An Appeal For Purity

Do you want to be perfectly chaste? He who would even hesitate to say "yes" has lost a great deal of his manhood and his sense of decency. Wednesday ought to be more than a free day for you. It ought to be a day on which you want to show that you desire to be pure in mind and body. Wednesday is a special day for this dedication, because it is the feast of purity, the Immaculate Conception of Mary. Certainly you desire purity. Then prove it Wednesday to God, to Our Blessed Lady and to your fellow students, by bringing your pure body to receive the Eucharist.

How can proof be given at the Communion rail?

Well, don't we judge a person by the company he keeps? In Holy Communion we come into relationship with two persons, with Christ and His pure body, and with Mary and her body -- don't forget that her most pure body formed the pure body of Christ.

At the rail, therefore, you will show God your earnest desire to keep pure. Let no one be touched by impurity on this feast day, or ever. If your conscience bothers you, go to confession immediately.

Maybe your roommate has not heard of this appeal for purity. Tell him about it, and encourage him to kneel at the rail Wednesday with all the others true sons of the Mother of God.

Father Schmidt On the Job Again

"Thanks for your wonderful contribution for our convent, school and other special charities. The latest case before me is a family that has been begging for food on the streets, a mother and five children, the oldest ten years and the smallest a baby. I found the family in the closest thing to a pig pen I've ever seen: mud floor, tin and cardboard walls. "Filthy" was no word for what I saw. Yet those people were human. They were hungry and had only the mud-caked rags on their backs. How could I tell them to clean up when I looked at that dirt-floor? I gave the mother a little money for food, and I am getting folks interested in getting lumber so that my man Juan can build a little place for these down-and-outers."

PRAYERS: (deceased) John Grimes, generous benefactor of Father Peyton's Family Theater program; Sister M. Agnes, SSJ. (Ill) mother of John Moran (Dil); Mrs. Tim Kehoe and Mrs. Ed Fagan, aunts of John and Joe McGonigle (Dil).

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