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A Merry Christmas to All

IT will be less merry in some circles than in others; and, of course, it will be more merry in others than it will be in some; and so the law of compensation, or whatever it is, will work out about as usual.

Having a good time is to some extent a matter of circumstance, to some extent a matter of determination, and, in a considerable degree, it depends on discipline. There was one determined mother who took her small son to a Christmas festival at the church. The son was small, and the festival was a little large. The disproportion depressed the spirits of the boy. He looked upon the decorations and he looked upon the multitude, and, in boyish imagination he pictured the places where he would prefer to be.

His eyes moistened, his tongue quavered, and a small cry of displeasure leaked from him. His mother was not wanting in determination, or in experience. She was what we might call a professional parent. Discipline was second, or perhaps even first nature to her. She seized her small son, and she plopped him down in a seat, with this injunction,

"You sit where you're sot. I brung you here to have a good time. Now you have it!"

And he did have a good time. However, we hope that all Christmas joy will not come in so tight bound a package. Some of it we trust will be reasonably ebullient.

GREAT astonishment is waiting for anyone who will but pay attention and follow the recipe given in an old book whose title is: Ye Miracles of ye Seasons, or ye Artless Precipitation of ye Greate Astonishments.

Now listen to this:

"Whosoever on ye nighte of ye nativity of ye young Lord Jesus, in ye greate snows, shall fare forth bearing a succulent bone for ye loste and lamenting hounde, a wisp of hay for ye shivering horse, a cloak of warm raiment for ye stranded wayfarer, a bundle of fagots for ye twittering crone, a flagon of red wine for him whose marrow withers, a garland of bright berries for one who has worn chains, gay arias of lute and harp for all huddled birds who thought that song was dead, and divers lush sweetmeats for such babes' faces as peer from lonely windows—

"To him shall be proffered and returned gifts of such an astonishment as will rival the hues of the peacock and the harmonies of heaven, so that though he live to ye greate age when man goes stopping and querulous because of the nothing that is left in him, yet shall he walk upright and remembering, as one whose heart shines like a greate star in his breaste."

Again do we wish you a Merry Christmas, one and all. And a Happy New Year, too!

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THE beginning of the new year is always a very solemn time, and as we go about wishing one another a Happy New Year, it seems to be almost a sign that we feel it so. It is as if people walking in the dark, on a strange road, kept calling to one another to keep up their courage, for we are in one sense in the dark, and on a strange road. We do not feel where it is leading us, we do not see one step on the onward way, and we want to be cheered by those around us. And we want more than this, we want a guide. Our Lord Himself has promised to be our Guide, and we

all know where our Home is. "Lord, Thou has been our dwelling

place from all generations." Lord, Thou has been my dwelling

place; so we can be folded in and in, closer to the inmost sanctuary, closer to the Heart of Love. Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place; make us even now and in this life at home with Thee.

CONFESSIONS in the church before Christmas:

Wednesday, December 20: 4.30 to 5.30 p.m., (Fr Peabody),

Thursday, December 21: 4.30 to 5.30 p.m., (Fr Otis).

Friday, December 22:

4.30 to 5.30 p.m., (Fr Williams and Fr Dale).

7 to 8 p.m., (Fr Otis and Fr Peabody).

8 to 9 p.m., (Fr Dale).

Saturday, December 23: 11 a.m. to 12 m., (Fr Dale).

12 m. to 1 p.m., (Fr Peabody).

3 to 6 p.m., (Fr Williams, Fr Dale and Fr Peabody).

8 to 9 p.m., (Fr Williams, Fr Dale, Fr Otis and Fr Peabody).

Sunday, December 24:

8 to 9 p.m., (Fr Williams, Fr Dale and Fr Peabody).

A CCORDING to some people it is morbid to confess one's sins. Rather, we should say that the morbid thing is not to confess them. The morbid thing is to conceal your sins and let them eat your heart out, which is the unhappy state of most people in highly civilized communities. We hear of children, and grown-ups too, being told to resist their mad and diseased impulse to confess all their sins. American children and their parents seem to struggle with that impulse fairly nobly as it is. Indeed, this hiding of ugly things is the whole disease of modern life. The whole peril of our public life is that so much of it is private life.

Come and make a good confession, and make your heart and soul a worthy dwelling for the Christ Child in your Christmas Communion.

