Your Neglect of the Poor Souls.

November is almost half gone. How many poor souls have you released from Purgatory during the month? You won't know without a special revelation, but it does not take a special revelation for you to know whether you have made an effort to free souls from their suffering. One thing is certain: fewer than three hundred names were handed in through the cards in the basement chapel when you were given an opportunity to list your friends for remembrance in the Masses through the month.

Reparation.

What's done is done but you will be given an opportunity to atone for your neglect if you want to use it. Before then end of the month there will be a Novena for the Poor Souls, and those of your friends whose names you hand in through the basement chapel will be remembered in all the prayers and Communions of the Novena. The names will be placed on the altar during the nine days. If you are loyal to your deceased friends, you will see that their names are registered.

Another Charity.

On the third Sunday of each month the collection taken up in the Masses is devoted to the foreign missions. On the third Sunday in September the collection, amounting to $64.00, was turned over to the home conducted by the Sisters at the University of Bon for Catholic girls studying at the University. Next Sunday the collection will be for the Holy Cross Mission in Bengal, India, where priests and brothers, a great many of them from Notre Dame, have undertaken the task of converting thirty millions of pagans. Money in India goes about ten times as far as it does here; and you may be sure that none of it will be spent on foolishness.

Coming Late to Mass.

There seems to be an epidemic of carelessness with regard to the obligation of hearing Mass—the whole Mass. This epidemic does not seem to prevail with regard to football games and dances. You can call it laziness or carelessness if you will, but it really simmers down to lack of intelligence or lack of faith.

If you were told that you would receive five dollars if you were present at a certain place at 6:30 on Sunday morning, you would not need an alarm clock or a bell to get you up in time. A few years ago students used to wait up all night to get a chance to lay down fifteen dollars for a room reservation at eight o'clock the next morning. And if you have any faith in the Mass, coupled with ordinary intelligence, you will certainly not hold the graces of the Mass in less esteem than five dollars.

How long will five dollars be of service in supplying your wants? Not very long in the hands of most of you. And how long will the graces of Mass be of service? It depends upon how long you are dead. If you want to understand something about spiritual values, read the pamphlet, "Supernatural Merit," and if you want to apply this to the Mass, read any one of the pamphlets on the Mass that you will find at the pamphlet rack.

St. Michael, Pray for Us.

Two weeks in succession the football team has gone through a game without taking time out for injuries. Next Saturday the team wants to go through the game without taking time out to breathe. The patron of the Nebraska game is one of the archangels who stands
before the face of God in heaven. Ask his powerful aid for the strength and protection of the team. And remember the boys in Holy Communion.

John F. O'Hara, C.S.C.,
Prefect of Religion.