Christmas Greetings

A happy and most blessed Christmas to all of you, your parents and relatives, from this department as well as from all the priests and Brothers and Sisters and all members of the Congregation of Holy Cross. For hundreds of you, next Saturday will be just one more of the many Christmas's you have been experiencing daily since your arrival on the campus—every day at Mass and Communion adds up to so many visits to Christ in the stable as well as to the foot of the Cross. That is why the daily Mass-men and the frequent communicants will experience, and deservedly so, a measure of happiness next Saturday that will be full and overflowing.

Don't forget to thank God Christmas morning for the great gift of your Catholic Faith—It is only in your Church that we find the true and complete realization of Christmas (CHRIST'S MASS). We offer our felicitation also to the late starters who finally did come around to taste and see that the Lord is sweet—and that parents do deserve a break. Your Novenas for parents will be the best Christmas present your mothers and fathers will have received.

As for the also-ranners, who dropped out of the race after the first lap, and who are still in mortal sin, we urge you to drop around and do some last minute Christmas shopping for your soul's sake—basement chapel at 6:30 P.M. (Dillon and Cavanaugh 7:30-10:100). College students every year die on the highways en-route to their homes and the law of averages does not exempt Notre Dame. Anyway, a Christless Christmas is no Christmas. Rememorber also that Saturday is a day of Fast and Abstinence.

May the Divine Child bestow His choicest blessings on you & and on your loved ones Christmas Day and every day of the coming New Year.

Prayers: Deceased: Father of Gene Torsoli (EP); critically ill: father of Jerry Torraca('50); seriously ill: father of Jack (Al) and Bob (CC) Murray; father of Jerry Howell (D); ill: mother of Jim Sates(Al); friend of Jim Schaeffer(CV); a spol. instn.

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W/DAY SERMON: DISTRACTIONS IN PRAYER (Fr. Ritor, Fr. Brown).