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The Rector's Message

AFTER a very wonderful and restful Summer I returned to New York and St. Mary's at the end of August thoroughly refreshed in body and spirit. To all my friends who made possible this vacation abroad, to all those who so kindly remembered me with letters, telegrams, gifts or cards on my departure, to all who so generously conspired together to spare me any anxiety or worry during the Summer, I am most profoundly grateful. It has often been said that the best thing about going away is the returning home again, and I can testify that that is true. It is good to be back at dear St. Mary's; it is good to see again the familiar and well-beloved faces.

I hope that many who read these words have also been able to get away for a measure of rest during the Summer, and that they too feel refreshed and able to take up again the tasks which confront us this Winter. It is good to see and feel that the depressing pessimism which enveloped all of us last Spring, seems to be slowly but surely passing away. This change of attitude and of spirit cannot fail to lead to an improvement in material

conditions in due course. Let us all then with high hopes and good courage look forward to a Winter of real advancement and progress spiritually and materially as well.

Frankle Mercer Williams, 889.6.

THE regular meetings of the various guilds and other parish organizations will be resumed in October. The guilds in the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, contrary to what is often the case in parochial organizations, depend hardly at all upon the clergy. That is as it should be. The Fathers were ordained to minister in holy things—to serve the altar, to dispense the sacraments, to preach and teach. Yet not infrequently much of the energies of priests have to go in what is called "running a parish," which means money-getting, funds-raising, club-management, entertainment, et cetera.

All this must take away from the energy which should be applied to the spiritual side of things, to the high things of our vocation. The Sisters and lay men and women in this parish happily relieve the Fathers of a great deal of strain.

O^N Thursday, October 6, the monthly devotion of the Holy Hour will be resumed. An hour of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with hymns and intercessions, beginning at 8. p. m.

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TN order that he may be easily available to all who desire to see him, the Father Rector has been in the habit of keeping certain office hours each week for this purpose. On Wednesdays from ten to twelve in the morning, and from two to five in the afternoon, and also on Friday mornings from ten to twelve he may be found in his office on the second floor of the Parish House, It would be a help if those who wish to come for interviews would make an appointment beforehand, through the Parish Secretary, Miss Doremus, telephone BRyant 9-0962.

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DURING the Summer, workmen have been busy removing the old organ from the rear of the church and making preparations for the reception of the new and splendid one being built for us. It is expected that the actual installation of the new instrument will begin about the middle of September, and we hope by the time this number of AVE is in your hands that the installation will be well under way. At the present writing it is uncertain just when we shall be able to use the new instrument, but the builders tell us that we may expect that all will be in readiness for the second Sunday in November at the latest. The present arrangements of the choir and organ will therefore have to be continued until that time, and we bespeak the patience of the congregation with these arrangements. The new organ will, we feel sure, be worth waiting for.

Shortly after its installation we hope to have an inaugural recital upon our new organ. The tentative date selected is the evening of Thursday, November seventeenth, on which occasion we hope to have with us as guest one of the most distinguished of American organists. Full announcement of the recital will be made in the next number of AVE.

We hope that our readers will bear in mind the fact that although we have been able to collect enough funds to insure the installation of the organ, it has by no means been paid for in full, nor will the installation when made be complete. There are several more stops which must be added to the instrument to give us all we need and want, and we shall also need a suitable organ case. The Organ Fund is still open and we bespeak for it general interest and generous contributions as our friends are able to make them.

CONTINUING the custom begun last year, the first Sunday in October, falling this year on October second, will be observed as the Dedication Festival of the Church. The Mass of the Feast of the Dedication will be sung, using white vestments, and it is hoped that all our parishioners and friends will make a special effort to be present at High Mass on that day. We shall not be able, on account of the fact that the new organ will not be ready at that time, to have as brilliant music as we would wish, but at least we can bring to this opening service of the new season a good measure of enthusiasm and devotion.

SISTER Mary Gabriel who has served St. Mary's so long and so faithfully, and who has been Sister-in-Charge of the Mission House for some years past will, to our great regret, not be with us again this Winter. She is returning to the Mother House of the Sisters of the Holy Nativity at Fond du Lac for a much needed rest and change. She will be greatly missed, and she will take with her the gratitude and good wishes of her many friends at St. Mary's. We shall also miss Sister Anita who has

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done such excellent work with women Columbia students and who has been assigned elsewhere this season. Sister Mary Virginia, Sister Mary Constance and Sister Bernardine all of whom were with us last Winter will be back again this year, with Sister Mary Virginia in temporary charge. The other sisters who will be with us will be Sister Hildegarde and Sister Mary Louise.

