Lenten services tonight, at 7 and 7:30. Fr. Hirsch C.S.C. will preach.

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Hurry Slowly.

Love at first sight is romantic. But take a second look at her. It's far better to be sensible than sensational.

If love is blind, you'd better pray for light. A life-time is too short to regret your Miss-Take.

Don't lose your head. Marriage must be an affair of the mind, not merely of the heart. Clear thinking should clear the way for your choice of a life partner.

If true love exists between husband and wife, it will be nine-tenths grace and common sense, and one-tenth emotion.

Don't rush into a hasty, unprepared marriage. Let the sunshine of reason dissipate the celestial, romantic fog which befuddles your love-struck brain.

A Catholic marriage is a life sentence. What will yours be? A prison? or a paradise?

Catholics should prepare well for marriage. Every student who expects to marry someday needs a sober, remote preparation now. Gin marriages last about as long as a soap bubble on a hot brick.

What About You?

Can you choose a good wife? The smart man often gets fooled, and hitchs himself to a youthful, well-painted, sloe-eyed creature, who, in later years turns out to be just an old nag. Don't let the sloe-eyes deceive you.

Will you be a good husband? Not unless you have disciplined yourself in the school of self-sacrifice. If you don't conquer your selfishness now, true love will haunt you, but you will never possess it. Begin now to slice off those cold chunks of selfishness which will make your married life a failure.

If you are an ill-tempered, inconsiderate sort of rascal, too sensitive about the faults of your wife, you'd better look out for the worse. There's not much romance in a dirty kitchen sink...insipid coffee...undernourished and buttonless shirts...squealing babies at two o'clock in the morning. Prepare prayerfully for better or for worse.

The Novena for a happy marriage starts tomorrow. Pray that you may get a good wife, and that you may make her a good husband. Go to St. Joseph in whom God placed a sacred trust. For some day you too hope to be the protector and the provider for your family. Go to Mass and Communion, and recite the Litany of St. Joseph for 9 consecutive days.

PRAYERS: (deceased) grandmother of Redman Duggan (Sorin); Frank Fox, uncle of Byron Gage (Howard); Ill, aunt of Martin Shaen (Zahn); (seriously) father of Hill Holbaugh (Zahn); uncle of Thos. King (Eda.); Dr. Edgar Lucas; friend of Robert Weaver (Dill). Five special intentions.