THE services on Christmas Eve (December 24) will be the usual services of Sunday,—Low Masses at 7, 8 and 10, a Missa Cantata at 9, and High Mass at 11. Solemn Evensong will be sung at 6 o'clock, followed by a Christmas instruction and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Confessions will be heard from 8 to 9 p.m., after which the church will be closed for two hours. At 11 p.m., the Forty-sixth Street doors will be open for the midnight Mass which begins promptly at 12 o'clock. Holy Communion will be given at this Mass.

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BOTH from the pulpit and in print we have given due notice that admittance to the midnight Mass of Christmas will be by ticket only, to be obtained in advance. These tickets, each admitting one person, may still be obtained in person or by mail upon application to the Parish Secretary, 145 West 46th Street, New York. They are not being sent to the general mailing list of parishioners. One must apply for them.

HOLY Mass and Communion on Christmas Day (December 25), at 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 a.m. Solemn High Mass, with sermon by the Father Rector at 11 a.m. Second Evensong of Christmas at 6 o'clock, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

The church will be closed at 7 p.m. on December 25th.

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THE Christmas tree and party for the children of the Catechism will be held on the afternoon of Holy Innocents' Day (Thursday, December 28), at 4 o'clock in St Joseph's Hall. The parents and friends of the children are cordially invited to come at that hour for some little Christmas plays in which the children will act. THE Christmas play proposed by the Dramatic Society for the evening of December 29th will not be given. A great deal of work went into the preparation and presentation of Doctor Faustus which was given late in November, and the time between then and Christmas seems too limited for our actors to prepare another really worthy play for the holiday season. We shall all miss this customary feature of our Christmas observance; but, in its place, the Father Rector will give an illustrated lecture in St Joseph's Hall on Friday, December 29, at 8.15 p.m. His subject will be "Cologne—the Rome of the North." Mr Nold has promised us a little musical program after the lecture.

THE Reverend Dr Bernard Iddings Bell will be the preacher at High Mass on December 31st.

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THE annual recital of Christmas carols and art songs by the choir of St Mary's will follow the six o'clock evensong on the Sunday after Christmas,—December 31st. The program appears elsewhere in this number of AVE.

THE Friday abstinence from flesh meat is dispensed on the two Fridays in Christmas-tide,—December 29 and January 5.

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JANUARY 1. Feast of the Circumcision. Low Masses at 6, 7, 8 and 9.30 a.m. High Mass with sermon at 11 a.m. As New Year's Day is a public holiday, the church will be closed at 1 p.m. for the remainder of the day.

FEAST of the Epiphany, January 6. Low Masses at 7 and 8 a.m. Sung Mass at 9.30 a.m.

THERE will be given, in this church, a series of Monday evening lectures in the month of January under the auspices of the Catholic Laymen's Club of New York. These addresses will be made by distinguished priests on subjects pertinent to the Catholic Faith. The lectures will begin at 8.15 p.m., and conclude at 9 o'clock. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will then follow. A collection will be taken each time to help defray the incidental expenses.

The speakers and their topics are as follows:

Monday, January 8. "Is the Episcopal Church Catholic?"

The Reverend Leicester Crosby Lewis, Ph.D., Rector of St Martin's-in-the-Fields, Philadelphia.

Monday, January 15. "The Value of the Sacraments."

The Reverend Father Joseph, Superior of the Order of St Francis.

Monday, January 22. "The Discipline of the Catholic Church."

The Reverend Shirley Carter Hughson, Superior of the Order of the Holy Cross.

These lectures are open to the general public. All of St Mary's friends and parishioners are urged to come and bring their friends.

WE are happy to announce a series of three organ recitals to be given in the church during the month of January by E. Power Biggs, the distinguished English organist. The dates are January 10, 17 and 24,—Wednesday evenings, at 8.30. Mr Biggs received the major part of his training in London with, among others, G. D. Cunningham, the famous concert organist, and Dr Stanley Marchant, organist of St Paul's Cathedral. He is an associate of the Royal College of Organists and of the Royal Academy of Music, and has played many recitals in London and other parts of England, and in the United States. During December Mr Biggs is playing a series of programs on the great organ in the new chapel of Harvard College.

No tickets will be required for the recitals at St Mary's, but a collection will be taken during each program, the proceeds of

which will go to the Rector's fund for parish relief. Mr Biggs will play an all Bach program on January 10, and his programs for the other two Wednesdays will include compositions by Franck, Dupré, Vierne, Reubke and others.

WE hope that a great many of our parishioners and friends will get Thursday, January 25, into their diaries at once. That will be the date for the annual parish dinner in St Joseph's Hall. It will begin at 6.30 p.m. The tickets are one dollar each. The dinner, as usual, is for the benefit of St Mary's Summer Home at Keyport, New Jersey.

