

For a while I had to say daily Mass in my room aboard ship. Now a larger room is available. On Sunday we use the Crew's mess hall. Attendance has been pretty good, especially when other ships are in the vicinity. Then too, I hold General Services for the protestant men when it's impossible to send a church party to another ship. Seems strange in many ways, for example to have them come afterwards: "I enjoyed your Service, Father". The navigator, a good catholic with an O', kids me no end about turning my colors, etc. All in fun, as is so common in the Navy.

Word from home is that my mother is feeling quite well. She is still confined to a wheel-chair but fortunately otherwise is O.K.

Kindly relay my respects and regards to the Archbishops. I trust both are well. And if possible, I will be happy to hear from you the latest in the diocese. With best wishes, I remain,

Regards to all

Sincerely in Christ,

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