

Sodality

If you have read even this far after seeing the title of the article, you have done better than most. The very word "Sodality" seems to remind people of "goodie-goodies", religion books and all kinds of such evil things. And it is these impressions that give Sodality two strikes before it even gets to bat. It is further true that Sodality almost missed the third strike as well this year. Usually, it is agreed that the Sodality was certainly not as active and was probably not as successful as in past years. However, a new door was opened this year for looking at this organization. Sodality has, and must more, become a way of living, rather than a praying session for one hour every week. It has, and must, become an opportunity to sit down and talk frankly about whatever one may wish, be it girls, dating, drinking, school work or what have you. It seems that too often when teenagers are in a group, they feel that they have to put on a front, and maintain their impression as being a neat guy or a neat girl. In Sodality one can, and should be able to, say anything he or she likes without any fears of anyone holding it against them. And, as Sodalists strive to better themselves together, they need not fear such tags as candy, sissy or goodie-goodie for saying something they feel of a religious nature.

However, Sodality cannot stay within itself. It needs to spread to, and help, others. An example of this was a group discussion with some girls from Notre Dame. Later, this group decided to take about fifty little colored kids on a picnic. This is the type of ACTION that Sodality would like to develop. And, of course, one should not forget the fun and genuine satisfaction experienced in this type of work. Such ideas as speaking straight, playing hard, and helping others are the ones that need to be associated with Sodality. And, although it may have been a very feeble one, I feel that these ideas have had a start this year.



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