ON the Friday evenings of January, the Father Rector will give another series of illustrated travel lectures in St Joseph's Hall at 8.15, taking for his subjects a number of German towns which he and Father Dale visited last summer: (January 5), Freudenstadt and the Black Forest; (January 12), Speyer and Mainz; (January 19), Heidelberg; and (January 26), Aix-la-Chapelle.

THE Knights of St Mary welcome all boys of St Mary's to their membership. At the present time there is a special opportunity for boys of about the ages of fifteen to eighteen, as a junior basket ball team is being formed for them. Meetings are held on Monday and Thursday evenings at 8 o'clock in the gymnasium on the third floor of the parish house, 145 West 46th Street.

OUR new banner of the Blessed Virgin was designed by Mr Geoffrey Webb, a noted English architect, and was executed for us in the embroidery-room of the Sisters of Bethany, Lloyd Square, London. For his figure of Our Lady, Mr Webb has drawn his inspiration from the vision of St John the Divine in the Apocalypse, xii, 1: "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars." Dressed in a deep rose coloured gown and enveloped in an ermine-lined golden mantle, Our Lady holds up before her the Christ Child with His hands extended in blessing. From behind the figure of the Madonna the rays of the sun reach out in every direction, representing divine charity and lighting up with rosy tints the conventionalized clouds on which Our Lady stands. The silver crescent of the moon under her feet represents chastity. The words of an antiphon from the Little Office of Our Lady, "I am the Mother of fair love," embroidered on the blue damask of the banner, sum up the whole motif of the composition.

ST Mary's Guild is making a processional banner which will be used in a united service of the Church Mission of Help groups, to be held at St Thomas' Church, Fifth Avenue, on Sunday, January 21st, at 4 p.m. Our own parish Guild of Help will join in this service. The preacher will be the Reverend Julian D. Hamlin, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston.

THE next monthly meeting of the Guild of St Catherine of Genoa for graduate and student nurses will be held on Sunday, January 14th. At 4.45 p.m., there will be an address in the Lady Chapel by Father Otis, followed by a social meeting and tea in St Joseph's Hall.

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BEGINNING with the new year, the following times are designated as the regular Communion days for various guilds and organizations connected with St Mary's, either directly or

indirectly. It is our hope that the members will come on the assigned days, whenever possible, and join in a corporate Communion. In many instances this is provided for in the rule of the guild.

First Sundays, 9 a.m.
Guild of St Vincent
Knights of St Mary
Guild of St Mary of the Cross
Guild of St Mary of Nazareth
Guild of St Mary of the Angels (confirmed)
The Catechism (confirmed)

First Mondays, 8 a.m.

Associates of the Holy Nativity (Mission House)
Associates of Community of St Mary (St Joseph's Chapel)

First Fridays, 7 and 8 a.m.

Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament

Second Wednesdays, 9.30 a.m. St Mary's Guild

Second Fridays, 9.30 a.m. Woman's Auxiliary

Third Fridays, 7 and 8 a.m. Guild of All Souls

Fourth Wednesdays, 7 and 8 a.m. Associates of S.S.J.E. and Fellowship of St John

Fourth Thursdays, 9.30 a.m. Guild of Help

Fourth Saturdays, 7 and 8 a.m. Living Rosary

THE Father Rector will give four public instructions in the church in preparation for the sacrament of confirmation. The dates will be February 19 and 26 and March 5 and 12. These instructions are intended to be supplementary to private instructions which may be arranged with any of the clergy. The date of the bishop's visitation to St Mary's is set for Friday, March 16. Any persons who wish to be prepared for confirmation should speak to one of the Fathers very soon.

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THE altar flowers during the month of January are given in memory of the following:

January 1. The Circumcision. Henry Miller Bolton.

January 6. The Epiphany. Elizabeth Wyman Aldrich.

January 14. Second Sunday after Epiphany. George Harding.

January 21. Third Sunday after Epiphany. Everett Vincent Thomas and Ina Maine Thomas.

Of your charity, pray for the happy repose of their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed.

WITH this number we begin the third year of AVE. It is our aim to send the little magazine to each family in the parish and to a number of other friends of St Mary's who like to be informed of what is going on in the parish. To all such we are glad to send it quite gratis. If you appreciate getting it, please keep the Secretary informed of your new address whenever you move. Each month a considerable number of copies is returned, marked "Moved—address unknown." As we are not especially gifted with clairvoyance, we are sometimes unable to discover your new abode, and your name has to be dropped from our mailing list. We are always glad to reinstate it, if you will but let us know.