R. MATTHEW IMRIE, a student at the General Theological Seminary, will occupy during the year 1932-33, the place of assistant to Father Klein, filled last year by the Reverend Moorhouse Johnson and the year before by the Reverend Albert Dubois. Mr. Imrie will organize a club for small boys and will also attempt to gather the young men of the parish for meetings of a definitely religious character.

THE season of 1932 at the Summer Home at Keyport although abnormally short, was both happy and profitable. Keyport has a name for being hot, but this year the good God sent us a breeze practically every day. It is an ill wind which blows nobody good and we had reasons, this year, to be grateful for the depression, which has stopped the contamination of the Raritan River and also, apparently, checked garbage dumping. The result has been very pleasant; the water is much clearer and cleaner, and, whereas in the past one could pick up almost a complete meal of decayed vegetables and fruits on the beach (not to mention the fish), this season a poor man would have found it difficult to collect a satisfactory dessert. Already the crabs have returned to Raritan Bay.

Keyport's charm lies in a genteel negligence with regard to appearances. It has old churches, an ancient citizenry, a municipal concert pavilion and undoubtedly a vigorous civic pride; but it cares little or nothing about its water front. For years disabled craft of all sorts have sought a refuge there and found it. One old ferry boat, which the children of a whole generation have called the "banana boat," has lain at an angle in the mud for years. This season Keyport acquired the supreme specimen of its collection, an old four-master from the South which had been converted into a freight vessel and was recently sold as useless and dumped at our back door. We feel sure we shall come to know it very well.

The excellent work done by the Sisters for so many years at the Summer Home has continued and increased. The amount of self-denial they exercise in order that boys and girls may have a good time is incalculable. May they be blessed in this world and in the world to come!

A new feature of our work this year was two excursions to Mantoloking, a summer town a short distance below the upper end of Barnegat Bay. Here there is an extensive public beach of white sand with superior surf bathing and in the Bay one may crab with quick and abundant results.

Father Klein assisted the rector of the parish church in Keyport, the Reverend Morris Derr, by saying Mass and preaching three Sundays in Keyport and one Sunday at the Mission in Keansburg. Father Derr was kind enough to preach at three of the evening services at the Summer Home. Father Klein also addressed the Kiwanis Club at one of its meetings.

An attempt has been made this season to improve the Summer Home grounds. Our property boasts the finest trees in Keyport, but until this year there was little else to make it the beauty spot we should like it to be. Before the Home opened in July, Mrs. Purdy, the caretaker, did considerable planting and during the Summer we built two fish pools, installed several bird houses and set out a few trees and flowering plants. We also made an effort to grow grass but succeeded indifferently. We hope, however, to do a great deal in the future by degrees.

A show, called "Keyport Capers," written (with the exception of the music) by Summer Home people was twice offered for the amusement of small audiences. One song began

"Keyport's an old New Jersey town, Its streets are full of weeds. For years it has been running down; Now to its end it speeds."

and was sung to the tune of Auld Lang Syne. We feared what its effect might be, but the Keyporters who heard it took it in good part. The favorite song was the finale which ran

"Back to New York, back to the daily grind Washing, ironing, scrubbing, with our rent always behind."

This was sung with a will, not only by the chorus of the show, but by the audience as well. Can you guess the tune?

Each person in the parish who has fulfilled his duties as a Catholic during the preceding year is entitled to a two weeks' stay at the Summer Home. In the past, three parties of women, girls and small children have occupied the house during July and the first half of August, and the latter part of the second month has been reserved for a party of men and boys. This year, however, the older boys who had qualified for a vacation were unfortunately few in number. It seemed best, therefore, to allow the boys entitled to do so to go to Keyport while the women and girls were there, rooming, at our expense in various lodging

houses near the grounds. The plan worked out exceedingly well, but as a result the season at the Summer Home was somewhat shorter than it has been in years past. We commend the Home to your prayers at all seasons.

VARIOUS members of the parish have expressed their satisfaction at seeing the sanctuary adorned with a large banner, which was awarded the children last May at the Missionary Offering Presentation Service held in the Cathedral. The children are about to embark upon a new venture, a Pre-Christmas Bazaar, to be held in December, and Father Klein has written a number of letters in which he asks for contributions. We feel confident that these requests will receive a generous response.

THIS year the Saturday Mass and catechism for children at 10:30 a.m. will continue, but there will be no catechism on Sunday after the 9 o'clock Mass. Instead a ten-minute instruction will be given from the pulpit. This is intended not only for the children and young people but also for all those who wish to be taught in the Catholic religion.

