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Are You Just A Plain Quitter?

If you are concerned about the condition of Coach Rockne, you did not give much evidence of it yesterday. And we have to take it on faith that you are backing the team for next Saturday. The impression you give is that you have seen a good game and are satisfied that the team doesn't need your prayers any longer.

Injuries? It seems that so long as you can walk and swing your arms at the table it makes no difference what happens to the other fellow. There have been some costly injuries to the team this fall -- last Saturday more than ever. And your response to the appeal for prayers for the team was weaker than ever.

It means inconvenience, of course. The inconvenience includes such important items as fasting a few minutes, perhaps getting out of bed ten minutes earlier, and going to confession -- which is certainly a serious inconvenience if you have let yourself forget that you have a spiritual nature and a supernatural destiny. And that much inconvenience is just too much for a quitter to overcome.

What Someone Has Done For Your Church.

The following extracts from a letter received recently by the Chairman of the Committee for the Restoration of the church will interest you:

".... I received your letter, together with the proposals for the restoration of the Sacred Heart Church which will be a real wonder after you get through with it.

"I am very glad to have a share in this marvelous work.... It is with the greatest pleasure that I enclose a draft for $10,000.00, to be applied to the new altar rail...

"I am doing this for a special intention and I would ask you to keep my name as a secret of confession..... For purposes of publication it will suffice to attribute the amount to 'A Donor.'"

One wonders which to admire most in the gift, its magnanimity or its modesty. That the first large donation should be for a new altar rail seems eminently fitting in this citadel of the Blessed Sacrament; it seems equally appropriate that this tribute to the Hidden God should come from a hidden donor. And to complete the spiritual harmony that forms the setting for the gift it should be added that it came on the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, who looks down upon our church from her niche above the Bernini altar.

On the bulletin board in your hall you will find a brief statement of the needs of your church. Read this statement. Know your church. It is a beautiful church, and one of the most prayerful churches in the country. It was built in a time when money was scarce and is a monument to the sacrifices of poverty. But the ravages of time are upon it, and in addition it calls for completion. Each class has been assigned a portion of the work. Look into the matter and see what you can do to fill out the quota of your class, and make your church the house of God as it should be. What others have done has been your inspiration; your deeds can inspire the Notre Dame men of succeeding years.

Crucifixes.

There is a new supply at the rack. They are for your rooms. Don't send them away until the campus needs are filled.

Prayers: Four special intentions. The mother of Charles Greene, a student last year, has just undergone an operation and is quite ill. Thomas Magee asks prayers for his mother who underwent an operation Saturday.