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April 2, 1925.

For Father Albertson's Mother.

The Mass of Exposition at 5:30 tomorrow will be for the repose of the soul of Father Albertson's mother, who died Tuesday night. Every student in the University is urged to offer Holy Communion and the indulgence for this intention tomorrow morning, and to keep it in his prayer during the Adoration through the day.

Prayers.

Five students ask prayers for deceased relatives or friends, four for sick persons, and five for special intentions.

Questionnaires.

The returns since the last report are: Middle West, 43; East 16; South, 6; West, 5; Southwest, 1; unclassified 1.

We are still 172 short of last year's total—although we are away ahead of last year's tone.

Confession Tonight.

Please do not delay your confession until tomorrow morning. The crowd will be too large.

Survey Briefs.

I.

"Frankly, as you say, frequent Communion is about the only thing that keeps a man's self-respect above that common feeling of the types we find 'in the world'. It creates a feeling of pride in a man's decency."

II.

"Few of us feel disposed to seek spiritual advice outside of confession." Figures are against you. Forty-six per cent of last year's questionnaires had an affirmative answer to that question. The report will appear soon, and you can see what they have to say about it.

III.

"Better suggestions should be made in the confessional, not long sermons, but brief points knocked into the head of the penitent." It helps wonderfully if the penitent asks for advice. The priest does not want to be saying the same thing over and over, and he is apt to be doing so when he does not know who the penitent is and what he has told him before, if anything. Further, penitents wanting advice should ask for it when the confessional is not too crowded. A good many hints of spiritual advice are broadcasted on the Bulletin, which is intended to cover just such matters.

IV.

"How often should one make a general confession? Before I am twenty-one I would like to make sure that my soul is spotless." A general confession is necessary only when one is certain that he has made a bad confession in the past that has never been rectified; it is advised when one is making a change of life—commencement, marriage, entrance into religion, etc; it is customary with many people to make an annual review. It should never be permitted to scrupulous persons, if you are not scrupulous you may make one whenever you like. Ask your confess
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advice about it, and get his help if you make it.

Statistics.

The number of Communions during March was 32,955; the daily average, 1063. The total for the year thus far is 161,175—an increase of 16,000 over the same period last year, and equal to the total for the whole previous year.

To The Freshman Who Asked Four Questions:

Ask the third question of your confessor, and the other three of the Prefect of Discipline. They are all matters outside the scope of the Bulletin.

John F. O'Hara, C.S.C.,
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