

# RELIGIOUS BULLETIN

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## South America

The Pope's annual message to the world is a gift to all Christians. It is a gift to all who are interested in the world and in the human condition. It is a gift to all who are interested in the future of the world. All other gifts are limited to the present. This gift is for the future. It is a gift to all who are interested in the future of the world.



Night Owls seem to be multiplying rapidly. They're 'hoodin' and hollerin' at all hours. There's no honey on the heads of these birds, but a good hunter should find it too difficult to snare them. They're usually no bigger than a nerve. And while it's true they're usually wearing shoes, still they're no match for a 200-pounder. They're wont to gather where the cards are dealt or the HI-FI is blaring. An effective weapon against them is a rolled-up South Bend Trib. Get 'em!

IF YOU HAVEN'T YET CONTRIBUTED TO THE HOLY FATHER'S BIRTHDAY GIFT, USE THE FORM BELOW AND DEPOSIT IT IN THE ENVELOPE ON YOUR HALL BULLETIN BOARD. DO IT TODAY.

## POPE JOHN XXIII

Tomorrow will be your last chance to participate in the Spiritual Bouquet that will be offered to Pope John XXIII on his 80th birthday to be celebrated November 4th. Use the form provided here, and be generous in offering your prayers for this great Pontiff. The occasions when we communicate with the Holy Father directly are rather few. We want this to be a memorable communication with the Holy Father. Let each do his part.

- Holy Communion
- Masses Read
- Rosaries
- Visits To Saints

## IN YOUR CHURCH

Please pray for the following. Deceased: Grandfather of John MacLeod of Dillon; brother of Prof. O'Connell of the Philosophy Dept.; grandfather of Mrs. Louis Risk; father of William Meehan, '48; father of Richard Wolfe, '59; uncle of Phil Connolly of Dillon; aunt of Mrs. Paul Bartholomew; aunt of Jim Furstess of Scriba; friend of John Montgomery of Alumni; friend of Michael O'Connell of Pangborn. Ill: Uncle of P.J. Shelley of Howard; Tom Vecchione of Dillon; mother of T.E. Courtney, Jr. Three Special Intentions.



### THE PERFECT LEADER

Does the perfect leader exist? Christ looked and searched for leaders of the blind. He never found the perfect leader. And those of us who look today for the perfect leader among students are not likely to find him either.

However, this doesn't warrant our despairing. Rather, it ought to make our search that much more practical. For now we realize that we must look for personalities who, while not perfect, nevertheless, have leadership tendencies or abilities.

There are several levels and kinds of leadership. But first let's try to understand what is meant by a leader. A leader is one who understands what he is trying to do and influences others to help him in attaining this goal. Obviously, this includes negative leadership (i.e. for evil) as well as positive or constructive leadership. So, the idea of "leader" and "influence" are practically the same. Every man can become a leader. And every day it becomes clearer that every Christian must become a leader.

The requirements for leadership are easily stated, but rarely recognized, and still less often properly developed. Briefly, they are: 1) common sense, 2) intelligence, 3) generosity, and 4) a spiritual outlook. Common sense is essential. Without it we can have no leaders. Many who have a spiritual outlook on life, complete generosity and a high IQ have failed as leaders because they have lacked a down-to-earth practicality (common sense).

Unusual intelligence isn't necessary. But it does help in gaining the respect and cooperation of others. Good judgment and some initiative is necessary, though. These provide the leader with a greater vision of his mission. And the man of vision will see problems of the hour as they relate to his final aim or goal.

And generosity is another essential. Without it, enthusiasm dwindles under set-backs and apparent failures.

Concerning the spiritual outlook, keep in mind that habits of grace, prayer, good family training, study and work are indications of character and a solid foundation for leadership.

(To be continued.)