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“The Lord is Risen”

“He is risen indeed, Alleluia!” With our Easter communion our Easter joy should be full. Jesus, who was dead, now lives in the glorious fullness of the resurrection life. He has opened to all his followers a door through which they may follow Him, in the strength that He imparts to them, into the new supernatural life. The resurrection life is not something which we can enter only when our mortal bodies die. Though then, indeed, we shall begin to experience its fullness, it is a life which is ours now. “Christ, being raised from the dead, dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over Him. For in that He died, He died unto sin once; but in that He liveth, He liveth unto God. Likewise, reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.” Dead unto sin—now! Alive unto God—now! What a wonderful thing it is, instead of saying that we believed the Christian religion, we really did believe it. Suppose we all believed and acted in accordance with those words “dead unto sin, but alive unto God.” How different we would be. How different the world would be. And yet just that is the Easter message; and the Easter fact, if we would only grasp it.

Our Easter offerings, as usual, will be for the support of the parish. I hope they may be generous, a real mark of
gratitude to our Risen Lord for all that He has done for us and for all that He means to us. Last year our Easter offering was the largest in the history of the parish. The past year has brought many anxieties and added responsibilities for many, but your Rector is still confident that our Easter offering will be one of which we need not be ashamed.

May our Blessed Lord lead us all into newness of life.

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IT is regularity that counts in religion as in other matters. A doctor will refuse to treat a patient who fails to take his treatment regularly. We are too easily inclined to treat religion as a matter of feelings only. We are too temperamental in our religious duties. We come to the sacraments when we feel like it. We hear a sermon that stirs our feelings, or we get a good fright, and then we go in for a spurt of pious activity. Religion is being friends with God. True friendship is a constant bond. True friends do not blow hot or cold according to their feelings. They do not play fast and loose, one day very affectionate and gushing, and the next day indifferent and cold. The best friends are those that can be depended on to be always the same and not to give way to their passing feelings. Religion and friendship are matters not of the feelings only, but rather of the will. We ought to have a rule for our friendship with God. Daily prayer, weekly Mass, regular Confession and Communion, abstinence on Fridays and fast before Communion, and regular contributions to the Church, are the five headings for our rule of friendship with God. We must decide how often we will go to Confession and Communion, and what proportion of our income we will give to God. When that has been decided we will do it, feelings or no feelings. We will mark our days for Confession and Communion on the calendar, and nothing will prevent us from keeping our appointments with God. Our Church money will be the first charge on our income each week. That is true friendship. If God gives us holy feelings along with that, praise His Holy Name! If He does not, never mind. “Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven,” saith Our Lord. And, again, “Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you.”

Communion once a year on Easter Day, or during the weeks following, is the minimum by which you can just manage to keep the rule of the Church. Make a fresh start of regular Communion this Easter—monthly, weekly or daily.

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CONFESSIONS will be heard in church on the last four days of Holy Week, according to the following schedule:

Wednesday, March 23: 5 to 6 and 7 to 8 p.m.
Maundy Thursday. March 24: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 3 to 5 and 7 to 8 p.m.
Good Friday. March 25: 12 m. to 5 p.m. 7 to 8 p.m.
Holy Saturday. March 26: 3 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.
The special hours at which individual Fathers hope to be in church will be posted on the notice board in the vestibule.

People waiting for Confession should come up promptly in the order of their arrival in church.
EASTER Day Masses are at 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 a.m. Before the High Mass, admission to the church is by ticket up to the hour of 10.45 a.m. Tickets have been mailed to parishioners and other supporters of St. Mary's. Anyone else may obtain tickets upon application to the Parish Secretary at the Rector's office, 145 West 47th Street, in person or by mail. After 10.45 the doors of the church will be open to the public.

Solemn Vespers and Benediction will be sung in the church at 8 p.m. on Easter Day.

THE Feast of the Annunciation of Our Lady, or Lady Day as it is sometimes called, falling this year on Good Friday, it is transferred to the Monday after Low Sunday and so will be kept on April 4th instead of March 25th.

THE Guild of St. Mary of the Cross, which works for the support of St. Mary's Summer Home at Keyport, has planned a cake sale to be held in St. Joseph's Hall on the afternoon of Wednesday, March 30th. The guild will be grateful for contributions of cake, candies and preserves to be placed on sale. They may be sent to the Mission House, in care of Sister Mary Gabriel.

THE weekly Friday evening social meetings for the parish, which have been discontinued in Lent, will be resumed in Easter week and will be kept up until the first week of May. The exact nature of the entertainment to be provided at the last of these meetings on Friday, May 6th, will not be divulged until the appearance of the next number of AVE. We hope that St. Joseph's Hall will hold all who will want to come. But, no particulars until April 25th, and no seats reserved in advance!

