Let's Make Tomorrow a Day of Reparation.

A student has received word from his home town that the Blessed Sacrament was carried away from the parish church by robbers who ransacked the place. This is a particularly shocking crime. And when we reflect that Our Blessed Lord foresaw this when He instituted the Blessed Sacrament, we understand better how great was the love He showed us since, in spite of this and similar outrages that would occur—sacriligious Communions, for instance—He was still willing to place Himself entirely at our command. The reason was, of course, the good that would come to those who use this Blessed Sacramento for their sanctification.

Here at Notre Dame, where devotion to the Blessed Sacrament dominates our life, it would seem that we have a particular duty of reparation for outrages offered to Our Eucharistic God. And while every Holy Communion, every Adoration, every visit should contain the motive of reparation, and while the First Friday is dedicated especially to that duty, it would seem proper that the Vigil of Pentecost, a day of special penance in preparation for the coming of the Holy Ghost, should be made a day of reparation.

Sign cards for adoration tomorrow. Although there are 49 signatures for the 20 half-hours tomorrow, they are not so distributed that they cover the whole day with two adorers each half-hour. Look over the gaps at the pamphlet rack; see that there is an abundance of adorers. And make sacrifices. The Rt. Rev. Bishop has dispensed you from the fast and abstinence, but that does not excuse from penance.

Offer your reparation not only for the specific outrage which is mentioned above, but also for the following:

1. The desecration and burning of churches in Spain;
2. The war on religion in Russia and China;
3. The unworthy Communions offered by sacriligious Catholics;
4. The neglect of preparation and thanksgiving on the part of some frequent communicants.

During the last half-hour of adoration tomorrow, there will be recited a special act of reparation for sacrilege; the Benediction will begin at 5:30, as usual.

The Next Class For The Novitiate

One month from today, June 22, a class will enter the Novitiate to begin the first year of religious life in the Congregation of Holy Cross. Three graduates of the University are preparing to enter with this class. If any present student has the desire to enter, he should ask a priest about it at once if he wishes to enter this year. There are certain papers to be presented—a baptismal record, testimonial letters, etc., and it takes time to arrange for these matters. Don’t wait to be asked; that’s not the Notre Dame way. If you are in doubt and want help in reaching your decision, ask any priest; there are no obligations and no charges arising from such consultation.

A Rush Office

Corby, Baldwin, Howard, Horrissy, and Lyons Hall students will be interested in this: For the rest of the year (beginning Sunday) Mass times for confession and Holy Communion will be offered daily in the south chapel of Howard Hall from 7:00-11:11 a.m. Father J. A. Meier will be in charge; you will find him in the chapel or in room 108.

PRAYERS: Mr. Ginder’s father is ill; Joe Herrity’s mother is in danger of an operation; Jordan Drager’s father is in the hospital; a cousin of Geo. Seeling is very ill. Frank Widger asks prayers for his mother, who is critically ill, and for a cousin, Tom Cunningham, who was killed in an accident a few days ago. Kind special intentions.