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The Rector's Message

THE Church of God is primarily a spiritual organization, whose object is to be a means of bringing the grace of God to the soul of the individual believer. God's great gift of salvation to us men, first made manifest in its fulness when the holy child Jesus was born on the first Christmas Day, is a free gift of love, open to all "without money and without price." To attempt to charge men for this free gift of God on the one hand, or to suppose that the gifts of God can be purchased for money on the other, is to fall into the great sin of simony. (See Acts, viii, 9-24). But, like everything else in this present world, the Church, though primarily a spiritual organization, has also its material side. There are buildings to be maintained; services to be kept going; missionaries, priests, sisters and other workers, who must be provided with their living; and all sorts of other things-light, heat, repairs—to be provided for. All these things cost money, and to run a great parish in a modern American city like New York is, unavoidably, a very expensive thing. When income falls off, unnecessary expenses must be curtailed, or else the parish must sooner or later go out of business.

The Church of St Mary the Virgin is not exempt from this necessity of financial support, which must largely come from those who worship here and value its privileges and its services. Unfortunately, the idea seems not uncommon that this parish is a rich parish with very large endowments and that, therefore, the question of parish support by the individual is of less importance than in the case of poorer parishes. "What good," some one asks, "can the little that I can afford to give, do? My ten cents, my quarter, or even the dollar which is all I can afford to contribute each week—what difference can that make?" The answer is that it makes all the difference in the world. Should our friends and

communicants cease to give freely and regularly to the support of the parish, in accordance with their means, then we should have to close our doors at once.

St Mary's does have endowments, due to the generosity of former parishioners and friends; but St Mary's is quite unable to do business on its endowments. These, like every other source of fixed income, have shrunk appreciably during the past difficult vears. As a result, retrenchments have been necessary. Salaries have been reduced; the choir has had to be made smaller; the orchestra which for so many years has been a feature of our winter services has had to be temporarily abandoned, save for the great festal days. Still more serious, our gifts for the missionary work of the general Church, which had been steadily rising in amount during the past few years, have suffered a sharp curtailment. It seems only fair to write plainly the reason of these things, since we have heard rumours that the customary music had been altered or abandoned simply because of some whim of the Rector or of the Choir Director, because "every one knows there is a special endowment at St Mary's for the grand music, the great Masses with orchestral accompaniment." Unfortunately, there is no such endowment,—the music is not endowed at all. The music, like everything else, is dependent upon your regular giving to St Mary's according to your ability through a definite weekly pledge. Sporadic giving is of little use in planning the budget.

All of you have received, or will receive shortly, pledge cards for the coming year accompanied by a letter from your Rector. Please believe that it is of the greatest importance that the pledge cards be filled out in a generous spirit and returned at the earliest possible moment in the addressed envelope that was sent with them. The amount of the pledge is a secondary consideration, the spirit of self-sacrifice will be what gives the pledge its value. The

widow's mite was most precious in the sight of God. The rich man is required, according to his ability, to give much, much more.

While we plead thus for a generous response to the needs of our parish, it must also be understood that we wish no one to stay away from St Mary's for lack of funds. Those who really have nothing, or but little to give must never feel cut off from their parish life because of this fact. It has long been our custom to take up a collection at every Mass in the church, but we hope that no one will feel embarrassed if sometimes he can contribute nothing.

In the same way we strive to provide through the Church for opportunities of social recreation and spiritual refreshment for our people. There are organ recitals, plays and lectures in St Joseph's Hall, retreats and other similar gatherings. For these there are never any fixed charges, nor are tickets sold,—simply because we wish all to know that they are welcome whether they be rich or poor. Indeed, a special welcome to God's house awaits the poor and those in difficult circumstances; and, though opportunities are usually given for any to contribute to the expenses of the gathering, such gifts are always and entirely voluntary.

As we contemplate the wonder and beauty of God's gift of Himself to us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem, surely in return our hearts will be filled with gratitude to Him. Let us bring to Him what we have. If He has prospered us in material ways, let us try to be generous, as He is generous. If we can bring nothing else, let us bring Him a heart full of love; for that is a gift that is always pleasing to the Christ Child.

Framille Mercer Williams 89.6.

From the Parish Register

BAPTISMS

"As many of you as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ."