THE Father Rector will address the Young People's Meeting in St. Joseph's Hall on Sunday, April 3, after Vespers and Benediction. His subject will be "Our Lord and Death."

THE social season of our young people starts up briskly, after the penances of Lent. Two dances have been arranged for the month of April. The Knights of St. Mary have planned for a dance on Monday evening, April 4th, at 8.30 p.m., in St. Joseph's Hall. The girls of the Guild of St. Mary of Nazareth will hold another dance on the evening of Thursday, April 21st, at the same hour and place. Tickets for these dances are fifty cents each. They may be obtained at the office in the vestibule.

ST. Mary's Dramatic Society will present the mediaeval morality play "Everyman" in St. Joseph's Hall on the evening of Thursday, April 7th, at 8.30 p.m., and again on Wednesday, April 13th, at the same hour. Tickets are not sold for these performances. Everyone in the parish is invited to come and to bring friends along with them. A collection will be taken for the Dramatic Society, and the money given will be used for making the stage and equipment of St. Joseph's Hall more fire-proof.

THE Children's Bazaar on Saturday afternoon, April 9th, in part, at least, will be an oriental affair. There will be a snake-charmer who, for a trifling sum, will assert his power over a blind serpent and make him present you with a neatly
wrapped package in his deadly fangs. But, if such a performance would make you uncomfortable, you will be reassured by the other things you will see. A series of tables, each containing articles of the same price (if not of the same value) will remind you of the stores where many of us do a great deal of our shopping. Or, if you tire of our miniature Macy's, you may patronize the poetry-exchange, where, if we may be pardoned the play on words, you may for a song have an opportunity of buying a song about yourself. Other features, too, will compete for your attention. And, hovering about, ready to minister to that five o'clock empty feeling, will be the girls of the Guild of St. Mary of Nazareth, who have secured the refreshment concession at a great price. If you miss all of this, we shall miss you.

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THE Reverend G. D. Rosenthal, Vicar of the Church of St. Agatha, Sparkbrook, in the city and diocese of Birmingham, England, will be the preacher at the High Mass on the second Sunday after Easter, April 10th. Father Rosenthal is visiting this country as the representative of the Catholic Congress movement in England, and he is to preach and speak in a number of leading churches in this country and in Canada during this visit. He is generally regarded as one of the most brilliant speakers in the Church of England and is doubtless already known to some of our readers through his delightful books, “The Measure of our Faith” and “Festival and Fast.” We are particularly fortunate in having him at St. Mary's for his first appearance in this country, and we hope that an unusually large congregation may be on hand that morning to welcome Father Rosenthal.

Later in the month, on the evenings of April 26th and 29th, Father Rosenthal will deliver two lectures at St. Mary's in the church. Further announcements of these lectures, with particulars as to the subjects, will be announced shortly. The offerings at these lectures will be devoted to the support of the Retreat House at Bay Shore, Long Island, which is run by the Sisters of the Holy Nativity.

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THE annual visit of the Bishop will take place on Friday evening, April 15th, at 8 o'clock, when the sacrament of confirmation will be administered.

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FAather Gavin, of the General Theological Seminary, will conduct a short retreat in the church on the afternoon of Sunday, April 17th. While the retreat is especially planned for young people, others will be welcome. The addresses will be at 3, 4 and 5 o'clock.

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RECENT political happenings in India have made that always interesting country an object of even greater interest to the general public. So we are especially glad to be able to announce at this time that on Friday, April 22nd, Mrs. John G. Winant of Concord, New Hampshire, a parishioner of St. Mary's, will deliver an illustrated lecture in St. Joseph's Hall at 8.15 p.m. Mrs. Winant, who is the wife of the Governor of New Hampshire, travelled extensively in India about a year ago, taking a large number of moving pictures of great interest. It is these which we shall be privileged to see on the evening of April 22nd.

Following our usual custom on the parish "Friday Evenings," refreshments will be served after the lecture and then Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be given in the church.
ON the afternoon and evening of Saturday, April 23rd, the Father Rector will conduct a retreat for women, with addresses at 3, 5 and 8 o'clock, concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after the last address. This retreat is designed especially for "women interested in the Religious Life," and will be addressed primarily to women who might conceivably hope to find their life work in a Religious Community. But we trust that this description of the retreat will not unduly frighten those who might otherwise be disposed to make it, but who might fear that they were somehow "committing themselves" by being present. Your presence here on that day will not be construed (we hope) by anyone as meaning that you necessarily will be leaving for a convent next summer, or next winter, or at any definite time. But just as anyone choosing a career would do well to take the time and trouble to consider seriously the various callings or vocations which are open to one, so it follows that many of us who are free to do so might well consider seriously the possibilities of the dedicated life. For those to whom the vocation comes it is a life of great happiness, great blessedness, great usefulness. We hope, therefore, that a goodly number of women, and especially younger women, may come and make this retreat on April 23rd. As supper will be served in St. Joseph's Hall to those making the retreat, we would remind all who plan to come to notify Sister Mary Gabriel of their intention. Please address her at 133 West 46th Street and write before Wednesday, April 20th.

