Meeting of The Chesterton Society (postponed from last Monday) will be held... University of Notre Dame in Law Building at 8 p.m...

"Light of the World" in Washington!

From Jerome Kane, 19 Morrissey Hall, comes this timely letter:

"I couldn't help but become enthusiastic over the work that is being done towards the building of a statue to Christ the King to be placed in Washington, D.C. Anyone reading Our Sunday Visitor of October 11 concerning this statue must feel the same as I do.

"With Communism such an issue today both in politics and religion it seems to me that this project would be of unpredictable influence towards a return to Christianity in the United States. I thought that perhaps through the Bulletin a plea could be made for a group-contribution to this movement. Such offerings have been given before for worthwhile causes, and surely this great memorialization of Christ in our capital would meet with a response from the students. If attention could be called to page 5 of last Sunday's Sunday Visitor, no true Notre Dame man could resist its appeal....

"The struggle to place such a statue in Washington must recall to us all the fight that Father Sorin and the other great men of Notre Dame made to place the figure of the Blessed Virgin on the Dome. To me it carries the same significance, only on a broader scale. That gold statue up there on the Main Building proves that this now statue of Christ, the Light of the World, can be placed in Washington.

"What do you think, Father?"

Why we think so much of it that the Bulletin's campaign starts herewith. First, read the paragraphs (by Rev. John J. Preston) from Our Sunday Visitor, to which Jerry Kane refers:

"Man has ever sought to immortalize the memory of their great by statues and monuments. This nation has been no exception, but for Christ, the greatest of the great, we seem to have no place.

"There must be room for Christ among us! We must erect a glorious tribute to the King of Kings.

"His majestic figure will be a sermon in bronze. His benign countenance will smile down upon the millions that pass the thoroughfares of America's Capital....

"The monument to Christ, the Light of the World, will be a masterpiece of art. Into this, the Symbol of a Faith, Hope, and Love, will be placed all the beauty and perfection that the skill of artists can create. It will be an outward sign of your inward love....

"Everyone may have the joy of bringing Christ's sweet Sermon on the Mount to countless members of their fellowmen. Their work will last for years alone but will go on and on through the centuries, the richness of its blessings falling upon the souls of its members and benefactors...."

Every Christian should make some contribution to this majestic statue of Christ as "Light of the World." Mail your donation, however small, to Prefect of Religion, Notre Dame, Indiana, or leave it at 117 Dillon Hall. Students who will volunteer to canvass their own halls should see their rector and start work with his approval, immediately. The combined contributions of students and of other readers of the Bulletin we shall forward to Our Sunday Visitor, Huntington, Indiana, which is carrying on the national campaign.