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Tonight: The Outdoor Mass

At 8 p.m. tonight, at the Fatima Shrine, opposite the entrance to St. Mary's College, the faithful of the surrounding area will gather for the Outdoor Mass which terminates the Novena.

While St. Ed's, Farley, and Zahm halls will comprise the Official Pilgrimage Group representing the University, you are all welcome to attend, giving this evening to the Mother of God and Her Son in a way that you will long remember. It will be a splendid demonstration of Faith. Indeed, it might be the nearest you will ever get to Fatima itself -- this historic evening at the shrine on campus! It will be a night of devotion beneath the stars honoring the Queen of Heaven -- with Calvary before your eyes.

Bishop Fulton Sheen once wrote: "Rain, mud, a night without sleep, and love of Our Lady -- these things make Fatima. A few all-night vigils might do much for America and the peace of the world. The future is known only to God; but the future depends on how we spend our nights and days!"

How are things with you -- and your family -- spiritually, physically, materially? How are things with you intellectually? Could you, or the family, use the fruits of the Mass? Of a Rosary? Need any help in the coming exams?

And if everything is tip-top on all fronts, why then you might give God a moment of thanks, you know!

Distribution of Holy Communion

To receive Communion at the evening Mass, observe a fast of three hours from solid foods -- and one hour from liquid foods. Those who received this morning are not eligible to receive again this evening.

Charity Towards Converts

"Possibly few Catholics realize how lonesome converts are. They have given up much to become Catholics. Sometimes their families are bitter; often their friends (former friends) are puzzled and aloof. A Catholic Church can be a very cold and lonesome place for a convert who has so few Catholic acquaintances. All of us Catholics might well examine our consciences on what practical welcome we have given our converts. Even a warm greeting on Sunday morning is not enough. We need to cultivate them as neighbors, ask them to 'our doings,' and give them something to do to let them feel they are contributing to the Church for which they have sacrificed much more than the rest of us." (Bishop William O'Brady of Sioux Falls, S.D.)

We're Looking For Blood!

Care to contribute a pint of blood? We'll need about a dozen pints to tide us over until fall. Always there are emergencies during the summer session that depend upon our charity. Drop in at the Prefect of Religion's office (117 Dillon) and make arrangements for an appointment at the Blood Bank, this week.

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PRAYERS REQUESTED - Deceased: father of Gerry Webster of Morrissey; relative of Prof. and Mrs. Norbert Engels; father of Richard Brosk, '49; Stanley J. Feltier, '27; son of Ken Qualley, '27; mother of Red Smith (Sportswriter); Prof. Donald Plunkett (Biology), Ill: Stella Anderson (operation); mother of Father Williams, CSV; sister of George Pogue of Dillon.