THE parish group of the Church Mission of Help has for a number of years done a splendid work in assisting that organization to extend a helping hand to needy and unfortunate women and girls. Last winter, it will be remembered, our group sponsored a highly artistic and successful recital given at the Waldorf-Astoria for the benefit of the Church Mission of Help.

At the last monthly meeting of the parish group it was voted to change the name of our local organization to the Guild of Help, and to extend its activities so as to include not only the work carried on by the C.M.H., but all other similar work being done under Church auspices for women and girls. This will enable St. Mary's group to continue, for example, as heretofore, its work in connection with women paroled from the Bedford Reformatory, a work which the C.M.H. is no longer able to carry on.

It is hoped that the widening of the scope of the work will attract to its membership a larger number of women in the parish who are interested in social work of this description. All who would like to take part in the activities of the Guild of Help, either by working for the financial support of the Guild's work, or in actual social service, are urged to join. As heretofore, the meetings will be held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 10.30 a.m., in St. Joseph's Hall, after a corporate Communion at the 9.30 Mass.
THE altar flowers for Easter Day and the month of April are given in memory of the following persons:
Annunciation of the B. V. M. High Altar: Martha Fiske.
Lady Chapel: Haley Fiske.
Second Sunday after Easter. Elizabeth Spier Arnold.
Confirmation, April 15. Julia Young.
Third Sunday after Easter. Admiral Vogelgesang.
Guild of All Souls' Jubilee, April 27. Florence Williams.
Fourth Sunday after Easter. G. Craine Arnold.

To our parishioners who have not yet purchased the volume, we commend “The Story of Saint Mary's,” published last year by the Board of Trustees of the parish and edited by Mr. Newbury Frost Read, the Secretary of the Board. This interesting and well-illustrated book covers the history of the parish from its foundation by Father Brown up to the formal installation of the present Rector. We are distressed, from time to time, to find friends and parishioners of St. Mary's who seem never to have heard of the book. Every parishioner should have a copy. The price is but $1.50, and it may be obtained at the tract table in the rear of the church on Sundays after High Mass, or at other times from the parish secretary, Miss Doremus, at the Rector's office. Why not send copies to your friends for Easter?

THE following contributions to AVE are gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. C. Cammann, $10; Mrs. V. T. Cooley, $1; Mrs. Stuart Crockett, $3; J. M. Daniell, $1; Miss F. C. Goodwin, $3; Mrs. H. A. Groesbeck, Jr., $1; Mr. C. Ladd, $1; Miss L. V. Richards, $1; and Mr. C. M. Swan, $1.25.

To some of our readers the pages of AVE must seem a mixture strange indeed—an olla-podrida of things heavenly and things mundane. Untringly, we flit from Church to Hall, from Mass to masques and from afternoon teas to afternoon retreats. But that is because we do not believe in taking the constituent elements of our daily life and sealing them up in air-tight compartments. Worship and communion, fellowship and play, are all in our daily life at St. Mary's and we scramble them all together in AVE. If there is any order at all in the arrangement of our paragraphs, it is a chronological one, so the least alert amongst us may visualize the events of a month in their due course and miss nothing of importance.

Speaking of missing things—the Fathers won't be able to say their offices much longer if people don't stop running off with their breviaries from the Lady Chapel. Mr. Gorham's bookstore at 18 West 45th Street will gladly sell “The Hours of Prayer” for $2.40 a copy to all who may have a fondness for reciting the canonical hours; and the Fathers will as gladly give free lessons in finding the places. But let it be said that stealing things from a church is the sin of sacrilege, and filching from poor religious is—well, we won't say what it is. We suppose that we will have to dig down into our monastic jeans and buy another set of office books all around.
And we may have to resort to the mediaeval practice of chaining books in church, which was done,—not, as you suppose, to keep folks from reading the Bible—but to keep the Bible there so folks could read it!
### KALENDAR FOR APRIL

**THE RESURRECTION**

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### Music List for April

**APRIL 3.—LOW SUNDAY.**

- Mass, “Missae brevis in honorem B. M. V. in monte”. Meurerer
- Motet, “Alleluia-Chor” . . . . . . . Jochum

**VESPERs:**

- Magnificat in G. Howells
- O salutaris (No. 2) . . . . . . Elgar
- Tantum ergo in D . . . . . . Bruckner

