Sermon, Ben. to
night 7:00 & 7:30

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Benediction Sat.
at 11:30 A.M.

Freshmen, Please Observe.

Freshmen are not permitted to attend the 10:00 Sunday Mass. Violations of this rule have caused an overcrowding of the church to such an extent that members of the congregation have been forced to take places which prevented them from seeing the altar and from entering into the ceremonies of the Sacrifice with the proper devotion.

Freshmen may attend the 6,7 and 8:30 o'clock Masses. The 8:30 Mass, though a High Mass, is finished within one hour, the same length of time taken by the other Masses. It is a matter of obedience to keep this regulation which has been observed for years by other freshmen classes.

Vestment Display in Sacristy.

You will miss a real opportunity if you don't drop into the sacristy of the Church Sunday sometime between 2 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

Once or twice a year, the sacristy of Sacred Heart Church is opened to the students and there is put on display the many beautiful sacred vestments and vessels in the possession of Notre Dame. Some of the articles have great American historical value.

Among the objects on display will be the gold vestments given to Notre Dame by Napoleon III, the hand embroidered prize vestments of the World Exposition in St. Louis in 1904, hand embroidered vestments made in China by French nuns, the vestments used at the Consecration of Bishop O'Hara, former President of Notre Dame, the white skull cap of Pope Pius X.

Someone will be in the sacristy to give a description of the objects and to answer questions. The display can still be seen after the Benedictions on Sunday evening. Be careful. Don't handle the articles.

Purity of St. Thomas.

The family of St. Thomas was opposed to his desire to become a Dominican friar. In order to make him change his decision his brothers employed a lewd woman and sent her to tempt the young Thomas. As soon as Thomas saw the temptress, he seized a flaming brand from the fireplace and chased the woman away with it. And then he drew the sign of the Cross on the wall of the cell where the family held him prisoner, and fell on his knees in gratitude to God for the heavenly assistance given him to conquer this temptation. This victory won for Thomas a great grace - never again did he feel any attraction to things of the flesh.

Tomorrow is the feast of St. Thomas, scholar, philosopher, saint. Ask him to support you in all temptations against the virtue of purity. Like St. Thomas, learn to be prompt in changing your thoughts when assailed by impure images. St. Thomas got rid of the occasion of sin - so must you: books, persons, pictures, shows, whatever it is that leads you into danger. God loves acts of gratitude; thank Him for all your victories in temptation.

Suggestions For Your Week-End.

1. Study for the midsemester exams to be faced next week.
2. Exercise, at least a walk in the fresh air.
3. Write that long overdue letter to the folks.
4. Quiet your nerves by prayer and the talk by Msgr. Sheen at 5:00 Sunday.