- November 2 Shirley Ann Tynes (Infant).
 - 19 Robert Campbell Avery, Jr. (Infant).
 - 26 Robert William Piehl (Infant).

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

November 1 Francis Eymard Pierre Whitehouse and Lucille Edith White.

BURIALS

"Grant them, O Lord, eternal rest, and may light perpetual shine upon them."

- November 11 José Bornn.
 - 14 Sara Zoufé.
 - 20 John George Rappel.

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The Moveable Feasts

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EMBER DAYS

Spring. February 21st, 23rd and 25th.

Summer. May 23rd, 25th and 26th.

Autumn. September 19th, 21st and 22nd.

Winter. December 19th, 21st and 22nd.



Time is God's measure to mete out,
When comes our last sad day,
How little we have learned to love,
How little still to pray.
Then pray, sweet soul, and love thy Lord,
Nor be ashamed to see
Time's measure of thy brief life here—
Which means Eternity.

L. E. D. G.

Kalendar for January, 1934

×	1.	M.	THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD.
	2.	Tu.	Octave of St Stephen. Com. of Octave of St John.
	3.	W.	Octave of St John the Evangelist.
	4.	Th.	Octave of Holy Innocents.
	5.	F.	Vigil of Epiphany.
	6.	Sa.	THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD.
X	7.	Su.	SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY.
	8.	M.	In Octave.
	9.	Tu.	In Octave.
	10.	W.	In Octave.
	11.	Th.	In Octave.
	12.	F.	In Octave. Abstinence.
	13.	Sa.	Octave of the Epiphany.
X	14.	Su.	EPIPHANY II. Com. of St Hilary, Bp of Poictiers, C., D.
	15.	М.	St Paul the first Hermit, C. Com. of St Maurus, Ab., C.
	16.		Feria. Chantry Masses.
			St Anthony, Ab., C.
	18.	Th.	St Prisca, V.M.
	19.	F.	Feria. Chantry Masses, 7 and 8 a.m. Abstinence.
	20.	Sa.	SS Fabian and Sebastian, MM.
X	21.		EPIPHANY III. Com. of St Agnes, V.M.
	22.	М.	St Vincent, Deacon, M.
	23.		Feria. Chantry Mass, 9.30.
	24.	W.	St Timothy, Bp., M.
	25.	Th.	CONVERSION OF ST PAUL. Com. of St Peter.
	26.	F.	St Polycarp, Bp of Smyrna, M. Abstinence.
	27.	Sa.	St John Chrysostom, Archbp of Constantinople, C., D.
X	28.		SEPTUAGESIMA.
	29.		St Francis de Sales, Bp of Geneva, C., D.
	30.		Feria.
	31.	w.	Feria. Votive Mass of King Charles the Martyr, 7 a.m.

Days indicated by A 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 Christmas and January

^{*} First time.

Music List, continued

JANUARY 1.—The Circumcision of the Lord.
Mass, "Neunte-Messe"
JANUARY 7.—SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY,
Mass in G
Evensong: Magnificat, Tone II, with faux bourdons Willan Nunc dimittis, Tone III, with faux bourdons Willan
JANUARY 14.—EPIPHANY II.
Mass in G
Evensong: Magnificat and Nunc dimittis
JANUARY 21.—EPIPHANY III.
Mass, "Messe solennelle de Ste. Cécile"
Evensong: Magnificat, Tone VI, with faux bourdons Whitlock Nunc dimittis, Tonus peregrinus, with faux bourdons . Whitlock
JANUARY 28.—Septuagesima Sunday.
Mass in C
Evensong: Magnificat and Nunc dimittis (Short Service) Byrd

Services

Sundays
Low Mass 7 and 8 a.m.
Sung Mass, with address 9 a.m.
Low Mass
Matins 10:30 a.m.
High Mass, with sermon
Evensong and Benediction, with instruction 6 p.m.
Week Days
Mass, daily 7,8 and 9:30 a.m.
Also on Holy Days of Obligation 6 a.m. and 12 noon
Children's Mass and Catechism, Saturdays 9:30 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, Saturdays 5 to 6 p.m.
Other Services during the Week, and on Festivals, as announced on the preceding Sunday.
The Church is open week-days from 6:30 a.m. till 9 p.m. On Sundays, until 7:30 p.m.
Adults or children can be prepared at any time for First Con- fession, 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 Otis, S.S.J.E., Thursdays, 4.30 to 5.30 p.m., and Fridays, 7 to 8 p.m.

Father Peabody, 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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