Today is the Feast of St. Joseph. St. Joseph’s humility will excuse yesterday’s obituary Bulletin crowding him out of special notice. But don’t let St. Joseph ever be crowded out of your life.

He’s too important. God chose him to be the husband of Mary and the protector of His Divine Son. The Church has made him patron of the universal church and also patron of a happy death.

No weakling, he was a man’s man, a carpenter who time and again showed prudence, courage, loyalty and chastity. To find God, a solitary life in the desert was not necessary for St. Joseph. He was in the world and found God where he was. He sanctified his work by carrying God with him into the workshop. The common, daily duties of life he offered to God.

Every Wednesday is devoted to him by the Church. Every Wednesday throughout the school year ask him for prudence, courage, loyalty and chastity. Ask him also each Wednesday that someday you may head a family of which St. Joseph and Our Lady will be proud.

Has Lent Got You Down?

The Bulletin on marriage, necessarilyinterrupted, will be continued in a day or two. Meanwhile, you’ll enjoy the Bengal Bouts preliminaries tonight (8:00) better if you first stop at the Main Church for Benediction. The Sermon tonight will give you a "lift" if this Lenten penance is getting you down.

Get Tonight’s Message.

God did not make us merely to know Him. The damned know Him, and are in Hell. He made us to love Him, and, in love, to serve Him. By the Incarnation, He made Himself an object more easily loved by the human heart. By incorporation into His Mystical Body, He elevates us to participation in the perfect power of love that is the Sacred Heart.

Love needs to act; else it languishes. Mere words are too cheap to suffice for the nourishment of love. Yet how can we readily do anything for the perfectly self-sufficient God, how can we do anything even for the Sacred Humanity of Our Head, now in completest beatitude? We act our love by keeping His commandments; we act our love by serving Him in His members. "If you love Me, keep My commandments"; "What you do to one of these, My least brethren, you do unto Me".

Christianity is not then a loveless burden, but essentially a love that lifts the burden of life. God alone is to be loved; but in loving Him we give all-embracing range to our love; we elevate it to eternally enduring values.

Masses & Communions

Since Lent began, cigarette sales have increased 25%:
attendance at Mass and Communion has decreased 25%:
o no connection but just mentioned in passing.

You began Lent well. Don’t wilt. The "Fighting Irish" have always been known for their strong finishes.
Sure, it’s difficult to get up early for Mass and Communion—but thorough-breds don’t quit.

FRAYRE (deceased) mother of Howard DaVault’32; grandmother of J. R. Mora (anniv); Pat McGee; father of Bob Gillespie (anniv); brother of Joe Fritter (How); friend of John O’Malley ’32; Ill; Ed Meredith ’30; grandmother of G. Frawick (W). 6 sp., int.