

1879

# Diary of Father Finn, June 30, 1879 to July 31, 1881

Francis J. Finn

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Diary of  
F. J. Ferris N.S.J.

Beginning from June 30  
1879. Compendium of life

Born Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 1859

Went to <sup>St Louis</sup> University Sept 1869

Left June 1873. Worked at  
Jno J. Daly's for 10 mo's and  
returned to College Apr. 21<sup>st</sup> 1875

Went to novitiate July 10<sup>th</sup> 1877

Dismissed for health ~~the~~ Oct 21<sup>st</sup>

1878. In woods for five months  
and returned to novitiate March 24<sup>th</sup>

1879. .... Addenda made first

Communion and was confirmed on  
the feast of the Patronage of St Joseph. Apr.  
21<sup>st</sup> 1870.

Entered Juniorate <sup>Aug 25<sup>th</sup></sup> March 1879,  
2<sup>nd</sup> class. Left Juniorate and began  
Long Retreat January 18<sup>th</sup> 1880.

On May 16<sup>th</sup> 1880 the Feast of  
Pentecost, I took my vows of  
devotions by permission of Rev.  
Father Provincial (Continued  
further on)

Exercise of Modesty, no. 2.

July 16<sup>th</sup> 1849.

- 1 Wanting in neatness in all things.
- 2 Speaking a great deal of his talents.
- 3 Taking pleasure in making cutting remarks.
- 4 Complaining of things I don't like at table.
- 5 Obstinate in holding my own opinion, and not believing that of others.
- 6 Not careful enough in silence, and lazy tongue.
- 7 Speaking of studies a great deal, especially literature.
- 8 " " " defects of others. &c.
- 9 Laughing at the slips of tongue which others make.
- 10 Scaring my brethren. Combined especially to 2013.
- 11 Talking a great deal of my relations.
- 12 In band, wishing my own will to prevail.
- 13 Boasting of my health and strength.
- 14 Being very free in giving my opinion of the characters and qualities of everyone.

At Breakfast	2
At Supper	1
After Dinner	2
At Prayers	1
After Hours	1
Before supper	1
After Supper	2
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