Free Advice For Seniors.

1. Frequently pastors complain that too many Catholic college graduates do not take active part in parochial affairs and are too passive and inarticulate. Resolve to visit your pastor and offer your services.


3. Your leadership will express itself in so far as you orientate your talents and abilities in the service of others, not in the service of yourselves only. A timely editorial in the recent issue of TODAY puts it this way: "Difficult as it is to avoid the occasions of sin, it is still less difficult than accepting occasions of service. It is comfortable to fold a surface Christianity over us and to go to sleep under the covers. There is a kind of self-justifying warmth in being able to assure ourselves that, regardless of how sinful others may be, we are in the state of grace. And there is another little self-deception we use, i.e., the ideal that other people are called upon to do the work of the Church--we have enough trouble saving our own souls."

4. "Without Me you can do nothing." Without daily prayer and frequent reception of the Sacraments you will not get to first base spiritually. If attendance at daily Mass is more or less impossible (?) make it a special point to receive Communion on Sundays and holydays of obligation.

5. Live with your Rosary. Before leaving the campus promise--not under pain of sin necessarily--to pray the Rosary daily. And when the family comes along--say the Daily Family Rosary.

Take The Initiative.

Institutionalized training and a prevailing "democratic" spirit tend to curtail personal initiative. When you leave here you are on your own. The responsibility of the Church's welfare will rest like a cross on your shoulders. God has given you all the time you have and the education you now possess. How much of it are you going to give back to Him? He will ask an account of every moment at Judgment.

If you have become a regular Catholic at Notre Dame, don't lapse once you quit the campus. If you were the right kind of Catholic before you came here, don't give Notre Dame a black eye by becoming an indifferent Catholic as an alumnus. Plan now during the few remaining weeks just how "hot" your Catholic temperature will be. Normal?.... Below normal?.....Above normal?

Stamps Stamp-ede Satan.

Continue to save your cancelled stamps. Holy Cross seminarians collect and sell them for the missions. A fine spirit of cooperation has been shown already and the returns have been gratifying. One generous soul dropped a dollar bill into the stamp box. Well, dollar bills help too. Anyhow, the seminarians wanted us to thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Note: In any zone where there is Daylight Saving Time, the Eucharistic Fast may begin no later than 1:00 a.m., because according to Standard Time it is then 12 o'clock.