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OUR Friday evening social and devotional hour, discontinued during the Summer months will be resumed in October, commencing on Friday evening, October seventh. It will be held in St. Joseph's Hall and will begin at eight-fifteen. The Fathers have been much encouraged by the interest displayed in these

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Friday evening meetings, and by the good attendance at them. They offer us a unique opportunity for gathering with fellow-parishioners and other friends of St. Mary's and of getting acquainted one with another. It is a misfortune of our city life that we can go on for years living close to neighbors whom we never get to know. This is likely to be true even of our neighbors in the church, and these Friday evenings present a means of overcoming this undesirable condition. Brief devotions are followed by a short lecture or talk by one of the Fathers, or by some invited speaker; then follow light refreshments, a few moments of social intercourse, the whole concluding with Benediction in the Church.

On Friday, October seventh, the speaker will be the Father Rector who will deliver the first of what he hopes may be a series of talks about his Summer travels. The first lecture will be on Sicily, probably about the fascinating and romantic city of Palermo. It will be an illustrated lecture, for by the kindness of one of our parishioners, St. Joseph's Hall now boasts a thoroughly modern projection lantern as part of its equipment. So don't forget Friday, October the seventh.

ALTAR flowers during the month of October are given in memory of the following persons:

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Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity. Virginia W. Blanchard.

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity. Everett Vincent Thomas and Ina Maine Thomas.

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity. Thomas Coit Fanning and Cornelia Lane Fanning.

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity. Augustus Christina, August Nulle and Rose Adlum.

St. Simon and St. Jude. Jane Wilson and Margaret Wilson.

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KALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

- 1. Sa. St. Remigius, Bp. of Rheims, C. (c.532).
- ★ 2. Su. DEDICATION OF CHURCH, Com. of Trinity XIX and of the Holy Guardian Angels. The regular schedule of Sunday and week-day services is resumed today.
 - 3. M. Feria. Votive Mass of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, V. 8 a. m.
 - 4. Tu. St. Francis of Assisi, C. (1226).
 - 5. W. Feria. Chantry Mass, 7. a. m.
 - Th. St. Bruno, Ab. of Grande Chartreuse, C. (1101). Com. of St. Faith, V.M. at Agen in Aquitaine (c. 286). Holy Hour, 8 p. m.
 - 7. F. Feria. Votive of the Sacred Heart. Abstinence.
 - 8. Sa. St. Bridget of Sweden, W. (1373).
- 9. Su. TRINITY XX. Com. of St. Denys (Bp.) and Companions, MM. at Paris (c. 286).
 - 10. M. Feria. Chantry Mass, 8 a. m.
 - 11. Tu. Feria.
 - 12. W. Feria. Votive Mass for the Sick, 9:30 a. m.
 - 13. Th. St. Edward, K. and Confessor. (1066).
 - 14. F. Feria. Abstinence.
 - 15. Sa. St. Teresa of Avila, V., Carmelite (1582).
- ₹16. Su. TRINITY XXI.
- 17. M. St. Etheldreda, V., Abbess at Ely (697).
- 18. Tu. ST. LUKE, EVANGELIST.
- 19. W. St. Frideswide, V., Abbess at Oxford (c. 735).
- 20. Th. Feria. Votive of the Blessed Sacrament.
- 21. F. St. Hilarion, Ab. in Palestine. C. (371). Abstinence.
- 22. Sa. Feria. Votive of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- ₹23. Su. TRINITY XXII.
- 24. M. Feria. Chantry Mass, 9:30 a. m.
- 25. Tu. St. Crispin and St. Crispinian, MM. at Soissons (c. 285).
- 26. W. Feria.
- 27. Th. Vigil.
- 28. F. ST. SIMON AND ST. JUDE, APOSTLES. Abstinence.
- 29. Sa. Feria.
- ¥30. Su. OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING. Com. of Trinity XXIII.
 - 31. M. Vigil of All Saints.

Days indicated by * are days of precept, with an obligation of attendance at Mass. Days on which votive and requiem Masses may be said are printed in italics.

Music List for October

OCTOBER 2.—The Feast of the Dedication.
Mass, "Neunte-Messe"
Vespers: Magnificat in B flat
OCTOBER 9.—Twentieth Sunday After Trinity.
Mass in D
Vespers: Magnificat, Tone II with faux bourdons
OCTOBER 16.—TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.
Mass, "Missa Misericordias Domini"
Vespers: Magnificat in E (Men's voices)
OCTOBER 23.—TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.
Mass, "Missa festiva"
VESPERS: Magnificat in E minor
OCTOBER 30 THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING.
Mass in honor of St. Clare of Assissi* Refice Motet, "Christum Regem adoremus"
Vespers: Magnificat in G
* First time.

