation.

● THE NOVENA FOR PARENTS begins on Monday. The Novena cards indicating you've made the Novena for your parents will be delivered to your room on Wednesday. The message on the card reads: "The Magi poured out

their bounty upon One alone. They gave gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh to the new-born King. They brought gold as to a king, frankincense to God, and myrrh as a symbol of suffering. This Christmas I, too, want to give what I can to the Son of God. Among other things, I offer thanks to His Heavenly Father for having given me the parents He did. And as an expression of my thanks I want you to know that, alongwith everyone else here at Notre Dame, I have attended Mass and received Holy Communion every day during the past nine days.

● SCAPULARS, ROSARIES, JUBILEE MAGAZINE, and all the latest pamphlets are available in the Pamphlet Room on the first floor of Dillon. Been by that way lately? Remember, by the way, that

"WHOSOEVER DIES CLOTHED IN THIS (SCAPULAR) SHALL NOT SUFFER ETERNAL FIRE."

*This is Mary's Promise
made July 16, 1251
to Saint Simon Stock*


Your SCAPULAR, then should take on deep meaning for you. It is a rich present brought down from Heaven by **OUR LADY**.

● "Tell everybody that God gives graces through the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Tell them to ask these graces from her, and that the Heart of Jesus wishes to be venerated together with the Immaculate Heart of His Mother."

—the dying words of Jacinta Marto, one of the three little children called by Our Lady to spread devotion to her Immaculate Heart.

● PRAYERS. Deceased: Aunt of Bob Hamilton of Morrissey; grandmother of Bill Scheckler of Walsh; grandfather of Jack Adler of Alumni; friend of Joel Haggard of Pangborn; wife and son of Henry Keel, '47; Raymond J. Conrad, '21. Ill: Sister of Calvin Cook of Howard; Mary Bystri, first floor maid in Dillon; grandmother of Bob Myers of Alumni.





WITH THE APPROACH OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF PEARL HARBOR AND THE BEGINNING OF THE PRESIDENT'S MISSION OF PEACE, WE WOULD DO WELL TO CONSIDER SOME WORDS BY POPE JOHN XXIII IN HIS ENCYCLICAL "ON TRUTH, UNITY, AND PEACE (This encyclical is available in the Dillon Hall Pamphlet Room.)

Only if men are eager for peace, as they ought to be, and not for war, if there is a genuine common desire for the fraternal harmony of nations, will it be possible for state affairs and interests to be rightly acknowledged and, in consequence, happily reconciled.

Likewise, it will be possible, by the union of common counsels, for those principles to be sought and established which lead the whole human family to that most desired unity, in the enjoyment of which each nation sees its own rights of freedom not as beholden to others but as completely guaranteed. Those who oppress others, who deprive them of rightful liberty, undoubtedly can contribute nothing to this unity. In entire agreement is the opinion expressed by Our same wise predecessor, Leo XIII: "To check ambition, the grasping of what is another's, and rivalry, which are the chief causes of war, nothing is better adapted than Christian virtue, and especially justice" (*Praeclara gratulationis*, A.L., vol. XIV, 1894, p. 210).

For the rest, if nations do not aim at this fraternal unity which must rest on the precepts of justice and be nourished by charity, conditions of gravest crisis remain. As a result, all prudent men complain and grieve that it seems to be uncertain whether the same events are moving towards the establishing of a solid, true and genuine peace or are slipping in complete blindness towards a new and frightful warlike conflagration. We say in complete blindness. For, if, which God prevent, a new war breaks out, nothing else will await or confront all peoples but appalling destruction and ruin—such are the dreadful armaments which our age brings into play—and this, whether they are victor or vanquished.

We therefore ask all, and statesmen in particular, that they ponder these matters prudently and earnestly before God the Judge, and, as a result, with genuine good will, be ready to try every approach which may lead to the essential unity. This harmony and unity, by which alone, We say, the joint prosperity of nations will undoubtedly be increased, will be able to be restored only when minds are at peace and the rights of all recognized, and due freedom shines forth for the Church, for peoples and for the individual citizen.

ALL ARE ASKED TO REMEMBER THE PRESIDENT'S MISSION DURING THESE DAYS, BUT ESPECIALLY ON SUNDAY. REMEMBER ALSO THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE COURSE OF WORLD WAR II.

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