Tomorrow pray with Christ at Mass. Use Lenten Missal.

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February 24, 1942 Benediction at 5:00

The Wednesday Night Services.

Tomorrow, the Wednesday night Lenten devotions will begin. At 7:00 and 7:30 in the Church there will be a sermon followed by Benediction. The Lenten series will be preached by Father Bernard Mullahy, C.S.C., Assistant Superior of Moreau Seminary and professor of philosophy. The upperclassmen will remember Fr. Mullahy for his powerful, thought-provoking sermons given on various occasions last year. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed Wednesday all day as usual, and through the supper hour, until the last Benediction.

Old Rivals Tonight - A Hard Game.

Show our opponents tonight that you, to the man, are just as gentlemanly towards them as every player on the basketball squad. Follow the example of the team and manifest every sign of good sportsmanship.

On What Side Are You In This Argument?

There was a heated argument the other day in one corner of the campus over a question of theology. Sides had been taken over the following question: May one who has committed a deliberate mortal sin after his last confession go to Holy Communion without first approaching the confessional and obtaining the absolution of the priest?

The Answer: One is forbidden to receive Holy Communion without confession, if he is conscious of an unconfessed mortal sin committed since his last confession. A perfect act of contrition does restore grace and God’s friendship to the soul. The Church, however, requires the confession of all mortal sins before the reception of the Eucharist. Holy Communion may be received without going to confession where only venial sins have been committed.

There may be many pressing reasons for wanting to receive Communion - it’s Christmas, the family is going in a body, it’s the last day of a novena. But if there is an unconfessed mortal sin, the person may not receive. The fact that a confessor is not present, or is present but is busy with many confessions, is not a legitimate excuse for substituting the perfect act of contrition for the Sacrament of Penance.

The "Normandie" Disaster.

Nothing is more consoling to a person who is in danger of death than the touch of a gentle hand and the sound of the encouraging words: "I am a Catholic priest. I am here to help you".

The victims of the "Normandie" fire were not without the consolation of a priest. More than fifty priests of New York rushed from their parishes to the fire to minister to the injured. One priest was injured during the rescue work and had to be given hospital treatment. A newspaper account says that sailors warned priests of the possible explosion of large stores of smokeless powder in the hold. Apparently only in that danger zone could some priests do their work, for they remained there and gave absolution to the injured as they were carried out of the ship on stretchers.

A Piece of Bread.

After the recent snowstorm, someone extended his charity to God’s irrational creatures. The piece of bread placed on the snow in the rear of the Main Building was a blessing to the birds. The snow makes it doubly difficult for them to find bits of sustenance.

PRAYERS: (Deceased) father of Sister Marie Ann, O.P.; Mr. J. T. Prendergast, father of Sister Mary Agnese, S.P.; Nine special intentions.