Services

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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	serr	non				. 8 p.m.

WEEK DAYS

Mass, d	aily		•			•	•		7,8	and 9	9:30	a.m.
Also on	Hol	y D	ays	of (Oblig	atio	n.		•		6	a.m.
Children	's M	Iass	and	Cat	echis	m,	Satu	rdays		10	0:30	a.m.
Matins								•			9	a.m.
Vespers											6	p.m.

EVENING SERVICES AND INSTRUCTIONS

Parish Instruction (St.	Joseph's	Hall),	Fridays	•	8:15 p.m.
Benediction, Fridays					9:30 p.m.
Holy Hour, Thursday,	October	6 .			. 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 9 p.m.

The Priests of the Church 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.

Parish Guilds and Organizations

All persons who come regularly to the Church of St. Mary the Virgin are urged to ally themselves with one of the Guilds and thus take their share in the work of the Church and its missionary activities. Any inquiries concerning each particular Guild may be addressed to the Chaplain, who will gladly give information.

- THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.—Second Fridays, Corporate Communion, 9:30 a.m. Business Meeting, 10:30 a.m. The FATHER RECTOR, Chaplain.
- St. Mary's Guild.—For making and care of vestments. Working meetings, Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Corporate Communion, second Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. Monthly business meeting, 10:30 a.m. The Father Rector, Chaplain.
- GUILD OF St. Mary of the Cross.—Works for the support of St. Mary's Summer Home, Keyport, New Jersey. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Monthly devotional meeting, third Wednesdays, 8:30 p.m. Father Klein, Chaplain.
- Guild of St. Mary of Nazareth.—For Young Women. Sewing and Games, Tuesdays, 8 p.m. Monthly devotional meeting, second Tuesdays, 9:30 p.m. Father Klein, Chaplain.
- Guild of Help.—For Social Service among women and girls. Corporate Communion, fourth Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.. Business meeting, 10:30 a.m. The FATHER RECTOR, Chaplain.
- St. Mary's Dramatic Society.—Father Dale, Chaplain.
- Guild of St. Vincent.—For Altar Servers. Second Tuesdays, 8 p.m. Father Dale, Chaplain.
- CHURCH SCHOOL.—Saturdays, Children's Mass and Catechism, 10.30 a.m. Sundays, Children's Mass, 9 a.m. FATHER KLEIN, Director.

- FRIDAY EVENING PARISH SOCIAL HOUR.—Instruction or lecture, in St. Joseph's Hall, every Friday, 8:15 p.m., followed by refreshments. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church, 9:30 p.m.
- WILLIAM EDWARD JONES MEMORIAL LENDING LIBRARY.—In the Sisters' Mission House there is available a collection of books in theology, apologetics, ecclesiastical history, religious biography and devotional literature. Books may be borrowed for home-reading. Hours: Week-days, 4 to 6 p.m. Sundays, half-an-hour after High Mass and before Vespers.

Devotional Guilds

- Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament.—St. Mary's Ward. Monthly meeting at the Holy Hour, Thursdays before first Fridays, 8 p.m. Father Dale, Chaplain.
- Guild of All Souls.—St. Mary's Ward. Monthly meeting at the Holy Hour, Thursdays before first Fridays, 8 p.m. FATHER DALE, Chaplain.
- LIVING ROSARY OF OUR LADY AND ST. DOMINIC.—St. Mary's Ward Monthly Meeting at the Holy Hour, Thursdays before first Fridays, 8 p.m. FATHER DALE, Chaplain.

Other Organizations

- Fellowship of St. John.—Prayer and work for the Society of St. John the Evangelist. Meetings, as announced. Corporate Communions, December 27th and May 6th. The Father Rector, Chaplain.
- Associates of the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity.— Prayer and work for the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity. Meetings, as announced. Corporate Communion, first Fridays, 8 a.m., in the Sisters' Chapel in the Mission House.
- GUILD OF ST. CATHERINE OF GENOA.—A non-parochial Guild for Graduate and Student Nurses. Tea and social meeting, second Sundays, in St. Joseph's Hall, 7 p.m. Retreats and other meetings, as announced. For further information, application should be made to SISTER MARY VIRGINIA, S.H.N., Directress.

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