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✠ NOVENA PRAYERS

Ineffable Creator, Who in the greatness of Thy wisdom hast appointed three hierarchies of angels and set them in wondrous order above the highest heaven, and with surpassing nicety hast compacted of widely varied elements the material universe, Thou Who art with strictest right hailed true source and sovereign, principle of light and wisdom, deign to cast upon my darkened mind a ray of Thy splendor, and to clear me of the two-fold darkness in which I was born; that, namely, of sin and ignorance. Thou Who givest speech to the tongues of little ones, lend skill to my tongue and put upon my lips the grace of Thy benediction. Bless me with a keen mind, a capacious and retentive memory, skill and ease in learning, aptitude for explaining, a pleasing and adequate manner of expression. Inspire me in beginning, direct my progress, and perfect the finished task, Thou Who are true God and true Man; Who livest and reignest through all eternity. Amen.

O Holy Spirit, Soul of my soul, I adore Thee. Enlighten, guide, strengthen and console me. Tell me what I ought to do and inspire me to do it. I promise to be submissive in everything that Thou permittest to happen to me: only show me what is Thy Will.

(Then say three Hail Marys; finish with the invocation, "Seat of Wisdom, Pray for Me.")

● RESIDENTS of ST. ED'S, B-P, and MORRISSEY take their turn at keeping the Lady Chapel filled during the afternoon tomorrow. On Friday, residents of CAVANAUGH, FARLEY, & ZAHM take their turn. Exposition begins at Noon and ends at 4:45.

● THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are waging war on the "merchants of filth" who reportedly make a half-billion dollars a year selling obscene literature. Cooperate with them by reporting to the Postmaster any piece of objectionable material received through the mail from obscene mail dealers. Your report should be accompanied by a letter of complaint alongwith the envelope in which the material was mailed. Also, voice your complaints to downtown news-

dealers who insist on carrying and selling printed filth.



DEVOTIONS ARE CONDUCTED NIGHTLY AT THE GROTTA AT 6:30. BE ON TIME. DEVOTIONS ARE BRIEF.

● PRAYERS. Deceased: Father of Bill Saguto of St Ed's; grandfather of Tom Dooley of Dillon; Edward F. Hammer, '04; cousin of Jerry Kriegshauer of Pangborn. Ill: Friend of Larry Gist of B-P; mother of Gene Trani of Badin; Mrs. G.K. Ferguson; grandmother of Mrs. William Barnish.



There are still one and three-fourth billion pagans in the world. These don't know either Christ or Our Lady. Only two and one-half per cent of Asia and nine and one-half per cent of Africa have the Catholic faith. In Latin America, somewhere in the neighborhood of ten per cent of the people are practicing Catholics. One third of mankind divides among themselves more than eighty per cent of the material wealth of the world. So, the remaining two-thirds of mankind must live on less than twenty per cent of the material goods God has put at the disposal of man. Little wonder then that the poorest quarter of mankind has an average per capita income of \$51.00 (that's less than what many of you spend on a class dance weekend!). The countries of Asia have 52.4 per cent of the world's population, but 11.5 per cent of the world's wealth. Their people have a life expectancy of thirty years. Every year, 30 to 40 million Asians and Africans die of malnutrition and starvation. Other figures you might note are these: there are 700,000,000 adult illiterates in the world; also 18,000,000 refugees; and between 12 and 16 million lepers in the world.

I mention these figures because every year at this time I get the feeling that too few from Sorin, Walsh, Alumni, and Fisher are taking up the challenge of dedicating their lives to Christ as priests in the many mission fields around the world. Not that you are all provincial. No. You've learned the cha-cha; you make like you can

play the bongos; you may even collect primitive art. That's fine. But aren't you thinking only of yourself, and your success in the eyes of men? Ever picture yourself in a situation like the man in this picture?



If you haven't--and can't--the very least you can do is pray that others might join the ranks of the Church's missionaries. And as a prayer I'd suggest the following:

Keeep them, I pray Thee, dearest Lord,
Keep them, for they are Thine--

*Keep them and comfort them in hours,
Of loneliness and pain,
When all their life of sacrifice
For souls seems but in vain.*

*Keep them, and O remember Lord,
They have no one but Thee,
Yet they have only human hearts
With human frailty.*