Deceased: father of Eugene Sullivan, '49; uncle of R. Mahon (Ho); uncle of Mrs...University of Notre Dame Religious Bulletin

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Dennis O'Neill, of Cleveland; brother of Rev. Speer Strahan; Pat Thomas (B-P), '53.

Unique Occasion.

Notre Dame graduate James L. Rizer, '30, former Air Force Command, will be ordained Ascension Thursday in the convent of the Visitation Nuns, Richmond, Virginia, where his mother is a professed religious. His brother is also a priest of the Richmond Diocese. The Bulletin congratulates Rev. James Rizer and asks its readers to kindly remember him and his mother in their best prayers. (A widow, with the proper canonical dispensation, may enter the religious life if she has acquitted her family obligations and her children will no longer be in need of her support.)

Warm Heart!....Cold Feet?

Unless some men get cold feet, we might have fifteen Notre Dame students and alumni who will enter the Novitiate next August. But that number isn't enough. We need more that that each year... If you have been seriously thinking of the priesthood as your vocation, the best environment to find out whether you have what it takes is in the seminary or novitiate. The thought that God may be calling you may be a source of worry. The most logical place to solve that worry is in confession or in consultation with a priest. He'll give you the low-down or the high-up on what's required to take the first step. The important thing to keep in mind is—do something about it! The grace of a vocation to the priesthood is one of the greatest God can offer mortal man.

New Missals Are In.

A new supply of missals, sold at an appreciable discount, is in. Those who have learned to follow the Mass with the missal will not now go to Mass without one. The Mass is your sacrifice as well as it is the celebrant's. Observe how frequently the plural forms are used. For example, the prayer ORATE FRATRES..."Brethren, pray that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father almighty."

Notre Dame Fan Writes.

"Dear Father:... Notre Dame is such a powerhouse that its students could change not only our own country but the world. Not too many years ago the Notre Dame boys started to wear scapular medals and chains. This admirable custom spread like wildfire. You perhaps can remember how few men ever wore medals previous to that time. If the students would now make a drive for modest bathing suits as well and sport suits too, there again could do wonders. Immodesty in dress among men as well as among women is becoming alarming spiritually." (-- Mrs. C.D.)

You Need Glasses, Butch.

The Bulletin of May 11 stated: "The obligation to hear the WHOLE Mass on Sundays and holydays of obligation binds under pain of sin, so much so that you are obligated to make up the part missed at another Mass if there be one." (College men ought to know the Consecration and Communion should be heard at the same Mass.)

But, you sin gravely if, on a Sunday or holyday, you thru wilful negligence come to Your Mass of obligation as the priest is unveling the chalice—even if you hear the rest of the Mass to the end... You also sin gravely if you come at the Gospel and then leave at the Communion... And you do not hear Mass at all if you come in after the Consecration... A venial sin is committed if through wilful negligence you miss any minor part of your Mass of obligation—for example, coming in during the Gospel or leaving during the Postcommunion.

Prayers: Ill (critically) Joe Benda, '28; father of Ray Schmidt (O-C); wife of L. Rossiter, '32; grandmother of W. MacMillan (Bad); mother of J. Hordan, '50; uncle of Ken Hoelscher (Ly); brother of Paul J. Allwine. Special Intentions 17.