Afternoon and Evening Mass For Service Men.

This is a privilege recently granted by the Holy See to men in the armed forces of the United States. Mass may be said only for the military personnel who cannot attend morning Mass. And note – this privilege refers not to Sunday afternoon and evening but week days and holy days. An exception is made in the case of certain posts which follow a seven-day schedule which will not permit general attendance at Mass on Sunday mornings.

Archbishop Spellman, Military Delegate, in announcing this new faculty stated that chaplains and men in many camps have given evidence of a desire to sacrifice their afternoon recreation hour so that they can attend Mass and receive Holy Communion. For both the celebrant and communicants a fast of four hours from solid foods and one hour from liquids is prescribed.

A Soldier in Bataan and Mass.

The South Bend Tribune has been publishing the "Bataan Diary" of Lieut. Tom Gerrity. On February 15 the Lieutenant made this entry.

"Went to church this morning to 8:30 mass said by Father Duggy in a leafy covering of Jungle. During Mass I pondered over the many Masses I've heard under other circumstances, and yet how peaceful was this one even with gunfire and the drone of enemy planes."

1200 Need To Do Some Thinking.

With Mass and Holy Communion within easy reach, about this number fail to meet Christ in the morning. They should think of their lost opportunities of bettering themselves and overcoming faults. It may take an army or navy uniform and a fleet of enemy dive bombers above them to bring some to the realization that God and the soul are all important. Better attendance at the hall Mass or the 7:10 Mass in Dillon or Cavanaugh – and at the Communion rail – will indicate that the service men cannot out-sacrifice the students in caring for their souls.

Get A Calendar.

Pick up a new 1942 calendar at any office of the Prefect of Religion in Dillon, Cavanaugh or Breen-Phillips. Circle the days you have given to Christ by Holy Communion. Cross out those days you have missed. The number of crosses will show you the way you are drifting.

From "Bits Out of Life" (Ave Maria)

"Character is what you are in the dark." Dwight Moody.

"We use religion like a trolley car. We ride within only when it is going in our direction." Austin O'Healley.

Backbone -- mattress . . . . . . . .

PRAYERS: (deceased) daughter of James Lynch, '40; anniv. of aunt of Paul O'Connell; father of Fr. John Gallagher, C.S.C. Two special intentions.