**APRIL 10.—SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.**

- Mass in D . . . . . . Dvořák
- Motet, “O salutaris” (Messe solennelle) . . . . . . Duklaken

**VESPERs:**

- Magnificat (Vesperae de confessione) . . . . . . Mozart
- O salutaris (Mass in C) . . . . . . Henshel
- Tantum ergo (No. 3) . . . . . . Schubert

**APRIL 17.—THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.**

- Mass, “Kronungs-Messe” . . . . . . Mozart
- Motet, “Alleluia” . . . . . . Weelkes

**VESPERs:**

- Magnificat in A . . . . . . . Lemare
- O salutaris (Opus 17, No. 3) . . . . . . Kromlicki
- Tantum ergo (five solo voices) . . . . . . Cherubini

**APRIL 24.—FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.**

- Mass in B flat . . . . . . Schubert
- Motet, “Parasti mensam” . . . . . . Leopold Mozart

**VESPERs:**

- Magnificat in G . . . . . . . Lutkin
- O salutaris . . . . . . . Gorno
- Tantum ergo . . . . . . . Hensche

**APRIL 27.—FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GUILD OF ALL SOULS.**

- Mass in D . . . . . . . . . . . Dvořák
- Motet, “Laudate Dominum” (Mass in C) . . . . . . Cherubini
Services

Sundays

Low Mass ........................................ 7 and 8 a.m.
Children's Mass, with hymns ............... 9 a.m.
Low Mass ........................................ 10 a.m.
Matins ........................................... 10:30 a.m.
High Mass, with sermon .................... 11 a.m.
Vespers and Benediction, with sermon .... 8 p.m.

Week Days

Mass, daily ...................................... 7, 8 and 9:30 a.m.
Also on Holy Days of Obligation .......... 6 a.m.
Children's Mass and Catechism, Saturdays 10:30 a.m.
Matins ........................................... 9 a.m.
Vespers and Compline ......................... 6 p.m.

Evening Services and Instructions

Confirmation Instructions (Lady Chapel), Mondays . 6 p.m.
Parish Instruction (St. Joseph's Hall), Fridays . 8:15 p.m.
Benediction, Fridays ......................... 9:30 p.m.
Holy Hour, Thursday, March 31 .......... 8 p.m.

Other Services during the Week, and on Festivals,
    as announced on the preceding Sunday.

The Church is open daily from 6:30 a.m. till 10 p.m.

The Priests of the Church, and the Sisters, are always ready
to answer questions or to give instruction in the Christian religion.
Adults or children can be prepared at any time for First Confession, Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Sacraments and Other Rites

Confessions.
Father Williams, S.S.J.E., Saturdays, 3 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.
Father Dale, S.S.J.E., Saturdays, 3 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.
Father Klein, S.S.J.E., Fridays, 7 to 8 p.m.
Father Peabody, Thursdays, 5 to 6 p.m., Saturdays, 3 to 5 and
    8 to 9 p.m.
A Priest can always be seen daily at 7:30 a.m., upon application.

Baptisms.—Sundays at 3 p.m., by arrangement with the clergy.
    Proper sponsors should be chosen, and the mother should be
    churched.

Marriages are solemnized only after arrangement with the clergy
and after three days' notice has been given. A certificate of
Baptism should be produced by both parties. Those to be
married should, if confirmed, receive Holy Communion. A
nuptial Mass is suggested. It is against God's law to marry
anyone divorced, as long as the other partner is living.
Marriages are not solemnized during Lent, nor on Sundays
or Christmas Day.

Sick Calls, Holy Unction and Communion of the Sick, on application to the clergy; in person, by telephone, or by post.

Burials.—The clergy should always be consulted before any
arrangements are made. The bodies of baptized persons may
be brought to the Chantry of the Church at any time before
the day of the funeral. It is the usual custom at St. Mary's
to have the funeral service a requiem Mass.

Music.—Arrangements for music at weddings or funerals should
be made directly with Mr. Nold, the Director of Music.
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RUTH BURDICK WILLIAMS, Soloist  MARGARET A. GEORGE
LOUISE LANGLAND                JOSEPHINE B. MACNAB
LEONORA HEYMAN                 MATHILDE A. FRAHL

Contraltos
GEORGIA STANDING, Soloist       LULU B. EVANS
ZOË FENTON JONES                RUTH BIEBER

Tenors
LOUIS DORNAY, Soloist           ORIN R. DUDLEY
ALBERT SMITH                    M. F. PFAN

Basses
EDWARD BROMBERG, Soloist        EDWIN W. BRUNTON
SAMUEL A. WHYTE                 JAMES BANKS

Orchestra
ELSA FISCHER, Violin            CONSTANCE VETH, Violoncello
ANNA FRIED, Violin              HERMANN REINSHAGEN, Contrabass
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