Religious Bulletin
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Prayers.

Bart O’Hara, of Carroll Hall, has received word that his father is in serious condition. Father Lahey’s father died about noon yesterday.

Two Kinds of Protection.

We are having a Novena to the Little Flower for Protection. We are praying that through her intercession God will protect us this year from grave harm — from accident, serious illness, and death. There is another kind of protection that is personal — spiritual insurance — it is living in the state of grace, so that if God calls us suddenly we will not be unprepared.

Most of the student deaths of the past few years have been sudden; this is in itself a sufficient argument for us to live in the state of grace. And it is so easy to do that at Notre Dame.

Hear Mass.

There is a new booklet on the Mass ("The Morning Sacrifice") available at the pamphlet rack. It is one more plea for you to begin the day with the most stupendous Act the world has ever known, the sacrifice of the Son of God for the sins of the world.

The opportunities for receiving Holy Communion outside of Mass, intended for the convenience of those who can’t hear Mass and as an accommodation to those who have not worked up the fervor to hear, should not lead you to conclude that the Mass is non-essential. Hear Mass. Nothing in your day can be more important than the Mass; nothing can make you happier, in time or in eternity.

Read literature on the Mass. You will find many explanatory booklets on the Mass in the shelves of the pamphlet rack; Brother Alphonsus has books on the Mass in the Apostolato Library in Browne Hall. Above all — Hear Mass.

Friday’s Communion.

Don’t forget that your Holy Communion day after tomorrow is pledged to the retreat master, Fr. O’Donnell. He is giving you his best efforts. Show appreciation.

Pray for Those Who Can’t.

Pray for those who can’t make the Mission. Pray that Divine Providence will so shape things that they can receive the Sacraments before long. The following classes of students can’t make the Mission:

1. Bigamists and those married to divorced women if they refuse to give up their partners in sin;
2. Horse thieves who refuse to make restitution;
3. Habitual drunkards who will not give up drink;
4. Murderers who refuse to support the families of their victims;
5. Any others who will not make good damage done or who prefer an occasion of sin to God as their last end.

HOLY COMMUNION IS DISTRIBUTED IN THE SORIN HALL CHAPEL ALL MORNING; CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD ALL DAY. **GO BECAUSE YOU CAN.**